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K-CoRD Project

Kinsale Community Response to Dementia







KINSALE COMMUNITY RESPONSE TO DEMENTIA

K-CoRD Media Exposure











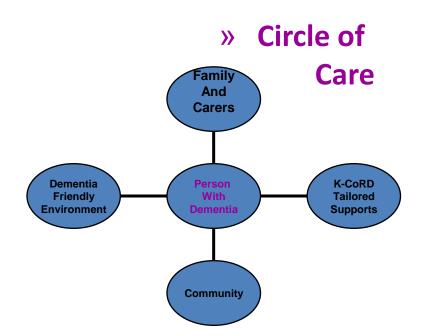


Kinsale Town and Hinterland



Paradigm of the Project

- Create a Circle of Care around the person with dementia
- Collaborating with, enhancing and Coordinating existing services
- Delivering to the clients a package tailored to their individualised needs
- Introducing the benefits of Assisted Technology
- Develop Kinsale as a Dementia
 Friendly Environment





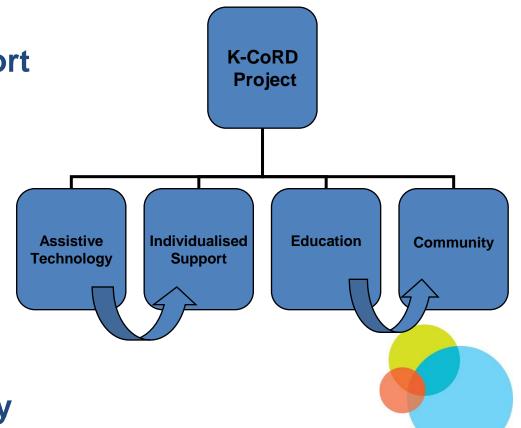
Project Streams

Individualised Support

Community

Education

Assistive Technology



Individualised Care supported with Assistive Technology

- Dementia Registers in General Practices created
- Consultation with Persons with Dementia with 30 clients assessed with support now in place.
- Carer Support Group with information sessions included
- Volunteer Training undertaken
- Dementia friendly home as a demo area with AAL system developed by CASALA with PP presentation for clients

60 Clients to be assessed in 2014

Family Carer Sessions are scheduled to commence May/June 2014

Befriending service by Volunteers
Scheduled to commence

3 installations in clients 'homes



Education – Community

- Approval was received from Local Ethics Committee to do qualitative research on dementia specific learning needs with local GP's and allied healthcare professionals
- A reference guide for dementia for the ICGP's to be published June 2014 was written by Dr. Tony Foley & Prof. Greg Stanwick
- Kinsale College of Further Education is developing a FETAC Level 5 dementia module to commence September 2014
- Volunteer training took place Oct 2013. Volunteers now participating
- K-CoRD hosted a Dementia Conference in Kinsale November 2013 with attendance of 220. Next Conference scheduled for 2015
- K-CoRD participates in an ongoing Learning Partnership with the three other pilot sites under the Genio Dementia Programme



Community Awareness

 K-CoRD attended the first Irish Dementia Friendly Community Forum in October 2013 facilitated by the ASI

Ongoing Partnership with ASI

 K-CoRD is involved with Transition Year (TY) Secondary School Programme with 2 students assisting at Dementia Conference November 2013

Third student currently working on project of old and new photos for reminiscence project

 BT Young Scientist Exhibition preparation in 2013 2 students submitted on "Dementia Awareness in Ireland"

 Community Awareness presentations took place in the latter 3 months Workshops on becoming dementia friendly to be offered to business, services providers, clubs & societies

Community Activities

 The K-CoRD Café is held once a week. The programme of activities is determined by clients and carers

Trained Volunteers are now Coordinating same. On special Occasions "Theme" events are held

- "Walking and Cycling Strategy for Kinsale" is currently awaiting approval from Council
- VISION "exploring the arts with new eyes". Art appreciation/specialised workshops for persons with dementia were held in 2013

Initiatives to identify potential improvements to make environment more age and Dementia friendly

2 Events scheduled for May Further events being planned

Innovative Programme of Good Practice

- The K-CoRD project is truly innovative and is enabling persons living with dementia to remain in their own homes and active in their community longer
- Dementia is now firmly established as a health priority for action in Ireland
- The findings of the K-CoRD project will lead into the Irish National Strategy for Dementia
- The paradigm of the K-CoRD project is a model of good practice by delivering better healthcare through collaborative and coordinated supports to persons with dementia
- By working in partnership it can be successfully replicated and scaled up throughout Ireland and the European Union



Thank You

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