Dementia Guideline

Review Questions

1. Who should start and review the following pharmacological interventions: (donepezil, galantamine, rivastigmine, memantine) for people with Alzheimer’s disease and how should a review be carried out?
2. When should treatment with donepezil, galantamine, rivastigmine, memantine be withdrawn for people with Alzheimer’s disease?
3. What barriers and facilitators have an impact on involving people living with dementia in decisions about their present and future care?
4. What barriers and facilitators have an impact on how people living with dementia can make use of advance planning?
5. What are the most effective methods of care planning, focusing upon improving outcomes for people with dementia and their carers?
6. How should health and social care be co-ordinated for people living with dementia?
7. What are the most effective methods of supporting people living with dementia to reduce harm and stay independent?
8. How effective is pre, peri & post-diagnostic counselling and support on outcomes for people living with dementia and their families?
9. How should people living with dementia be reviewed post diagnosis?
10. How should people living with dementia be cared for when admitted to hospital?
11. What are the most effective ways of managing the transition between different settings (home, care home, hospital, and respite) for people living with dementia?
12. What effect does training for staff working with people living with dementia have upon the experiences of people living with dementia in their care?
13. What are the specific needs of younger people living with dementia?
14. What models of palliative care are effective for people with dementia?
15. How effective are carers’ assessments in identifying the needs of carers of people living with dementia?
16. What interventions/services are most effective for supporting the wellbeing of informal carers of people living with dementia?
17. What are the most effective methods of differentiating dementia or dementia and delirium from delirium alone?
18. What drugs that may worsen cognitive decline are commonly prescribed in people diagnosed with dementia?
19. What are the most effective tools to identify drugs that may be causing cognitive decline?
20. What are the most effective methods of primary assessment to decide whether a person with suspected dementia should be referred to a dementia diagnostic service?
21. What are the most effective methods of diagnosing dementia and dementia subtypes in specialist dementia diagnostic services?
22. Are there effective methods for assessing intercurrent illness in people living with dementia that are different from those already in use for those who do not have dementia?
23. Are there effective methods for treating intercurrent illness in people living with dementia that are different from those already in use for those who do not have dementia?
24. What are the optimal management strategies (including treatments) for people with dementia with co-existing physical long term conditions?
25. What are the optimal management strategies (including treatments) for people with dementia and an enduring mental health condition?
26. What effect does modifying risk factors have on slowing the progression of dementia?
27. How effective are cholinesterase inhibitors and memantine for types of dementia other than typical Alzheimer’s disease?
28. What are the most effective non-pharmacological interventions for supporting cognitive functioning in people living with dementia?
29. What are the most effective non-pharmacological interventions for supporting functional ability in people living with dementia?
30. What are the most effective non-pharmacological interventions to support wellbeing in people living with dementia?
31. What are the most effective pharmacological interventions for managing illness emergent non-cognitive symptoms, such as psychosis, depression, behavioural changes in people living with dementia?
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33. How effective is the co-prescription of anticholinesterase inhibitors and memantine for the treatment of Alzheimer’s disease?
34. What are the most effective methods of case finding for people at high risk of dementia?