





Dementia Practice Coordinator –

a named, skilled practitioner who will lead the care, treatment and support for the person and their carer on an ongoing basis, coordinating access to all the pillars of support and ensuring effective intervention across health and social care

Therapeutic interventions to tackle symptoms of the illness – dementia-specific therapies to delay deterioration, enhance coping, maximise independence and improve quality of life.

Support for carers – a proactive approach to supporting people in the caring role and maintain the carer's own health and wellbeing.

General health care and treatment – regular and thorough review to maintain general wellbeing and

Personalised support – flexible and person-centred services to promote participation and independence.



AIM

To improve the care for people with dementia by January 2016, through testing and evaluating a range of approaches to providing better integrated care and support using 8 pillars model.

Primary Drivers

Dementia Practice Co-ordinator

Therapeutic Interventions to tackle symptoms of the illness

General health care and treatment

Mental health care and treatment

Personalised Support

Support for Carers

Environment

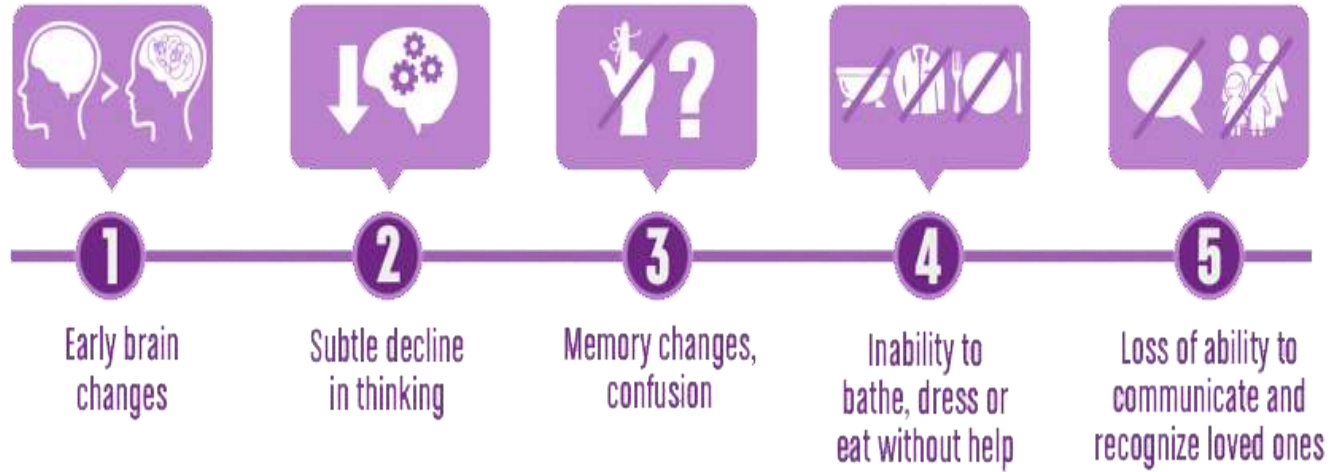
Community Connections

Secondary Driver

Identify and appoint Dementia Practice Coordinators (DPC)

DPC will act ensure coordinated approach to providing support with an overview of each individual's care and treatment

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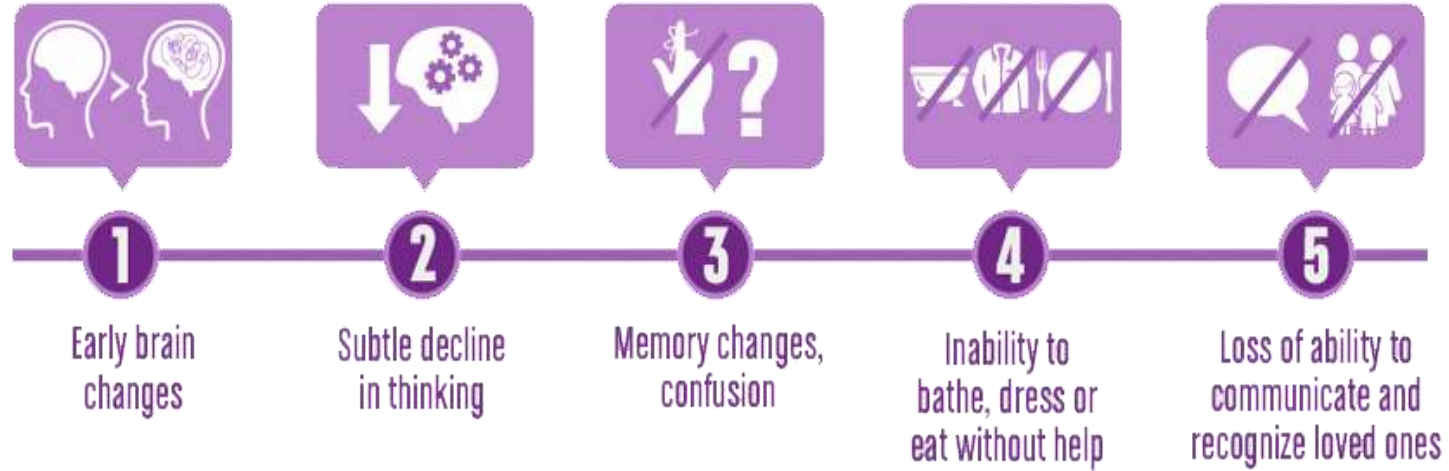


Individual

BIRTH

DEATH

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Services

Individual

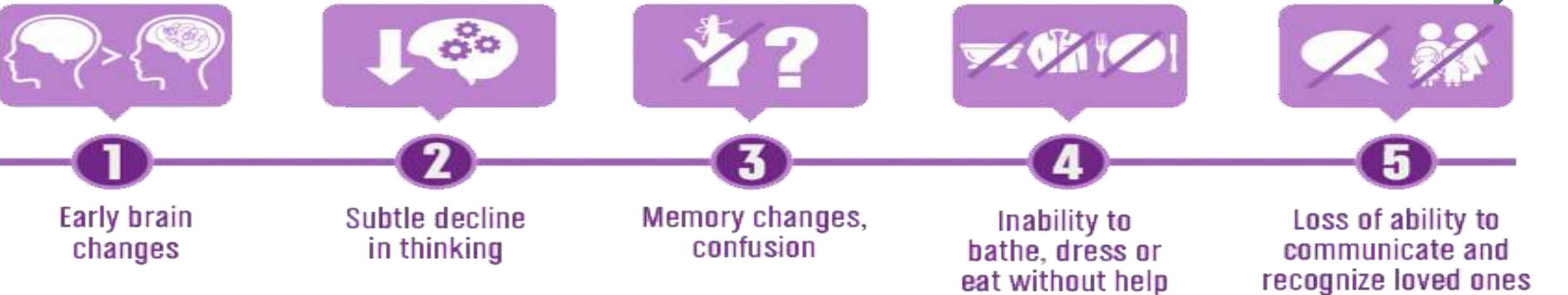
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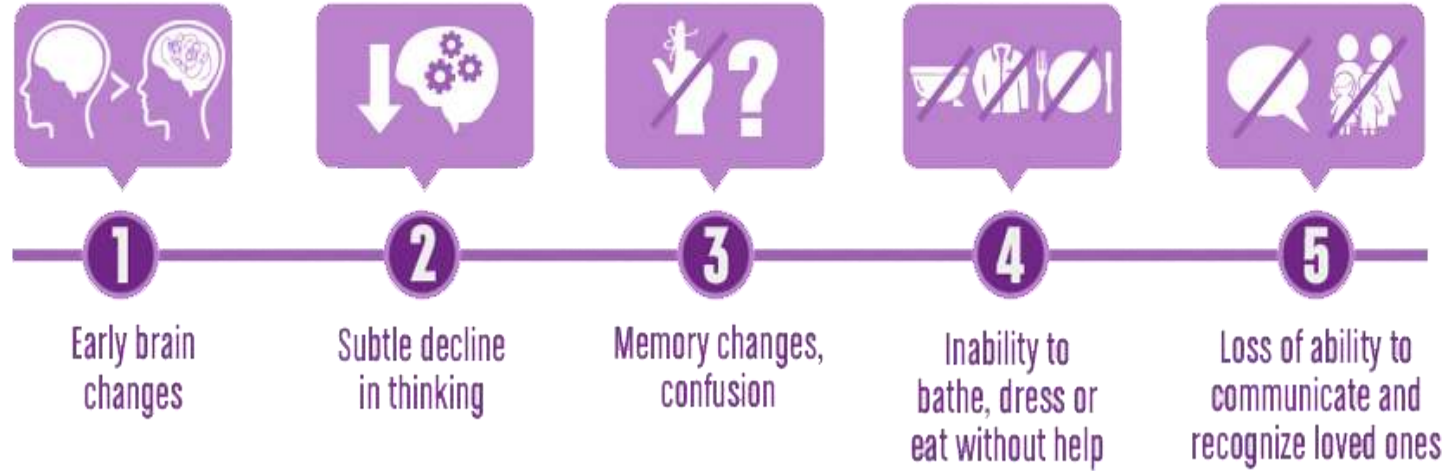


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John

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Services

John

- GP Referral
- Falling at home
- Activating help call 3 times a week
- 14 days hospital admission
- Depressed
- Isolated
- Not eating
- Family upset and stressed

DPC

- Met with John and family
- Community OT for grab rails
- Pharmacist for medication review
- Podiatrist for foot care
- DN for postural hypotension checks
- GP for pain review
- Local community hub and lunch clubs for community connections
- Psychiatrist for diagnosis
- SW for benefits review
- Established and maintained relationship with family
- Activated PoA
- Farmfoods for meals

Key learning points....

- Named practitioner – this is a day job!
- Skilled
- Responsive
- Knowledgeable
- Proactive
- **Need to encourage earlier diagnosis**



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