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Increasing Dementia awareness, spotting early signs of Dementia and early intervention

Considering Dementia, a single disease it isn't quite an accurate approach as dementia is rather a wide collection of symptoms: in some cases, someone's memory could be affected, in other cases along with memory being affected, people's ability to think, to take decisions, to process, sort and organize information, communicate with others, are affected as well.

The World Health Organization notes that more than 55 million people worldwide live with dementia, 9% of them being under 65 years old. More than 10 million new cases every year and this number is expected to rise to 78 million in 2030 up to 139 million in 2050. In terms of costs, in 2019, the total global cost of dementia was US\$ 1.3 trillion while informal cares, family and friends spent on average 5 hours per day taking care of people with dementia.

There is still no cure for dementia, but it is certain that early detection of symptoms is highly important, as some of these causes can be treated. The main concern is how to increase awareness among people and make early self-assessment a valuable tool, as a first step toward getting a specialized diagnose and treatment. The early self-assessment tool it aims to be a dementia alarming tool that leads the patient and his family to seek professional support for further investigation and proceed to early and on target intervention, including family training.

The purpose of this work is to propose a dementia alarming

tool as an early symptoms detector accessible to anyone and design a valuable on target family training program for the members providing day care for the dear ones living with dementia, as early detection of dementia symptoms and early intervention are considerably effective.

Recent Publications

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