PAST, PRESENT & FUTURE OF DEMENTIA

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Personal perspective

- My father’s illness
- Delayed diagnosis
- No Help
- Family in deep distress
Dementia in India today

- ARDSI, Provide national wide services
- Organized 14th ADI conference in Cochin, India
- 10/66 Dementia Research Group
- Dementia India Report.
- Kerala State Initiative on Dementia
Growth of ADI

- From 4 to 84 member countries
- True global voice of people with dementia
- Work closely with WHO and UNO
- Series of World Alzheimer’s reports since 2009
A global disparity

- From >60% to 70% by 2050 in LMIC

Much of the increase will be in low and middle income countries. Already 62% of people with dementia live in low and middle income countries but by 2050 this will rise to 71%.
The search for a cure

- Moving forward will require active involvement of the research community, private and public sector
- Share ideas and create partnerships
- Important role for business and private sector
- Pharma and broader private sector interested in social care
- Most importantly involvement of the public
How to meet the challenge

The Way forward?

- When will we have a cure?
- Global mood, attitude, approach to dementia is changing
- Recent developments G7 Dementia Summit, World Dementia Council, WHO Ministerial conference leading to increase in commitment from the leading economies to invest in Dementia.
- Hopelessness to hope with optimism