



General Practice Management Plan – Item Number 721

DEMENTIA – STAGE 3

GOAL OF CARE – Maintain Dignity Through Emphasis on Comfort

Patient's Name:	Date of Birth:
------------------------	-----------------------

Contact Details:	Medicare or Private Health Insurance Details:

Details of Patient's Usual GP:	Details of Patient's Next of kin/Guardian

Date of last Care Plan/GP Management Plan (if done):

Date of last Family Meeting (recommended 6 monthly):

Date of next Family Meeting:

Other notes or comments relevant to the patient's management plan:

--

PAST MEDICAL HISTORY:

MEDICATIONS:

ALLERGIES:

FAMILY/SOCIAL HISTORY:

Stage 3 Dementia Management Plan: Goal of care = Maintain Dignity Through Emphasis on Comfort

DOMAIN	PATIENT PROBLEM	TREATMENTS/SERVICES /PATIENT & FAMILY ACTION	ARRANGEMENTS FOR TREATMENTS/SERVICES (who, when) – as needed
Cognition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cognition significantly impaired 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Likely to lack capacity. Care as per Enduring Guardian/Advance Care Directive 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ RACF staff or home care community providers if home care provided ▪ General Practitioner ▪ Geriatrician ▪ Family meeting – 6 weekly
Function	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Impaired instrumental functions ▪ Impaired functions of daily living 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dependence for maintenance of functions of daily living 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ RACF/home care staff ▪ General Practitioner ▪ My Aged Care ▪ Care package
Psychiatric	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Depression ▪ Anxiety ▪ Hallucinations ▪ Delusions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Heightened awareness for symptoms of psychiatric conditions ▪ Screening for mental health issues in carers ▪ Family education 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ General Practitioner ▪ Geriatrician ▪ Psychogeriatrician ▪ Dementia Support Australia www.dementia.com.au ▪ Family Meeting – 6 weekly
Behaviour	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sleep disturbance ▪ Agitation ▪ Calling out ▪ Wandering ▪ Hoarding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Carer education and increased support ▪ Consider comprehensive behavior assessment e.g. CAUSEd model. Non-pharmacological interventions based on comprehensive assessment ▪ Pharmacological treatment where non-pharmacological measures have failed or patient/carers/family at risk of harm ▪ Family education 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ RACF/Home Care Staff ▪ General Practitioner ▪ Geriatrician ▪ Psychogeriatrician ▪ Family meeting – 6 weekly ▪ Dementia Support Australia www.dementia.com.au 24 HOUR HELPLINE 1800 699 799
Physical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continence • Falls • Swallowing • Pain 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cease all medications other than those for comfort • Nutritional Assessment • Continence assessment • Falls assessment • Pain assessment • Family education • Clear outline for dealing with problems as they arise • Plans in place for avoiding transfer to hospital if possible • Review advance care plan to reach agreement for end of life care including in the terminal phase 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RACF/home care Staff • General Practitioner • Pharmacist • Physiotherapist/OT • Family Meeting – 6 weekly or as needed

Copy of GP Management Plan offered to patient? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Copy / relevant parts of the GP Management Plan supplied to other providers? ☐ Yes ☐ No

GP Management Plan added to the patient's records? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Date service was completed:	Proposed Review Date:

I have explained the steps and any costs involved, and the patient has agreed to proceed with the plan.

GP's Signature: _____

Date: _____

**This General Practice Management Plan was developed by GPs: Dr Mandy Lo; Dr Hilton Koppe;
Dr Marita Long and Dr Dimity Pond**

**Dementia Training Australia is supported by funding from the Australian Government under the
Dementia and Aged Care Services Fund**