

Top Tips for Achieving the Dementia Diagnosis Ambition

D	Diagnosis	<p>Coding clean up/harmonisation of practice records</p> <p>Dementia enhanced services (2013/14 and 2014/15)</p> <p>Letter from Memory Clinic or Community Mental Health Provider to include the diagnosis and suggested read code</p>
E	Effective Pathways	<p>Review MAS clinics—consider reasons for bottle necks and alternative models</p> <p>Community provider to screen for dementia</p> <p>Joint working with the county council to provide support for patients and their carers'</p>
M	Medication	<p>Screen practice registers for patients receiving Acetylcholinesterase inhibitors and low dose anti-psychotic medications</p>
E	Engage	<p>Targeted support to practices with a high demographic of older patients</p> <p>Engage practices with a low diagnosis rate to understand the reasons behind it</p> <p>Engage with patients and carers for their views</p>
N	New Ideas	<p>Consider new and innovative ways of working</p>
T	Training	<p>Training for GPs and specialist nurses to make the diagnosis of dementia</p> <p>Screen care home residents for dementia and trained nurses to make the diagnosis</p>
I	Information	<p>Cross reference patients on the MAS and CMHT lists with practice register</p> <p>Cross reference patients on the hospital CQUIN and the practice register</p>
A	Awareness	<p>Awareness raising sessions for the whole GP practice, care homes and other services and become Dementia Friends.</p> <p>Awareness raising in the community</p> <p>Of best practice examples both within the CCG, regionally & nationally</p>

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