

# Expanding Reach of Public Health:

Lessons from a pilot project to develop remote dementia diagnostic processes.

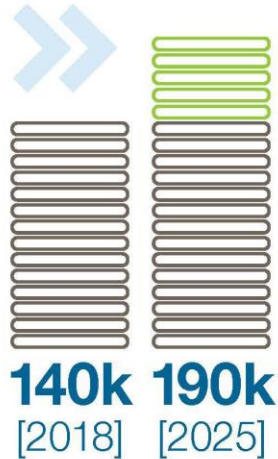
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# Dementia and Alzheimer's Disease in Georgia

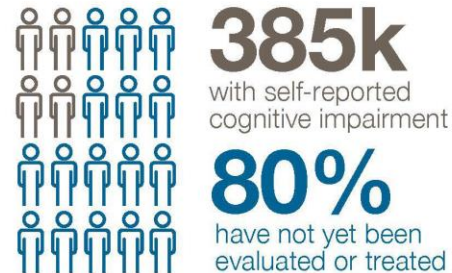
**Establishing the Need:**  
Know the numbers.

It all adds up: The citizens and healthcare professionals of Georgia need the Georgia Memory Net.

People With Alzheimer's Growing:

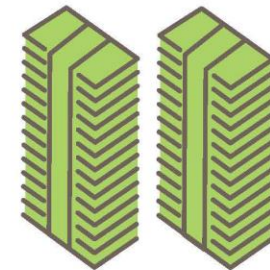


**1.4M**  
People Over 65 Years Old



**6 Year Average Delay In Memory-loss Diagnosis**

**\$2B**  
In Preventable Admissions Expenses



# BOLD Overview

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## Building Our Largest Dementia Infrastructure (BOLD)

- B-SEEN – BOLD using systemic education, evidence, and networks

## Public health approach to:

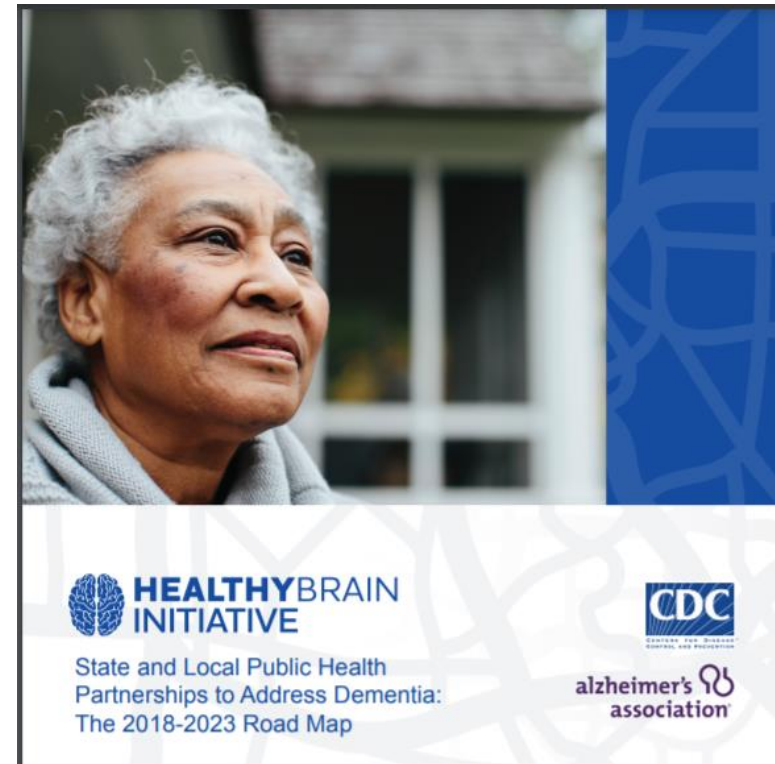
- Dementia risk reduction
- Early detection
- Dementia caregiving
- Educating professionals



# Implementing CDC Road Map Actions

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- Educate and empower
- Develop policies and mobilize partnerships
- Assure a competent workforce
- Monitor and Evaluate



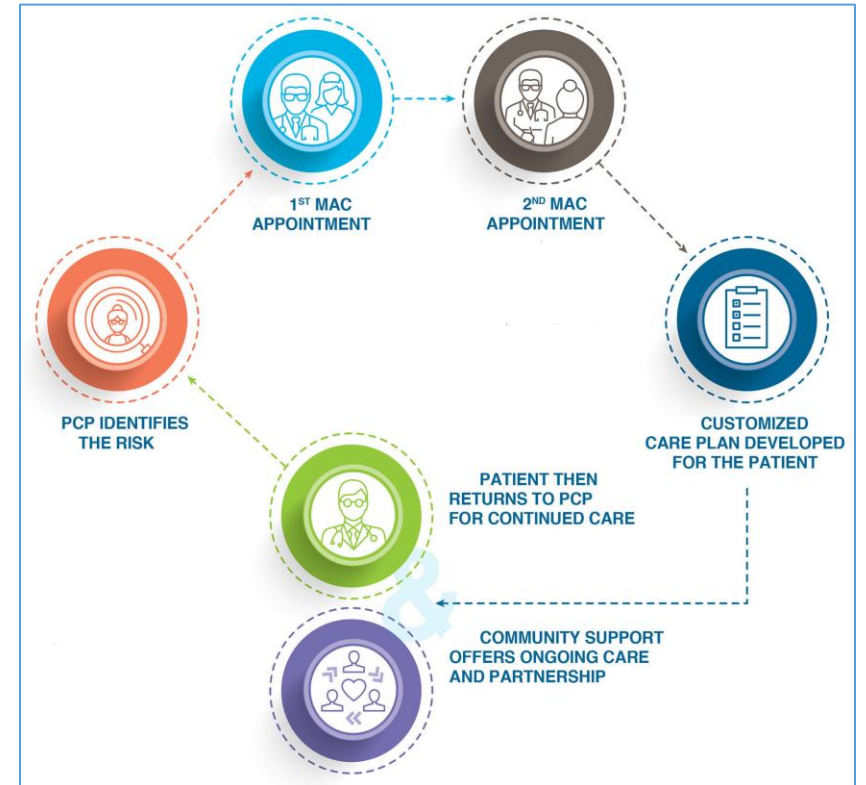
# Mobilizing Partnerships

## Telehealth/tablet partnership

- Public Health & Georgia Memory Net (GMN)
- Telehealth/ tablet partnership
- Local health department acts as physical location

## The workflow

- Risk Identified
- Appointment scheduled
  - In-person
  - Telehealth
- Diagnostics, Diagnosis, Care Planning



# Mobilizing Partnership – Tablet Project Progress

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## Two sites

- Emmanuel County Health Department
- Dooly County Health Department

## Processes developed

- One year working on workflows
- Private room at each location
- Scheduling processes developed

## Success

- First three patients scheduled
- First visit complete!

# Questions

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Upcoming sessions:

Round Table: Thursday May 4<sup>th</sup>, 11:35 in  
Room 2-3

60-minute session: Jennifer Harrison,  
Emanuel County Nurse Manager, Friday  
May 5<sup>th</sup>, 9:45am in Room 8