## Karen Johnson, CDS

Ms. Johnson is a health care professional providing services to families as they were caring for aging parents and has been a Physical Therapist for the past 36yrs. She has worked in acute care, rehab, and home care settings, working to assist people to function within the home setting independently and safely allowing them to age in place.

She is a Dementia Care Specialist, certified through the International Association of Aging Specialist

Her caregiving journey began in 2003 with her finding herself in the role as the child managing parents when mother-in-law was diagnosed with Alzheimer's dementia. In 2013, her father-in-law was diagnosed with vascular dementia. Events progressed and she shifted to care manager when she and her husband placed them in an Assisted Living Facility after a third senior scam. Her father-in-law passed away in Jan 2019, and her mother-in-law is still in a facility requiring total care at the present time. She and her husband continue serving as care managers for her.