



How CalAIM Supports Best Practices in Dementia Care

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Introductions

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California's Dementia Challenges

Review of Dementia Care Best Practices – Six Notable Models

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California's Dementia Challenges

- Prevalence of Dementia. The number of Californians diagnosed with dementia is projected to reach 1.3 million in 2040, a doubling since 2020.
 - It is 2X in Black adults and 1.5X in Latinx adults
- Under-detection 39.5% older adults with probable dementia go undiagnosed, and 19.2% are unaware of their diagnoses.

Dementia and Medi-Cal

- 1/4 of older Californians living with dementia are dually eligible
- Dual eligibles are 3x as likely to have dementia than those with just Medicare -> estimated 150,000 to 300,000 of the roughly 1.5 million duals.

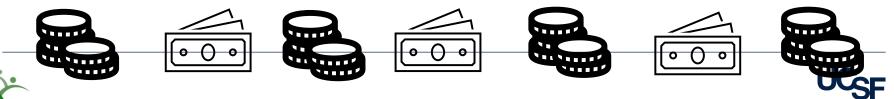


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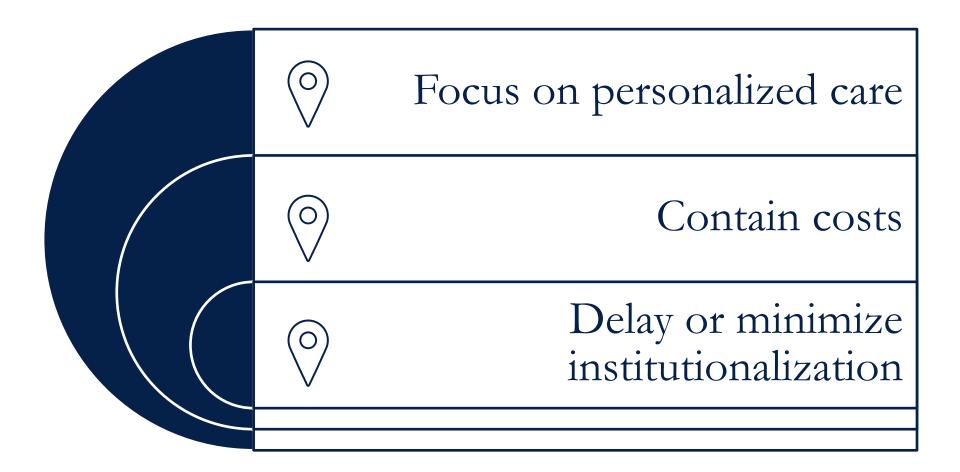
- PLWD Health Care System Utilization Compared to People Without Dementia
 - Longer hospital stays (5.1 days vs. 4.5 days)
 - Higher 30-day hospital readmission rate (23% vs 18%)
 - 28% increase in emergency room visits in the last decade
 - More likely to be institutionalized in nursing homes by the time they are 80 years old (75% vs 4%)

Costs of Dementia

- Average cost of care for someone with dementia is \$43,444/year, *3x the cost for an older adult without dementia*
- For the person and family
 - Out-of-pocket spending by patients' families: \$87 billion in 2023
 - 48% of caregivers of older adults nationwide are caring for someone with dementia
 - 83% are not paid for that work.
- For Medicaid/ Medi-Cal
 - The cost is \$6,739 for a PLWD/year. It is \$303 for someone without dementia, a 22X difference.



Best Practices in Dementia Care: The Goals







Best Practices in Dementia Care: *The Elements*

1. Embrace Collaborative Care

- Dyad of (Patient and Caregiver) + (Primary Care Clinician +Team)
- Team, licensed and non-licensed, supports care plan implementation

2. Develop detailed care plans that include multicomponent interventions

- **Care plans:** 1) personalized and updated 2) treatment and care management, 3) medication management, 4) caregiver support
- **Multi-component interventions:** 1) safety interventions 2) physical activity and cognitive therapy interventions

3. Promote community living arrangements and support

- Types of living:
 - 1) group living 2) small-scale homelike settings 3) dementia village
- Delivery of meals e.g. medically tailored meals

4. Do more to support caregivers

- Caregiver Assessment
- Respite: include all settings (adult day programs, in-home care, institutional)
- Education or psychosocial therapy



How Can CalAIM Help?

ECM component		Dementia care best practice	
Outreach and engagement	☆	Partner with dementia friendly initiatives to generate referrals	
Comprehensive assessment and care management plan		Defined care manager role	
		Personalized and comprehensive care plan that is regularly updated according to the patient's needs	
		Care plan includes treatment and care management	
	\triangle	Care plan includes medication management	
Enhanced coordination of care		Defined care manager role	
Health promotion	٢	Caregiver education includes dementia education including managing stressors, medication management, self-management and community resources.	
Transitional care services		Defined care manager role	
Member and family supports		Care plan includes caregiver support	
		Caregiver support includes education on self-management	
	\triangle	Caregiver assessment	
Coordination of and referral to community and social Support Services		Defined care manager role	



ECM= Enhanced Care Management



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CS component		Dementia care best practice		
Environmental accessibility adaptations (home modifications)		Multicomponent interventions: safety intervention		
Respite services	٢	Caregiver support: adult day programs		
Personal care and homemaker services	☆	Supports identified barriers to access to care such as functional requirements and hour limitations for in-home support services		
Medically tailored meals or medically supportive food	٢	Community dwelling intervention: home-delivered meals		
Nursing facility transition or diversion to assisted living facility	٢	Community Dwelling Intervention: small-scale home-like care models		
Overlap Opportunity				





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Question & Answer







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