
Family Support Service

Specialist Support

Early onset dementia affects many aspects of everyday life for the person themselves and for anyone living with them. Our specialist support service for family and friends of younger people with dementia throughout Oxfordshire is provided by dedicated support workers. We respond to individual needs, with respect, sensitivity and in confidence at all times. We also work proactively by ensuring that we keep up-to-date with issues relevant to early onset dementia.

The information we have about those who use our services is kept confidentially within The Clive Project. We will not disclose any details to any one else without your permission unless we are seriously concerned for your safety or the safety of others. The Clive Project keeps all notes and information securely and nobody outside the Project is given access to them without your permission.

Individual Support

To make it easier for you to talk informally about your situation we can visit you at home or elsewhere, at a venue of your choice. We offer a variety of support services including:

- Further visits from a designated support worker
- Telephone contact
- Providing information
- Identifying other useful services and agencies
- Help in contacting services and professionals
- Continuing practical and emotional support
- The opportunity to talk!

Social Events

Events are arranged throughout the year for family members and friends in response to your choices and interests. Caring can be hard work and your social life may feel more restricted. Our socials often include people with dementia too. They provide an opportunity to relax, laugh and enjoy time together.

Exchange Meetings

These take place in an informal, friendly atmosphere and offer an opportunity for you to share your experiences and expertise with other families and friends. It can be an enormous help to be with others who are having similar challenges and who will understand your problems and feelings.

Some Exchange sessions include speakers who are invited to talk about topics raised by family and friends; they include an opportunity to ask questions and discuss the ideas raised.

Our Resource Library, containing a variety of useful books and materials for loan, is also available at Exchange Meetings.

Family & Friends Members List

This offers service members the option of sharing their telephone and email contact details to encourage and facilitate mutual support.

How Can You Find Us?

Our Family Support Service is offered free of charge throughout Oxfordshire. If you would like to find out more, contact:

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01235 522382
07964 677421

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The Clive Project's activities include:

The Clive Project Café

We aim to provide regular enjoyable social time for younger people with dementia and their families and friends, opportunities to meet up with other people who are living with the impact of early onset of dementia, and easy access to information and support through The Clive Project support workers who will be in attendance.

For 2009 the café will be in Cassington Village Hall, from 7.30-9.30pm on the fourth Thursday of each month, except December. For more information contact Sue Smith on 01235 522382.

Occasional Newsletter

Published three times a year, The Clive Project Newsletter helps you keep in touch with other members and with all Clive Project plans and events.

The Clive Project Club

Occasional social events throughout the year including theatre trips, picnics, concerts, parties, get-togethers and any other lovely ideas that might bring pleasure.

One to One Support Service

A distinct team of trained support workers work alongside younger people with dementia on an individual basis. The continuous and trusting relationships that develop are highly beneficial and encourage improved self esteem and well being. This service also provides a break for family and friends.

For more details of the One to One Support Service, contact Anna Eden, One to One Service Manager, on **01865 794311**, or annaeden@thecliveproject.org.uk

Working with Others

We are working with health and social care services and voluntary organisations to extend the range of support for younger people with dementia from early diagnosis, through respite and long term accommodation to terminal care and beyond.

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