Technology And Dementia Preconference

Saturday, July 26 > 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Westin Harbour Castle, Frontenac Ballroom > Toronto, Canada

Technology and Dementia, a preconference to AAIC, will convene researchers and members of the industry interested in technology research and development, including mobile technology, home-based technology and social networking. Sessions explore various types of technologies as tools to support innovative study design in research and as interventions for persons living with dementia and their care partners. The program consists of invited speakers, as well as oral and poster presentations from submitted abstracts. A reception will follow for registered attendees. *Eastern Standard Time; In-Person Attendance Only*

Organizing Committee

This pre-conference is organized by the Technology and Dementia Professional Interest Area (PIA) of the International Society to Advance Alzheimer's Research and Treatment (ISTAART).

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Target Audience

Researchers invested in the development, validation, and implementation of technological products and services for individuals affected by dementia.

Learning Objectives

- » Describe inclusive research and design approaches that integrate end user, and lived experience perspectives to enhance the development and adoption of dementia-related technologies.
- » Explain current and emerging technologies, including assistive tools, rehabilitation innovations, and AR/VR, and their potential to support individuals living with dementia and their caregivers.
- » Identify key ethical, policy, and implementation considerations related to the use of artificial intelligence and other digital technologies in dementia care.

Registration

Pre-conferences are offered for in-person attendance only. Preconferences require a separate registration fee in addition to AAIC full conference registration, or they may be purchased as stand-alone events. Visit alz.org/AAIC.

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Technology For Dementia: Focus On The Users

8-9 a.m. Light Breakfast And Poster Setup

9-9:10 a.m. Welcome And Opening Remarks

Presenter: Allison Lindauer

9:10-9:55 a.m. Session 1: Public And Participant Involvement As A Pathway

To Inclusive Dementia Research

Moderator: Allison Lindauer
Presenter: Allison Gibson

10-10:20 a.m. Coffee Break

10:20-11:30 a.m. Session 2: Ethics And Policy Of Artificial Intelligence

Moderator: Sayeh Bayat

Presenters: Payam Barnaghi, George Demiris, Amy Hwang

11:30 a.m.-12:50 p.m. Session 3: Focus On Rehabilitation

Moderator: Aimee Mooney

Presenters: Andrea Iaboni, Alex Mihaildis, Nicole Ruggiano

12:50-1:50 p.m. Lunch And Poster Viewing

1:50-2:40 p.m. Session 4: Lived Experience Panel

Moderator: Erica Dove

Presenters: Angie Aldebol, Dennis Chan, Scott Katke, Carol Turner

2:40-3 p.m. Coffee Break And Poster Viewing

3-3:50 p.m. Session 5: Data Blitz

Moderator: lan Cleland

Presenters: Lindt Alba, Victoria Cabello, Inessa Cohen, Christina Commisso,

Shira Darchi, Ollie Fegter, Jennifer Flexman, Adolfo Garcia, Arshia Khan, Joy Lai, Raheleh Saryazdi, Christa Studzinski

3:50-4:50 p.m. Session 6: Augmented And Virtual Reality (AR/VR)

Moderator: Eyitomilayo Babatope

Presenters: Jennifer Campos, Lillian Hung

4:50-5 p.m. Conclusion, Preconference Evaluation And Poster Awards

Presenters: lan Cleland, Allison Lindauer

5:30-7 p.m. Networking Reception (The Westin Harbour Castle, Metropolitan Ballroom West)

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