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Mental Health Wards, Families and FIND ME

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The basics

- ~200 wards across the UK
- Services vary considerably
- No evidence on which model works best
- Specialist provision for people with YoD very limited

Bean et al., 2026; Edmans et al., 2022 Wolverson et al., 2024

Admission

- Risk to self and others
- Period of crisis
- Admission can be from own home, hospital or care home
- Most people are admitted under the Mental Health Act (1983)

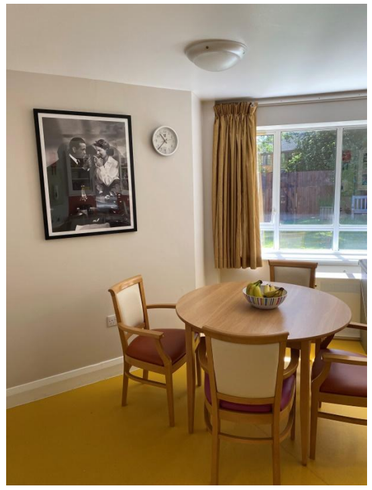
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An inpatient stay

- Average length of stay 100 days
- Trips to hospital common
- Most people discharged to residential care
- A challenging and uncertain time for families

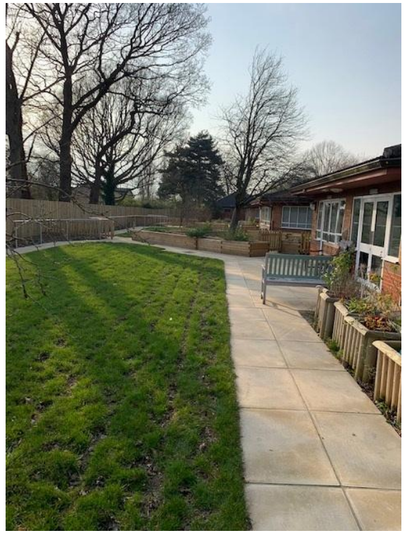
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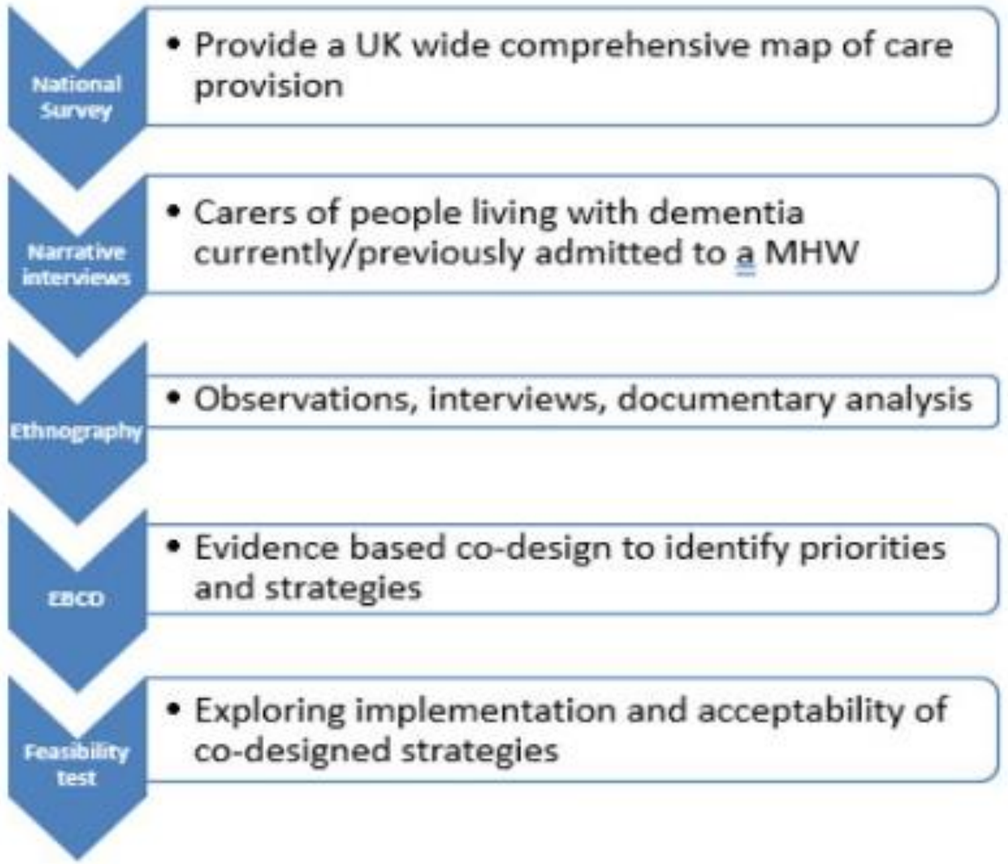
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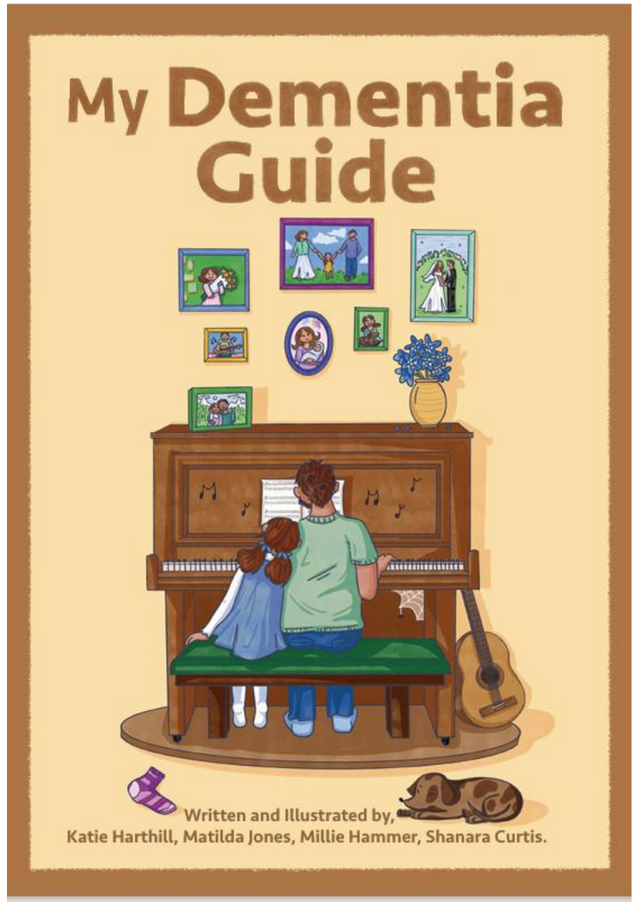
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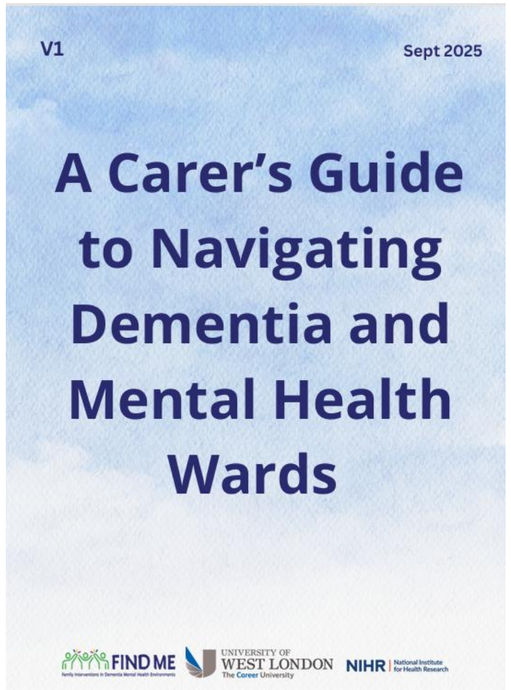
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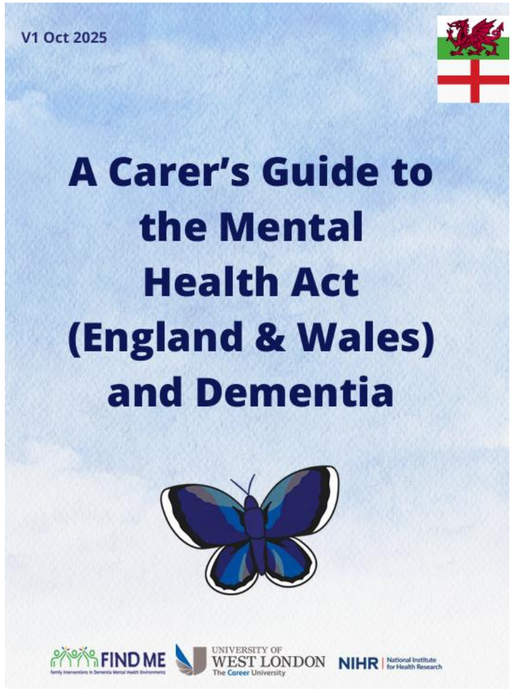


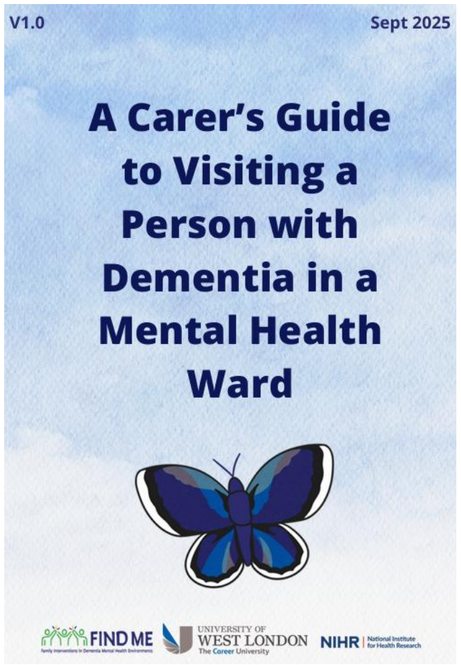


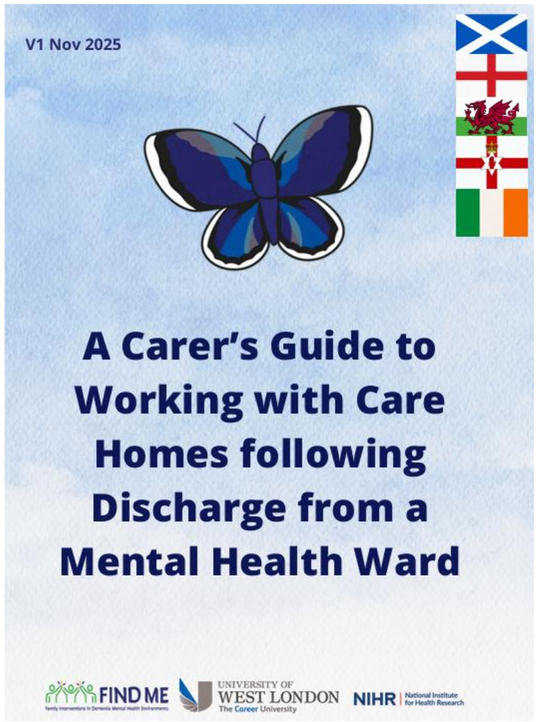
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Building a community

- First inpatient dementia conference
- Save the date: 14th April 2027
- Regional Events



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