



## CARE PLANNING & AVAILABLE RESOURCES

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## OBJECTIVES

- Assess for care needs
- Develop a care plan
- Identify and access available resources



## What's Next: After the Diagnosis

- **Assess needs** of the current situation
- Form the **Care Team**
- **Develop a plan**
- **Take Action**



## ASSESS NEEDS OF THE CURRENT SITUATION

- Biggest concern at this time?
- Other medical conditions?
- Current living situation?
- Advance Health Care Directives?



### ASSESS NEEDS OF THE CURRENT SITUATION

- What can your loved one still do for themselves?
  - **Activities of Daily Living (ADLs):** Bathing, Dressing, Grooming, Toileting, Transferring, Feeding, Ambulating
  - **Instrumental Activities of Daily Living (IADLs):** Shopping, Meal Preparation, Housecleaning and Home Maintenance, Manage Finances, Manage Medications, Manage Communication (telephone, mail), Transportation

### ASSESS NEEDS OF THE CURRENT SITUATION

- Exercise and Physical Activity
- Well-Being:
  - **Identity** – having personhood; individuality
  - **Growth**- enrichment; opportunities to evolve
  - **Autonomy**- freedom; independence
  - **Security**- free of anxiety and fear; dignity
  - **Connectedness**- belonging; engaged support system, socialization
  - **Meaning** – purpose; significance; value
  - **Joy**- happiness; contentment; enjoyment

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### ASSESS NEEDS OF THE CURRENT SITUATION

- What is your family's' understanding of the disease and disease process?
- Has your loved one and family discussed potential future plans?
- What support structure is in place for you or the primary caregiver?



### FORM YOUR TEAM: Who Should Be Included?

- **The person you are caring for!**
- **Who can you rely on?**
  - Family Members
  - Friends
  - Neighbors
- **Important Team Members:**
  - Medical Providers- Doctors, Nurses, Therapists, Social Workers
  - Dementia Specialists
  - Geriatric Care Managers
  - Elder Law Attorneys
  - Financial Planners
  - Caregiving Agencies
  - Adult Day Programs



## DEVELOP A PLAN

### 1. Structured daily schedule

- Meaningful engagement
- Cognitive stimulation
- Healthy Diet
- Exercise
- Proper sleep hygiene

### 2. Home, personal, and driving safety

- Medication management
- DME/home modifications
- ERS
- Transportation



## DEVELOP A PLAN

### 3. Advance Care Planning:

- Advance Health Care Directives (Living Will, Trust, Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care and Finances)

### 4. Palliative Care or Hospice Care

### 5. Support for the Care Partner

- Education
- Support Groups
- Respite care
- Quality sleep
- Health Needs



## DEVELOP A PLAN

### 6. Connect with Resources:

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| ▪ Geriatricians (primary care or consult)                              | ▪ DME and Home Modifications   |
| ▪ Social Services- MSSP, IHSS  | ▪ Medication Management  |
| ▪ Geriatric Care Managers  | ▪ Transportation   |
| ▪ Dementia Specialists   | ▪ Senior Living- Independent Living, Assisted Living, Memory Care, Board and Care, SNF |
| ▪ Social Workers/Therapists  | ▪ Respite Care   |
| ▪ Home Health and Home Care Agencies                                   | ▪ Hospice Care   |
| ▪ Adult Day Programs   | ▪ Palliative Care  |
| ▪ Legal/Financial- Attorneys, Financial Planners, Bill Paying Services |  |
| ▪ PT/OT/ST   |  |
| ▪ Meal Delivery  |  |



## TAKE ACTION

- Implement your Care Plan
- Be flexible
- Ask for help

