# The Who, What, Why, When and Where of Care Partners in Research

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# Who? Dementia affects everyone



### Care Partners

Spouses

Care workers

Family



# Those living with dementia

Frontotemporal Degeneration

Alzheimer's

Over 100 other dementias



### **Families**

Children

Grandchildren

Parents

Siblings

All Photos in this presentation represent families living with frontotemporal degeneration

# What? Needs are great



Day Programs

Staying engaged

Age appropriate and skill appropriate

Educated work force



Care Partner Relief

Rest for care partners

Affordable options

Not impoverishing spouses for their future



Engagement

Activities

Public awareness

Using skills

# Why? Because they deserve better



### Age matters

Appropriate activities

Affordable for young families

Protection against expelling younger, stronger populations from care facilities



### Interests matter

Staying engaged

Creating opportunities

Pairing volunteers to those who share interests

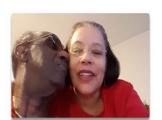


### Inclusion matters

Being involved in public

Public awareness campaigns to reduce stigma

## When? Now



No time to lose

Research to reality times need to be reduced

Needs increase rapidly

Education of dementia workforce on dealing with behaviors



Public awareness

Dementia friendly cities

Media coverage

Public Service Announcements to remove stigma



Aging in place

Resources to stay in home

Support for care partners giving

Understanding care partner stress and resources needed for care

# Where? Everywhere



### Education

Everyone involved from doctors, bankers, attorneys and those working in care

Addressing ALL dementia

Standards of memory care



### Accessibility

Continuity from state to state, Medicare not Medicaid

Urban and rural

Physicians who understand palliative care



### Affordability

Federal standards of memory care facilities

Published rates

Medicaid waivers for young population



# www.DementiaNeeds.blogspot.com

Visit this site for more detailed information on the needs of those living with dementia, their care partners, and families.