

Dementia Pathways Project aims to ensure people living with dementia have timely access to information and local services

Objectives

Activities

Outputs

Indicators

Evaluation

1

Identify the needs of people living with dementia in accessing local dementia-specific services and information

Interviews and focus groups with consumers & carers

Findings incorporated into report and shared with other PCPs

Focus group satisfied that products/changes support their needs



thank-you cards from individuals in focus group received in the mail

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Improve access to relevant local information via appropriate formats at times of diagnosis and crisis for people living with dementia

Advocate for PHN to undertake Dementia Pathways mapping
Advocate for AA to include local services on their website eg NHSD

Submission to PHNs to undertake Dementia Pathways
Proposal letter for AA to include local services on their website

AA accepts proposed recommendations.
Number of agencies distributing booklets
Number of booklets taken by consumers

Dementia Australia have agreed to recommendations:

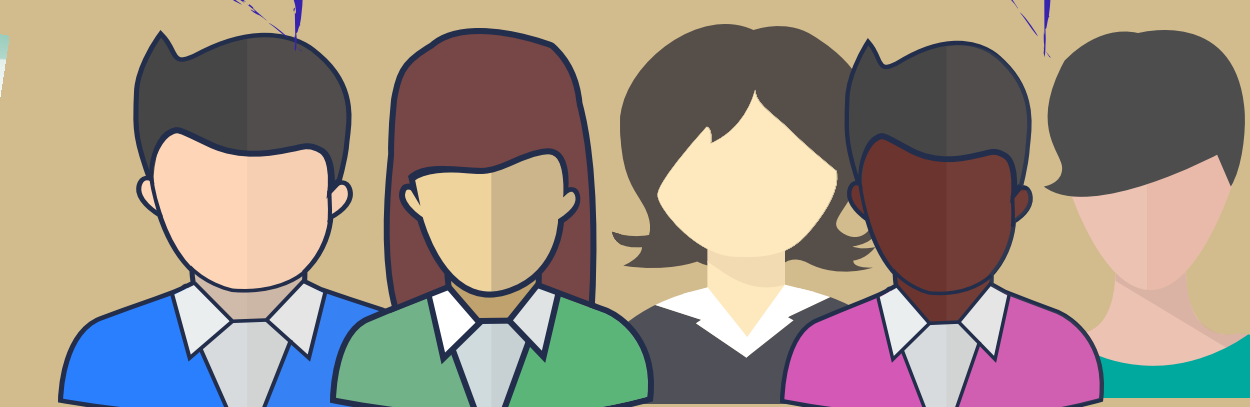
Name changed to Dementia Australia
Will include NHSD on website
Liaison with PCP to promote dementia education

Life goes on. It makes you feel good. There's a path to follow.

I wish I had something like this eight years ago when my wife was diagnosed.... it would've made my life much easier.

Carers

This is fabulous! This brochure says to you...Life goes on! You can walk your dog, you can sit in the park, and you can go for a walk amongst all of the tasks and responsibilities you have.



Improve the service system for sharing information and service coordination across health and social services, for people living with dementia

Source "The Dementia Guide"
Map local services to add to "The Dementia Guide"
Work with focus groups to design output

AA courses and education opportunities promoted through PCPs
Communications & dissemination plan for Dementia Guide & resource
Press release to launch guide and local information sheet

Increase in membership of local support groups & increased attendance at AA education sessions and courses.
Consumer service directory is endorsed by CV Dementia Network and focus group



Local Dementia Carer group supported to register on NHSD

Coordinated a Dementia Australia course in Central Goldfields

All have been given out... It's very good to have on hand. I wouldn't know where else to get all that info in one place.

Service Providers

It isn't this often that I see the doctors so excited by patient information, so you can chalk that up as a compliment.

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Improve the service system for sharing information and service coordination across health and social services, for people living with dementia

Attendance at Network Meetings
Interview Service Providers
Work with Network to create local service model

Service model proposal to the Department - what works now and what could work better

Service model endorsed by Dementia Network
Proposal has been accepted by the Department of Health

- Need to work with improving new service system and not create a separate parallel process
- Service providers and DHHS play an important role in advocating improvements to My Aged Care eg enable better communication between services
- Support community access to local dementia service information
- Implement Dementia Key Worker Model.

