





**ALZHEIMER LIGA VLAANDEREN VZW** 

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## Hand in hand CHARTER

OF PEOPLE WITH DEMENTIA



1 LISTEN TO US

Listen to our words and / or our body language.
We want to be heard in every phase of our condition.

2 GIVE US A VOICE

Do not make decisions for us, but with us.

We want to be involved in the communication about our lives with dementia.

3 INCLUDE US

Do not lock us up and do not shut us out.

We want to be able to participate in social activities at our own pace.

4 LET US ENJOY OURSELVES WITH OUR PEERS

Give us the opportunity to meet peers.
We want to be able to be ourselves.

- 5 WORDS MATTER

  Use respectful language and speak about us with dignity.

  We do not want to hear any more taboos.
- 6 GIVE US OPPORTUNITIES
  Let us be in charge of our own lives.

To be able to do this we need access to tailored care and support.

DO NOT EXCLUDE US FROM POLICY DECISIONS
Involve us.

We want to participate in policy making decisions that impact our lives.

8 LET US EXPERIENCE NEW THINGS

Let us gain new experiences and give us the opportunity to learn. We still want to grow as a person.

- 9 PROVIDE ANSWERS TO OUR NEEDS Make sure the right facilities are available. We want access to affordable and accessible help.
- 10 BE KIND DEMENTIA FRIENDLY

Let us live together in a dementia friendly society. We want to be encouraged in our possibilities and want understanding for our limitations.