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Individual Project

Alzheimer's Society – The Global Challenge of Dementia

Leading the fight
against dementia



Brief

The following statements could form the basis of your own research project.

Dementia is a major health and social care issue in the UK, costing the British economy more than £26 billion annually [Alzheimer's Society: 'Financial cost of dementia' (2014)], whilst government funding is being reduced for health & social care services. Many argue that consideration is required about how the NHS and social care system deal with supporting people who are living with dementia.

The 2014 Care Act places obligations on local authorities to ensure that people can exercise individual control and choice, with particular attention to the individual's views, wishes, feelings and beliefs. The involvement of people with dementia in developing health and social care policy and practice has become increasingly important in tackling the challenges arising by the prevalence of dementia; however further consideration and action is still required to ensure that 'nothing about us without us' is possible.

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