



## **PARTNER WITH THE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION TO ADVANCE DEMENTIA CARE FOR VETERANS**

The Alzheimer's Association® has a proud tradition of partnering with local offices of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to improve dementia care for our nation's heroes. While the Association's education programs and support groups help veterans directly, our research funding, health systems services and public policy work empower VA clinicians and researchers to optimize dementia care for vets while accelerating medical knowledge.

### **RESEARCH SUPPORT**

#### **Grants**

The Association is the world's largest non-profit funder of Alzheimer's and dementia research. We regularly fund VA clinicians and researchers. To search for funding opportunities and examples of funded studies, visit [alz.org/grants](https://alzheimer.org/grants)

#### **ISTAART**

The International Society to Advance Alzheimer's Research and Treatment (ISTAART) is an inclusive global network of more than 10,000 scientists, clinicians and dementia professionals across 110 countries who are dedicated to the pursuit of knowledge, collaboration and breakthroughs in the field of dementia science. To join ISTAART, visit [alz.org/ISTAART](https://alzheimer.org/ISTAART)

#### **Recent Research on Veterans Funded by the Alzheimer's Association**

- » **Palo Alto Veterans Institute for Research, Palo Alto, CA:** A study of blood samples from veterans with mild cognitive impairment (MCI) to determine the cellular and molecular mechanisms by which physical exercise reduces dementia risk.
- » **Ralph H. Johnson Department of Veterans Affairs Hospital, Charleston, SC:** Research with machine learning to explore the impact of Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation on neural networks of veterans living with dementia.
- » **Veteran nursing home, Salt Lake City, UT:** Pilot study of a Pre-Loss Group Support Intervention for family care partners of veterans with Alzheimer's and other dementia.

## Scientific Meetings

The Alzheimer's Association International Conference® (AAIC®) is the largest global forum on dementia science, and one of several Association conferences that drive collaboration. To find out more about future scientific meetings, visit [alz.org/scientificmeetings](https://www.alz.org/scientificmeetings)

## Making Headlines at AAIC

- » Researchers attending AAIC 2023 presented a landmark study of 1.6 million veterans that linked local environment to dementia risk. The scientists were affiliated with San Francisco Veterans Health System, CA and several universities.

## ALZ-NET

The Alzheimer's Network for Treatment and Diagnostics (ALZ-NET) seeks to connect clinical data from Alzheimer's patients to our network of medical professionals and researchers to encourage robust information sharing and education, and to drive innovation in the ways we care for and treat Alzheimer's disease and other dementia. Learn more at [alz-net.org](https://www.alz-net.org)

## HEALTH SYSTEMS SERVICES

### Consulting Services

The Association works with health systems to analyze programs, offer resources and improve processes for delivering optimal evidence-based dementia care. Contact us at [alz.org/healthsystems](https://www.alz.org/healthsystems) to get started.

### Project ECHO

The Alzheimer's and Dementia Care ECHO Program connects primary care teams with

leading dementia experts to share clinical experiences and discuss best practices for person-centered care. Connect your teams to ECHO at [alz.org/project-echo](https://www.alz.org/project-echo)

### essentiALZ

This online, evidence-based professional training and certification for dementia care staff offers the opportunity for continuing medical education credits. Learn more at [alz.org/essentiALZ](https://www.alz.org/essentiALZ)

## PUBLIC POLICY

### AIM

Our volunteer-driven Alzheimer's Impact Movement® (AIM) advocates for government action on Alzheimer's and dementia. AIM has grown federal research funding seven-fold. Join us at [alzimpact.org](https://www.alzimpact.org)

### Dementia Care Navigation Roundtable

The Dementia Care Roundtable unites leaders from across the health care industry to implement collaborative models of care. Get involved at [alz.org/dementiacarenavigation](https://www.alz.org/dementiacarenavigation)

### Public Health Center of Excellence on Dementia Risk Reduction

Established in 2020 with funding from the Centers for Disease Control, the Association's Public Health Center of Excellence engages public health officials one-on-one and in educational forums to drive community action on dementia. Contact [centerofexcellence@alz.org](mailto:centerofexcellence@alz.org) to get involved.

To learn more about opportunities to collaborate with the Alzheimer's Association, contact [editable field]

The Alzheimer's Association leads the way to end Alzheimer's and all other dementia — by accelerating global research, driving risk reduction and early detection, and maximizing quality care and support. Our vision is a world without Alzheimer's and all other dementia.® For more information, visit [www.alz.org](https://www.alz.org) or call the 24/7 Helpline at **800.272.3900**.