5.1 MILLION Americans Have ALZHEIMER’S DISEASE

Risk of dementia DOUBLES every 5 years between ages 65-95

Why are screenings important?

Memory screenings are a significant first step toward finding out if a person may have a memory problem. Memory problems could be caused by Alzheimer’s disease or other medical conditions.

About screenings

- Consist of questions and tasks
- Can be done at doctor’s office, community sites
- Results are not a diagnosis

MISDIAGNOSIS OF ALZHEIMER’S DISEASE

64% of caregivers said they initially mistook behavioral symptoms of Alzheimer’s disease, such as irritability and aggression, as “normal aging.”

As a result, 67% said these false impressions delayed their loved one’s diagnosis of the incurable brain disorder.


Screening takes 5-10 minutes

Median age of participants — 65 to 74

(ACA Survey 2016 National Memory Screening Day Participants)