



COVID-19

Prevalence, management, and outcomes of SARS-CoV-2 infections in older people and those with dementia in mental health wards in London, UK: a retrospective observational study Patients in psychiatric inpatient settings who were admitted without known SARS-CoV-2 infection had a high risk of infection with SARS-CoV-2 compared with those in the community and had a higher proportion of deaths from COVID-19 than in the community.

Impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on hospital care for people with dementia Following consultation with stakeholders the National Audit of Dementia team examined how the pandemic had affected inpatient care for people with dementia and to identify examples of good practice.

Randomised Controlled Trials

Supporting good quality, community-based end-of-life care for people living with dementia: the SEED research programme including feasibility RCT The overall aim of this programme was to support professionals to deliver good-quality, community-based care towards, and at, the end of life for people living with dementia and their families. Though the dementia nurse specialist intervention was acceptable, feasible and integrated well with existing care, it is unlikely to reduce costs of care; however, it was highly valued by all stakeholders (professionals, people with dementia and their families) and has the potential to influence outcomes at both an individual and a systems level.

Effect of Spatial Disorientation in a Virtual Environment on Gait and Vital Features in Patients with Dementia: Pilot Single-Blind Randomized Control Trial This study presents the first feasibility outcomes of a study investigating the viability of using a sophisticated VR setup, based on an earlier real-world navigation study, to study spatial disorientation among cognitively healthy older people and people with dementia. Preliminary outcomes give confidence to the notion that our setup can be used to assess motion and physiological markers of disorientation, even in people with cognitive decline.

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Report

Alzheimer's Disease International, Global Coalition on Aging and Lien Foundation launch new Dementia Innovation Readiness Index focused on city-level responses to dementia This report was produced in collaboration with the Global Coalition on Aging (GCOA) and the Lien Foundation and focuses on city-level innovation readiness to dementia in 30 major cities globally.







Assessment Tools

The King's Fund environmental assessment tools 2020 editions In 2014 The King's Fund developed a suite of dementia friendly environmental assessment tools for use across health and care settings. The 2020 editions have now been updated by the Association for Dementia Studies, University of Worcester, to reflect the latest research evidence, best practice and survey responses from those who have used the tools in practice.

<u>Studies</u>

Working may improve quality of life for carers of people with dementia The study shows that individual characteristics such as a carer's self-esteem have a big impact on their quality of life. This is in addition to whether or not they work outside the home. Social support was important in helping carers cope with their role.

Impact of cardiovascular risk factors and genetics on 10-year absolute risk of dementia: risk charts for targeted prevention Ten-year absolute risk charts for dementia will facilitate identification of high-risk individuals, those who likely will benefit the most from an early intervention against cardiovascular risk factors.

Barriers and Facilitators to Implementing Web-Based Dementia Caregiver

Education From the Clinician's Perspective: Qualitative Study Study findings
indicate a generally positive response to the use of internet-based interventions
for dementia caregiver education. Results suggest that iGeriCare may be a useful
clinical resource to complement traditional face-to-face and print material—based
caregiver education.

Webinars

<u>Planning a nature-based programme for people living with dementia</u> Join a free webinar to hear about the successful 'Dementia Adventure in a Box' project, funded by the National Lottery Community Fund, where Dementia Adventure supported partner organisations to set up outdoor adventure activities for people with dementia in their locality.

Young onset dementia webinars from the Young Dementia Network The Young Dementia Network has launched a monthly series of FREE young onset dementia webinars; starting in October 2020. Details of the first three webinars are: Adaptabili-tea - Adapting to life after a diagnosis; Sensitivi-tea - What matters most during diagnosis; Festivi-tea - Hints and tips for the festive season.

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Conference

<u>Dementia and Self-Management Poster at International Dementia Conference</u>
The Scottish Dementia Alumni have produced a poster recently shown at the Hammond International Dementia Conference in Australia.

Newsletter

<u>Sign up to LBS newsletter</u> Lewy Body Society are starting a regular email newsletter about their work, for people living with dementia, carers and relatives, as well as professionals involved in care, support or research.

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