Alzheimer’s and Dementia

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Conflicts of Interest

• None of my clients have control over this presentation.

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Path today

• Introductions and ground rules
• Level setting on AD and related disorders
• Headwinds shaping market entry
• Where could I start?
What is Dementia?

- Dementia is the loss of cognitive functioning and behavioral abilities that interfere with daily life.
- Alzheimer’s is the most common cause of dementia.
- Many (maybe majority) of dementia cases have multiple causes.

A Comprehensive Approach to Alzheimer’s

Public Health

Number of People Affected
Alzheimer's

EARLY DETECTION & DIAGNOSIS

Pre-Symptomatic
Mild Cognitive Impairment
Alzheimer’s

RISK REDUCTION

NORMAL

PUBLIC HEALTH

SAFETY ... QUALITY OF CARE
Headwinds

- Stigma
- Prevalence vs. Detection, Diagnosis and Disclosure
- AI/AN health systems
- Urban AI/AN experience?
Bundles of Benefits

- Information
- Referral
- Emotional Support, Connection
- Respite
- Long term services & Supports
- Participation in research
- Medicines
First Bites of the Elephant

• Provide information & support
  www.alz.org

• Ten Warning signs

• ASTHO/IA2 Brain health materials
  • http://www.astho.org/Healthy-Aging/Healthy-Heart-Healthy-Brain/?terms=indian
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