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**Tickets are on sale now for
Young Dementia 2018**

On Thursday 20 September 2018, the Journal of Dementia Care in association with YoungDementia UK will be hosting a one-day conference focussing on young onset dementia.

Taking place at the Studio in Birmingham, the conference title is 'Achieving improvements in Young Onset Dementia Support - Positive, personal and practical initiatives and solutions'. The day promises engaging and informative speakers with both personal and professional experience on a range of topics relating to young onset support.

The CPD certified programme is now available and tickets are currently on sale at an early bird discount rate. Find out more [here](#).

Free week-long respite breaks for children

CHICKS is a national children's charity that provides free respite breaks for 'disadvantaged children' which includes children who have a parent with young onset dementia.



They can take referrals from anyone who has a professional relationship with a child from all over the country, as long as they can get to the pick-up points in Plymouth and Derby.

CHICKS work with children aged between 8-15 years of age. Children are split into groups so that the activities can be suitably targeted according to age. Breaks run from February until November.

Find out more on the CHICKS [website](#).



Good luck Peter on your 330 mile cycle challenge

Peter Berry was diagnosed with young onset dementia three years ago. Now aged 53, he has decided to embark on the challenge of a lifetime - a 330 mile cycle ride from Wales to Suffolk to raise money for YoungDementia UK.

Peter will set off on 25 June and plans to cover up to 50 miles a day for six days. He hopes to cross the finish line on a penny farthing!

We'll be sharing Peter's daily vlogs and updates on our Twitter and Facebook pages, or you can follow Peter on Twitter [@PeterBe1130](#)

Show Peter your support by donating to his [fundraising page](#).

Have your voice heard

Have your voice heard to bring positive real-life changes to the lives of people with young onset dementia and their families / supporters.

More than 200 people with dementia and supporters have been contributing to the Angela Project study which seeks to improve diagnosis and post-diagnostic support for younger people with dementia and their families.



Here is one example of what a person living with young onset has said -

'I was given the opportunity to meet and talk with someone of my own age group to compare experiences and views. They offered me understanding support when I needed it most. Also, they were the only ones to make sure I had information specifically about young onset dementia. With their help I am beginning to feel I have a purpose in life again after years of being made to feel useless. They made me feel useful instead of a burden.'

If you would like to contribute to the Angela Project and help improve services and support during diagnosis, please contact Mary O'Malley at Mary.O'Malley@northampton.ac.uk or 01604 892168, University of Northampton, or visit this [web page](#).



Kids go free on Dorset farm holiday for younger people with dementia

living with dementia to stay for a week at a working organic farm, which has facilities to welcome people of all abilities.

Dementia Adventure is offering two opportunities for younger people

The trip on 20 August is a family-friendly holiday aimed at younger people with dementia and their children - the good news is children go free! Plus there is a second holiday on 3 September for adults affected by young onset dementia.

There are plenty of fun activities to do on the farm - from picking produce to feeding the animals - and they include opportunities to enjoy the best this lovely region has to offer too.

Click [here](#) for more details.

Admiral Nurse (Young Onset Dementia) Job Vacancy

As part of a partnership between Dementia UK and Imperial Healthcare NHS Trust, an exciting job opportunity has arisen for an experienced nurse with a passion for dementia.



Based at Charing Cross Hospital, London, this specialist role will work with people affected by young onset dementia and their family members. Find out more about this vacancy on the Dementia UK [website](#). Closing date 19 June.



Congratulations Fiona Chaabane, award-winning young onset nurse specialist

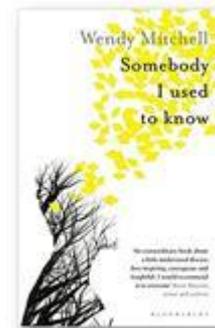
We would like to extend our congratulations to Fiona Chaabane, a young onset dementia nurse specialist at Southampton General Hospital.

She was recently featured on BBC's The One Show after winning the Nursing and Midwifery Award in their NHS Patient Awards. It was in recognition of her excellent work supporting younger people with dementia and their families at Southampton General Hospital as part of the [Wessex Cognitive Disorders team](#). She is a very worthy winner. Well done Fiona!

And finally...

In the April issue of Young Dementia News we offered two free audio codes for Wendy Mitchell's excellent book, [Somebody I used to know](#).

Thanks to Wendy's generosity, we were able to give away codes to not two, but three people. We hope you are enjoying listening to Wendy's book!



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