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Recent research

The following papers are available to UK registered osteopaths and final year osteopathy students via the online zone, the General Osteopathic Council website:

https://www.osteopathy.org.uk/ozone/resources/research/journals/


Dementia awareness week

The 17th-23rd May is Dementia Awareness Week in the UK. People of all ages seek osteopathic treatment, so osteopaths can notice the hints that a patient may require further investigations for dementia. Although dementia is typically associated with old age it is not a normal part of ageing. Dementia is a group of diseases with a wide variety of causes, some of which remain unknown. Some types of dementia can affect people as young as 45, so we should be vigilant about a broad subset of our patients.

Would you know what signs to look out for in your patients? If a patient or their partner expressed concerns about their memory, would you know the appropriate steps to take? Do you know how you can best support people with dementia and their carers?

The Alzheimer’s Society UK has launched the Dementia Friends initiative which aims to promote awareness of dementia, and make communities more dementia friendly. Osteopaths are at the heart of many communities, and are excellently placed to support those with dementia and those who care for them.

Discover how you can become a Dementia Friend and help your community become dementia friendly at http://bit.ly/dementia-friends

PROMs update

Thank you to those osteopaths who have been piloting our Patient Reported Outcome Measure (PROMs) app in their practices. The pilot process has allowed us to make some small modifications to the app. It is now available to use in osteopathic practices. If you would like to know more about what is involved, please contact Carol Fawkes by email at c.fawkes@qmul.ac.uk or by telephone on 07732178308.

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