



Is Dementia Reversible?

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Learn About Reversing Dementia-Like Symptoms

What is Dementia?

Dementia is a broad medical term to describe cognitive changes that impact a person's ability to be independent in performing activities of daily living (ADLs) and independent activities of daily living (IADLs). A person living with dementia may experience memory loss, a change in attention span and changes to their abilities in logical reasoning.

There is no cure for Alzheimer's disease, the most common form of dementia. Alzheimer's accounts for 60-80% of all dementia cases.

Different from other forms of dementia, Alzheimer's is both



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Dementia-like symptoms from the following causes may be reversible.



HEAD INJURIES

See a health care provider for scans and other tests after any type of head injury to see if there is bleeding or other damage.



DRUG & ALCOHOL ABUSE

Cessation of drug and alcohol consumption may result in change in symptoms.



VITAMIN & MINERAL DEFICIENCIES

A blood test can determine if there is a B12 deficiency, and supplements are widely available as needed.



MEDICATION SIDE EFFECTS

Talk to a health care provider about medication interaction or side effect interactions, and ask for alternatives as needed.



THYROID ISSUES

Medication can typically stabilize thyroid issues after a diagnosis.



HEART DISEASE

Have a health care provider do tests for any blockages and prescribe treatment to improve oxygen flow to the brain.



DEPRESSION

Share symptoms with a health care provider for a correct diagnosis and follow prescribed treatment which may include antidepressants, exercise, and support groups.

Symptoms of the conditions listed above may include:



MEMORY LAPSES • CONFUSION
IRRITABILITY • LACK OF CONCENTRATION

*Contact a health care provider for a proper diagnosis when such symptoms occur.

Homewatch CareGivers has **professionally-trained caregivers** who can come to the home to assist people who are experiencing the symptoms of dementia.