



Signs and Symptoms of Dementia

- Changes in mood or personality and becoming defensive or very sad
- Misplacing things, hiding things, or putting them in inappropriate places
- Getting confused about time and place or missing several appointments
- Challenges with familiar tasks like driving, cooking, or managing meds and money
- Increased challenge with word finding or saying the wrong words
- Difficulty with reasoning or problem solving like balancing the checkbook
- Memory loss with new information yet they are able to tell stories from long ago
- Frequently repeats themselves or makes up a story to fill in the blanks
- Wandering at night or getting nights and days mixed up
- AND MORE...

Symptoms of dementia bring worry, but some diseases that share these symptoms are treatable and should not be ignored. If you are concerned, let your loved one's doctor know and get the appropriate testing done. When we wait, our loved one may become too afraid to participate in the appropriate testing. You and your family should know exactly what's going on and how to prepare as early as possible.