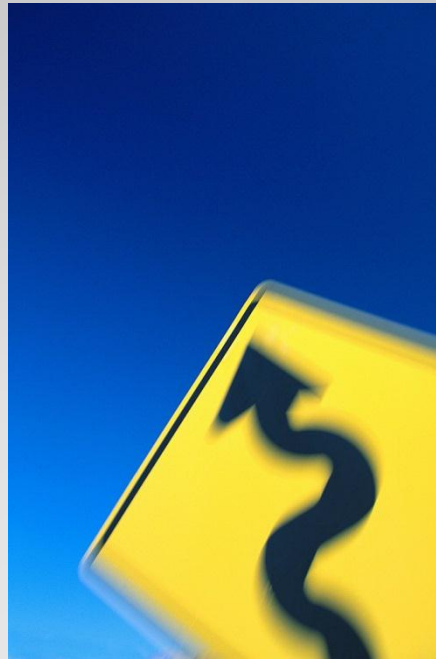


# Grief and caregivers of people with dementia

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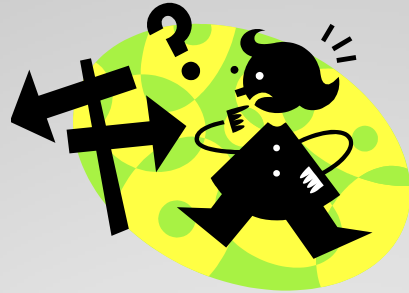
**The long and winding road of  
dementia**

- Family members – Questions
- How are you related to the person with dementia?
- When did you first notice that something was wrong?
- When was s/he diagnosed?
- Can you recall your feelings at that time?
- What reason do you give yourself for the dementia?

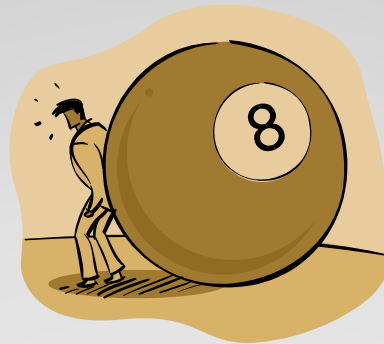
- What level of professional care does s/he receive?
- Can you describe your relationship with the people who care for your loved one?
- (If s/he is in residential care) Have the feelings of grief eased or become worse?
- What is most difficult for you about the situation
- How much support do you have?

- Do you and your family experience grief concerning this situation?
- What helps you most?
- Do you belong to a support group?
- Have you had personal counselling because of your loved one's dementia?
- What other sorts of grief have you experienced in your life?
- Is this grief different?

- HOW WAS IT WHEN YOU FURST NOTICED SOMETHING WAS WRONG?



- What was most difficult?



- Support





- The ambiguity of loss and grief



- The Solution?

