



Covid-19

COVID-19: guidance on shielding and protecting people defined on medical grounds as extremely vulnerable (updated) Information for shielding and protecting people defined on medical grounds as extremely vulnerable from COVID-19.

<u>COVID-19 vaccinations and care homes: programme launch</u> A letter from the Minister for Care to local authorities, directors of adult social services and managers of care homes for older adults.

<u>Care home residents to be reunited with families by Christmas</u> New guidance will safely allow indoor visits to care homes across England as the country moves back into tiered restrictions.

Systematic Reviews

Involvement of People With Dementia in the Development of Technology-Based Interventions: Narrative Synthesis Review and Best Practice Guidelines This review of found that most studies concluded that it was both necessary and feasible to involve people with dementia, which can be optimized by having the right prerequisites in place, ensuring that technology meets standards of reliability and stability, and providing a positive research experience for participants.

Online memory training intervention for early-stage dementia: A systematic review and meta-analysis This review found that online memory training intervention was effective in improving the memory for adults with dementia.

Studies

People with dementia from ethnic minority backgrounds face extra barriers in accessing care People with dementia from ethnic minority backgrounds face inequalities in diagnosis and access to care, compared with White British patients. A large study in South East London found that at the time of diagnosis, overall, they are more likely to be on multiple medications, but less likely to be taking antidepressants.

<u>Dementia Care Mapping: Care home managers and staff need more support to improve care</u> This study explored the barriers and facilitators in introducing a complex tool like DCM, including the influence of care home managers. It looked at the actions and attitudes of managers themselves, but also the circumstances that enabled managers to support DCM.

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Statistics

<u>Dementia and Alzheimer's disease deaths including comorbidities, England and Wales: 2019 registrations</u> Deaths registered in 2019 in England and Wales due to dementia and Alzheimer's disease, by sex, age group, ethnicity, region and place of occurrence. Includes analysis of comorbidities.

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