

Spotting Subtle Symptoms

Early Dementia Detection for Families and Clinicians



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Dementia Care Aware Program Offerings



Warmline:

1-800-933-1789

A provider support and consultation service that connects primary care teams with Dementia Care Aware experts



Trainings:

- Online Trainings e.g., Cognitive Health Assessment training
- Monthly Webinars
- Podcasts



Interactive Case Conferences:

- UCLA and UCI ECHO (Extension for Community Healthcare Outcome) conferences



Practice change support:

- UCLA Alzheimer's and Dementia Care Program
- Alzheimer's Association Health Systems

Our Training

Welcome!

Welcome to the Dementia Care Aware (DCA) learning management system. This site provides access to the training modules for the DCA program. When you registered, you were automatically enrolled in the "*The Cognitive Health Assessment: The Basics*" course. Select Start in the "The Cognitive Health Assessment: The Basics" block below to begin.



Screening for Dementia: The Cognitive Health Assessment (CHA)

Goal: Screen patients older than age 65 annually (who don't have a pre-existing diagnosis of dementia)

Part 1



Take a Brief Patient History

Part 2



Use Screening Tools

Part 3



Document Care Partner Information

Sign Up for Upcoming Live CHA Trainings

- Dementia Care Aware offers the CHA training as a **free 1-hour live session** multiple times each month.
- Led by Dementia Care Aware partners at the Alzheimer's Association and UC, Irvine.
- Open for anyone who is interested.
- Eligible participants can claim **1 free CE/CME/MOC credit**.



Learning Objectives

1. Describe the perspective of caregivers on early symptoms.
2. List two questions to ask caregivers to identify their needs during a visit.
3. Identify two ways to empower caregivers with resources.

Introduction



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Introduction



The Dementia Journey Through the Lens of a Caregiver



The Dementia Screening Process



Understanding the Stages of Dementia



Embracing the Caregiver Role

The Dementia Screening Process

- **Scouting Dementia Warning Signs**
 - Differences in mood and sociability
 - Forgetting recently learned information
- **Navigating the Dementia Screening Process**
 - Feelings throughout the process
- **Emotions Following the Diagnosis**



Understanding the Stages of Dementia

- **Early Stage (mild)**
 - Individuals may function independently
- **Middle Stage (moderate)**
 - Individuals can usually participate in daily activities with assistance
- **Late Stage (severe)**
 - Individuals typically require extensive care





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Have more questions? Get answers through our
Warmline @ **1-800-933-1789** or our [support page](#)!

Here are some examples!

What
do I prioritize if
my patient
tests positive
for cognitive
impairment?

What
medications
should I avoid if
my patient has
cognitive
complaints?

What cognitive
assessment should I
use for a Spanish
speaking patient
experiencing
homelessness?

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the QR code to submit questions:



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- **ABIM MOC** (for internal medicine physicians).
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