

# NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH AND CARE EXCELLENCE

## QUALITY STANDARD TOPIC OVERVIEW

### 1 Quality standard title

Dementia (update)

This quality standard will replace the existing NICE quality standards for dementia ([Dementia: support in health and social care](#) and [Dementia: independence and wellbeing](#)). The topic was identified for update following an annual review of quality standards. The review identified that there had been changes in the areas for improvement, and an updated guideline on [Dementia: assessment, management and support for people living with dementia and their carers](#) has also been published. This is also an opportunity to combine the health care and social care quality standards.

### 2 Introduction

#### 2.1 NICE quality standards

NICE quality standards are a concise set of prioritised statements designed to drive measurable quality improvements within a particular area of health or care.

The standards are derived from high-quality guidance, such as that from NICE or [accredited](#) by NICE. They are developed independently by NICE, in collaboration with health, public health and social care practitioners, their partners and service users. Information on priority areas, people's experience of using services, safety issues, equality and cost impact are considered during the development process.

NICE quality standards are central to supporting the government's vision for a health and social care system that is focused on delivering the best possible outcomes for people who use services, as detailed in the [Health and Social Care Act \(2012\)](#).

The quality standard development process is described in detail on the [NICE website](#).

## **2.2 This topic overview**

This topic overview describes core elements of the quality standard. These include the population and topic to be covered, key source guidance to be used to underpin potential quality statements, any related quality standards, published current practice information and national or routine indicators and performance measures.

If the source guidance is not NICE guidance, it should meet the minimum quality criteria defined in NICE's [accreditation programme](#).

## **3 This quality standard**

This quality standard is expected to publish in June 2019.

### **3.1 Population and topic to be covered**

This quality standard will cover prevention of dementia, and assessment, management and health and social care support for adults with dementia.

### **3.2 Key development sources (NICE and NICE-accredited sources)**

#### **Primary sources**

- [Dementia: assessment, management and support for people living with dementia and their carers](#) (2018) NICE guideline NG97.
- [Dementia, disability and frailty in later life – mid-life approaches to delay or prevent onset](#) (2015) NICE guideline NG16.

#### **Key policy documents, reports and national audits**

Relevant policy documents, reports and national audits will be used to inform the development of the quality standard.

- House of Commons Library (2018) [Dementia: policy, services and statistics](#).
- Department of Health and Social Care (2018) [After a diagnosis of dementia: what to expect from health and care services](#).
- Public Health England (2018) [Dementia: applying 'All Our Health'](#).
- NHS Improvement (2017) [Dementia assessment and improvement framework](#).

- Age UK (2017) [Promising approaches to living well with dementia.](#)
- NHS England (2017) [Implementation guide and resource pack for dementia care.](#)
- Royal College of Psychiatrists (2017) [National audit of dementia care in general hospitals 2016-2017: Third round of audit report.](#)
- Alzheimer's Society (2017) [Turning up the volume: Unheard voices of people with dementia.](#)
- Healthwatch England (2017) [Dementia services - findings from the Healthwatch network.](#)
- Public Health England (2016) [Dying with dementia: data briefing.](#)
- Department of Health and Social Care (2016) [Dementia nursing: vision and strategy.](#)
- Public Health England (2016) [Health matters: midlife approaches to reduce dementia risk.](#)
- Department of Health and Social Care (2016) [Challenge on dementia 2020: implementation plan.](#)
- Department of Health and Social Care (2016) [Dementia advisers survey: survey of provision of dementia adviser services.](#)
- Alzheimer's Research UK (2015) [Dementia in the family: The impact on carers](#)
- Department of Health and Social care (2015) [A manual for good social work practice: Supporting adults who have dementia.](#)
- Cabinet Office, Department of Health and Social Care, and Prime Minister's Office, 10 Downing Street (2015) [Prime Minister's challenge on dementia 2020.](#)

### **3.3 Related NICE quality standards**

#### **Published**

- [Medicines management for people receiving social care in the community](#) (2018) NICE quality standard 171.
- [Care of dying adults in the last days of life](#) (2017) NICE quality standard 144.
- [End of life care for adults](#) (2017) NICE quality standard 13.
- [Mental wellbeing and independence for older people](#) (2016) NICE quality standard 137.

- [Transition between inpatient hospital settings and community or care home settings for adults with social care needs](#) (2016) NICE quality standard 136.
- [Social care for older people with multiple long-term conditions](#) (2016) NICE quality standard 132.
- [Home care for older people](#) (2016) NICE quality standard 123.
- [Medicines management in care homes](#) (2015) NICE quality standard 85.
- [Mental wellbeing of older people in care homes](#) (2013) NICE quality standard 50.
- [Dementia: independence and wellbeing](#) (2013) NICE quality standard 30.
- [Patient experience in adult NHS services](#) (2012) NICE quality standard 15.
- [Dementia: support in health and social care](#) (2010) NICE quality standard 1.

### In development

- [People's experience using adult social care services](#). Publication expected December 2018.
- [Care and support of people growing older with learning disabilities](#). Publication date to be confirmed.

### Future quality standards

This quality standard will be developed in the context of all quality standards referred to NICE, including the following quality standards scheduled for future development:

- Carers: provision of support for adult carers.
- Supporting decision-making for people who lack mental capacity.

The full list of quality standard topics referred to NICE is available from the [quality standard topic library](#) on the NICE website.

## 4 Existing indicators

- [Public health outcomes framework for England, 2016–2019](#) 4.16 and [NHS Outcomes Framework 2018/19](#) 2.6i Estimated diagnosis rate for people with dementia.
- [NHS Outcomes Framework 2018/19](#) 2.6.ii and [Adult Social Care Outcomes Framework 2018/19](#) 2F (placeholder) *Dementia - a measure of the effectiveness of post-diagnosis care in sustaining independence and improving quality of life.*

- [NICE CCG indicator CCG18](#) Proportion of people with dementia prescribed anti-psychotic medication.
- [NICE QOF indicator NM09](#) The percentage of patients with a new diagnosis of dementia recorded in the preceding 1 April to 31 March with a record of FBC, calcium, glucose, renal and liver function, thyroid function tests, serum vitamin B12 and folate levels recorded between 6 months before or after entering on to the register.
- [NICE QOF indicator NM107](#) The percentage of patients diagnosed with dementia whose care plan has been reviewed in a face-to-face review in the preceding 12 months.
- [NICE QOF indicator NM64](#) The percentage of patients with dementia with the contact details of a named carer on their record.
- [NICE QOF indicator NM65](#) The percentage of patients with dementia (diagnosed on or after 1 April 2014) who have a record of attendance at a memory assessment service up to 12 months before entering on to the register.
- [NICE QOF indicator NM72](#) The percentage of patients with dementia (diagnosed on or after 1 April 2014) with a record of FBC, calcium, glucose, renal and liver function, thyroid function tests, serum vitamin B12 and folate levels recorded up to 12 months before entering on to the register.

## 5 Further information

See the NICE website for more information about [NICE quality standards](#) and the [progress of this quality standard](#).

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