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MEMORY MATTERS UTAH/NEVADA OFFERS FRONTOTEMPORAL DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP

ST. GEORGE, UT — August 16, 2017 — Memory Matters Utah/Nevada in conjunction with The Association for Frontotemporal Degeneration (AFTD) will offer a frontal temporal dementia support group on Monday, September 11, 2017 from 12:30 – 1:30 pm at the St. George Library located at 88 W 100 S, St George, UT 84770.

Bonnie Shephard, who sits on the national board for AFTD, will be facilitating the support group. The support group is free and open to anyone caring for someone with this type of dementia. FTD, commonly referred to as frontotemporal dementia, fronto-temporal lobar degeneration (FTLD), or Picks disease is distinct from other forms of dementia in two important ways: FTD is a gradual, progressive decline in behavior and/or language (with memory usually relatively preserved); and onset of FTD often occurs in a person's 50s and 60s, but has been seen as early as 21 and as late as 80 years of age. While there are currently no treatments to slow or stop the progression of the disease, FTD research is expanding, producing greater understanding of the disorders.

For more information about the support group, contact Memory Matters Utah/Nevada at 435-319-0407 or email info@memorymattersutah.org.

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