



Young onset dementia media round-up April 2017

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NHS England – [Tackling the challenges of young onset dementia](#) – blog by Alistair Burns, Janet Carter and Jeremy Isaacs – referencing the Young Dementia Network, care pathway and YoungDementia UK

In the UK news / press

BBC News – [Gareth Wilmot – Family's 'disbelief' at son's dementia age 40](#) - Gareth died aged 40, he was diagnosed five years earlier

The Yorkshire Post – ['You can still live positively with dementia if you learn to adapt'](#) – interview with Wendy Mitchell who was diagnosed aged 58

Daily Mail - [Davina McCall reveals she's twice called her GP in tears fearing she had early-onset Alzheimer's aged just 49 after both her father and grandmother were diagnosed with dementia](#) – Davina's cognitive overload' has felt like symptoms of young onset dementia.

Online

Good Housekeeping – [9 things a teenage carer wants you to know](#) – Tiana is 17, her mum was diagnosed with young onset dementia and MS 3 years ago, she is in her 40s.

Visitor – [Emmerdale storyline prompts Southport woman to speak about husband's young onset dementia](#) – Tracy's husband Bob was diagnosed aged 61.

The Mixed Zone – [Walking beyond the shadow of dementia](#) – Tracey was diagnosed with dementia in her 40s, she lives independently and positively with dementia.

Unforgettable.org – ['I'm helping to make a difference'](#) – article about Joy Watson, 58, and the awareness-raising work she is doing

Homecare.co.uk – [Brits urged to forget age, race and Brexit and unite in the face of dementia](#) – article includes quotes from ex-footballer Robbie Savage whose dad died of FTD aged 64.

NI Direct – [Living with a dementia](#) - Features John age 58, Anne 48 & Glenn 54, sharing positive messages about life with dementia

Elaine Biles and husband Steve have been supported by YoungDementia UK for many years. Elaine was a speaker at the Alzheimer's Research UK Oxford information day event at the John Radcliffe Hospital. Watch her talk [here](#).

Digital Spy – [Emmerdale death plot revealed as Ashley Thomas passes away next week](#) – the end of the soap's young onset dementia storyline

From abroad

ABC News (Australia) – [Early onset dementia could be a death sentence, but for Andy Creighan it came as a relief](#) – Andy was diagnosed aged 54

ABC News (Australia) - [Younger Onset Dementia diagnosis provides 'relief' for retired lawyer](#) – Sue was diagnosed aged 55 after 18 months of tests.

Publications & courses

[The Lupo Stick](#) – a fictional novel written by award-winning author, Valerie Blumenthal, who is living with PCA

University of Derby – [Bridging the Dementia Divide](#) – free online course