

Dementia

Current Awareness Bulletin

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Systematic Reviews



1. [Non-benzodiazepine hypnotic use for sleep disturbance in people aged over 55 years living with dementia: a series of cohort studies \(Full text\)](#)

A full package of assistive technology and telecare did not increase the length of time that participants with dementia remained in the community, and nor did it decrease caregiver burden, depression or anxiety, relative to a basic package of assistive technology and telecare. Use of the full assistive technology and telecare package did not increase participants' health and social care or societal costs.

[Full text: YDH](#)

2021 [NIHR HTA programme](#) [PubMed abstract](#)

2. [Assistive technology and telecare to maintain independent living at home for people with dementia: the ATTILA RCT \(Full text\)](#)

We observed a dose-dependent increase in fracture risk, but no other harms, with Z-drug use in dementia. However, multiple outcomes were examined, increasing the risk of false-positive findings. The mortality association was unlikely to be causal.

[Full text: YDH](#)

2021 [NIHR HTA programme](#) [PubMed abstract](#)

Point of Care tools

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[Evaluation of cognitive impairment and dementia](#)

Literature review current through: Mar 2021. | This topic last updated: May 03, 2019.

[Treatment of dementia](#)

Literature review current through: Mar 2021. | This topic last updated: Jun 19, 2019

[Early-onset dementia in adults](#)

Literature review current through: Mar 2021. | This topic last updated: Mar 23, 2021.

[Management of neuropsychiatric symptoms of dementia](#)

Literature review current through: Mar 2021. | This topic last updated: Nov 04, 2019.

BMJ Best Practice

[Alzheimer's dementia](#)

Last reviewed: 29 Mar 2021

Last updated: 09 May 2019

[Dementia with Lewy bodies](#)

Last reviewed: 29 Mar 2021

Last updated: 24 Aug 2018

[Assessment of dementia](#)

Last reviewed: 29 Mar 2021

Last updated: 27 Apr 2021

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NICE Healthcare Databases

[1. A UK survey of COVID-19 related social support closures and their effects on older people, people with dementia, and carers.](#)

Author(s) Giebel ; Lord, Kathryn; Cooper, Claudia; Shenton, Justine; Cannon, Jacqueline [et al.](#)

Source International Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry; Mar 2021; vol. 36 (no. 3); p. 393-402

Language English

Publication Date Mar 2021

DOI [10.1002/gps.5434](#)

ISSN 08856230

Database CINAHL

- [Available in full text at International Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry from Wiley Online Library Medicine and Nursing Collection 2020](#)
- [Available in full text at International Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry from Unpaywall](#)

[2. Services for people with young onset dementia: The 'Angela' project national UK survey of service use and satisfaction.](#)

Author(s) Stamou ; La Fontaine, Jenny; Gage, Heather; Jones, Bridget; Williams, Peter [et al.](#)

Source International Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry; Mar 2021; vol. 36 (no. 3); p. 411-422

Language English

Publication Date Mar 2021

DOI [10.1002/gps.5437](#)

ISSN 08856230

Database CINAHL

- [Available in full text at International journal of geriatric psychiatry from Wiley Online Library Medicine and Nursing Collection 2020](#)
- [Available in full text at International journal of geriatric psychiatry from Unpaywall](#)

[3. COVID-19 vaccine consent and dementia: implications and advice: Information on gaining consent and supporting people living with dementia around the vaccination programme from Admiral Nurses and Dementia UK.](#)

Author(s) Russell ; Lyons, Kerry; Hove Bird, Mutsai

Source Nursing Older People; Feb 2021 ; p. 10-11

Language English

Publication Date Feb 2021

DOI [10.7748/nop.33.1.10.s4](#)

Database CINAHL

The implementation of the COVID-19 vaccination programme has led to an increase in enquiries from family carers and health and social care staff to the Admiral Nurse Dementia Helpline run by nurses at Dementia UK.

[4. Giving the COVID-19 vaccine to people living with dementia: Advice and information from Admiral Nurses and Dementia UK.](#)

Author(s) Russell ; Lyons, Kerry

Source Primary Health Care; Feb 2021 ; p. 10-10

Language English

Publication Date Feb 2021

DOI [10.7748/phc.31.1.10.s4](#)

Database CINAHL

In the article, the authors present tips and information on the COVID-19 vaccination programme in Great Britain, particularly to people living with dementia, as of February 2021. Also cited are the aim of the programme to protect the most vulnerable population against the virus, and some tips on things like gaining people's vaccination consent, communicating with respect, and administering the vaccine.

[5. Community Occupational Therapy for people with dementia and family carers \(COTiD-UK\) versus treatment as usual \(Valuing Active Life in Dementia \[VALID\]\) study: A single-blind, randomised controlled trial.](#)

Author(s) Wenborn ; O'Keeffe, Aidan G.; Mountain, Gail; Moniz-Cook, Esme; King, Michael [et al.](#)

Source PLoS Medicine; Jan 2021; vol. 18 (no. 1); p. 1-19

Language English

Publication Date Jan 2021

DOI [10.1371/journal.pmed.1003433](#)

Database CINAHL

Providing community occupational therapy as delivered in this study did not improve ADL performance, cognition, quality of life, or mood in people with dementia nor sense of competence or mood in family carers. Future research should consider measuring person-centred outcomes that are more meaningful and closely aligned to participants' priorities, such as goal achievement or the quantity and quality of

[Available in full text at PLoS medicine from Europe PubMed Central - Open Access](#)

- [Available in full text at PLoS medicine from Public Library of Science \(PLoS\)](#)
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[6. Costing resource use of the Namaste Care Intervention UK: a novel framework for costing dementia care interventions in care homes.](#)

Author(s) Bray ; Brooker, Dawn; Latham, Isabelle; Wray, Faith; Baines, Darrin [et al.](#)

Source International Psychogeriatrics; Dec 2020; vol. 32 (no. 12); p. 1429-1438

Language English

Publication Date Dec 2020

DOI [10.1017/S1041610218002314](#)

ISSN 10416102

Database CINAHL

The cost model provides the first opportunity to investigate the full costs associated with Namaste Care, and will be refined as additional information is captured during subsequent phases of the research.

- [Available in full text at International psychogeriatrics from Unpaywall](#)

[7. Mapping post-diagnostic dementia care in England: an e-survey.](#)

Author(s) Frost ; Walters, Kate; Wilcock, Jane; Robinson, Louise; Harrison Denning, Karen [et al.](#)

Source Journal of Integrated Care; Jan 2021; vol. 29 (no. 1); p. 22-36

Language English

Publication Date Jan 2021

DOI [10.1108/JICA-02-2020-0005](#)

ISSN 14769018

Database CINAHL

There is a need for greater availability of and consistency in services in post-diagnostic dementia care across England. Originality/value: Post-diagnostic dementia care remains fragmented and provided by a wide range of providers in England.

- [Available in full text at Journal of Integrated Care from Unpaywall](#)

[8. Socio-economic predictors of time to care home admission in people living with dementia in Wales: A routine data linkage study.](#)

Author(s) Giebel ; Hollinghurst, Joe; Akbari, Ashley; Schnier, Christian; Wilkinson, Tim [et al.](#)

Source International Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry; Apr 2021; vol. 36 (no. 4); p. 511-520

Language English

Publication Date Apr 2021

DOI [10.1002/gps.5446](#)

ISSN 08856230

Database CINAHL

- [Available in full text at International Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry from Wiley Online Library Medicine and Nursing Collection 2020](#)
- [Available in full text at International Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry from Unpaywall](#)

[9. Factors influencing the cost of care and admission to long-term care for people with dementia in Ireland.](#)

Author(s) Walsh ; Pertl, Maria; Gillespie, Paddy; Lawlor, Brian; Brennan, Sabina [et al.](#)

Source Aging & Mental Health; Mar 2021; vol. 25 (no. 3); p. 512-520

Language English

Publication Date Mar 2021

DOI [10.1080/13607863.2019.1699901](#)

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Severely impaired functional ability was associated with a €2,308 increase in mean total 30-day monthly costs. Psychosis was associated with a €335 increase in primary and community 30-day monthly care costs. These factors also make it more likely that a person with dementia is admitted to LTC. Having an older caregiver also increases the risk of admission to LTC, while living in a rural area and having a female caregiver reduce the likelihood of admission. Dependency matters for the cost of care. Physical and cognitive symptoms, caregiver age and gender, and geographic location are significant predictors of admission to LTC.

[10. Intensive home care supports, informal care and private provision for people with dementia in Ireland.](#)

Author(s) Carter ; O'Neill, Stephen; Keogh, Fiona; Pierce, Maria; O'Shea, Eamon

Source Dementia (14713012); Jan 2021; vol. 20 (no. 1); p. 47-65

Language English

Publication Date Jan 2021

DOI [10.1177/1471301219863580](#)

Database CINAHL

Keeping highly dependent people with dementia living at home is not cheap and raises questions about optimal resource allocation on the boundary of home care and residential care. Even with significant public spending on intensive home care packages, family care costs remain high. So too does private out-of-pocket expenditure on care for some people with dementia.

[11. Emphasise capability, not disability: exploring public perceptions, facilitators and barriers to living well with dementia in Northern Ireland.](#)

Author(s) Mitchell ; McTurk, Victoria; Carter, Gillian; Brown-Wilson, Christine

Source BMC Geriatrics; Dec 2020; vol. 20 (no. 1)

Language English

Publication Date Dec 2020

DOI [10.1186/s12877-020-01933-w](#)

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Public perceptions about dementia have the potential to act as both facilitators and barriers to living well with dementia. People with dementia stated that they are more likely sustain wellbeing when they are valued and can maintain independence. On the contrary, poor public and professional attitudes to dementia had the potential to disempower people living with dementia.

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[Brain diseases and psychiatric disorders 'more common' after Covid-19](#)

08 April, 2021

There is a potential link between Covid-19 and subsequent mental health and neurological conditions, according to the largest study yet to look into the relationship.

[Normal-tension glaucoma 'linked' to higher risk of cognitive impairment](#)

08 April, 2021

A type of glaucoma called normal-tension glaucoma is associated with an increased risk of cognitive impairment and possibly dementia, according to Australian researchers.

[Dementia care nurse pens song for 'fallen' colleagues](#)

12 February, 2021

A care home nurse in Shropshire has written a song and posted it online to pay tribute to those who have lost their lives on the Covid-19 frontline.

['Daffodil Standards' end-of-life care scheme extended to care homes](#)

01 February, 2021

New guidance has been developed to support staff in general practice and social care to provide high-quality palliative and end-of-life care for older patients living in care homes. The Royal College of General Practitioners (RCGP) and charity Marie Curie have extended their 'Daffodil Standards' programme by adding a new resource...

[Deborah Sturdy appointed as first chief nurse for adult social care](#)

07 December, 2020

The government has today named Professor Deborah Sturdy as England's first-ever chief nurse for adult social care. Professor Sturdy, who is a member of the Nursing Times editorial advisory board, will begin in her new role on 21 December and will be employed by the Department of Health and Social...

[New campaign highlights nurse role in joining up dementia services](#)

04 December, 2020

A new campaign by Dementia UK is calling for a fresh approach to dementia care that has specialist nurses "at the heart". Only Together has been launched off the back of new research carried out by the charity showing that families affected by dementia are struggling to access the support...

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