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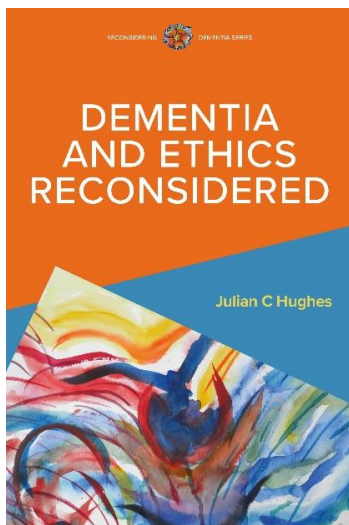
An approach to ethics and persons with dementia

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This talk is about ethics and dementia. I shall, first, outline an approach to thinking about ethical issues in dementia (and more broadly too). This relies on the notion of patterns of practice, which I shall explain. I shall use patterns of practice to elucidate certain dilemmas that people face in the context of dementia. Secondly, I shall emphasize the importance of how we think about people who live with a diagnosis of dementia. I wish to characterize persons (with or without dementia) as situated embodied agents. I've called this the SEA view of personhood. I hope to show how this view of people with dementia impinges on particular topics that arise in dementia care.



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