

Module Details				
Module Title	Postdiagnostic support and living well with dementia			
Module Code	DEM7025-C			
Academic Year	2023/4			
Credits	30			
School	Centre for Applied Dementia Studies			
FHEQ Level	FHEQ Level 7			

Contact Hours				
Туре	Hours			
Online Lecture (Synchronous)	39			
Directed Study	261			

Availability				
Occurrence	Location / Period			
DLA	University of Bradford / Semester 2			

#### Module Aims

To provide students with

- 1. A critical appreciation of a holistic assessment of need for people living with dementia and their supporters.
- 2. A comprehensive understanding of the range of post diagnostic support available to enable people to live well with dementia including social, cognitive, emotional/psychological and technological approaches.
- 3. An understanding of factors that precipitate, limit and enhance access to and use of post diagnostic support.
- 4. The ability to engage in complex evaluation of post diagnostic support for people living with dementia.

### **Outline Syllabus**

Exploration of how people understand dementia. Post diagnosis support for people living with dementia and their supporters (e.g. family members or friends). Holistic assessment of need (bio-psycho-social factors) for people living with dementia and their supporters. Living well with dementia. Managing comorbidities. Precipitators of need; e.g. transitions of care. Care pathways, multi-disciplinary partnership working and post diagnostic support services. Psychosocial interventions encompassing cognitive, emotional/psychological and social approaches. Use of technologies in post diagnostic support. Inclusivity and diversity issues in support provision.

Learning Outcomes				
Outcome Number	Description			
01	Demonstrate an understanding of the range of post-diagnostic support available to enable people living with dementia and their supporters to live well.			
02	Conduct an investigation into the needs and post-diagnostic support experiences of people living with dementia.			
03	Critically evaluate the benefits and limitations of psychosocial interventions, assessing availability and suitability to the needs of individuals.			
04	Apply a holistic approach to the ongoing assessment, support of and communication with people living with dementia and their supporters.			
05	Critically appraise the impact of living with dementia and having access to appropriate support and services.			
06	Critically appraise different types of post diagnostic support available to people living with dementia.			
07	Synthesise evidence on different types of psychosocial interventions.			
08	Communicate effectively in writing.			
09	Develop a complex written account of post-diagnostic support experiences of people living with dementia.			
10	Work and learn independently.			

## Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy

In order to take this module you will need regular and ongoing contact with people living with dementia in a paid or voluntary position. This must be in place before you start the module.

All learning outcomes are addressed through a combination of activities: independent completion of tasks and activities provided in the study guide, practice based work, online resources (such as selected reading, video and audio files), and online group based discussions using Canvas as the virtual learning platform. This will help you to consolidate learning and provide opportunities for discussion and peer support and interaction. Guided self-directed study is supported by a bespoke distance learning study guide and reading materials. In line with the University's research-informed teaching strategy the module is both research-focused, drawing on inquiry into the existing evidence-base for effective clinical practice, and is research-informed by research active staff within the Centre for Applied Dementia Studies.

The module consists of 300 hours study. Students are expected to spend: 261 hours in self-study.

39 hours in eleven formative scheduled learning activities, including six facilitated discussion groups, three 1-hour tutorials and two formative assignments (one optional).

Engagement in scheduled learning activities is compulsory and attendance is monitored. Feedback is provided for activities: written/audio peer and/or tutor feedback on the six discussion groups, oral feedback during online tutorials, and written developmental tutor feedback on formative assignments.

The summative assignment consists of a portfolio containing a critical commentary of two case studies on post[diagnostic support experiences and an evaluation of two different psychosocial interventions. This will require the students to demonstrate knowledge and understanding of all learning outcomes.

Mode of Assessment						
Туре	Method	Description	Weighting			
Summative	Coursework - Portfolio/e-portfolio	Portfolio assignment; critical commentary on 2 different psychosocial interventions & 2 case studies	100%			
Formative	Coursework - Portfolio/e-portfolio	One case study.	N/A			
Formative	Coursework - Portfolio/e-portfolio	Draft of portfolio	N/A			

# Reading List

To access the reading list for this module, please visit <a href="https://bradford.rl.talis.com/index.html">https://bradford.rl.talis.com/index.html</a>

#### Please note:

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