

Farming and Dementia

Did you know?

Working in agriculture may increase your chances of developing dementia



Dementia is an overall term for loss of ability to think, remember, and reason. It happens when nerve cells in the brain stop working properly. People with dementia have difficulty completing everyday activities and symptoms worsen over time. Dementia is NOT a part of normal aging.

In agricultural communities, dementia may lead to:

- Safety concerns for older farmers and farm residents
- Worse mental health among family members providing care
- Increased liability risk for employers

10 Early Signs and Symptoms of Alzheimer's

1. Memory loss that disrupts daily life
2. Challenges in planning or solving problems
3. Difficulty completing familiar tasks
4. Confusion with time or place
5. Trouble understanding visual images and spatial relationships
6. New problems with words in speaking or writing
7. Misplacing things and losing the ability to retrace steps
8. Decreased or poor judgement
9. Withdrawal from work or social activities
10. Changes in mood and personality

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