Young onset dementia media round-up
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In the UK news / press

Choice magazine blog – Ingrid Stone talks about Yoga for Alzheimer’s, a fundraising initiative she launched after her mother Valerie Blumenthal’s diagnosis of PCA.

South Wales Guardian – Volunteers sought for young onset dementia research study

Evening Standard – Charity calls for London to become first ‘dementia friendly’ capital city – features Gary who is living with young onset dementia.

Daily Mail – Wife splits from Navy veteran husband having a ‘mid-life crisis,’ he is later diagnosed with dementia aged 41

Huffington Post – I care for someone with Alzheimer’s, who cares for me? Writer Chris is in his 20s, his mum has young onset Alzheimer’s.

Daily Mail – Dementia patients wrongly told ‘it’s just a mid-life crisis’ as doctors miss tell-tale signs of symptoms

Swindon Advertiser – Let’s make Swindon a better place to live with dementia – article includes quotes from a number of people living with young onset

Sky News – Dementia Shake Up: Health Check Ups for Over-40s

Mersey Care Magazine - feature on young onset dementia, including an interview with Tony who was diagnosed aged 51. Page 16-17.

From USA

Huffington Post – 5 Steps to coping with young onset Alzheimer’s disease – this article makes some some useful points about how to adapt to life with young onset.

Alzheimer’s site.com blog – Alzheimer’s isn’t just for the elderly, familial Alzheimer’s disease strikes on your 30s and 40s

Brian LeBlanc is 54 and is living with young onset Alzheimer's disease. In this two minute long film, he talks about the stigma of living with the condition. 'I'm trying to put a positive spin on it,' he says.

Redbook – When my Mom was diagnosed with Alzheimer’s, I felt so alone – actress Lauren Miller Rogen discussed her mum’s young onset dementia

CNN – With love and fear, Alzheimer’s youngest caregivers watch over parents – moving article sharing issues faced by children who have a parent with young onset

The Care Givers Voice - Joe Potocny - Surviving with Humour - Joe was diagnosed with young onset Alzheimer’s and FTD aged 60, he is now 71.
From Australia

Alzheimer’s Australia says male carers of dementia sufferers less likely to seek support – includes quotes from Helen, diagnosed aged 52

DPS News – Southern Australian care provider ACH Group has introduced a new approach for respite options for people with young onset dementia

The Last Laugh – trailer for a short film about dementia, featuring Kate Swaffer

Online

UCL – New MSNAP standards recognise importance of age appropriate care for young onset dementia

House of Commons – Dementia & Alzheimer’s debate transcript, 12 April 2016

National Children’s Bureau - Report: Young people caring for adults with dementia in England

Look the Business - What it’s like to live with young onset dementia – as told by Helen Rochford Brennan who was diagnosed aged 61

Natural England - Is it nice outside? – Study consulting people living with dementia and their carers about engaging with the natural environment

The Social Care Elf - Impact of young onset dementia on informal caregivers compared with late onset dementia

University of Bradford - The Dementia Detectives - The Dementia Detectives is an hour long workshop for teenagers delivered in schools and colleges, designed to shatter the myths surrounding dementia and learn how to support people living with dementia in the community.

Alzheimer’s Society – interview with John Middleton, the actor playing Ashley, who has been diagnosed with young onset dementia in ITV soap, Emmerdale

Dementia UK - Anita’s story - Anita’s husband, Trevor was diagnosed with young onset dementia when he was 55 and Helen, an Admiral Nurse, provided valuable support to Anita at this time.

The Alzheimer’s Show – My parents were in denial - Angelina is a 36-year-old writer who lives in West Sussex. Her mother, Irene, who lives in Aberdeen, was diagnosed with young onset vascular dementia with Alzheimer’s in 2010.

Leicestershire Health Informatics Service – Young Onset Dementia App – tablet app aimed at patients, carers and professionals.

Sports Relief - interview with Jo from Stockport who was diagnosed with young onset Alzheimer’s disease at the age of 57.