# Effectiveness of the web-based selfmanagement intervention 'Partner in Balance' for family caregivers of people with early-stage dementia

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**Ethische beoordeling** Positief advies **Status** Werving gestart

Type aandoening -

Onderzoekstype Interventie onderzoek

## **Samenvatting**

#### ID

NL-OMON24958

**Bron** 

NTR

**Verkorte titel** 

**PrepAD** 

#### **Aandoening**

Intervention, e-health, self-management, family/informal caregivers, dementia, MCI (Mild Cognitive Impairment), online, computer, prevention

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### **Ondersteuning**

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#### Onderzoeksproduct en/of interventie

#### **Uitkomstmaten**

#### **Primaire uitkomstmaten**

The effect evaluation of the online self-management program will be based on the Stress and Coping Model (Lazarus & Folkman, 1984) and the Social Learning theory (Bandura, 1977). The underlying assumption of these models and the findings from previously executed studies in the line of the current research (systematic review (Boots, de Vugt et al. 2013) and focus group study (Boots et al., in preparation)) has resulted in an ambitious set of measures aimed at self-care and goal achievement to promote more healthy behavior. The self-management programme aims to strengthen caregivers in the early stages and increase their confidence level. Therefore, our primary proximal outcomes will be feelings of self-confidence in spouses. The primary distal outcome will be depressive complaints in the spouse.

# **Toelichting onderzoek**

#### **Achtergrond van het onderzoek**

N/A

#### Doel van het onderzoek

The null-hypothesis states that there is no difference before and after participating in the self-management intervention 'Partner in Balans' and that there is no difference between the intervention group and the waitlist-control group in participant's subjective well-being. The alternative hypothesis states that there is a difference within and between groups after participating in the self-management program. We expect the alternative hypothesis to be true, with an improved subjective self-confidence (increased self-efficacy) and a decreased or constant level of depressive complaints after participation in the self-management intervention.

#### **Onderzoeksopzet**

Data will be collected pre- and post-intervention/control period and at 3, 6 and 12 months follow-up.

#### Onderzoeksproduct en/of interventie

Participants will be asked to participate in an online self-management program called "Partner in Balans" over an 8-week period. In addition, they will meet twice with a personal coach. The online program will make use of a self-management program, aimed at learning skills and taking the personal needs of the caregivers as starting point. Online self-management programs have already been used to support patients and caregivers and show promising results. The Stress and Coping model by Lazarus and Folkman (1984) and the Social Learning theory by Bandura (1977) also served as the theoretical framework for the development and evaluation of the program. In addition, the program was based on the knowledge and experience of the target group (by means of focus group interviews) and professionals (individual interviews) who deal with MCI/dementia caregivers on a daily basis.

## Contactpersonen

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## **Deelname** eisen

## Belangrijkste voorwaarden om deel te mogen nemen

#### (Inclusiecriteria)

- Family caregiver of people with Mild Cognitive Impairment (MCI) or mild dementia of all subtypes as described in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders
- Caregiver has access to the Internet at home and already masters basic skills in the use of computers.
- Written informed consent is obtained.

# Belangrijkste redenen om niet deel te kunnen nemen (Exclusiecriteria)

- Caregivers who have insufficient cognitive abilities to engage in the online self-management program (based on clinical judgment of knowledgeable practitioner, based on his/her experience with the target group).
- Caregivers who are overburdened or have severe health problems (based on clinical judgment of knowledgeable practitioner, based on his/her experience with the target group).
- Caregivers who's current or near-future situation demands acute, intensive counselling (based on clinical judgment of knowledgeable practitioner, based on his/her experience with the target group).
- Caregivers of people with dementia caused by human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), acquired brain impairment, Down syndrome, chorea of Huntington or alcohol abuse.

## **Onderzoeksopzet**

#### **Opzet**

Type: Interventie onderzoek

Onderzoeksmodel: Cross-over

Toewijzing: Gerandomiseerd

Blindering: Enkelblind

Controle: N.v.t. / onbekend

#### **Deelname**

Nederland

Status: Werving gestart

(Verwachte) startdatum: 08-08-2014

Aantal proefpersonen: 80

Type: Verwachte startdatum

## Voornemen beschikbaar stellen Individuele Patiënten Data (IPD)

Wordt de data na het onderzoek gedeeld: Nog niet bepaald

## **Ethische beoordeling**

Positief advies

Datum: 20-08-2014

Soort: Eerste indiening

## **Registraties**

## Opgevolgd door onderstaande (mogelijk meer actuele) registratie

ID: 42080

Bron: ToetsingOnline

Titel:

#### Andere (mogelijk minder actuele) registraties in dit register

Geen registraties gevonden.

## In overige registers

Register ID

NTR-new NL4589 NTR-old NTR4748

CCMO NL48760.068.14
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## Resultaten

#### Samenvatting resultaten

N/A