



Young Dementia Network

We know first hand about the impact of dementia on younger people and their families and how isolating it can be. We believe that everyone affected should be well informed, feel connected to others and enabled to live life to the full.

So we have created a Network. A community that includes people living with young onset dementia, their family and friends, as well as organisations and professionals who work in the fields of dementia and social care.

The Network will...

- Provide opportunities for members to share experience, knowledge and to learn from each other.
- Encourage improved young onset services across the UK and influence and inform national and local policies.

What are our priorities for 2017/18?

1. We have written a set of recommendations called a 'Care Pathway'. This pathway details how younger people with dementia and their families can be well supported. Our aim is for it to be adopted across the UK.
2. To encourage the development of research and evidence about young onset dementia so we can better understand how many people are affected and what works best to support them.
3. To create and contribute towards resources and information about young onset dementia.
4. To improve understanding of young onset dementia amongst health and social care professionals, families affected by young onset dementia and the general public.

These priorities have been identified by people affected by young onset dementia.

How do members guide the Network and contribute towards its activities?

Our activity is guided by the needs and wishes of people affected by young onset dementia. There are many opportunities to contribute towards the Network

- Attending Network events held across the country and online.
- Visiting our website and completing surveys, giving us feedback on resources or submitting your own ideas and suggestions.
- Organisations and groups that join the Network can share contributions from the people they support.

You are welcome to join the Network and receive our updates with no obligation to be more actively involved.

How do we work with other individuals, organisations and networks?

There are existing organisations who support people affected by dementia, including some who specialise in supporting younger people and their families. The Network will work collaboratively with these organisations and networks so that collectively we can make a difference. We believe that by joining together we can combine our limited resources and create a unified, powerful voice.

Join the Network

If you or your organisation are interested in joining the Network, please contact us using the details below or visit our website

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The Young Dementia Network is guided by a collaborative group. Further details, including the people and organisations involved can be found on our website.

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