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Although dementia is the leading cause of disability and the main factor of dependence in the elderly, economic burden and psychological stress in the caregiver, it has not yet been prioritized in the same degree as other noncommunicable chronic diseases, such as cardiovascular disease and cancer. Some aspects related to the prevalence and the rise of number of people with dementia are discussed in this paper. The impact of dementia as well as the knowledge and control of its risk factors using the course of life perspective with a multifactorial approach could lead to a reduction in the number of patients with

dementia. International initiatives for the treatment of dementias are considered, particularly in Latin America.

Biography

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