

# Evaluation of exercise on individuals with dementia and their carers

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## Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

## Study website

<http://www.evidem.org.uk/projects/evidem-e>

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### Type(s)

Scientific

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N/A

# Study information

## Scientific Title

A randomised controlled evaluation of exercise as a therapy for the behavioural and psychological symptoms of dementia

## Acronym

EVIDEM-E

## Study objectives

The introduction of a tailored exercise programme will significantly reduce behavioural and psychological symptoms of dementia.

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

West London R&D Consortium, submission planned for June 2009 (as of 22/04/2009).

## Study design

Pragmatic single-blind randomised single-centre trial

## Primary study design

Interventional

## Secondary study design

Single-centre

## Study setting(s)

Other

## Study type(s)

Treatment

## Participant information sheet

Not available in web format, please use the contact details below to request a patient information sheet

## Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Behavioural and psychological symptoms of dementia

## Interventions

A 6-week supervised incremental course of walking outside, at a pace and distance to suit the participant and carer for at least 5 days per week. Walking is a useful exercise which is considered acceptable by participants, and is easily delivered and measured (in terms of time and distance) but rarely incorporated in a daily routine. A physiotherapist or exercise therapist will oversee the delivery of the exercise programme. The sustainability of this intervention will

be assessed by evaluating adherence and impact during an unsupervised interval (weeks 6-12) and by further telephone contact at 6 months.

Control group: No exercise training

### **Intervention Type**

Other

### **Phase**

Not Applicable

### **Primary outcome measure**

Behavioural and psychological symptoms measured by NPI at baseline, week 6 and 12.

### **Secondary outcome measures**

1. Participants' mental health (General Health Questionnaire) at baseline, week 6 and 12
2. Participants' quality of life (DemQOL-Proxy) at baseline, week 6 and 12
3. Caregivers' burden of caring (short Zarit Caregiver Burden Inventory) at baseline, week 6 and 12
4. Participants' level of physical activity and compliance with the intervention (diaries and heart rate monitors, to be completed by the participant and their carer)
5. Participants' and carers' views about the intervention (Diaries and semi-structured questionnaires to be carried out after the trial)
6. Mortality and domiciliary status at 6 months

### **Overall study start date**

01/08/2009

### **Completion date**

30/04/2011

## **Eligibility**

### **Key inclusion criteria**

1. Both males and females, no age limits
2. Diagnosis of:
  - 2.1. Dementia in primary or secondary care OR
  - 2.2. Suspected dementia confirmed by the researcher to ensure the International Classification of Diseases 10th Revision (ICD-10) research criteria for dementia (DCR-10) are met
3. Presence of a carer (professional, friend or family member, who does not necessarily have to live with the participant)
4. Neuropsychiatric Inventory (NPI) score in any one sub-set except only hallucination or delusion more than or equal to 2 in severity and more than or equal to 2 in frequency
5. Consent of participant, or in the case of an individual who is not capable of giving informed consent, the assent of the participant with agreement of carer
6. Consent of carer

### **Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Age group**

Other

**Sex**

Both

**Target number of participants**

145

**Key exclusion criteria**

1. Cardio-respiratory condition, neurological or musculo-skeletal condition of a degree that prevents participation to even the modified exercise regime unsafe or not possible
2. A score of three or more assessed using the Falls Risk Assessment Tool or less than one minute as assessed by the Timed Unsupported Steady Stand test
3. Uncontrolled medical problems, which the GP considers would exclude participants from undertaking the exercise programme; for example, acute systemic illness such as pneumonia, poorly controlled angina, acute rheumatoid arthritis, unstable or acute heart failure
4. Sensory impairment to an extent that prevents dyad facilitated exercise
5. Participant or carer dissent to engage in the exercise programme
6. Acute confusional state

**Date of first enrolment**

01/08/2009

**Date of final enrolment**

30/04/2011

**Locations****Countries of recruitment**

England

United Kingdom

**Study participating centre**

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**Sponsor information****Organisation**

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### Sponsor type

Hospital/treatment centre

### Website

<http://www.cnwl.nhs.uk>

### ROR

<https://ror.org/05drfg619>

## Funder(s)

### Funder type

Government

### Funder Name

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## Results and Publications

### Publication and dissemination plan

Not provided at time of registration

### Intention to publish date

### Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

### IPD sharing plan summary

Not provided at time of registration

### Study outputs

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
<a href="#">Protocol article</a>	protocol	13/05/2010		Yes	No
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	01/08/2014		Yes	No

<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	01/04/2015	Yes	No
<a href="#">Results article</a>	cost-effectiveness results	01/06/2016	Yes	No