

# The Irish National Dementia Strategy: An overview of implementation

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National  
**Dementia**  
Office Leadership, Integration  
and Innovation

Our vision is that people with dementia and their family carers receive the supports and services they need to fulfil their potential and to maintain their identity, resilience and dignity as valued and active citizens in society.

# Role of the National Dementia Office

- To oversee the strategy's implementation.
- Integrate different elements of the strategy into the wider health and social care system.
- To inform policy and practice on dementia care and support.
- Work in partnership and collaboration with key stakeholders, including people living with dementia and family carers.

# The Irish National Dementia Strategy

## 6 Priority Areas

- Better awareness and understanding
- Timely diagnosis and early intervention
- Integrated services and supports
- Training and education
- Research and information
- Leadership

# Highlights

- Understand Together Campaign
- Post-Diagnostic Support Pathway Project
- Dementia Diagnostic Project
- Education and Training
- Guidelines on use of Psychotropic Medications

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# What is dementia?

**Dementia** is caused by different diseases of the brain



These diseases affect the parts of the brain which are normally used for **learning, memory & language**

[Learn more about it](#)

Are you, or someone you know, worried about Dementia?

Not sure where to start?  
**These quick links might help you**

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# Service Finder

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If you are looking for a local service in relation to dementia, this page will help you to find it quickly and efficiently. Please let us know if you notice that information needs to be amended or you have additional information on any of the services listed by contacting [dementia.office@hse.ie](mailto:dementia.office@hse.ie).

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# Post-Diagnostic Support Pathway Project



# Development of Community Services

- Mapping Project
- Memory Technology Resource Rooms

# Dementia Diagnostic Project

- Review of Memory Clinics
- Establishment of Project and Steering Group
- Literature review
- Scoping Exercise
- Development of Diagnostic Pathway
- Linked to PDS Pathway

# Education and Training

- Education Review
- GP & Primary Care Team Education
- Homecare Education Programme

# Clinical Guidelines on Psychotropic Medication

- Currently being developed

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