

### How are appointments made?

To make an appointment to see the dementia nurse practitioner, phone Latrobe Community Health Service on 1800 242 696.

### Further information

To register or to find out more, please contact Latrobe Community Health Service.

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[www.lchs.com.au](http://www.lchs.com.au)

## Dementia nurse practitioner

Supporting community members obtain a timely diagnosis of Dementia



## Who is the dementia nurse practitioner?

The dementia nurse practitioner works closely with you general practitioner (GP) and other relevant service providers to:

- Investigate and assess possible causes of changes in memory, thinking or language.
- Can Identify possible support services that may be of benefit to the person with changes in memory, thinking or language and their carer/relative.
- Facilitate referral to specialist services as required.
- Consider the needs of both the person with memory issues and their carer/family.

## Who can use this service?

This service is free and available to Latrobe Valley residents with memory loss, give us a call to discuss your needs.

Referrals can be made by a doctor or other health professionals, by carers or even a family member.

## How can the dementia nurse practitioner help?

The dementia nurse practitioner can help clients by:

- Identifying clients' needs.
- Assisting with early intervention.
- Developing and implementing a care plan.

## The dementia nurse practitioner can also help by:

- listening to the persons story and by undertaking an assessment to help determine what is going on and discuss possible management options.
- Taking time to talk to you and support you through the process of getting a dementia diagnosis.

