Dementia support for Health Professionals

Useful steps to follow after diagnosis

















Treat and refer your patient

Provide treatment and options for managing dementia and share dementia resources.

Refer to specialists, allied health and advanced care planning professionals via HealthPathways.

Provide links to the Dementia <u>Guide</u> and <u>Checklist</u>.

Contact the National Dementia Helpline

Call 1800 100 500

Free helpline, available 24/7.

No issue too big, no question too small.

From here your patient can learn more about what dementia is and connect with supports.

Call other helplines

There is a <u>list of</u>
<u>helplines</u> available to
call that offer a range
of support.

You can also advise patients to read or listen to chapter 11 of the Dementia Guide for further support and information.

Accessing culturally appropriate care

If your patient needs culturally appropriate care, additional information can be found on HealthPathways:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait
 Islander Health
- Refugee Health
- Multicultural Services.

Provide advice about supports for family and carers

Support for carers and family members is available from government, community and local agencies.

Carer Gateway can help you connect with these servies. Call **1800 422 737**

Learn more

A full list of
evidence-based
practices and health
pathways that can
help you provide the
best care and
support for your
patient can be found
by scanning the QR
code or at

coordinare.org.au/dementiasupport