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6 PROVEN WAYS TO REDUCE YOUR DEMENTIA RISK



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Your hearing is our expertise

PHYSICAL EXERCISE

Look after both your body and your mind by taking part in regular physical exercise. Activities such as jogging, aerobics and dance classes are some of the best things that you can do to keep your brain healthy. 40 minutes of cardio three to four times a week is recommended for optimal mental well-being, but even a fast 40-minute walk will increase your brain power.



A HEALTHY DIET

According to research, fitter people have healthier brains and experience less cognitive decline as a result. Dementia can be prevented by eating lots of fresh veg and fibre, lean protein and a higher ratio of 'good' fats and oils. Doctors recommend avoiding all sugar, even the refined sugars contained in bread, sauces, and yoghurts, as it has been proven that sugar is particularly bad for the brain.



KEEP A CHECK ON YOUR HEARING

Hearing loss is very common as we age, and it features on the Lancet Commission's 2020 list of the top 12 modifiable risk factors that can contribute to dementia. The report estimates that nearly 10% of the total number of dementia cases could be avoided with the management of hearing loss. Regular hearing tests can reduce your risk of developing dementia.

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Stress affects the body in a multitude of ways and, if left untreated, it can cause permanent and irreversible changes in the brain. Therefore, it is important to monitor stress levels. There is no one-size-fits-all approach when it comes to stress reduction. Do what works for you – whether that is taking on less, regular swims or time in the garden, or even prioritising more family time.

KEEP AN EYE ON STRESS



CHALLENGE AND PURPOSE

Keep your brain active by taking up a new language, musical instrument or by doing brain-teasing puzzles. Leading public health expert Sir Muir Gray, author of 'Increase Your Brainability and Reduce Your Risk Of Dementia', suggests that everyone should 'expose themselves to stimulation and challenge' to increase mental sharpness and cognitive function. This is especially important if you are a very purpose-driven person. Activities such as volunteering can be especially enjoyable if you value having a sense of purpose.



SLEEP

Research has found that sleep helps our brains drain away amyloid – a protein associated with Alzheimer's and impaired brain function. Sleep also influences how we regulate stress, our motivation to exercise, socialise and our dietary choices. It is essential to our overall health and well-being.

