Young onset dementia media round-up May 2016

In the news / press

The Express – Dementia is not a death sentence: Joy Watson tells of young onset Alzheimer’s disease

Daily Mail – Heart-breaking story of father diagnosed with dementia at just 47

Daily Mail – I lost my family to dementia – now I’ll make sure my daughter survives

The Telegraph – Those living with the condition outline the do’s and don’ts for friends and family

The Guardian – The one-man crusader driven to improve lives with dementia

Radio Times – The truth about dementia is that it affects us all

St Helens Star – Club provides help for young people diagnosed with dementia

Telegraph & Argus – Voluntary group offers vital breaks for people diagnosed with young onset dementia

ABC News (Australia) – ‘It breaks your heart’: a family’s struggle with young onset dementia

The Telegraph – Football’s silent shame: Dementia ‘conspiracy’ is a stain on the game

BBC News – Founding member of the Beastie Boys, John Berry, dies aged 52 of FTD

BBC News – ‘My brother’s brain injury was ignored because of dementia’

BBC News – Mother’s disbelief at Alzheimer’s diagnosis aged 51

Independent (Ireland) – ‘For whatever time we have before I don’t know you, let’s enjoy every moment’ – mum diagnosed with Alzheimer’s aged 53 shares emotional letter she wrote to her sons

Milwaukee Wisconsin Journal Sentinel (USA) – Couple’s love transcends early onset dementia

TV & Radio

The Victoria Derbyshire Programme, BBC 2 - Fighting back from young onset dementia - Joy Watson is interviewed

Channel 4 News – Early onset dementia: Children of people with dementia describe process of ‘mourning’ parents

BBC One – The Truth About Dementia – with Angela Rippon

ITV Wales News – More than half of Welsh people ‘put off’ seeking dementia diagnosis – features Gavin’s story, Gavin has young onset dementia
Radio One Newsbeat – ‘Dementia has made my mum less human but I still love her’ - says Chris, aged 22

Online

Medical Research Council – insight – Dementia: Care today, cure tomorrow – article by Keith Oliver

University of Bradford, Dementia Studies blog – Young onset dementia – some green shoots for change? – written by Prof Jan Oyebode

JKP blog – Living beyond dementia, an interview with Kate Swaffer

Dementia Mentors – Concentrate on what you still can do – the wise words of Chris Roberts

Medical Xpress – Helping children and young people isolated by young onset dementia find a voice

Living well with young onset dementia – Wendy’s story

Hilary Doxford, diagnosed aged 53 – There is hope now

Pippa Kelly’s blog – Jane & Phil’s story

Long Term Living (USA) – Alzheimer’s Association funds drug study for inherited, young onset disease

Kent Online – Family’s struggle as Ian Fraser is diagnosed with early onset dementia aged 47

Powys Mental Health blog – Linda’s experience of being diagnosed with young onset dementia

Manchester Charity News – New tech that is being used to help people with dementia

Heather’s story – Heather is 22 years old, her dad passed away in September 2015. She shares how she is coping with the loss of a much loved parent.

Lorraine’s story – Lorraine shares the devastation of her young onset dementia diagnosis in her early 60s and how she has become determined to raise awareness of the condition.

Norms and his carer Peter – Norms shares some of the difficulties he has encountered, trying to find the right carer to support him to continue to participate in a hobby he loves - fishing.

Books

Our Dementia Diary, Irene, Alzheimer’s & Me – tells the moving story of Rachael and her partner, Irene who was diagnosed with dementia in her early 50s.
The Dementia Diaries – not young onset specific but is a book aimed at children who have a family member that has dementia.