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

The Jewish Chronicle – This is what is feels like to lose your mind – YDUK member, Valerie Blumenthal writes about life with PCA.

The Oxford Times – Dementia sufferer and charity fundraiser Chris Graham returns from 16,000-mile cycle challenge – Chris was 34 when he was diagnosed with familial young onset Alzheimer’s disease.

BBC News – I do my crying in the shower - says Alison. Her husband Paul is 57 & is living with PCA.

BBC Radio 4 – My wife’s humour changed when she developed dementia – says Philip about wife who developed dementia in her 50s. Features new study from UCL’s Dementia Research Institute.

From Australia

We need more investment to stop the insidious creep of dementia says Richard whose wife was diagnosed with dementia aged 61.

From USA

Learning to live a full life when you have early stage Alzheimer’s disease – ‘Alzheimer’s is not an end. But the beginning of a very different life,’ says Dan, diagnosed aged 61.

Alzheimer’s at Age 30: An ‘Old-Person’s Disease’ Hits a Young Family – article by Nikki, whose husband Ken was diagnosed at the age of 30.

My husband was diagnosed with dementia at the age of 36 – one family’s story of young onset

Online

YoungDementia UK’s Make A Point About Young Onset Dementia film

Alzheimer’s Society’s Fix Dementia campaign – David’s story

Wendy Mitchell blog – Children without a voice, New National Young Onset Steering Group and National Young Onset Dementia Network Part 2

New blog – Kepola.com – written by Deborah about caring for mum who has Alzheimer’s, aged 61.

Keith Oliver, Forget Me Nots talking about life with young onset dementia.
Manchester Young Onset Dementia Service – short film about their joint project with Manchester’s Camerata orchestra

Homecare.co.uk – article by Chris Norris, who was diagnosed with FTD aged 61 - Young Onset Dementia: ‘We need to dwell on the things we can do, not on the things we can’t’

Guest blog by Norman McNamara who was diagnosed with dementia aged 50 ‘reflects on his journey,’ on the Guideposts website.

Research projects

David is looking for people to interview who are living with young onset dementia, who are based in the London / Brighton area. He would like to write up and share people’s stories for dementia training and information purposes. http://www.youngdementiauk.org/young-onset-story-project