



# **Guideline: “Diagnosis and treatment of dementia and Mild cognitive impairment”**

**Supplementary material**

**Evidence to Decision tables**

## Review question 2 - Diagnosis and differential diagnosis of dementia and Mild Cognitive Impairment

1. At the initial assessment take a history (including cognitive, behavioural and psychological symptoms, and the impact symptoms have on their daily life):

- from the person with suspected cognitive decline and
- if possible, from someone who knows the person well (such as a family member).

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2. If cognitive decline is still suspected after initial assessment:

- conduct a physical examination and
- undertake appropriate blood and urine tests to exclude reversible causes of cognitive decline and
- use cognitive testing and
- prescribe brain CT and/or MRI to exclude secondary causes of cognitive decline.

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3. When using cognitive testing to assess people with dementia or someone who knows the person well (such as a family member), use a validated brief structured cognitive instrument such as:

- 10-point cognitive screener (10-CS);
- 6-item cognitive impairment test (6CIT)<sup>§</sup>;
- 6-item screener (6-IS);
- Memory Impairment Screen (MIS);
- Mini-Cog;
- Test Your Memory (TYM)<sup>§</sup>;
- General Practitioner Assessment of Cognition (GPCOG)<sup>§§</sup>.

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§ Translated in Italian; §§ Validated in the Italian population

4. Do not rule out cognitive decline solely because the person has a normal score on a cognitive instrument and plan a monitoring of cognitive functions in time.

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5. Refer the person to a specialist dementia diagnostic service (Centre for Cognitive Disorders and Dementias) if:

- reversible causes of cognitive decline (including delirium, depression, sensory impairment [such as sight or hearing loss] or cognitive impairment from medicines associated with increased anticholinergic burden) have been investigated and
- dementia is still suspected.

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6. If the person has suspected rapidly progressive dementia, refer them to a neurological service with access to tests (including cerebrospinal fluid examination) for Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease and similar conditions.

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7. For more guidance on assessing for dementia in people with learning disabilities, see Table 6 in the Full Guideline.  
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## DIAGNOSIS OF DEMENTIA IN SPECIALIST SETTINGS

8. Diagnose a dementia subtype (if possible) if initial specialist assessment (including an appropriate neurological examination and cognitive testing) confirms cognitive decline and reversible causes have been ruled out.  
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9. If Alzheimer's disease is suspected, include a test of verbal episodic memory in the assessment.

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**10.** Offer neuropsychological testing with validated neuropsychological tests as an essential part of the diagnostic process for dementia and dementia subtypes.

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**11.** Use validated criteria to guide clinical judgement when diagnosing dementia subtypes, such as:

- International consensus criteria for dementia with Lewy bodies;
- International FTD criteria for frontotemporal dementia (primary non-fluent aphasia and semantic dementia);
- International Frontotemporal Dementia Consortium criteria for behavioural variant frontotemporal dementia;
- NINDS-AIREN criteria for vascular dementia;
- NIA-AA criteria for Alzheimer's disease;
- Movement Disorders Society criteria for Parkinson's disease dementia;
- WHO and International criteria for Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease.

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**12.** Offer structural imaging to rule out reversible causes of cognitive decline and to assist with subtype diagnosis, unless dementia is well established, and the subtype diagnosis is clear.

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13. Only consider further diagnostic tests if:

- it would help to diagnose a dementia subtype and
- knowing more about the dementia subtype would change management.

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Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/ Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes/Yes/</b> Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes/</b> <b>Varies</b> /Don't know

### Further tests for Alzheimer's disease

14. If the diagnosis is uncertain (see recommendation 13) and Alzheimer's disease is suspected, consider either:

<sup>18</sup>F-FDG PET, or perfusion SPECT if <sup>18</sup>F-FDG PET is unavailable or

examining cerebrospinal fluid for:

total Tau and phosphorylated-Tau 181 and

amyloid  $\beta$  1-42/amyloid  $\beta$  1-40 ratio or amyloid  $\beta$  1-42

If a diagnosis cannot be made after one of these tests, consider using the other one.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/ Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/ No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/ <b>Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison</b> /Probably favours the intervention/ Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**15.** Be aware that the older a person is, more likely they are to get a false positive with cerebrospinal fluid examination.  
**(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/ Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	It Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know

Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/ <b>Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison</b> / Probably favours the intervention/ Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

16. Do not rule out Alzheimer's disease based solely on the results of CT or MRI scans.

**(STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	<b>Important uncertainty or variability</b> / Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

17. Do not use ApoE ε4 genotyping or electroencephalography to diagnose Alzheimer's disease.

**(STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /High/ No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	<b>Important uncertainty or variability</b> / Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the comparison</b> /Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/ Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/ Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/ <b>Varies</b> /Don't know

18. Be aware that young-onset Alzheimer's disease has a genetic cause in some people.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/ <b>Varies</b> /Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/ <b>Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison</b> / Probably favours the intervention/ Favours

	the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

### Further tests for dementia with Lewy bodies

19. If the diagnosis is uncertain (see recommendation 13) and dementia with Lewy bodies is suspected, use <sup>123</sup>I-FP-CIT SPECT.

#### (STRONG IN FAVOR)

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

20. If <sup>123</sup>I-FP-CIT SPECT is unavailable, consider as an alternative:

- <sup>123</sup>I-MIBG cardiac scintigraphy or
- polysomnography with EEG.

#### (WEAK IN FAVOR)

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know



Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/ <b>Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison</b> / Probably favours the intervention/ Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/ Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / <b>Varies</b> /Don't know

**21.** Do not rule out dementia with Lewy bodies based solely on normal results on <sup>123</sup>I-FP-CIT SPECT or <sup>123</sup>I-MIBG cardiac scintigraphy.

**(STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the comparison</b> /Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the comparison</b> /Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies



Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	<b>Reduced</b> / Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

### Further tests for frontotemporal dementia

**22.** If the diagnosis is uncertain (see recommendation 13) and frontotemporal dementia is suspected, use, with semi-quantitative reading, either:

- <sup>18</sup>F-FDG PET or
- perfusion SPECT.

#### (STRONG IN FAVOR)

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	<b>Important uncertainty or variability</b> / Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**23.** Do not rule out frontotemporal dementia based solely on the results of structural, perfusion or metabolic imaging tests.

#### (STRONG AGAINST)

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/

How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?	Don't know
Certainty of evidence What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/ No included studies
Values Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Probably no important uncertainty or variability</b> /No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?	Favours the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the comparison</b> /Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required How large are the resource requirements?	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?	Favours the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the comparison</b> /Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity What would be the impact on health equity?	Reduced/ <b>Probably reduces</b> /Probably no impact/ Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/Varies/ <b>Don't know</b>
Feasibility Is the intervention feasible to implement?	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**24. Be aware that frontotemporal dementia has a genetic cause in some people. (WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem Is the problem a priority?	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
Values Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required How large are the resource requirements?	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/ <b>Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison</b> /Probably favours the intervention/ Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity What would be the impact on health equity?	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know

Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes/</b> Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes/</b> <b>Varies/</b> Don't know

### Further tests for vascular dementia

**25.** If the dementia subtype is uncertain (see recommendation 13) and vascular dementia is suspected, use MRI. If MRI is unavailable or contraindicated, use CT. **(STRONG IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes/</b> Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large/</b> Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial/</b> Small/Moderate/ <b>Large/</b> Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small/</b> Moderate/High/ No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	<b>Important uncertainty or variability/</b> Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the</b> <b>intervention/</b> Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible</b> <b>costs and savings/</b> Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably</b> <b>favours the intervention/</b> Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased/</b> Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes/</b> Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes/</b> Varies/Don't know

**26.** Do not diagnose vascular dementia based solely on vascular lesion burden. **(STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes/</b> Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial/</b> Small/Moderate/ <b>Large/</b> Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large/</b> Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small/</b> Moderate/High/ No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or</b> <b>variability/</b> Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability

Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the comparison</b> /Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ <b>Probably reduces</b> /Probably no impact/ Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/ <b>Varies</b> /Don't know

**27. Be aware that young-onset vascular dementia has a genetic cause in some people. (WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/ <b>Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison</b> /Probably favours the intervention/ Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/ <b>Varies</b> /Don't know

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**28.** Offer a neuropsychological assessment using validated neuropsychological tests, including specific tests for episodic memory, as part of the diagnostic process for MCI and its subtypes.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	<b>Important uncertainty or variability</b> /Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**29.** Do not offer biomarkers for the diagnosis and differential diagnosis of MCI. **(STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the comparison</b> /Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know

Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/ <b>Varies</b> /Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/ <b>Varies</b> /Don't know

**30.** Offer people with a diagnosis of MCI regular neuropsychological assessments over time to monitor possible changes in cognitive functions. **(STRONG IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	<b>Important uncertainty or variability</b> / Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/ <b>Varies</b> /Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/ <b>Varies</b> /Don't know



**Review question 3 - Drugs that may worsen cognitive decline**

**31.** Be aware that some commonly prescribed medicines are associated with increased anticholinergic burden, and therefore cognitive impairment. **(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**32.** Consider minimising the use of medicines associated with increased anticholinergic burden, and if possible look for alternatives:

- when assessing whether to refer a person with suspected dementia for diagnosis
- during medication reviews with people living with dementia.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
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Balance of effects	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the



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Resources required How large are the resource requirements?	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity What would be the impact on health equity?	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility Is the intervention feasible to implement?	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**33.** Consider that there are validated tools for assessing anticholinergic burden (for example, the Anticholinergic Cognitive Burden Scale).

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem Is the problem a priority?	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
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Equity What would be the impact on health equity?	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility Is the intervention feasible to implement?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/ <b>Varies</b> /Don't know

**34.** For guidance on carrying out medication reviews, see the indications reported in Table 7 in the Full Guideline.  
**(STRONG IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**Review question 4 - Distinguishing dementia from dementia with delirium or delirium alone**

**35.** For people who are in hospital and have cognitive impairment with an unknown cause, consider using one of the following to find out whether they have delirium or delirium superimposed on dementia, compared with dementia alone:

- the long confusion assessment method (CAM)
- 4-A's Test (4AT).

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**36.** Do not use standardised instruments (including cognitive instruments) alone to distinguish delirium from delirium superimposed on dementia. **(STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>

Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the comparison</b> /Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/ <b>Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison</b> / Probably favours the intervention/ Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ <b>Probably reduces</b> /Probably no impact/ Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/Varies/ <b>Don't know</b>
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/Varies/ <b>Don't know</b>

**37.** If it is not possible to tell whether a person has delirium, dementia, or delirium superimposed on dementia, treat for delirium first. For guidance on the identification and treatment of delirium, see Table 6 in the Full Guideline.  
**(STRONG IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
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Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**Review question 5 - Pre-, peri- and post-diagnostic counselling**

**38.** Consider offering people with dementia and their caregivers peri- and post-diagnostic counselling targeted to the specific conditions of each patient (including symptom severity).

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/ No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/ <b>Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison</b> / Probably favours the intervention/ Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> / Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / <b>Varies</b> /Don't know

**39.** For the communication of diagnosis and post-diagnostic support see the section "Communication of the diagnosis of dementia" of the document "Recommendations for the governance and clinical management in dementia" issued by the National Committee for dementia. **(STRONG IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>

Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**Review question 7 - Care planning, review and coordination**

**40.** Provide people living with dementia with a single named health or social care professional who is responsible for their Personalized Care Plan (PAI) within an integrated care pathway. For further indications on how to organize a PAI, see:

- indication 6 from the document “National Guidance for the Clinical Governance of Dementia”<sup>1</sup> issued by the National Committee on Dementia;
- the document “National Guidance for the definition of Integrated Care Pathways for dementia”<sup>2</sup> issued by the National Committee on Dementia.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

<sup>1</sup> Available at: <https://www.iss.it/documents/20126/5783571/Raccomandazioni+per+la+governance+e+la+clinica+nel+settore+delle+demenze.pdf/dbf0d6d5-6360-41d9-aa51-74b18f62dad8?t=1626171914860> (Last visited: 30/08/2023)

<sup>2</sup> Available at: <https://www.iss.it/documents/20126/5783571/Testo+Linee+di+indirizzo+Nazionali+sui+Percorsi+Diagnostico+Terapeutici+Assistenziali+%28PDITA%29+per+le+demenze.pdf/d5123f6a-2161-6c42-5377-8796cce29fe0?t=1626170681347> (Last visited: 30/08/2023)



**41. Named professionals should:**

- arrange an initial assessment of the person's needs, which should be face to face, if possible.
- provide information about available services and how to access them.
- involve the person's family members or carers (as appropriate) in support and decision-making;
- give special consideration to the views of people who do not have capacity to make decisions about their care, in line with the document "National Guidance for the Clinical Governance of Dementia" issued by the National Committee on Dementia;
- ensure that people are aware of their rights to and the availability of local advocacy services, in line with the document "National Guidance for the Clinical Governance of Dementia" issued by the National Committee on Dementia;
- develop a care and support plan, and:
  - agree and review it with the involvement of the person, their family members or carers (as appropriate) and relevant professionals;
  - specify in the plan when and how often it will be reviewed;
  - evaluate and record progress towards the objectives at each review;
  - ensure it covers the management of any comorbidities;
  - provide a copy of the plan to the person and their family members or carers (as appropriate).

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**42. When developing care and support plans and advance care and support plans, request consent to transfer these to different care settings as needed. (STRONG IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/

How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?	Don't know
Undesirable effects How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?	Trivial/Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
Values Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required How large are the resource requirements?	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity What would be the impact on health equity?	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> / Varies/Don't know
Acceptability Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know
Feasibility Is the intervention feasible to implement?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know

**43.** Service providers should ensure that information (such as care and support plans and advance care and support plans) can be easily transferred between different care settings (for example home, inpatient, community, and residential care). **(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem Is the problem a priority?	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
Values Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required How large are the resource requirements?	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies

Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**44.** Staff delivering care and support should maximise continuity and consistency of care. Ensure that relevant information is shared and recorded in the person's care and support plan. **(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**45.** Service providers should design services to be accessible to as many people living with dementia as possible, including:

- people who do not have a carer or whose carer cannot support them on their own;
- people who do not have access to affordable transport, or find transport difficult to use;
- people who have responsibilities (such as work, children or being a carer themselves);
- people with learning disabilities, sensory impairment (such as sight or hearing loss) or physical disabilities;
- people who may be less likely to access health and social care services, such as people from minorities<sup>3</sup>.

**(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

<sup>3</sup> minorities are hereby defined as indicated by the Italian Ministry of domestic affairs:

<https://www.interno.gov.it/it/temi/cittadinanza-e-altri-diritti-civili/minoranze> (Last access: 30/08/2023);

Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/ <b>Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison</b> /Probably favours the intervention/ Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/ <b>Varies</b> /Don't know

## Review question 8 - Post diagnosis review for people living with dementia

**46.** After a person is diagnosed with dementia or Mild Cognitive Impairment, ensure they and their carers have access to specialist multidisciplinary dementia services (Centres for Cognitive Disorders and Dementias, CCDDs). **(STRONG IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**47.** Specialist multidisciplinary dementia services (Centres for Cognitive Disorders and Dementias, CCDDs) should offer a choice of flexible access or prescheduled monitoring appointments. **(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the

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Resources required How large are the resource requirements?	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity What would be the impact on health equity?	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility Is the intervention feasible to implement?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**48.** General practitioners, when visiting people living with dementia or Mild Cognitive Impairment, or their carers, should assess for any emerging dementia-related needs and ask them if they need any more support.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem Is the problem a priority?	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
Values Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required How large are the resource requirements?	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity What would be the impact on health equity?	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility Is the intervention feasible to implement?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**Review question 9 - Staff training**

**49.** Care and support providers should provide all staff with appropriate training in person-centred and outcome-focused care for people living with dementia, which should include:

- understanding the signs and symptoms of dementia, and the changes to expect as the condition progresses;
- understanding the person as an individual, and their life story;
- respecting the person's individual identity, sexuality, and culture;
- understanding the needs of the person and their family members or carers.

**(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**50.** Care providers should provide additional face-to-face training and mentoring to staff who deliver care and support to people living with dementia. This should include:

- understanding the organisation's model of dementia care and how it provides care;
- initial training on understanding, reacting to and helping people living with dementia who experience agitation, aggression, pain, or other behaviours indicating distress;
- follow-up sessions where staff can receive additional feedback and discuss particular situations;
- advice on interventions that reduce the need for antipsychotics and allow doses to be safely reduced;
- promoting freedom of movement and minimising the use of restraint;
- the specific needs of younger people living with dementia and people who are working or looking for work.

**(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know



Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial/Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/</b> Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low/Small/Moderate/High/</b> No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased/</b> Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes/</b> Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes/</b> <b>Varies</b> /Don't know

**51.** Consider giving carers and/or family members the opportunity to attend and take part in staff dementia training sessions. **(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ <b>Probably yes/Yes/</b> Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial/Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/</b> Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low/Small/Moderate/High/</b> No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/ <b>Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/</b> Probably favours the intervention/ Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies

Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

52. Consider training staff to provide multi-sensory stimulation for people with moderate to severe dementia and communication difficulties. **(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/ <b>Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison</b> /Probably favours the intervention/ Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**Review question 10 - Involving people living with dementia in decisions about care**

**53.** Provide people living with dementia and their family members or carers (as appropriate) with information that is relevant to their circumstances and the stage of their condition. **(STRONG IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**54.** Be aware of the obligation to provide accessible information. For more guidance on providing information and discussing people's preferences with them, see the document "National Guidance for the Clinical Governance of Dementia" issued by the National Committee on Dementia.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the

Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?	intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required How large are the resource requirements?	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity What would be the impact on health equity?	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility Is the intervention feasible to implement?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

55. Throughout the diagnostic process, offer the person and their family members or carers (as appropriate) oral and written information that explains:

- what their dementia subtype is and the changes to expect as the condition progresses;
- which health and social care professionals will be involved in their care and how to contact them;
- if appropriate, how dementia affects driving, and that they need to tell the general practitioner and healthcare staff involved in renewing their licence about their dementia diagnosis;
- their legal rights and responsibilities, see the document “National Guidance for the Clinical Governance of Dementia” issued by the National Committee on Dementia;
- their right to reasonable adjustments (law 68/99<sup>4</sup> with modifications according to the Legislative Decree 151/2015<sup>5</sup>) if they are working or looking for work;
- how the following groups can help and how to contact them:
  - local support groups, online forums, and national charities;
  - financial and legal advice services;
  - advocacy services.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem Is the problem a priority?	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies
Values Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required How large are the resource requirements?	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know

<sup>4</sup> Law, March 12, 1999, n. 68 (<https://www.gazzettaufficiale.it/eli/id/1999/03/23/099G0123/sg>) (Last visited: 30/08/2023).

<sup>5</sup> Legislative Decree, September 14, 2015, n. 151 (<https://www.gazzettaufficiale.it/eli/id/2015/09/23/15G00164/sg>) (Last visited: 30/08/2023).

Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

56. If it has not been documented earlier, ask the person at diagnosis:

- for their consent for services to share information;
- which people they would like services to share information with (for example family members or carers);
- what information they would like services to share.

Document these decisions in the person's records.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably

	favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
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**57.** After diagnosis, direct people and their family members or carers (as appropriate) to relevant services for information and support (see recommendations 40 and 41 on care coordination).

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
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Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
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Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**58.** For people who do not want follow-up appointments and who are not using other services, ask if they would like to be contacted again at a specified future date. **(STRONG IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	<b>Important uncertainty or variability</b> / Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the



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Resources required How large are the resource requirements?	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity What would be the impact on health equity?	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility Is the intervention feasible to implement?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

59. Ensure that people living with dementia and their carers know how to get more information and who from if their needs change.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem Is the problem a priority?	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?	Very low/Small/Moderate/ <b>High</b> /No included studies
Values Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required How large are the resource requirements?	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity What would be the impact on health equity?	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility Is the intervention feasible to implement?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

60. Tell people living with dementia (at all stages of the condition) about research studies they could participate in.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

61. Offer early and ongoing opportunities for people living with dementia and people involved in their care (see recommendation 36) to discuss:

- the benefits of planning ahead;
- lasting power of attorney (for health and welfare decisions and property and financial affairs decisions);
- an advance statement about their wishes, preferences, beliefs, and values regarding their future care;
- advance decisions to refuse treatment;
- their preferences for place of care and place of death.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/ <b>High</b> /No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably

	favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

62. Explain that they will be given chances to review and change any advance statements and decisions they have made. **(STRONG IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/ <b>High</b> /No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

63. At each care review, offer people the chance to review and change any advance statements and decisions they have made. **(STRONG IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b>

Is the problem a priority?	Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?	Very low/Small/Moderate/ <b>High</b> / No included studies
Values Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required How large are the resource requirements?	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity What would be the impact on health equity?	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> / Varies/Don't know
Acceptability Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know
Feasibility Is the intervention feasible to implement?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know

**64. Encourage and enable people living with dementia to give their own views and opinions about their care. (STRONG IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem Is the problem a priority?	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?	Very low/Small/Moderate/ <b>High</b> / No included studies
Values Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required How large are the resource requirements?	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably

	favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**65.** If needed, use additional or modified ways of communicating (for example visual aids or simplified text). **(STRONG IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	<b>Important uncertainty or variability</b> /Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**66.** Ensure that all health and social care staff are aware of:  
the extent of their responsibility to protect confidentiality under data protection legislation and  
any rights that family members, carers and others have to information about the person's care (see recommendation 41).

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/

How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?	Don't know
Certainty of evidence What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?	Very low/Small/Moderate/ <b>High</b> / No included studies
Values Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?	<b>Important uncertainty or variability</b> / Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required How large are the resource requirements?	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity What would be the impact on health equity?	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility Is the intervention feasible to implement?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**67.** Health and social care professionals advising people living with dementia (including professionals involved in diagnosis) should be trained in starting and holding difficult and emotionally challenging conversations. **(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem Is the problem a priority?	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?	Very low/Small/Moderate/ <b>High</b> / No included studies
Values Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required How large are the resource requirements?	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies

Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

## Review question 11 - Management strategies for people living with dementia/Mild Cognitive Impairment and co-existing physical long-term conditions

68. Ensure that people living with dementia have equivalent access to diagnosis, treatment, and care services for comorbidities to people who do not have dementia. For more guidance on assessing and managing multimorbidity, see Table 6 in the Full Guideline.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

69. For people with dementia or Mild Cognitive Impairment and at least one chronic physical comorbidity, when managing comorbidities (e.g., hypertension, cardiovascular diseases, type 2 diabetes, sensory deficits, urinary tract conditions) refer to the best practices for each condition, considering each person's specific clinical conditions and except in case the administration of standard care could cause more harm than benefit (see Table 6 in the Full Guideline).

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
Values	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or



Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?	variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required How large are the resource requirements?	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity What would be the impact on health equity?	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility Is the intervention feasible to implement?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**Review question 13 - Care setting transitions**

**70.** When managing transition between care settings consider that:

- in case of hospitalisation, a comprehensive geriatric assessment should be performed on people with dementia on admission to hospital, and any care plan should be shared with the admitting team, while, at discharge, continuity of care should be ensured;
- the NICE guideline on transition between inpatient mental health settings and community or care home settings.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**71.** For guidance on medicine optimisation and reconciliation, see Table 8 in the Full Guideline. Follow the principles in these guidelines for transitions between other settings (for example from home to a care home or respite care).

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important

	uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**72.** Review the needs and wishes of people with dementia and their caregivers (including any care and support plans referring to current and future care) after every transition. **(STRONG IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**Review question 14 - Supporting caregivers of people with dementia**

**73.** Offer carers of people living with dementia a psychoeducation and skills training intervention that includes:

- education about dementia, its symptoms and the changes to expect as the condition progresses;
- developing personalised strategies and building carer skills;
- training to help them provide care, including how to understand and respond to changes in behaviour;
- training to help them adapt their communication styles to improve interactions with the person living with dementia;
- advice on how to look after their own physical and mental health, and their emotional and spiritual wellbeing;
- advice on planning enjoyable and meaningful activities to do with the person they care for;
- information about relevant services (including support services and psychological therapies for carers) and how to access them;
- advice on planning for the future.

**(STRONG IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/ No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> / Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know

**74.** Ensure that the support offered to carers is:

- tailored to their needs and preferences and to what they want it to achieve (for example, providing information on carer's employment rights for carers who work or want to work);
- designed to help them support people living with dementia;
- available at a location they can get to easily;
- provided in a format suitable for them (for example individual or group sessions, or online training and support);
- available from diagnosis and as needed after this.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**75. Advise carers about their right to the following and how to get them:**

- a formal assessment of their own needs, including their physical and mental health;
- an assessment of their need for short breaks and other respite care.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know

Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**76.** Be aware that carers of people living with dementia are at an increased risk of depression. For guidance on identifying and managing depression, see Table 6 in the Full Guideline. **(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

## Review question 15a - Acetylcholinesterase inhibitors, memantine, and new biological treatments for Alzheimer's dementia and Mild Cognitive Impairment

**77.** The three acetylcholinesterase (AChE) inhibitors donepezil, galantamine and rivastigmine as monotherapies are recommended as options for managing mild to moderate Alzheimer's dementia under all of the conditions specified in recommendations 82 and 83.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**78.** Offer donepezil as monotherapy for managing moderate to severe Alzheimer's dementia based on the conditions specified in recommendations 82 and 83. **(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>



Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

79. Memantine monotherapy is recommended as an option for managing Alzheimer's dementia for people with:

- moderate Alzheimer's dementia who are intolerant of or have a contraindication to AChE inhibitors or
- severe Alzheimer's dementia.

Treatment should be under the conditions specified in recommendation 82.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**80.** For people who are not taking an AChE inhibitor or memantine, prescribers should only start treatment with these on the advice of a specialist (neurologist, geriatrician, psychiatrist) who has the necessary knowledge and skills. Only specialists in Centres for Cognitive Disorders and Dementias (CCDDs) can provide refundable prescriptions for these drugs within the National Health System.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**81.** If prescribing an AChE inhibitor, treatment should normally be started with the drug with the lowest acquisition cost (taking into account required daily dose and the price per dose once shared care has started). However, an alternative AChE inhibitor could be prescribed if it is considered appropriate when taking into account adverse event profile, expectations about adherence, medical comorbidity, possibility of drug interactions and dosing profiles.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /High/ No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important

	uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**82.** When using assessment scales to determine the severity of Alzheimer's dementia, healthcare professionals should take into account any physical, sensory or learning disabilities, or communication difficulties that could affect the results and make any adjustments they consider appropriate. Healthcare professionals should also be mindful of the need to secure equality of access to treatment for patients from different ethnic groups, in particular those from different cultural backgrounds.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /

Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?	Varies/Don't know
Feasibility Is the intervention feasible to implement?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know

**83.** When assessing the severity of Alzheimer's dementia and the need for treatment, healthcare professionals should not rely solely on cognition scores in circumstances in which it would be inappropriate to do so. These include:

- if the cognition score is not, or is not by itself, a clinically appropriate tool for assessing the severity of that person's dementia because of the person's learning difficulties or other disabilities (for example, sensory impairments), linguistic or other communication difficulties or level of education or
- if it is not possible to apply the tool in a language in which the patient is sufficiently fluent for it to be appropriate for assessing the severity of dementia or
- if there are other similar reasons why using a cognition score, or the score alone, would be inappropriate for assessing the severity of dementia.

In such cases healthcare professionals should determine the need for initiation or continuation of treatment by using another appropriate method of assessment.

**(WEAK AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> / Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know

## Review question 15b - Acetylcholinesterase inhibitors and memantine in people with mild cognitive impairment

**84.** Do not offer AChE inhibitors (donepezil, galantamine, and rivastigmine) and memantine for the treatment of Mild Cognitive Impairment. **(STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/ <b>Don't know</b>
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

## Review question 15c - Biological drugs in people with Alzheimer's dementia and Mild Cognitive Impairment

**85.** Do not offer monoclonal antibodies against the different forms of amyloid  $\beta$  as a treatment for Alzheimer's dementia or Mild Cognitive Impairment. \*\* **(STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Probably no important uncertainty or variability</b> /No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	<b>Large costs</b> /Moderate costs/Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ <b>Probably reduces</b> /Probably no impact/ Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/ <b>Don't know</b>
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

\*\* Three panel members abstained from voting recommendation 85.

**Review question 16 - Repurposing of pharmacological interventions**

**86.** Do not offer the following treatments specifically to slow the progression of Alzheimer's disease or to slow or stop the conversion from Mild Cognitive Impairment to dementia:

- antidiabetic drugs;
- antihypertensive drugs;
- statins;
- non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs), including acetylsalicylic acid.

**(STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/ <b>Don't know</b>
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> / <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know



## Review question 17 - Co-prescription of acetylcholinesterase inhibitors and memantine in Alzheimer's dementia

**87.** For people with moderate Alzheimer's dementia who are already taking an AChE inhibitor consider memantine in addition to the AChE inhibitor. **(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/ <b>Don't know</b>
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> / <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**88.** For people with severe Alzheimer's dementia who are already taking an AChE inhibitor offer memantine in addition to the AChE inhibitor. **(STRONG IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably

	favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

### Discontinuation of acetylcholinesterase inhibitors and memantine in Alzheimer's dementia

**89.** Do not stop AChE inhibitors or memantine in people with Alzheimer's dementia because of disease severity alone.  
**(STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/Varies/ <b>Don't know</b>
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

## Review question 18 - Acetylcholinesterase inhibitors and memantine for Parkinson's disease dementia

90. Offer AChE inhibitors<sup>6</sup> for people with mild or moderate Parkinson's disease dementia. **(STRONG IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

91. Consider AChE inhibitors<sup>7</sup> for people with severe Parkinson's disease dementia. **(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>

<sup>6</sup> Rivastigmine capsules is currently the only AChEI with an indication for the treatment of mild to moderate PDD. Use of donepezil, galantamine and rivastigmine patches is off label.

<sup>7</sup> Use of AChEI, including rivastigmine capsules, for the treatment of severe PDD is off label.

Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

92. Consider memantine<sup>8</sup> for people with Parkinson's disease dementia, only if AChE inhibitors are not tolerated or are contraindicated.

**(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

<sup>8</sup> Use of memantine for the treatment of PDD is off label.

**Acetylcholinesterase inhibitors for dementia with Lewy bodies**

**93.** Offer donepezil or rivastigmine to people with mild to moderate dementia with Lewy bodies.

**(STRONG IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**94.** Only consider galantamine for people with mild to moderate dementia with Lewy bodies if donepezil and rivastigmine are not tolerated.

**(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know

Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**95. Consider donepezil or rivastigmine for people with severe dementia with Lewy bodies. (WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**96. Consider memantine for people with dementia with Lewy bodies if cholinesterase inhibitors are not tolerated or are contraindicated.**

**(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/

How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?	Don't know
Certainty of evidence What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/ No included studies
Values Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required How large are the resource requirements?	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity What would be the impact on health equity?	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility Is the intervention feasible to implement?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know



## Review question 19 - Acetylcholinesterase inhibitors and memantine for types of dementia other than Alzheimer's disease

97. Only consider cholinesterase inhibitors or memantine for people with vascular dementia if they have suspected comorbid Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease dementia or dementia with Lewy bodies. **(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

98. Do not offer cholinesterase inhibitors or memantine to people with frontotemporal dementia. **(STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably

	favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/Varies/ <b>Don't know</b>
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**99. Do not offer cholinesterase inhibitors or memantine to people with cognitive impairment caused by multiple sclerosis. (STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/Varies/ <b>Don't know</b>
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**Review question 20 - Non-pharmacological interventions for cognitive symptoms in dementia****100. Do not offer acupuncture to treat cognitive symptoms in dementia. (STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/ Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	<b>Important uncertainty or variability/</b> Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/ <b>Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/</b> Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact/</b> Probably increased/Increased/ Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/ Varies/ <b>Don't know</b>
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ <b>Probably no/</b> Probably yes/Yes/ Varies/Don't know

**101. Consider aerobic physical exercise to treat cognitive symptoms in people with mild Alzheimer's dementia. (WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/ <b>Probably no/</b> Probably yes/Yes/ Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /High/ No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability/</b> Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention/</b> Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know

Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/ Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/ Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/ Varies/Don't know

**102. Consider non-aerobic physical exercise to treat cognitive symptoms in people with mild to moderate dementia. (WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/ <b>Probably no</b> / Probably yes/Yes/ Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/ No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/ Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/ Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/ Varies/Don't know

**103. Consider the combination of aerobic and non-aerobic physical exercise to treat cognitive symptoms in people with moderate dementia. (WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/ <b>Probably no</b> / Probably yes/Yes/ Varies/Don't know

Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/ No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**104.** Do not offer specific formulas, including the combinations of supplements containing omega 3 fatty acids, phospholipids, choline, uridine monophosphate, vitamin E, vitamin C, vitamin B6, vitamin B12, folic acid, and selenium to treat cognitive symptoms in people with dementia in absence of documented deficiencies.

**(STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/ No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably

	favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**105.** Do not offer vitamin E and folic acid supplements to treat cognitive symptoms in people with dementia in absence of documented deficiencies.

**(STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/ <b>Probably no</b> / Probably yes/Yes/Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**106.** Do not offer ginseng, ginkgo biloba, huperzine A, and other herbal supplements, antioxidants such as omega-3, selenium and sodium oligomannate to treat cognitive symptoms in people with dementia.

**(STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/ <b>Probably no</b> / Probably yes/Yes/Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/



What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?	No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**107.** Do not offer ketogenic dietary interventions to treat cognitive symptoms in people with dementia.

**(STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/Varies/ <b>Don't know</b>



Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/ <b>Varies/Don't know</b>
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**108. Do not offer light therapy to treat cognitive symptoms in people with moderate to severe dementia.  
(STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/ Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/ No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Probably no important uncertainty or variability</b> /No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/ Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/ Varies/ <b>Don't know</b>
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/ <b>Varies/Don't know</b>

**109. Consider music therapy to treat cognitive symptoms in people with mild to severe dementia.  
(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/ Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/ No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably</b>

	<b>favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**110. Do not offer psychotherapy to treat cognitive symptoms in people with mild to moderate dementia.  
(STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/ <b>Probably no</b> / Probably yes/Yes/Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/Varies/ <b>Don't know</b>
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/ <b>Varies</b> /Don't know

**111. Consider reminiscence therapy to treat cognitive symptoms in people with moderate dementia.  
(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem	No/Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/

Is the problem a priority?	Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/ No included studies
Values Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required How large are the resource requirements?	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity What would be the impact on health equity?	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility Is the intervention feasible to implement?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/ <b>Varies</b> /Don't know

**112.** Do not offer therapeutic robots to treat cognitive symptoms in people with dementia.

**(STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem Is the problem a priority?	No/ <b>Probably no</b> / Probably yes/Yes/ Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/ No included studies
Values Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required How large are the resource requirements?	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably

	favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/Varies/ <b>Don't know</b>
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/ <b>Varies</b> /Don't know

**113. Consider occupational therapy to support functional abilities in people with mild to moderate dementia.  
(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/ <b>Varies</b> /Don't know

**114. Consider cognitive rehabilitation to support functional abilities in people with mild to moderate dementia.  
(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies

Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/ <b>Varies</b> /Don't know

**115.** Offer cognitive stimulation to treat cognitive symptoms in people with mild to moderate dementia.

**(STRONG IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/

<i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	Varies/Don't know
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**116.** Consider cognitive training to treat cognitive symptoms in people with mild Alzheimer's dementia.

**(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/ <b>Varies</b> /Don't know

**117.** Offer a range of activities to promote wellbeing and autonomy that are tailored to the person's individual preferences.

**(STRONG IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably</b>



	<b>favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

### Non-pharmacological interventions for cognitive symptoms in Mild Cognitive Impairment

**118.** Do not consider acupuncture to treat cognitive symptoms in people with Mild Cognitive Impairment.  
**(WEAK AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	<b>No</b> /Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	<b>Important uncertainty or variability</b> /Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the comparison</b> /Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/Varies/ <b>Don't know</b>
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ <b>Probably no</b> / Probably yes/Yes/Varies/Don't know

**119.** Do not offer aromatherapy to treat cognitive symptoms in people with Mild Cognitive Impairment.  
**(STRONG AGAINST)**



Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/ Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**120.** Consider art therapy to treat cognitive symptoms and improve depressive symptoms and anxiety in people with Mild Cognitive Impairment.

**(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/ <b>Probably no</b> / Probably yes/Yes/ Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/ No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know

Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**121.** Consider physical exercise to treat cognitive symptoms and promote independence in people with Mild Cognitive Impairment.

**(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/ <b>Probably no</b> / Probably yes/Yes/Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**122.** Consider dance to treat of cognitive symptoms and improve depressive symptoms in people with Mild Cognitive Impairment.

**(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/ <b>Probably no</b> / Probably yes/Yes/Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know

Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial/Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/</b> Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low/Small/Moderate/High/</b> No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/ Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/ Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/ Varies/Don't know

**123.** Consider games (e.g., cards, board games) to treat cognitive symptoms and improve depressive symptoms in people with Mild Cognitive Impairment.

**(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/ Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial/Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/</b> Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low/Small/Moderate/High/</b> No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know

Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**124.** Consider cognitive rehabilitation to treat cognitive symptoms and promote independence in people with Mild Cognitive Impairment.

**(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**125.** Offer cognitive training to treat cognitive symptoms in people with Mild Cognitive Impairment.

**(STRONG IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or

Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?	variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**126.** Do not offer specific formulas, including combinations of supplements containing omega 3 fatty acids, phospholipids, choline, uridine monophosphate, vitamin E, vitamin C, vitamin B6, vitamin B12, folic acid and selenium, supplements based on combinations of fatty acids polyunsaturated, such as omega-3 and omega-6, and monounsaturated and multivitamins and/or antioxidants supplements to treat cognitive symptoms in people with Mild Cognitive Impairment in absence of documented deficiencies.

**(STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/ <b>Probably no</b> / Probably yes/Yes/Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	<b>Important uncertainty or variability</b> / Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/

<i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	Varies/ <b>Don't know</b>
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/ Varies/Don't know

**127.** Do not offer ginkgo biloba, ginseng, omega 3, resveratrol or other antioxidants to treat cognitive symptoms in people with Mild Cognitive Impairment.

**(STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/ <b>Probably no</b> / Probably yes/Yes/ Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/ No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/ Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/ Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/ Varies/Don't know

**128.** Do not offer vitamin B and vitamin E supplements to treat cognitive symptoms in people with Mild Cognitive Impairment in absence of documented deficiencies.

**(STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/ <b>Probably no</b> / Probably yes/Yes/ Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/ No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ <b>Possibly important uncertainty or variability</b> /Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability



Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**129.** Do not offer ketogenic dietary interventions to treat cognitive symptoms in people with Mild Cognitive Impairment.  
**(STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	<b>No</b> /Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	<b>Important uncertainty or variability</b> / Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/Varies/ <b>Don't know</b>
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know



**130. Do not consider transcranial stimulation interventions to treat people with Mild Cognitive Impairment.**  
**(WEAK AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/ <b>Probably no</b> / Probably yes/Yes/ Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/ No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	<b>Important uncertainty or variability</b> / Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/No important uncertainty or variability
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/ Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/ <b>Varies</b> /Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/Yes/ <b>Varies</b> /Don't know

**131. Consider music therapy to treat cognitive symptoms and improve depressive symptoms and anxiety in people with Mild Cognitive Impairment.**  
**(WEAK IN FAVOR)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/ Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/ No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know

Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**Review question 21 - Management of non-cognitive symptoms in people with dementia**

**132.** Before starting non-pharmacological or pharmacological treatment for distress in people living with dementia, conduct a structured assessment to:

- explore possible reasons for the person's distress and
- check for and address clinical or environmental causes (for example pain, delirium or inappropriate care).

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**133.** As initial and ongoing management, offer psychosocial and environmental interventions to reduce distress in people living with dementia.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies
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Balance of effects	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the

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Resources required How large are the resource requirements?	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Equity What would be the impact on health equity?	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility Is the intervention feasible to implement?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**134.** Ensure that people living with dementia can continue to access psychosocial and environmental interventions for distress while they are taking antipsychotics and after they have stopped taking them.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem Is the problem a priority?	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
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Cost-effectiveness Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Equity What would be the impact on health equity?	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility Is the intervention feasible to implement?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**135.** For people living with dementia who experience agitation or aggression, offer personalised activities to promote engagement, pleasure and interest.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
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Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**136.** Consider interventions aimed at specifically training staff for the management of non-cognitive symptoms in people living with dementia.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
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Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
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Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**137.** Consider providing access to therapeutic gardens for the management of non-cognitive symptoms in people living with dementia who experience BPSDs.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /High/No included studies
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Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**138.** Consider interventions of active and/or receptive music therapy for the management of non-cognitive symptoms in people living with dementia who experience BPSDs.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/

How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?	Don't know
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Equity What would be the impact on health equity?	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/ Varies/Don't know
Acceptability Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know
Feasibility Is the intervention feasible to implement?	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/ Varies/Don't know

**139.** Consider psychological treatments in people with mild to moderate dementia who experience mild to moderate depressive symptoms and/or anxiety.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem Is the problem a priority?	No/Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/ Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/ Don't know
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Resources required How large are the resource requirements?	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies



Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**140.** Consider the use of therapeutic robots in people with dementia who experience depressive symptoms, anxiety and/or agitation.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/ <b>Probably no</b> / Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
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Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
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Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**141.** For people living with dementia who have sleep problems, consider a personalised multicomponent sleep management approach that includes sleep hygiene education, exposure to daylight, exercise, and personalised activities.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
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Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies

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Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**142.** Before starting antipsychotics, discuss the benefits and harms with the person and their family members or caregivers (as appropriate). Consider using a decision aid to support this discussion.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
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Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
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Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b>

<i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	Varies/Don't know
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**143. When using antipsychotics:**

- use the lowest effective dose and use them for the shortest possible time;
- reassess the person at least every four weeks, to check whether they still need medication.

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Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/ Don't know
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Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
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Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know

**144. Only offer antipsychotics for people living with dementia who are either:**

- at risk of harming themselves or others or
- experiencing agitation, hallucinations or delusions that are causing them severe distress.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/ Don't know
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Acceptability Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility Is the intervention feasible to implement?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**145. Stop treatment with antipsychotics:**

- if the person is not getting a clear ongoing benefit from taking them and
- after discussion with the person taking them and their family members or caregivers (as appropriate).

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem Is the problem a priority?	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies
Values Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required How large are the resource requirements?	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity What would be the impact on health equity?	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility Is the intervention feasible to implement?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**146.** Do not offer valproate to manage agitation or aggression in people living with dementia, unless it is indicated for another condition.

**(STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**147.** Do not routinely offer antidepressants to manage mild to moderate depression in people living with mild to moderate dementia, unless they are indicated for a pre-existing severe mental health condition.

**(STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know

Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**148. Do not offer bupropion to manage depressive symptoms in people living with dementia. (STRONG AGAINST)**

Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know



**149.** Be aware that for people with dementia with Lewy bodies or Parkinson's disease dementia, antipsychotics can worsen the motor features of the condition, and in some cases cause severe antipsychotic sensitivity reactions. For more guidance, see the advice on managing delusions and hallucinations in Table 6 in the Full Guideline. Be aware that interventions may need to be modified for people living with dementia.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
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Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know



**Review question 22 - Assessing intercurrent illness in people living with dementia**

**150.** Consider using a structured observational pain assessment tool:

- alongside self-reported pain and standard clinical assessment for people living with moderate to severe dementia;
- alongside standard clinical assessment for people living with dementia who are unable to self-report pain.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/ No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/ Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know

**151.** For people living with dementia who are in pain, consider using a stepwise treatment protocol that balances pain management and potential adverse events.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> / Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/ Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/Large/Varies/ Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/ No included studies
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Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> / Favours the intervention/Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ <b>Probably increased</b> /Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

## 152. Repeat pain assessments for people living with dementia:

- who seem to be in pain;
- who show signs of behavioural changes that may be caused by pain;
- after any pain management intervention.

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Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies
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Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
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Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**Treating intercurrent illness in people living with dementia**

**153.** For managing the risk of falling for people living with dementia refer to the standard treatment for the prevention of falls (see Table 6 in the Full Guideline).

When using this guidance:

- take account of the additional support people living with dementia may need to participate effectively;
- be aware that multifactorial falls interventions may not be suitable for a person living with severe dementia.

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<b>Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework</b>	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**Review question 23 - Caring for people living with dementia who are admitted to hospital**

**154.** Be aware of the increased risk of delirium in people living with dementia who are admitted to hospital. See Table 6 in the Full Guideline for interventions to identify and treat delirium.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/Moderate/High/ <b>No included studies</b>
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**155.** In case of people with dementia admitted to hospital, ensure the availability of a multidimensional assessment, the monitoring and review of all pharmacological treatments, and the reconciliation of pharmacological treatment plans, and any possible issues related to safety, considering the involvement of a pharmacist or pharmacologist. For further indications on the optimization and reconciliation of pharmacological treatments see Table 7 in the Full Guideline and the recommendation on the reconciliation of pharmacological treatments provided by the Ministry of Health<sup>9</sup>.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies

<sup>9</sup> Ministero della Salute - D.G. Programmazione sanitaria. Raccomandazione n. 17 - Riconciliazione della terapia farmacologica. Available at: <https://www.salute.gov.it/portale/sicurezzaCure/dettaglioPubblicazioniSicurezzaCure.jsp?id=2354> (Last visited: 30/08/2023).

Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
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Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/Varies/Don't know

**156.** Consider the involvement of a multidisciplinary team in case of people with dementia admitted to hospital to ensure personalized interventions based on a multidimensional assessment of their overall health, including their nutritional status.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies
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Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ <b>Probably yes</b> /Yes/ Varies/Don't know
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**Review question 24 - Palliative care**

**157.** From diagnosis, offer people living with dementia flexible, needs-based palliative care that takes into account how unpredictable dementia progression can be.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
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Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**158.** Encourage and support people living with dementia to eat and drink, taking into account their nutritional needs.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably



	favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**159.** Consider involving a speech and language therapist if there are concerns about a person's safety when eating and drinking.

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Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies
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Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/ <b>Moderate costs</b> /Negligible costs and savings/Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/ <b>Probably favours the intervention</b> /Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**160.** Do not routinely use enteral feeding in people living with severe dementia, unless indicated for a potentially reversible comorbidity.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects <i>How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Certainty of evidence <i>What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?</i>	Very low/ <b>Small</b> /Moderate/High/No included studies
Values <i>Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?</i>	Important uncertainty or variability/Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
Balance of effects <i>Does the balance between desirable and undesirable effects favor intervention or comparison?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	<b>Favours the comparison</b> /Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/Favours the intervention/Varies/Don't know
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/ <b>Probably no impact</b> / Probably increased/Increased/Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**161.** When thinking about admission to hospital for a person living with severe dementia, carry out an assessment that balances their current medical needs with the additional harms they may face in hospital, for example:

- disorientation;
- a longer length of stay;
- increased mortality;
- increased morbidity on discharge;
- delirium;
- the effects of being in an impersonal or institutional environment.

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Balance of effects	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the

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Resources required How large are the resource requirements?	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity What would be the impact on health equity?	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility Is the intervention feasible to implement?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**162.** For people living with dementia who are approaching the end of life, use an anticipatory healthcare planning process (see recommendation 41 on advance care planning). Involve the person and their family members or carers (as appropriate) as far as possible, and use the principles of best-interest decision making if the person cannot make decisions about their own care.

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Desirable effects How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
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Resources required How large are the resource requirements?	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know
Cost-effectiveness Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity What would be the impact on health equity?	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility Is the intervention feasible to implement?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**163.** For standards and measures on palliative care, see Table 10 in the Full Guideline.

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Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
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Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**164.** For guidance on care for people in the last days of life, see Table 11 in the Full Guideline. **(STRONG IN FAVOR)**

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Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
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Resources required <i>How large are the resource requirements?</i>	Large costs/Moderate costs/ <b>Negligible costs and savings</b> /Moderate savings/Large savings/Varies/ Don't know

Cost-effectiveness <i>Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?</i>	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies
Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**165.** For guidance, on best interest decision-making, see Table 12 in the Full Guideline. **(STRONG IN FAVOR)**

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Problem <i>Is the problem a priority?</i>	No/Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/Moderate/ <b>Large</b> /Varies/Don't know
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Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**166.** When thinking about admission to hospital for a person living with dementia, take into account:

- any advance care and support plans;
- the value of keeping them in a familiar environment.

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Evidence to Decision (EtD) Framework	
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Desirable effects <i>How substantial are the desirable anticipated effects?</i>	Trivial/Small/ <b>Moderate</b> /Large/Varies/Don't know
Undesirable effects	<b>Trivial</b> /Small/Moderate/Large/Varies/

How substantial are the undesirable anticipated effects?	Don't know
Certainty of evidence What is the overall certainty of the evidence of effects?	<b>Very low</b> /Small/Moderate/High/ No included studies
Values Is there important uncertainty about or variability in how much people value the main outcomes?	Important uncertainty or variability/ Possibly important uncertainty or variability/Probably no important uncertainty or variability/ <b>No important uncertainty or variability</b>
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Equity What would be the impact on health equity?	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility Is the intervention feasible to implement?	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know

**167.** Consider using a structured tool to assess the likes and dislikes, routines and personal history of a person living with dementia.

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Cost-effectiveness Does the cost-effectiveness of the intervention favor intervention or control?	Favours the comparison/Probably favours the comparison/Does not favour either the intervention or the comparison/Probably favours the intervention/ <b>Favours the intervention</b> /Varies/ No included studies

Equity <i>What would be the impact on health equity?</i>	Reduced/ Probably reduces/Probably no impact/ Probably increased/ <b>Increased</b> /Varies/Don't know
Acceptability <i>Is the intervention acceptable to key stakeholders?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know
Feasibility <i>Is the intervention feasible to implement?</i>	No/ Probably no/ Probably yes/ <b>Yes</b> /Varies/Don't know