# alzheimer's $\bigcap$ association

# 10 TIPS FOR LIVING WITH ALZHEIMER'S

# 1. Educate yourself about Alzheimer's.

Learn about the disease and what you can expect.

# 2. Allow time to adjust to your diagnosis.

Take the time you need to feel sad, mourn and grieve losses or the expectation of future changes.

## 3. Plan for your future.

Begin making legal and financial plans soon after the diagnosis so you can participate in decision-making.

## 4. Learn from others like you.

Visit alz.org/IHaveAlz — a site for people living in the early stage of Alzheimer's that was created with input from people with the disease.

#### 5. Learn about clinical studies.

Consider taking part in research that could change the course of this disease and improve the lives of those it affects. Get started at alz.org/TrialMatch.

#### 6. Build a care team.

Assemble family and friends to create a network of help and support.

# 7. Take care of your emotional, physical and spiritual health.

Visit alz.org/livewell to access tools and resources to help you live your best life with dementia.

# 8. Stay active and engaged.

Keep your body and mind active with the social and physical activities you've always enjoyed — or try something new.

# 9. Fight stigma.

Share your story to help dispel the myths and misconceptions about Alzheimer's and those who are living with the disease.

#### 10. Take action.

See the reverse for ways you can join the fight against Alzheimer's.

#### YOU ARE NOT ALONE

## We're nearby - alz.org/CRF

We offer programs and services nationwide, including information and referrals, support groups, education and safety resources.

#### We're available to talk 24/7 - 800.272.3900

Care consultants are available day or night via our **24/7 Helpline** to provide reliable information, referrals and support in more than 200 languages.

# We're online - alz.org/IHaveAlz

Our website includes a section created specifically for people living with Alzheimer's that offers information and access to tools like **ALZConnected®** (alzconnected.org), our online community.

#### YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

- » Find volunteer opportunities near you: alz.org/CRF
- » Sign up for our signature fundraising events: Walk to End Alzheimer's® (alz.org/walk) and The Longest Day® (alz.org/thelongestday)
- » Advocate to make Alzheimer's a national priority: alz.org/advocate
- » Stay informed by subscribing to our free e-newsletter: alz.org/enews
- » Explore participation in clinical studies: alz.org/TrialMatch

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