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Dementia symptoms vary depending on the cause, but common signs and symptoms include:

- Memory loss
- Difficulty communicating
- Inability to learn or remember new information
- Difficulty with planning and organizing
- Difficulty with coordination and motor functions
- Personality changes
- Inability to reason
- Inappropriate behavior
- Paranoia
- Agitation
- Hallucinations

When to see a doctor

See a doctor if you or a loved one experiences memory problems or other dementia symptoms. Some medical conditions can cause symptoms of dementia and are treatable, so it's important that a doctor determine the underlying cause.

Alzheimer's disease is a type of dementia that worsens over time. Early diagnosis gives a person time to plan for the future while he or she can participate in making decisions.

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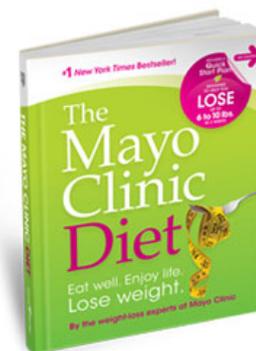
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