

## Alzheimer's **Among Latinos**

Now the 3rd leading cause of death for older women in Los **Angeles County** (1).

Alzheimer's is the most common form of dementia. Latinos with Alzheimer's are expected to increase more than NINE TIMES. By 2060, 3.5 MILLION Latinos will be living with Alzheimer's (2).





Alzheimer's is a disease of the brain. It causes problems with the ability to think, learn and remember (3).



Warning signs include: repeating questions or stories, getting lost in familiar places, withdrawal from friends, misplacing things more often, frequent falls, poor judgement when dealing with money, and difficulty with language<sup>(4)</sup>.



Talk to your doctor about any memory concerns. Having a diagnosis is important to determine proper care and treatment.



### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Your Medicare annual wellness exam includes a free memory screening.

#### **End Notes**

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### Age is the greatest risk for Alzheimer's and our population is aging rapidly.



The number of Californians living with Alzheimer's will increase 30% by 2025 (1).

In Los Angeles, the number of Latinos living with Alzheimer's is expected to **DOUBLE** by 2030<sup>(5)</sup>.

Developing dementia has been linked to a number of risk factors, including: diabetes, heart disease, high blood pressure, and lack of exercise (4). Risks for neglect and persons getting lost are significant and costly to society (6).

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