Alzheimer's Disease International

The global voice on dementia
Overview

• Penguins are falling and rising and keep trying: isn’t that the dementia movement as well?
• What have we not achieved?
• What have we achieved?
• What lessons can be learned?
• Looking into the future
What have we not achieved?

• No cure for dementia
• Still stigma for those living with dementia
• Too few people receive diagnosis, care and treatment
• Our associations are not reaching everyone in need of support
• OECD: disease area where system performs worst
• Not enough money for research and services

• No reason to worry? Actually there is
What we did achieve

- A large network of Alzheimer associations
- Self advocacy groups in many countries
- Specialists and primary health care professionals
- Volunteers related to dementia >100,000
- Dedicated researchers
- Dedicated policy makers
- Media that pay attention
- Public servants doing great work

ADI in 1984

- Very few associations
- Hardly any knowledge
- Dementia considered old people’s condition
- No funding, no staff
- First ADI meeting 40 people, secretariat moving between USA and Canada
- Vision: collaboration would help
ADI in 2000

- Vision of building and strengthening Alzheimer associations worldwide and raising awareness
- 43 members, 3 staff
- Conference has grown
- First Alzheimer University
- World Alzheimer’s Day
- No people with dementia involved
- Regionalisation
ADI in 2017

- 90 members
- 10 staff, consultants and Ambassadors (12)
- 32nd Conference
- Four Alzheimer Universities
- Twinning, Train the Trainer
- World Alzheimer’s Month
- Growing involvement people with dementia
- Advocacy key area, globally (WHO, UN, OECD, G7 and supporting national plans)
Lessons learned

• You need the facts and figures: World Alzheimer Reports
• You need a face: promote ADI but also people living with dementia
• Champions: in WHO and nationally
• Language: how do we talk about dementia – a devastating disease or living with dementia
• Strong Alzheimer associations
• All politics is local (Mike Splaine)
Making dementia a global health priority

World Health Organization (WHO)

- Present at World Health Assembly and regional meetings
- WHO-ADI report dementia 2012
- Ministerial conference 2015
- Global Action Plan on Dementia 2017
- iSupport
- Global Dementia Observatory
Involving people with dementia

Dementia Alliance International

- Has changed the conversation
- More positive language
- More powerful voice
- Better understanding the needs:
  - Be included in the community
  - Care coordination
  - Respite care
  - Human rights perspective
- Partnership with Dementia Alliance International (DAI)
There is a lot that can be done – and we know how to do it

- Early detection: 10 warning signs
- Timely diagnosis: tools available, but not much used
- Appropriate care after diagnosis: current treatment and non-medical interventions and caregiver support
- How to reduce your risk: education – lifestyle – risk reduction
- Relationship dementia and other chronic conditions (NCDs)
- Training and education
- Working together with all stakeholders
Where are we now?

Estimated prevalence

- 1998 18 million
- 2005 24 million
- 2010 36 million
- 2015 47 million
- 2030 76 million (projected)
- 2050 132 million (projected)

• If that is not an epidemic, what else?
The cost of global dementia care

The total estimated worldwide cost of dementia in 2015 is US$ 818 billion. By 2018, dementia will become a trillion dollar disease, rising to US$ 2 trillion by 2030.

www.worldalzreport2015.org
What can be the game changer?

Research results

• For cancer and HIV/Aids this has been disease modifying treatments
• We need those as well otherwise our health and social systems get bust
• More public money for research
• 1% of global cost is $8-10 bn, now only $2 bn
• We might need much more!!
My passion and thank you!

• My passion is to find more money for ADI and ADI members and the dementia movement in general
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Friday 28th April

07:30 – 08.30 Global Dementia Policy in Room B1

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国際的な認知症政策
認知症対策に関する最新事情の概要

Saturday 29th April

07.30 – 08.30

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ADI briefings for Alzheimer Associations in Room B1

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