

## Case Study Discussion

### Scenario Five

Deepa\* was an 85-year old lady who had been admitted to the medical ward with a urinary infection. Deepa has dementia and when it came to meal times she refused food, telling staff that she should be the one giving out the food (she had previously been a waitress). Staff therefore did not give her the food (as Deepa had insisted). Later when Deepa was hungry, the staff did not have food to give her.

Consider:

How would Deepa be feeling?

How would the staff be feeling?

How well were her needs attended to?

What would you have done differently?

[NB \* Deepa is the patient's first name and her preferred name by which she is called by staff]