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REHABILITATION AND NURSING CENTER



MEMORY MATTERS

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What is Leqembi?

Leqembi or Lecanemab is a recently FDA approved treatment for people with early Alzheimer's disease with confirmation of elevated Beta Amyloid. Amyloid Beta is a primary component of the plaques which are a hallmark of Alzheimer's disease. This is the first traditional approval of a treatment that targets the underlying course of the disease.

In clinical trials the medication clearly demonstrates that removing amyloid from the brain provides measurable, meaningful benefit in people with early Alzheimer's. In the clinical trial the medication was shown to delay cognitive decline by 5.3 months as compared to a placebo. The medication is administered twice a month by intravenous infusion.

With a treatment now available it is important to speak with your doctor to see if this new medication could benefit



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someone you love with Alzheimer's disease in the early stages.

This treatment is not a cure give physicians a new tool in their toolbelt to help to battle this devastating disease. It will provide people with more time to maintain independence and do what is most important to them.

More treatments and a possible cure are definitely needed. In the meantime, families of loved ones with Alzheimer's disease have a light on the horizon.



Fun In The Sun!!!!

The official start of summer Was June 21st, but warm weather starts much sooner than that here in New England. This is a perfect time to take a few moments and swap out winter clothing for summer clothing. This will help to reduce clutter in your loved one's closet and make clothing selection easier. We will be spending as much time as possible enjoying the weather out in our courtyard. There are a lot of fun events planned for July! It is guaranteed to be fun in the sun with loads of laughter.

Fun Activities this month...

July 14	Slurpee Day
July 15	Messages to the Younger Generation
July 17	Jewelry Creation to benefit the Alzheimer's Association
July 21	Key West Party
July 28	Saint Francis Boutique

COME JOIN OUR DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP!!!!

Meetings are held the third Thursday of every month at 2:30 PM in the Sister's Dining Room here at Saint Francis. Please join us to connect with others that are going through the journey of having a loved one or friend living with dementia.

Please RSVP to 508-471-2272