The Dementia Timeline tool supports clinicians during Goals of Care discussion with families patients.

**Dementia Timeline**

- **Early Stages**
  - Confusion About Places
  - Loss of Zest for Life
  - Will Not Initiate Anything
  - Arrives at Wrong Place at Wrong Time
  - “Mother’s just not the same”
- **Moderate Stages**
  - Full-Time Supervision Needed
  - Problems with Reading, Writing and Calculating
  - Difficulty Getting Into Chair
  - Makes Up Stories To Fill In Gaps of Memory
- **Late Stage**
  - (Late Phase Lengthened if Patient Has Few Medical Problems)
- **Terminal**
  - Secondary to PNA, UTI, or Sepsis from Skin Infection (Most common)

**Highlights**
- Timeline to be used by the APRN when having goals of care discussions with families
- Timeline shows trajectory of decline in dementia for family reflection
- Emphasis on dementia being a progressive disease

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