Autofill post diagnosis stage 1 dementia

Headings based on DTA Domains Framework

This is an extensive list and cannot be covered in one consultation.

I cut and paste into the clinical notes (then delete or add as I go) and work through this list over many visits.

Cognition

Ensure legal documents UTD

- Will
- POA
- ACD
- Guardianship

Medication review

- consider HMMR
- consider Acetylcholinesterase inhibitors
- reduce or cease anti-cholinergic medications
- review alcohol and drug use

Education for patients and families

- DA website
- Dementia Australia Hot line 1800 100 500
- Carer Gateway 1800 422 737
- Dementia Outreach Service (add in your local DOS ph number referral also via My Aged Care

Function

Discuss Driving

- patient to notify RMS when has new dementia diagnosis
- perform appropriate cognitive assessment for driving
- if patient wishes to drive despite your concerns or you are not sure about safety, offer OT assessment
- offer Taxi Scheme if eligible (strict criteria)
- offer transport via Community transport (MAC referral) or Home Care Package if eligible

Support at Home

- My Aged Care referral
- if under 65 NDIS
- safety; alarms and falls alerts

Social engagement

- encourage local dementia groups
- d/w family benefit of ongoing social interactions

Psychiatric

Depression and Anxiety

- treat any depression or anxiety
- MHTP
- referral for families if needed

Delirium

- consider delirium action plan

Behaviours

- Dementia Support Australia
- encourage social engagement
- maintain routine
- Education- person living with dementia & carers
- day respite

Physical functioning

- hearing and vision check
- dental check
- consider EP referral
- consider dietician referral
- assess falls risk
- consider OT home assessment
- refer to local exercise groups

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