

'Never too early, never too late'

WORLD ALZHEIMER'S MONTH

World Alzheimer's Month is from the 1st to the 30th of September.

This year's theme is 'never too late, never too early'!

The global number of people living with dementia is expected to triple by 2050, which is alarming, and there is an urgent need to understand and respond to the risk factors associated with this condition.

KEY FACTS

Every 3 seconds someone in the world, develops dementia.

Dementia is the 7th leading cause of death worldwide.

40% of cases of dementia could be delayed or reduced.

Globally, 75% of people with dementia are undiagnosed.

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Dementia is a collective name for progressive degeneration of the brain.

It affects memory, thinking, behaviour, and emotions.

Although each person may experience dementia differently, eventually all those affected will need help in all aspects of their life.

Alzheimer's and vascular dementia are the most common types.

Dementia knows no social, economic, or geographical boundaries.

There is currently no cure available for dementia, only to treat symptoms.

It is essential to act now to reduce the impact of dementia on society by raising awareness and supporting care and research.



Source: Livingston et al. A, et al. Dementia prevention, intervention, and care: 2020 report of the Lancet Commission

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