

Reshaping Clinical Care in General Practice – 27th May 2016

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Dementia

[Diagnosing dementia in Dutch general practice: a qualitative study of GPs' practices and views](#)

Agnes Prins, Feia Hemke, Jeannette Pols, and Eric P Moll van Charante. *Br J Gen Pract* June 2016 66:e416-e422
Study explores Dutch GPs' perceptions of their current position in diagnosing dementia, reasons for referral to secondary care, and views on the future diagnostic role of GPs.

[Dementia training](#)

26th May 2016

Source: SCIE

Dementia courses on 4th and 8th July 2016 covering person centred approaches and strength-based assessments to dementia care.

[Dementia post-diagnostic support guidance](#)

20th May 2016

Source: London Dementia Strategic Clinical Network

The London Dementia Strategic Clinical Network has developed guidance to ensure the necessary standards are in place for personalised care planning for people with dementia.

[Over half of people fear dementia diagnosis, 62 per cent think it means 'life is over'](#)

13th May 2016

Source: Alzheimer's Society

A study found that dementia is the most feared health condition in the UK, perhaps explaining why people surveyed felt a diagnosis would mean their life was over.

[Interventions to delay functional decline in people with dementia: a systematic review of systematic reviews.](#)

Laver K. *BMJ Open* 2016;6:e010767.

Healthcare professionals should ensure that people with dementia are encouraged to exercise and that primary carers are trained and supported to provide safe and effective care.

Effects of physical exercise on health and well-being of individuals living with a dementia in nursing homes: a systematic review.

Brett L. *Journal of the American Medical Directors Association* 2016;17(2):104-116.

There is emerging evidence that physical exercise significantly benefits individuals living with a dementia in nursing homes.

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[Fix Dementia Care: NHS and Care Homes](#)

5th May 2016

Source: Alzheimer's Society

Using data from a survey of nearly 300 care home managers and first-hand testimony from people affected by dementia, the report sets out what needs to be done for people with dementia.

Quality Outcomes Framework (QOF) Recorded Dementia Diagnoses - England, 2015-16

4th May 2016

Source: Health and Social Care Information Centre

Annual report aiming to improve the national diagnosis rate for dementia.

Charities' historic pledge sees funding for landmark Dementia Research Institute soar to £250 million

1st May 2016

Source: Department for Business Innovation and Skills

A quarter of a billion pounds pledged towards the UK's first ever Dementia Research Institute (DRI), as 2 major UK charities announced £100 million of new investment (1 May 2016).

10-year trajectories of depressive symptoms and risk of dementia: a population-based study

Saira Saeed Mirza et al Psychiatry Published Online: 29 April 2016

Depressive symptoms were measured in a population of adults over a decade to study the subsequent risk of dementia.

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Long-Term Conditions

[including Cancer, Diabetes, and general management]

Nearly two million patients to receive person-centred support to manage their own care

25th April 2016

Source: NHS England

People with long-term conditions will be supported to better manage their own health and care needs, with the roll-out of an evidence-based tool over the next five years.

New NICE guidance on multimorbidity to be presented at the RCGP Annual Conference

May 2016

Source: Royal College of General Practitioners

At the RCGP Annual Conference, being held in October, Professors David Haslam and Bruce Guthrie will discuss the new NICE guidance 'Multimorbidity: clinical assessment and management'.

NICE recommends three treatments for type 2 diabetes

25th May 2016

Source: NICE

Tens of thousands of people with type 2 diabetes will be eligible for new treatments under new guidance from NICE.

Cardiovascular disease treatment among patients with severe mental illness: a data linkage study between primary and secondary care

Woodhead, C et al, *British Journal of General Practice*, 2016 66 (e374-e381)

Linking primary and secondary care data allows the identification of patients with SMI most at risk of under treatment for physical health problems.

Worrying about wasting GP time as a barrier to help-seeking: a community-based, qualitative study

Cromme SK et al, 2016, *British Journal of General Practice*

Worrying about wasting GP time is a complex barrier to help-seeking. Friendly GP relationships,

economic reasoning, and a focus on the GP's responsibilities as a medical professional reduce this worry.

Older people

Health technologies: are older people interested?

27th May 2016

Source: 2020health

Discusses the challenges of an ageing population and how digital technology can help older people stay healthy and independent.

Discharging older patients from hospital

27th May 2016

Source: NAO

The health and social care system's management of the discharge of older patients from hospital does not represent value for money.

Smart appliances and the Internet of Things: trends and impact for disabled and older consumers

24th May 2016

Source: Research Institute for Consumer Affairs (Rica)

Report highlighting the potential benefits of emerging smart technology for older and disabled people, including those with sight loss

Integrated Care

Little progress by 'integration pioneers', DH's study finds

6th May 2016

Source: Health Service Journal

The "integration pioneers" programme has yielded few tangible results and failed to remove barriers to joined-up care, according to a government commissioned evaluation.

The journey to integration: Learning from the seven leading localities.

April 2016

Source: Local Government Association (LGA)

Details the experience of seven localities in developing integrated care and sets out the key lessons for other localities to consider in embarking on integration themselves.

Guidance: place-based services of care

17th May 2016

Source: The King's Fund

This guidance aims to support healthcare professionals in their role to commission and deliver integrated services to local populations.

The Future of GP Collaborative Working

16th May 2016

Source: Royal College of General Practitioners

A new report showcasing how GPs are designing and leading innovative schemes to improve the integration of care in the best interests of patients.

Emerging models of primary care

18th May 2016

Source: The King's Fund

Conference on 18th October 2016, The King's Fund: To explore new models of primary care such as multi-specialty community providers and primary care federations.

Bridging the gap: the impact of quality of primary care on duration of hospital stay for people with dementia.

Goddard M, *Journal of Integrated Care*, 2016, 24 (1), 15-25.

Explores the link between the annual review by general practitioners for dementia patients – and length of hospital stay (LoS).

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Supporting integrated care in Shropshire

26th May 2016

Source: SCIE

Shropshire Council and Shropshire Clinical Commissioning Group contracted SCIE to support the development of effective systems leadership, using the Better Care Fund planning programme as a focus.

Safeguarding

NHS to face new patient safety investigations from autumn

26th May 2016

Source: Health Service Journal

The new Healthcare Safety Investigation Branch will be operating from this autumn with a budget of £3.6m for around 30 investigations.

Safeguarding adults in primary care: making a safeguarding adults referral

Gibson, J et al, 2016, *British Journal of General Practice*, 66 (e454-456)

Although it is estimated that one in four vulnerable older people are at risk of abuse, abuse is not limited to older people.

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