

Caregiving for Loved Ones with Dementia



Koreans Invested in Making Caregivers Health Important (KIMCHI) is an education and outreach project on different health topics tailored to the Korean American culture for caregivers and other stakeholders that serve Korean Americans.

This fact sheet summarizes the dementia caregiving research to share tips for being a caregiver for a loved one with Alzheimer's or dementia.

Five Domains of Dementia Care

Medical care

Such as specialty care and pain management

Physical quality of life

Such as mobility and fall risk

Social and emotional quality of life

Such as participation in pleasurable activities

Access to services and supports

Such as advance care planning

Caregiver support

Such as caregiver support groups

Main Concerns

For persons with early-stage dementia

- Importance of engaging in meaningful activities
- Understand that the caregiver may need to adapt according to the level of functioning of the care recipient
- There are concerns that the care recipients are being a burden to their loved ones

Goals related to caregiving need to be redefined and readdressed as the disease progresses and it is common for caregivers and care recipients to have different opinions.

Korean American caregivers need more community support and dementia education opportunities tailored to their culture

For dementia caregivers

- Ensuring safety of care recipients
- Managing caregiver stress



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<http://tiny.ucsf.edu/KIMCHISurveyFS>

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