

Supplemental Online Content

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eAppendix. Primary Care Practitioner In-Depth Interview

This supplemental material has been provided by the authors to give readers additional information about their work.

Primary Care Practitioner In-Depth Interview

Background

- Could you please describe your practice setting and the patient population you work with?

Diagnostic process and clinic flow

- Can you describe what you would typically do with a patient who you suspect has dementia? Walk me through the process.
 - Prompts,
 - *What are red flags? How do you decide whether to evaluate a patient for dementia?*
 - *How do you raise the topic of dementia or memory issues with your patients if you are concerned?*
 - *What would your first step be?*
 - *What does your workup involve?*
 - *Labs?*
 - *Imaging?*
 - *Cognitive testing?*
 - *How do you decide what to do next?*
 - *Who is involved in the process? What are their roles?*
- Do you ever give a diagnosis of dementia or Alzheimer's disease? If not, why?
- How does your care of the patient change once they've received a dementia diagnosis?
- What types of barriers or roadblocks do you experience when caring for a patient with suspected dementia? With diagnosed dementia?
- What do you think works well in your diagnosis or care of patients with dementia?

Comorbidities

- How do other comorbidities impact your workup and care of patients with dementia?
- How does a dementia diagnosis impact ongoing care of a patient's comorbidities?
- Which comorbidity is the hardest to co-manage with dementia and why?
- What strategies do you use when you have a patient with dementia and other chronic comorbidities?

Underserved/underrepresented patients and those with social risks

- What are the challenges when doing dementia assessment and care with patients from underserved and underrepresented populations or those facing historical, social, and/or structural inequalities?
- What are the opportunities or strengths in your practice when doing dementia assessment and care with patients from underserved and underrepresented populations or those facing historical, social, and/or structural inequalities?

Co-management

- Can you describe your experience working with neurologists when you refer or co-manage a patient? What works well, what is challenging?
- How do you communicate with the neurologist?
- What kind of information do you receive from the neurologist?
 - What do you do with this information?

Caregiver support

- When a patient has a caregiver or informant involved, how, if at all, do you identify and address the caregiver's needs?
- What do you do when a patient has no caregiver?

Training/Needs

- Describe any specific training or experience you have had with dementia assessment, diagnosis, or care.
- What additional training or experience do you think you need to feel more comfortable doing dementia assessment, diagnosis, and care?

PCP Background

- Could you tell me about what led you to become a primary care provider?
- Have you had any personal experiences with dementia?
 - If yes, how, if in any way, has this shaped the way you think about dementia care in your practice?

PCP Values

- What are your values or beliefs about the role of primary care providers in dementia assessment, diagnosis, and care?