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Florida Chapters

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# WELCOME

The Alzheimer's Association, Florida Chapters, serves all 67 counties in our beautiful state. We offer education, outreach, and support to everyone facing Alzheimer's and other dementias within our community, including individuals living with the disease, caregivers, professionals, families, and community members. Our commitment extends to advocating for the needs and rights of those confronted with Alzheimer's disease and promoting essential research towards treatment, prevention, and ultimately, a cure.

We provide programs through various formats: virtually, by telephone, on-demand, and in person. Most of our programs are offered at no charge, with some exceptions for professional programs. Additionally, we tailor programs for specific groups such as civic organizations, chambers of commerce, companies, and more. Please reach out to your local Community Engagement Manager to arrange a private and personalized program for your group or to invite us to your local event or health fair.

## Volunteer with the Alzheimer's Association

Volunteers play a crucial role in positively impacting the lives of those facing Alzheimer's and dementia. By volunteering with the Alzheimer's Association, you become part of a dedicated network working to combat this devastating disease, honor loved ones, and provide care and support to those in need. Learn more at [volunteer.alz.org](http://volunteer.alz.org).

Explore Various Opportunities:

- Community Educator
- Support Group Facilitator
- Community Connector
- Alzheimer's Advocate
- Brand Ambassador
- Event Committees
- And more!

LEARN MORE



# Meet Our Team

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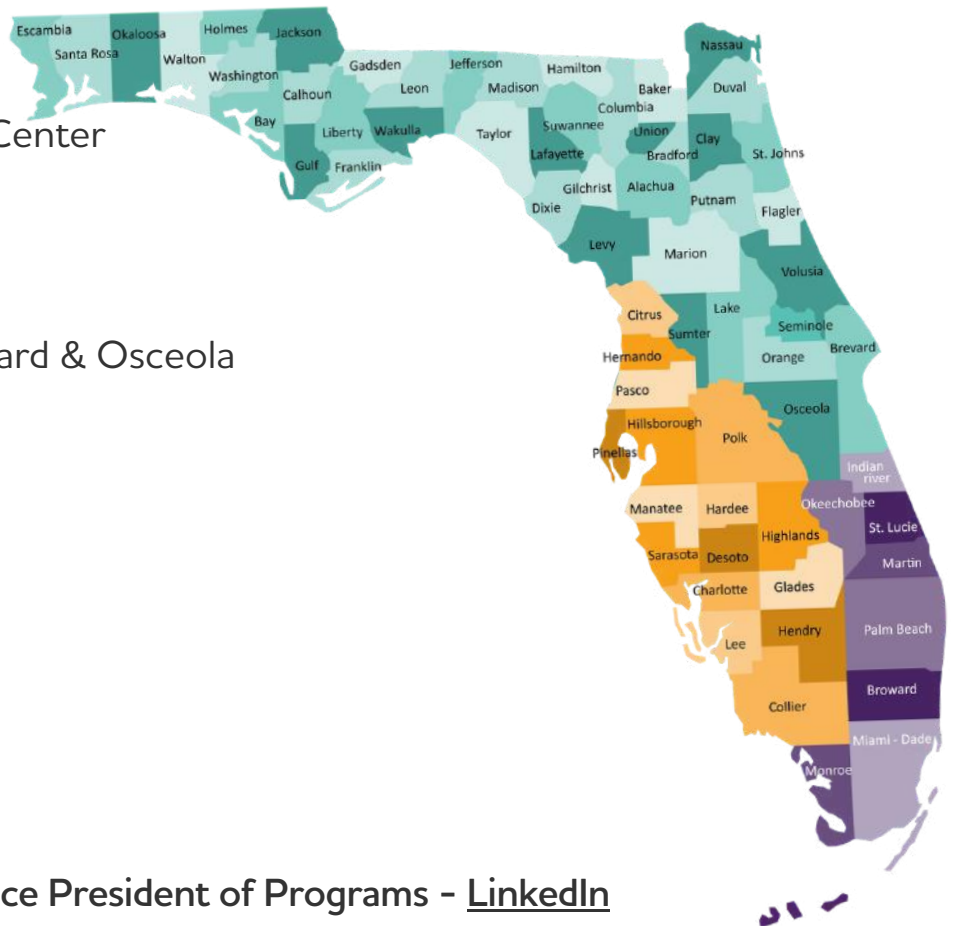
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# PROGRAMS THAT FIT YOUR LIFE

## WELCOME TO ALZCONNECTED®

ALZConnected is a dedicated community where people with Alzheimer's, their caregivers, and others affected by the disease can share answers, opinions, ideas, and support. Learn more at [alzconnected.org](https://alzconnected.org)



## 24/7 HELPLINE & CARE CONSULTATIONS

Living with mild cognitive impairment, Alzheimer's disease, or other dementia profoundly impacts multiple generations. Each person has a unique role, spouses, siblings, children of all ages, and friends—all contributing to the care team. This journey demands careful consideration, strategic planning, and above all, a well-thought-out plan.

Care Consultations from the Alzheimer's Association can help you to:

- Navigate difficult caregiving decisions and family issues.
- Assess current needs and anticipate future care challenges.
- Develop an effective care plan and problem-solve barriers.
- Receive supportive listening in a confidential, nonjudgmental environment.

Our professional staff has the knowledge to guide you through a variety of topics. People reach out for many different reasons. Not sure what to ask or where to start? That's okay, too. Just give us a call and we'll guide you from there. The service is free and is at no cost to you.

### Available several ways:

- **Phone:** Call 800.272.3900 for 24/7 support; use 711 for TRS operator.
- **Live Chat:** Access via the green button on our website, available 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. ET, Monday to Friday. [alz.org/help-support](https://alz.org/help-support).
- **Online Form:** Fill out a [form](#) for assistance, with a response within 24 hours.

## BUILD AN ACTION PLAN WITH ALZNAVIGATOR™

Whether you're a caregiver, a person living with dementia, or someone concerned about memory loss, find the support you need with ALZNavigator. Just answer a few questions about your situation and ALZNavigator will guide you to the resources and tools you need today and throughout each step of the disease — all in one place. [alz.org/alznavigator](https://alz.org/alznavigator)



# PROGRAMS THAT FIT YOUR LIFE

## ALZ TALKS VIRTUAL EVENTS

Our free ALZ Talks webinars provide education, information, news and resources on a variety of brain health, dementia and caregiving topics. Register for an ALZ Talks webinar today.

June 25, 2026, 2 p.m. ET

### ALZ Talks: Supporting Oral Health in Dementia Care



REGISTER  
NOW

Good oral health supports comfort, dignity and overall well-being. This session offers practical tips for maintaining oral hygiene, overcoming common challenges and adapting routines for people living with dementia. Hear from experts and caregivers who have navigated this journey firsthand. This webinar is supported by Delta Dental.

Missed a past ALZ Talks webinar? View previous ALZ Talks webinars on the Alzheimer's Association YouTube channel.



WATCH NOW



# PROGRAMS THAT FIT YOUR LIFE

## OTHER UPCOMING WEBINARS

Click the title to learn more and to register for an event.

- June 23, 6 p.m. C,T [Building Brain-Healthy Habits](#)
- August 11, 12 p.m. ET, [Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia](#)
- September 8, 12 p.m. ET, [Building Brain-Healthy Habits](#)
- October 13, 12 p.m. ET, [Managing Money: A Caregiver's Guide to Finances](#)
- November 10, 12 p.m. ET, [The Empowered Caregiver: Responding to Dementia-Related Behaviors](#)
- December 8, 12 p.m. ET, [The Empowered Caregiver: Communicating Effectively](#)

## Get empowered in your Alzheimer's journey

Take action with the My ALZ Journey app



A diagnosis can feel overwhelming, but My ALZ Journey can help you navigate your diagnosis of Alzheimer's or another dementia and move forward.

Download the app today in the Apple App Store or Google Play Store to learn what to expect and how to plan ahead.

[alz.org/MyALZJourney](http://alz.org/MyALZJourney)

# PROGRAMS THAT FIT YOUR LIFE

## VIRTUAL SUPPORT GROUPS

When you're facing difficult times, having a good support network you can turn to for advice and encouragement may help you feel connected and give you a sense of belonging and purpose. Connecting with others like you virtually may help put your own experiences living with the disease in perspective, and provide you with the support and encouragement necessary to move beyond your diagnosis.

### Caregiver Support Groups

- 2nd & 4th Tuesday, 10 a.m. ET
- 2nd Tuesday, 7 p.m. ET
- 2nd Wed., 12:30 p.m./11:30 a.m. ET
- 3rd Tuesday, 1:30 p.m. ET
- 3rd Tuesday, 6 p.m. ET
- 3rd Thursday, 12:30 p.m. ET
- 4th Thursday, 1 p.m. ET
- 4th Saturday, 3:30 p.m. ET

### Caregiver Support Group in Spanish

- 1st Thursday, 12:30 p.m. ET

### Early Stage Support Group

- 1st Friday, 10 a.m. ET
- 3rd Tuesday, 1:30 p.m. ET



Call the 24/7 Helpline at 800.272.3900 for instructions on how to log into the virtual meeting.

# BRAIN HEALTH AND AWARENESS

## BRAIN HEALTH AT WORK™

Brain Health At Work is a no-cost program that helps employers create brain-healthy workplaces, reduce employee risk of cognitive decline and support employees who are caregivers. The program provides education, tools and recognition for employers who create brain-healthy workplaces.



Brain Health At Work helps employers:

- Create brain-healthy workplaces
- Reduce employee risk of cognitive decline
- Support employees who are caregivers

### BRAIN HEALTH BY THE NUMBERS:



Over two-thirds of U.S. adults have at least one risk factor for cognitive decline.<sup>1</sup>

**74%**

believe that people can improve their brain health.<sup>2</sup>

**86%**

are interested in learning more about improving their brain health.<sup>2</sup>

### RISK REDUCTION FOR ALL

Evidence shows that addressing specific modifiable risk factors and promoting healthy behaviors can improve brain health.

### PROTECT HEALTHY BRAINS AT WORK

Building brain-healthy habits helps employees live better now and protects their memory and thinking for the future.

## START YOUR BRAIN HEALTH AT WORK JOURNEY TODAY

### Step 1

Complete the Organization Assessment



See how your organization supports brain health today and compare your score with other organizations.

### Step 2

Access a Tailored Resource Toolkit



Use the provided communication tips and templates to share brain health and caregiver resources with your employees.

### Step 3

Celebrate Your Recognition



Use the recognition toolkit to showcase your organization's commitment to creating a brain-healthy workplace.

### Step 4

Continue Your Commitment



Retake the assessment each year to track progress and plan improvements to employee brain health offerings and caregiver support.

Learn more at [alz.org/BrainHealthAtWork](https://alz.org/BrainHealthAtWork)

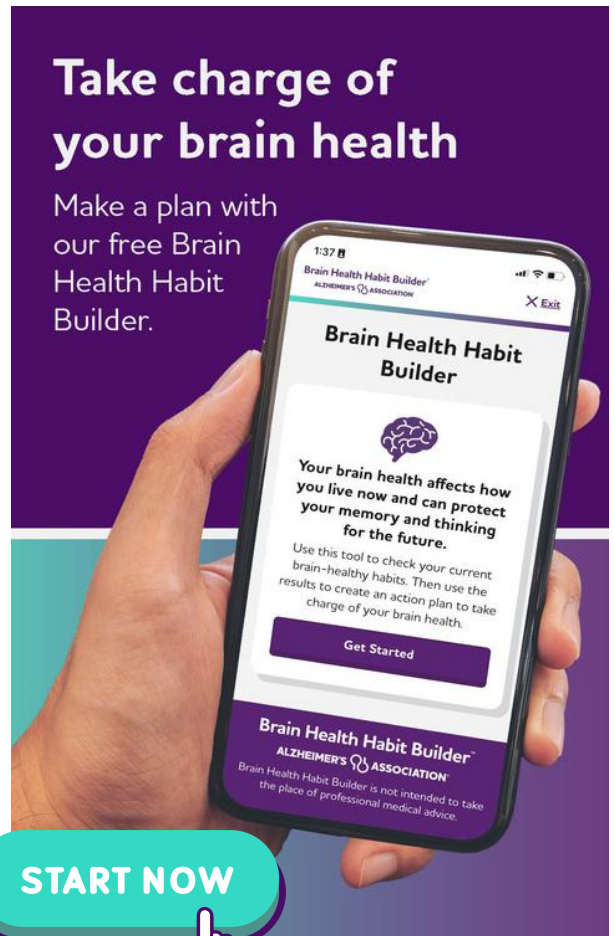
# BRAIN HEALTH AND AWARENESS

## Brain Health Habit Builder™

The Brain Health Habit Builder offers a quick, engaging experience that takes about three to five minutes. It encourages users to reflect on their lifestyle habits and commit to small but meaningful changes. Users can download, print and share their plan and choose which habits to prioritize. The tool is optimized for both desktop and mobile use.

### What you can do with the Brain Health Habit Builder

- Learn the basics of brain health and how everyday actions and lifestyle changes can make an impact.
- Check your current habits and build an action plan to take charge of your brain health.
- Get research-backed guidance to help you make lasting changes and keep your brain healthy.



## Take charge of your brain health

Make a plan with our free Brain Health Habit Builder.

# BRAIN HEALTH AND AWARENESS

## BRAIN BUS



The Brain Bus raises awareness of Alzheimer's and related dementias and addresses the benefits of early detection, early diagnosis, brain health and risk reduction. With two mobile units and virtual offerings the Brain Bus program reaches all counties throughout Florida. See each county for a full schedule of stops.

**Rob Harris**  
Community Engagement Manager



*The Brain Bus is sponsored in part by State of Florida Department of Elder Affairs and the Area Agency on Aging For Southwest Florida.*

# PANHANDLE & GREATER TALLAHASSEE

Bay, Calhoun, Escambia, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Hamilton, Holmes, Jackson, Jefferson, Lafayette, Leon, Liberty, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Taylor, Wakulla, Walton & Washington Counties

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## COMMUNITY EDUCATION & OUTREACH

### Bay County

**Brain Bus Stop at Bay County Council on Aging**

Wednesday, July 22, 1 p.m. CST

Bay County Council on Aging, 1116 Frankford Ave., Panama City 32401

**Brain Bus Stop at First Baptist Church Panama City**

Thursday, October 8, 9:30 a.m. CT

First Baptist Church Panama City, 640 Grace Ave., Panama City 32401

### Escambia County

**Brain Bus Stop at Zion Hope Primitive Baptist Church**

Saturday, August 29, 10 a.m. CST

Zion Hope Primitive Baptist Church, 201 W Leonard St., Pensacola 32501

**Brain Bus Stop at Olive Baptist Church:**

Saturday, October 10, 10 a.m. CST

Olive Baptist Church, Olive Baptist Church, 1836 E Olive Rd., Pensacola 32514

### Jefferson County

**Brain Bus Stop at Monticello-Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce**

Friday, June 19, 3 p.m.

Chamber of Commerce, 420 Washington St., Monticello 32344

### **Brain Bus Stop at Monticello-Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce**

Saturday, June 20, 3 p.m.

Chamber of Commerce, 420 Washington St., Monticello 32344

### **Leon County**

#### **Health Fair**

Friday, July 10, 10:30 a.m.

Life of Christ Church, 8921 Woodville Highway, Woodville 32305

#### **Awareness Presentation**

Wednesday, July 15, 8:30 a.m.

Tallahassee Senior Center, 1400 N Monroe St., Tallahassee 32303

#### **New Advances in Alzheimer's Treatments**

Thursday, August 13, 10 a.m.

St. Paul's Church, 1700 N. Meridan Road, Room 327, Tallahassee 32303

#### **Health Fair**

Saturday, August 22, 8 a.m.

FAMU Center, 6361 Mahan Dr #6201, Tallahassee 32308

#### **New Advances in Alzheimer's Treatments**

Friday, August 28, 10 a.m.

Westminster Oaks, 4449 Meandering Way, Tallahassee 32308

### **Santa Rosa County**

#### **10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's**

Tuesday, July 28, 10 a.m.

United Methodist Church, 1290 N Co Hwy 395., Santa Rosa Beach 32459

#### **Brain Bus Stop at Clyde L. Gracey Community Center**

Friday, September 18, 8 a.m.

Clyde L. Gracey Community Center, 5629 Byrom Street, Milton 32570

### **Walton County**

#### **The Impact of Alzheimer's and Dementia in the Community**

Wednesday, October 7, 12 p.m.

Life Enrichment Center, 312 College Ave., DeFuniak Springs 32435



# PANHANDLE & GREATER TALLAHASSEE

Bay, Calhoun, Escambia, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Hamilton, Holmes, Jackson, Jefferson, Lafayette, Leon, Liberty, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Taylor, Wakulla, Walton & Washington Counties

## CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUPS

### Leon County

3rd Monday at 2 p.m.

The Grove at Canopy, 2601 Crestline Rd., Tallahassee 32308

### Okaloosa County

1st Wednesday at 2 p.m. CST

Niceville Senior Center, 201 Campbell Dr., Niceville 32578

2nd Wednesday at 2 p.m. CST

Crestview Senior Activity Center, 205 Stillwell Blvd., Crestview 32539

2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday at 1p.m.

Trinity United Methodist Church, 403 Racetrack Rd. NW, Fort Walton Beach

### Santa Rosa County

3rd Wednesday at 6 p.m.

Navarre Gardens, 2640 Hwy 87 S., Navarre 32566



# GREATER GAINESVILLE, JACKSONVILLE & OCALA

Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Citrus, Clay, Columbia, Dixie, Duval, Gilchrist, Hernando, Levy, Madison, Marion, Nassau, Putnam, St. Johns, Suwannee & Union Counties



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## COMMUNITY EDUCATION & OUTREACH

### **Alachua County**

#### **Brain Bus Stop at Newberry Branch**

Monday, July 27 10 a.m.

Newberry Branch, 110 S Seaboard Dr., Newberry 32669

#### **Brain Bus Stop at Celebration Pointe**

Saturday, August 8, 8 a.m.

Celebration Pointe, 4870 Celebration Pointe Ave., Gainesville 32608

#### **Brain Bus Stop at Mt. Moriah Missionary Baptist Church**

Sunday, August 9, 12 p.m.

Mt. Moriah Missionary Baptist Church, 718 SE 11th St., Gainesville 32601

#### **Brain Bus Stop at Gainesville Seventh Day Adventist Christian Church**

Sunday, October 4, 1 p.m.

Seventh Day Christian Church, 2115 NW 39th Ave., Gainesville 32605

#### **Brain Bus Stop at Lubee Bat Conservatory**

Saturday, October 24, 10 a.m.

Lubee Bat Conservatory, 1309 NW 192nd Ave., Gainesville 32609



# GREATER GAINESVILLE, JACKSONVILLE & OCALA

Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Citrus, Clay, Columbia, Dixie, Duval, Gilchrist, Hernando, Levy, Madison, Marion, Nassau, Putnam, St. Johns, Suwannee & Union Counties

## Brain Bus Stop at St Paul Missionary Church

Saturday, July 18, 10 a.m.

St Paul Missionary Church, 3738 Winton Dr., Jacksonville 32208

## Brain Bus Stop at Jax Hispanic Church

Saturday, September 12, 10 a.m.

Jax Hispanic Church, 1016 Girvin Rd., Jacksonville 32225

## Health Fair

Saturday, October 3, 10 a.m.

Jax Hispanic Church, 1016 Girvin Rd., Jacksonville 32225

## Levy County

### Brain Bus Stop at Have Community Center Building

Tuesday, July 7, 10 a.m.

Have Community Center Building, 311 NE 9th St., Chiefland 32626

## Marion County

### Brain Bus Stop at Silver Shores Community Center

Saturday, July 11, 10 a.m.

Silver Shores Community Center, 590 Silver Rd., Ocala 34472

## Suwannee County

### 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's

Wednesday, June 24, 12 p.m.

Philips Center, 10680 Dowling Park Drive, Live Oak 32060

## Awareness Presentation

Tuesday, August 18, 3:30 p.m.

Suwannee Health Department, 915 Nobles Ferry Rd., Live Oak 32064

## CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUPS

### Alachua County

2nd Friday, Noon

Senior Healthcare Center at Crown Pointe, 2205 NW 40th Terr., Gainesville



# GREATER GAINESVILLE, JACKSONVILLE & OCALA

Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Citrus, Clay, Columbia, Dixie, Duval, Gilchrist, Hernando, Levy, Madison, Marion, Nassau, Putnam, St. Johns, Suwannee & Union Counties

## Duval County

2nd Wednesday, 3:30 p.m.

River Garden Hebrew Home, 11401 Old, St. Augustine Rd., Jacksonville 32258

2nd Wednesday, 6 p.m.

Palms Presbyterian Church, 3410 3rd St. South, Jacksonville Beach 32250

2nd Thursday, 1:30 p.m.

LPL Financial, LLC, 6 S Main St., Chiefland 32626

## Marion County

3rd Friday 2:30 p.m.

Ocala VA Clinic, 4826 SW 49th Rd., Ocala 34474

## St. Johns County

2nd & 4th Thursdays, 10 a.m.

Homeport Christian Church, 5605 US 1 South, St. Augustine 32086



# GREATER GAINESVILLE, JACKSONVILLE & OCALA

Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Citrus, Clay, Columbia, Dixie, Duval, Gilchrist, Hernando, Levy, Madison, Marion, Nassau, Putnam, St. Johns, Suwannee & Union Counties





# GREATER ORLANDO, FLAGLER & VOLUSIA

Flagler, Orange, Seminole & Volusia Counties



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## COMMUNITY EDUCATION & OUTREACH

### Volusia County

#### Brain Bus Stop at ActivaMente Summer Celebration

Thursday, July 2, 10 a.m.

The Center at Deltona, 1640 Dr. M.L.K. Blvd, Deltona, FL 32725

#### Brain Bus Stop at Port Orange Regional Library Community Health Fair

Tuesday, October 6, 10:30 a.m.

Port Orange Regional Library, 1005 City Center Cir., Port Orange FL 32129

## CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUPS

### Flagler County

2nd Monday, 11 a.m.

Market Street Assisted Living, 2 Corporate Dr., Palm Coast 32137

2nd and 4th Monday, 3:30 p.m.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, 4600 Belle Terre Pkwy., Palm Coast

### Orange County

1st Monday, 7 p.m.

Forest Lake Seventh Day Adventist Church, 515 Harley Lester Ln., Apopka 32703



1st Wednesday, 6 p.m.

Neurology One, 92 N. Dean Rd., Suite 100, Orlando 32825

\*Bilingual/Spanish Caregiver Support Group

2nd Monday, 4 p.m.

One Senior Place- Greater Orlando, 715 Douglas Ave., Altamonte Springs 32714

1st Thursday, 6 p.m.

Spring Hills Lake Mary, 3655 W Lake Mary Blvd., Lake Mary 32746

3rd Thursday, 3 p.m.

The Mayflower, 1850 Mayflower Ct., Winter Park 32792

### **Volusia County**

1st Tuesday, 12 p.m.

Brookdale Deland, 1210 N. Stone St., Deland 32720

1st Friday, 10:30 a.m.

Port Orange Presbyterian Church, 4662 S. Clyde Morris Blvd., Port Orange

3rd Tuesday at 10:30 a.m.

Aberdeen, 50 Allwood Green Blvd., Ormond Beach 32174

3rd Wednesday, 6 p.m.

The Blake @ LPGA, 1635 N Williamson Blvd., Daytona Beach 32117

3rd Thursday, 10:30 a.m.

Arya at Debary, 838 Signature Dr., Debary 32713



# GREATER ORLANDO, FLAGLER & VOLUSIA

Flagler, Orange, Seminole & Volusia Counties



# GREATER POLK & THE VILLAGES

Hardee, Highlands, Lake, Polk & Sumter Counties



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## COMMUNITY EDUCATION & OUTREACH

### Hardee County

#### Brain Bus Stop at Hardee County Civic Center

Saturday, August 1, 1 p.m.

Hardee County Civic Center, 515 Civic Center Dr., Wauchula 33873

### Highlands County

#### Impact of Alzheimer's in the Community

Tuesday, October 20, 2 p.m.

Seniors and Law Enforcement Expo, 4514 Hammock Rd, Sebring 33872

#### 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's

Sunday, December 6, 10 a.m.

Change of Pace, 4514 Hammock Rd., Sebring 33872

### Polk County

#### Brain Bus Stop at Munn Park

Saturday, June 20, 9 a.m.

Munn Park, 201 E Main St., Lakeland 33801

#### Brain Bus Stop at Polk County Sheriff's Office

Saturday, July 25, 9 a.m.

Polk County Sheriff's Office, 1100 Dunson Rd., Davenport 33896



# GREATER POLK & THE VILLAGES

Hardee, Highlands, Lake, Polk & Sumter Counties

## Health Fair

Tuesday, July 28, 4 p.m.

Polk State College, 3425 Winter Lake Road, Lakeland 33803

## Brain Bus Stop at RidgePoint Church

Saturday, August 1, 10 a.m.

RidgePoint Church, 100 Hartfield Rd., Winter Haven 33880

## Awareness Presentation

Tuesday, September 15, 10:30 a.m.

Winter Haven Senior Center, 250 S Lake Silver Dr., Winter Haven 33881

## Health Fair

Saturday, January 23, 9 a.m.

St John's Church, 1800 Cypress Gardens Blvd., Winter Haven 33881

## Brain Bus Stop at Frostproof Rainbow RV Park

Wednesday, February 3, 10 a.m.

Frostproof Rainbow RV Park 700 County Rd. 630A, Frostproof, FL 33843

## Brain Bus Stop at Mulberry Public Library

Wednesday, February 10, 10 a.m.

Mulberry Public Library, 905 NE 5th St., Mulberry 33860

## Sumter County

### 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's

Monday, July 27, 3 p.m.

Colony Care Center, 280 Farner Pl., The Villages 32163

## Brain Bus Stop at Dementia Resource Expo

Friday, November 6, 10 a.m.

Wildwood Community Center, 6500 Powell Rd., Wildwood 34785

## MCI/EARLY STAGE/YOUNG ONSET SUPPORT GROUPS

Registration required, please call 800.272.3900.

### Sumter County

1st Friday, 10 a.m.

Charter Research, The Villages 32162. \*First Steps, in-person or virtual



## CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUPS

### Lake County

3rd Wednesday, 1:30 p.m.

Waterman Village, 445 Waterman Ave., Mt. Dora 32757

### Polk County

1st Thursday, 11 a.m.

Methodist Temple, 2700 South Florida Ave., Lakeland 33803

2nd Tuesday, 12 p.m.

Hawthorne Inn, 6150 Lakeland Highlands Rd., Lakeland 33813

\*lunch provided

3rd Monday, 11 a.m.

Schalamar Creek Clubhouse Garden Room, 4500 US-92, Lakeland 33801

3rd Tuesday, 1:30 p.m.

3601 Cypress Gardens Rd., Winter Haven 33884

4th Thursday, 9:30 a.m.

Solivita Baltic Room, 395 Village Dr., Kissimmee 34759





# GREATER TAMPA BAY

Hillsborough, Pinellas & Pasco Counties



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## **COMMUNITY EDUCATION & OUTREACH**

### **Hillsborough County**

#### **Building Brain-Healthy Habits**

Monday, July 15, 3:30 p.m.

Sun Towers, 101 Trinity Lakes Dr., Sun City Center 33573

#### **Brain Bus Stop at Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Tampa**

Tuesday, August 11, 10 a.m.

Seminole Hard Rock Hotel, 5223 Orient Rd., Tampa 33610

#### **Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia**

Thursday, August 13, 10 a.m.

Kings Point Center 1525 Rickenbacker Dr, #101Sun City Center 33573

#### **10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's**

Tuesday, September 1, 10 a.m.

Kings Point Center 1525 Rickenbacker Dr, #101Sun City Center 33573

#### **Brain Bus Stop at Omar K. Lightfoot Recreation Center**

Friday, September 18, 9 a.m.

Omar K. Lightfoot Recreation Center, 10901 N. 56th St., Temple Terrace 33617



## **Building Brain-Healthy Habits**

Tuesday, October 13, 10 a.m.

Kings Point Center 1525 Rickenbacker Dr, #101 Sun City Center 33573

## **Pinellas County**

### **Brain Bus Stop at Sunset Palms 55+ Community**

Thursday, November 19, 9 a.m.

Sunset Palms 55+ Community, 3401 Gandy Blvd., Pinellas Park 33781

## **CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUPS**

### **Hillsborough County**

2nd Tuesday, 12 p.m.

Hyde Park Methodist, 500 W. Platt St., Tampa 33606. RSVP required.

(Hybrid, in-person and virtual via Zoom)

3rd Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. & 4th Wednesday at 2 p.m.

Ambiance of Brandon, 1320 Oakfield Dr., Brandon 33511. RSVP required.

(Hybrid, in-person and virtual via Zoom)

3rd Wednesday, 12 p.m.

St. James United Methodist, 16202 Bruce B. Downs Blvd., Tampa 33647

1st Thursday, 3 p.m.

Phyllis Busansky Adult Day Center, 4102 West Spruce St., Tampa 33607

1st Thursday, 6 p.m.

Arden Courts of Largo, 300 Highland Ave., Largo 33770

2nd Thursday, 1 p.m.

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church 1239 Del Webb Blvd, Rm 1, Sun City Center

2nd Thursday, 3 p.m.

Plant City Adult Day Center, 1205 S. Waller St., Plant City 33566

3rd Thursday at 3 p.m.

Wimauma Adult Day Center, 16621 Lagoon Shore Blvd., Wimauma 33598

\*Respite available



# GREATER TAMPA BAY

## Hillsborough, Pinellas & Pasco Counties

4th Monday 1 p.m.

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, 1239 W Del Webb Blvd., Rm 2, Sun City Center

4th Tuesday 10:00 a.m.

Bayshore Presbyterian Church, 2515 Bayshore Blvd., Com. Room, Tampa 33629

4th Thursday at 2 p.m.

Bloomington Adult Day Center, 3940 Canoga Park Dr., Brandon 33511

### Pasco County

1st Thursday, 10 a.m.

Land O' Lakes Public Library, 2818 Collier Pkwy., Land O' Lakes 34639

2nd Tuesday, 6 p.m.

Regency Park Library, 9701 Little Rd., New Port Richey 34654

2nd Thursday, 1 p.m.

New Port Richey Public Library, 5939 Main St., New Port Richey 34652

2nd Wednesday, 3 p.m.

Compass Rose of Zephyrhills, 37411 Eiland Blvd., Zephyrhills 33542

### Pinellas County

Every Monday, 9:30 a.m.

Unity of Palm Harbor, 1960 Tampa Rd., Palm Harbor 34683

1st Thursday, 6 p.m.

Arden Courts of Largo, 300 Highland Ave., Largo 33770

1st and 3rd Monday, 1 p.m.

Madonna Ptak Memory Disorders Clinic, 430 Morton Plant St., Ste. 401, Clearwater

Every Wednesday, 10 a.m.

Hale Activity Ctr. Dunedin, 330 Douglas Ave., Dunedin 34698

1st, 2nd, & 3rd Thursday, 2 p.m.

St. Anthony's Memory Disorders Center, Professional Office Building  
1201 5th Ave., N., Suite 309, St. Petersburg 33705



2nd Tuesday, 9:30 a.m.

Largo Public Library, 120 Central Park Dr., Largo 33771

2nd Tuesday, 10 a.m.

Arden Courts of Palm Harbor, 2895 Tampa Rd., Palm Harbor 34684

2nd Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.

The Karol Hotel Crown Boardroom, 2675 Ulmerton Rd., Clearwater 33762

2nd Wednesday, 12:15 p.m.

East Lake Public Library, 4125 E. Lake Road S., Palm Harbor 34685

3rd Tuesday, 11 a.m.

Tarpon Springs Library, 138 E Lemon St, Tarpon Springs 34689

3rd Wednesday, 6 p.m.

TLC Adult Day Care & Recreation Center, 3970 Tampa Rd., Unit J., Oldsmar

4th Thursday 10 a.m.

Craft Kafe Downtown 200 Central Ave., St. Petersburg 33701

4th Thursday 10 a.m.

The Plaza at The Palms of Largo, 385 Alt Keene Rd., Largo 33771



# GREATER SARASOTA & SUN CITY CENTER

Desoto, Manatee & Sarasota Counties



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## **COMMUNITY EDUCATION & OUTREACH**

### **Manatee County**

**The Empowered Caregiver: Responding to Dementia-Related Behaviors**

Tuesday, July 14, 5 p.m.

Bradenton Research Center, 3924 9th Ave. W., Bradenton 34205

**10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's**

Thursday, August 27, 6:30 p.m.

Esplanade at Artisan Lakes, 10730 Inglenook Terrace, Palmetto 34221

### **Sarasota County**

**Building Brain-Healthy Habits**

Tuesday, September 29, 2 p.m.

Glenridge on Palmer Ranch, 7333 Scotland Way, Sarasota 34238

**Brain Bus Stop at Booker High School gym**

Saturday, November 7, 10 a.m.

Booker High School Gym, 3201 N. Orange Ave., Sarasota 34234

## **MCI / EARLY STAGE / YOUNG ONSET SUPPORT GROUPS**

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### **Sarasota County**

2nd & 4th Friday, 10 a.m.

Senior Friendship Centers, 1820 Brother Geenen Way, Sarasota 34236



# GREATER SARASOTA & SUN CITY CENTER

Desoto, Manatee & Sarasota Counties

## CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUPS

### DeSoto County

2nd Thursday, 12 p.m.

Senior Friendship Center, 917 N Arcadia Ave., Arcadia 34266

### Manatee County

1st & 3rd Wednesday, 10 a.m.

Emmanuel Baptist Church, 8305 US-301, Parrish 34219

1st Thursday at 10 a.m.

Westminster Bradenton at The Manor, 1700 21st Ave. W., Bradenton 34205

2nd Tuesday at 5 p.m.

Bradenton Research Center, 3924 9th Ave. W., Bradenton 34205

4th Wednesday 10 a.m.

Key Clinical Research, 6060 26th St. W., Bradenton 34207

2nd & 4th Thursday, 10 a.m.

Elan Manatee, 7375 Stone River Rd., Bradenton 34203

### Sarasota County

Every Monday at 10 a.m.

Church of Palms, 3224 Bee Ridge Rd., Sarasota 34239

1st Tuesday, 11:30 a.m.

Frances T. Bourne Jacaranda Library, 4143 Woodmere Park Blvd., Venice 34293

3rd Wednesday, 10 a.m.

San Pedro Catholic Church, 14380 Tamiami Trl., North Port 34287

Every Thursday at 4 p.m.

Church of Palms, 3224 Bee Ridge Rd., Sarasota 34239





# SOUTHWEST FLORIDA

Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry, Lee & Monroe Counties



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## COMMUNITY EDUCATION & OUTREACH

### Collier County

#### Health Fair

Wednesday, July 15, 10 a.m.

The Arlington, 7900 Arlington Circle, Naples 34113

#### Brain Bus Stop at The 2026 Big Bus Event

Saturday, November 7, 8 a.m.

The 2026 Big Bus Event, 419 N. First St., Immokalee 34142

### Lee County

#### Health Fair

Thursday, June 25, 9 a.m.

Cape Coral Parks & Recreation, 1015 Cultural Park Blvd., Cape Coral 33990

#### Brain Bus Stop at Lee Health - Healthy Live Center

Thursday, November 12, 10 a.m.

Lee Health - Healthy Live Center, 23450 Via Coconut Pt., Estero 33928



## CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUPS

### Charlotte County

1st Tuesday, 5:15 p.m.

Hatchery, 42881 Lake Babcock Dr., Suite 200, Babcock Ranch 33908

2nd Monday, 5:15 p.m.

ActivAge at Chelsea Place, 3626 Tamiami Trl., Port Charlotte 33952

2nd Tuesday, 4 p.m.

Punta Gorda Isles Civic Association, 2001 Shreve St., Punta Gorda 33950

### Lee County

1st Tuesday at 10 a.m.

Cypress Cove, 10200 Cypress Cove Dr., Fort Myers 33908

2nd Wednesday at 1 p.m. and 4th Friday at 10 a.m.

Good Shepherd United Methodist Church, 2951 Trail Dairy Cir., North Fort Myers

2nd Thursday at 10 a.m.

The Terraces at Bonita Springs, 26455 S. Tamiami Trl., Bonita Springs 34134

3rd Tuesday at 10 a.m.

Gulf Coast Village 1333 Santa Barbara Blvd., 4th Floor Craft Room, Cape Coral

3rd Thursday at 10 a.m.

Lee Healthy Life Center, Coconut Point, 23450 Via Coconut Pt., Estero 33928



# GREATER TREASURE COAST, BREVARD & OSCEOLA

Brevard, Indian River, Martin, Okeechobee, Osceola & St. Lucie Counties



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## **COMMUNITY EDUCATION & OUTREACH**

### **Brevard County**

#### **Awareness Presentation**

Tuesday, June 30, 1 p.m.

One Senior Place, 8085 Spyglass Hill Rd., Viera 32940

#### **Brain Bus Stop at the Senior Life's Hurricane Prep Rally & Senior Fair**

Friday, July 17, 9 a.m.

St. John the Evangelist, 5655 Stadium Pkwy., Melbourne, 32940

#### **Health Fair**

Saturday, July 25, 2026

Brevard Schools Foundation, 1225 Clearlake Rd., Cocoa 32922

### **Okeechobee County**

#### **Brain Bus Stop at Seminole Hotel & Casino**

Thursday, June 18, 11 a.m.

Seminole Hotel & Casino, 15005 Reservation Rd., Okeechobee 34974

#### **Brain Bus Stop at Our Village Back to School**

Saturday, August 1, 8 a.m.

Osceola Middle School 825 SW 28th St Okeechobee, 34974



# GREATER TREASURE COAST, BREVARD & OSCEOLA

Brevard, Indian River, Martin, Okeechobee, Osceola & St. Lucie Counties

## Osceola County

### Brain Bus Stop at First Church of Nazarene

Sunday, June 28, 3 p.m.

Revival City Church, 810 N Hoagland Blvd., Kissimmee 34741

## St. Lucie County

### Brain Bus Stop at Fort Pierce Recreation Center

Friday, July 17, 10 a.m.

Fort Pierce Recreation Center, 903 S 21st St, Fort Pierce 34950

### Brain Bus Stop at Life Development Christian Center

Tuesday, July 28, 10 a.m.

Life Development Christian Center, 862 SW Glenview Ct., Port St Lucie 34953

### Brain Bus Stop at Havert L. Fenn Center

Saturday, August 1, 8:30 a.m.

Havert L. Fenn Center, 2000 Virginia Ave., Fort Pierce 34982

### Brain Bus Stop at Friendship Missionary Baptist Church

Friday, October 2, 10 a.m.

Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, 1306 Ave. E., Fort Pierce 34950

### Brain Bus Stop at Legacy High School

Tuesday, November 3, 8 a.m.

Legacy High School, 14505 Crosstown Pkwy., Port St. Lucie 34987

## CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUPS

### Brevard County

2nd and 4th Tuesday, 10:30 a.m.

Rockledge Presbyterian Church, 921 Rockledge Dr., Rockledge 32955

### St. Lucie County

2nd & 4th Tuesday at 10:30 a.m.

Harbor Place, 3700 SE Jennings Rd., Port St. Lucie, 34952

2nd Thursday, 10 a.m.

Golden Ponds Home Community, 1800 Golden Ponds Dr., Fort Pierce 34945







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## COMMUNITY EDUCATION & OUTREACH

### Brain Bus Stop at Royal Palm Beach Recreation Center

Friday, September 18, 10 a.m.

Recreation Center, 100 Sweet Bay Lane., Royal Palm Beach 33411

### Brain Bus Stop at Boca Raton Marriott

Sunday, October 25, 8:30 a.m.

Boca Raton Marriott, 5150 Town Center Cir., Boca Raton 33486

## MCI / EARLY STAGE / YOUNG ONSET SUPPORT GROUPS

Registration required, please call 800.272.3900.

2nd Wednesday, 2 p.m.

Brain Matters Research, Delray Beach 33445

2nd Wednesday, 4 p.m.

JEM Research Institute, Lake Worth 33462

## CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUPS

2nd Tuesday, 10:30 a.m.

Wellington Bay, 2590 Wellington Bay Dr., Wellington 33414

2nd Wednesday, 1 p.m.

Mae Volen Center, 1515 W. Palmetto Park Rd., Boca Raton 33486

2nd Thursday, 1:30 p.m.

Palm Beach Premiere Research, 4631 N. Congress Ave., West Palm Beach 33407

3rd Tuesday, 11 a.m.

YMCA, 9600 South Military Trail, Boynton Beach 33436

4th Tuesday, 11 a.m.

Brain Matters Research, 800 NW 17th Ave., Delray Beach 33445

4th Tuesday, 4:15 p.m.

JEM Research Institute, 142 John F Kennedy Dr., Lake Worth 33462

4th Wednesday, 1 p.m.

Mae Volen Center, 1515 W Palmetto Park Rd., Boca Raton 33486

4th Thursday, 6 p.m.

New Day Adult Day Care, 301 Ebbtide Dr., Suite H, North Palm Beach 33408







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- Hard Rock Corporate Office
- Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Hollywood

## **COMMUNITY EDUCATION & OUTREACH**

### **Brain Bus Stop at African-American Research Library and Cultural Center**

Tuesday, June 23, 10:30 a.m.

Research Library and Cultural Center, 2650 Sistrunk Blvd., Fort Lauderdale 33311

### **Brain Bus Stop at African American Research Library & Cultural Center**

Monday, August 24, 10:30 a.m.

African American Research Library, 2650 Sistrunk Blvd., Fort Lauderdale 33311

## **CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP**

1st and 3rd Saturday, 10 a.m.

John Knox Village, 651 SW 6th St., Pompano Beach 33060

2nd Tuesday, 5:30 p.m.

The Meridian Waterways, 3001 E. Oakland Park Blvd., Ft. Lauderdale 33306

3rd Wednesday, 2 p.m.

Northwest Regional Library, 3151 University Dr., Rm 214, Coral Springs 33065

3rd Wednesday, 6 p.m.

Covenant Living of Florida, 9215 W. Broward Blvd., Fort Lauderdale 33306



# BROWARD COUNTY



# MIAMI-DADE COUNTY



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## **COMMUNITY EDUCATION & OUTREACH**

### **Brain Bus Stop at St. Andrew's Church**

Thursday, July 9, 9 a.m.

St. Andrew's Church, 14260 Old Cutler Road, Miami 33158

### **Health Fair**

Saturday, July 18, 10 a.m.

YMCA Family Center; 2370 NW 17th Avenue, Miami 33142

### **Brain Bus Stop at Northbridge University - South Miami Camopus**

Saturday, August 1, 10 a.m.

Northbridge University, 20505 S. Dixie Hwy., Miami 33189

### **Brain Bus Stop at MDC Hialeah Campus**

Tuesday, October 6, 9 a.m.

MDC Hialeah Campus, 1780 W 49th St., Hialeah 33012

### **Brain Bus Stop at Larkin University Campus**

Saturday, November 21, 10 a.m.

Larkin University Campus, 18301 NW 2nd Ave., Miami Gardens 33169



# MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

## Brain Bus Stop at GFWC Miami Springs Woman's Club

Saturday, January 9, 10 a.m.

GFWC Miami Springs Club, 200 Westward Dr., Miami Springs 33166

## CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUPS

### Miami-Dade County

2nd Monday, 6 p.m., In-Spanish

Coral Gables Branch Library, 3443 Segovia St., Coral Gables 33134

2nd Thursday, 12:30 p.m.

Northeast Dade, Aventura Library, 2930 Aventura Blvd., Aventura 33180

2nd Friday, 12:30 p.m.

Pinecrest Community Center, 5855 Killian Dr., Pinecrest 33156

3rd Tuesday 7 p.m.

The Palace Suites, 11377 SW 84th St., Miami 33173

4th Thursday, 12:30 p.m.

Coral Gables Adult Activity Center, 2 Andalusia Ave., Coral Gables 33134



# VOLUNTEER

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## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

- Community connector
- Community educator
- Support group facilitator
- Event committee member
- Advocate
- Brand ambassador
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# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



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## DID YOU KNOW

Although African Americans and Hispanics are more likely than Whites to have Alzheimer's or another dementia, studies show that they are less likely to have a diagnosis. And delays in diagnosis mean that certain groups are not getting treatments when they are most likely to be effective at improving quality of life. For more information, please see the Association's Alzheimer's Disease Facts and Figures special report on [Race, Ethnicity and Alzheimer's in America](#) (PDF).

## Resources

- [Veterans and Dementia](#)
- [Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and Alzheimer's](#)
- [Black Americans and Alzheimer's](#)
- [Hispanic Americans and Alzheimer's](#)
- [LGBTQ+ Community Resources for Dementia](#)
- [Native Americans and Alzheimer's](#)



## THE INTERSECTION OF IDD AND ALZHEIMER'S



### DID YOU KNOW

Individuals with Down syndrome have a higher than **90% lifetime risk** of developing **Alzheimer's disease**.

Down syndrome, or trisomy 21, occurs when an individual has an extra copy of chromosome 21 due to a random error during egg or sperm cell division. Typically, humans inherit one copy from each parent, but those with Down syndrome have three copies instead of two. As they age, individuals with Down syndrome are at an increased risk of developing Alzheimer's disease; approximately 30% of those in their 50s and 50% in their 60s are affected by Alzheimer's dementia, according to the National Down Syndrome Society.

### Resources

- [Down Syndrome and Alzheimer's](#)
- [NDSS Aging and Down Syndrome Guidebook](#)
- [NDSS Alzheimer's and Down Syndrome: A Practical Guidebook for Caregivers](#)
- [NTG Early Detection Screen for Dementia](#)



# FOR ALL PROFESSIONALS



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# FOR ALL PROFESSIONALS

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### Research, Publications and Grants

Explore peer-reviewed journals, real-world data platforms and funding opportunities that support dementia research and accelerate progress.



### Training, Education and Professional Development

Build your knowledge and stay current with the latest in dementia care and research through continuing education credit, online training and world-class certification.



### Professional Networks and Registries

Engage with expert communities and initiatives, contribute to data registries and exchange insights with peers through ISTAART, the International Society to Advance Alzheimer's Research and Treatment.



### Conferences and Events

Discover leading conferences and events that bring together experts across research and care to share insights, expand networks and move dementia science and clinical practice forward.



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## ALZHEIMER'S AND PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION IN FLORIDA



Alzheimer's disease is a growing public health crisis in Florida, and the impact of Alzheimer's is projected to rise. A comprehensive public health approach is essential to improve community health, support the well-being of those living with cognitive decline and their families, and reduce the risk of dementia throughout communities. The most recent data show:

- 580,000 people aged 65 and older are living with Alzheimer's in Florida.
- 18.6% of people aged 45 and older have subjective cognitive decline in Florida.
- 870,000 family caregivers provide essential support to people living with dementia in Florida.
- 1.3 billion hours of unpaid care are provided by dementia caregivers in Florida.
- \$28.4 billion is the value of unpaid care provided in Florida.
- \$3.7 billion is the cost of Alzheimer's to the state Medicaid program.

[Learn more.](#)

# ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION® FLORIDA CHAPTERS: YOUR IMPACT IN 2025

## LEADING THE FIGHT AGAINST ALZHEIMER'S AND ALL OTHER DEMENTIA

### ENGAGE INDIVIDUALS AND COMMUNITIES.

- Reached nearly 80,000 Floridians through education, care and support, awareness and the 24/7 Helpline.
- Provided education and support to more than 20,000 Floridians in all 67 counties through the Alzheimer's Association Brain Bus and mobile brain health outreach.



### ACCELERATE RESEARCH, TRANSLATION AND IMPLEMENTATION.

- Awarded \$7.8 million in active research funding at Florida institutions
- Selected 58 individuals from FL institutions to serve as grant reviewers
- Engaged with 400+ scientists, clinicians and dementia professionals across Florida through the ISTAART program



## 4 STRATEGIC LEVERS OF CHANGE

### ENABLE COMMUNITIES AND SYSTEMS TO DELIVER QUALITY AND EQUITABLE CARE.

- Florida advocates rallied for critical federal and state legislation:
  - Supported \$10 million in additional state funding to reduce respite care wait times and other caregiver services
  - Lobbied in support of new legislation in Congress, including the Alzheimer's Screening and Prevention (ASAP) Act, Credit for Caring Act and the Accelerating Access to Dementia & Alzheimer's Provider Training (AADAPT) Act



### FOSTER COLLABORATION AND UNDERSTANDING.

- Engaged more than 2,400 volunteers across the state to educate and build awareness to reduce stigma, focus on brain health and advocate for individual and community needs
- Partnered with the Florida Department of Elder Affairs to reach nearly 69,000 Floridians through awareness education



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- Sept. 26 Space Coast (Date Tentative)
- Sept. 26 Pasco County
- Oct. 3 Ocala
- Oct. 3 Orlando
- Oct. 3 Pinellas County
- Oct. 4 Pensacola
- Oct. 10 Tallahassee
- Oct. 10 SouthShore
- Oct. 17 Tampa
- Oct. 24 Gainesville
- Oct. 24 Lee County
- Oct. 24 The Villages
- Oct. 24 Treasure Coast
- Oct. 31 Palm Beach
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- Nov. 8 Boca Raton
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- Nov. 21 Miami
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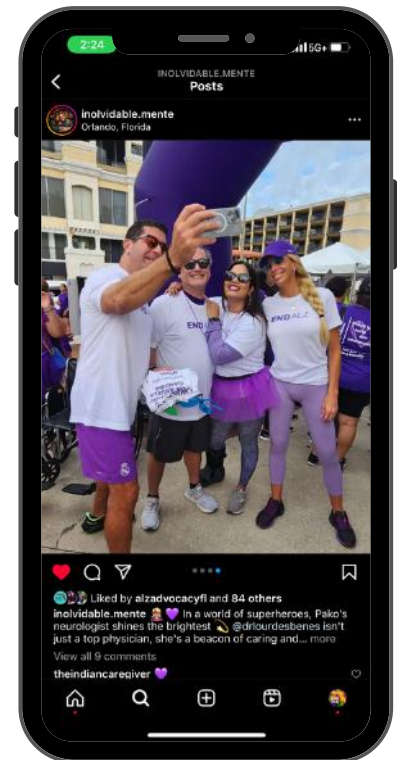
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