

Westminster Health Forum Keynote Seminar: Improving dementia care

Timing: Morning, 23rd November 2010

Venue: Sixty One Whitehall, London SW1A 2ET

Agenda subject to change

- 8.45 - 9.00 Registration
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chairman's opening remarks**
Professor Sube Banerjee, Professor of Mental Health and Ageing, Institute of Psychiatry, King's College London
- 9.05 - 9.15 **Dementia care – where we are and where we're going**
Professor Murna Downs, Chair, Dementia Studies and Head of Bradford Dementia Group, University of Bradford
- 9.15 - 9.25 **The future costs of caring for people with dementia**
Adelina Comas-Herrera, Research Fellow, Personal Social Services Research Unit (PSSRU), London School of Economics and Political Science
- 9.25 - 9.40 Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.40 - 10.30 **The National Dementia Strategy: the impact so far and implementation issues**
Has the National Dementia Strategy, nearly two years on, improved care and quality of treatment for all? What have been the main problems in implementing the strategy so far and how can they be overcome? What does the recent health White Paper mean for the future of the strategy and dementia care generally? How has the strategy tied in with other government strategies, such as the National End of Life Care Strategy? What more can be done to encourage investment in research for the treatment of dementia? What progress has been made on the training of staff, including GPs? How can an outcomes-focused approach be developed and maintained and how can performance be monitored and addressed?
Rebecca Wood, Chief Executive, Alzheimer's Research Trust
Dean Cowley, Service Development Director, Bupa Care Services, Bupa
Dr Ioannis Liakas, Consultant Physician in General and Geriatric Medicine, Memory Service, Southend University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust
Karen Harrison Denning, Consultant Admiral Nurse
Jean Tottie, Chair, Uniting Carers, Dementia UK and former carer
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.30 - 10.35 **Chairman's closing remarks**
Professor Sube Banerjee, Professor of Mental Health and Ageing, Institute of Psychiatry, King's College London
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- 11.05 - 11.10 **Chairman's opening remarks**
Jeremy Wright MP, Founder, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Dementia
- 11.10 - 11.35 **Making services more efficient and better value for money**
What more can be done to improve value for money of dementia services in the UK? Following the reports on the National Dementia Strategy by the National Audit Office and Committee of Public Accounts, what commitments has the Government made – and what will this mean for the future?
Karen Taylor, Director, Health Value for Money Audit, National Audit Office
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.35 - 12.25 **Person-centred care – reducing stigma and improving care**
What more can be done to ensure people with dementia and their families' physical, psychological and social needs are being met? What more can be done to ensure that services are responsive to varied needs of individuals, as stated in the National Dementia Declaration? How can early diagnosis and intervention be promoted? How effective have current campaigns been in tackling stigma associated with dementia, and concerns felt by sufferers themselves about their diagnosis? How can people with dementia be enabled to live full and active lives in their communities? How can the transition from community to residential care be managed better where this is necessary? How can care within the general hospital setting be improved? What more can be done to protect personal rights and make sure that all people with dementia and their families are aware of instruments such as power of attorney?
Jenny Owen, Deputy Chief Executive and Commissioning Director, Adult Social Services, Essex County Council
Philip Hurst, National Development Manager, Health, Age UK
Emma Stone, Acting Co-Director, Policy & Research, Joseph Rowntree Foundation
Neil Waterhouse, Director, Older People's Mental Health Services, Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Joye Manyan, family carer, Uniting Carers, Dementia UK
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 - 12.55 **Next steps for dementia care**
Professor Alistair Burns, National Clinical Director for Dementia for England, Department of Health
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chairman's and Westminster Health Forum closing remarks**
Jeremy Wright MP, Founder, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Dementia
Michael Ryan, Senior Producer, Westminster Health Forum