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A new film resource from the Dementia Services Development Trust focuses on the more challenging aspects of living with dementia when sometimes mainstream information films about dementia give a less rounded view. The film can be found [here](#) with a number of short information clips about various aspects of living with dementia.

An important new report on the impact of dementia on Black, Asian and minority ethnic communities across Europe was released by Alzheimer Europe. You can find it [here](#).

DACE is questioning how the common stereotype of BAME communities as 'looking after their own' can lead to professional complacency about the need for support for BAME carers and those from BAME communities. An article based on census data from 2001 and 2011 from the Office for National Statistics suggests that there is much more variation across BAME communities in

providing care for family members that this stereotype presumes. The report is [here](#)

Dementia UK have produced new leaflets on dementia in a variety of community languages. You can find them [here](#)

DACE Executive Director gave a two-hour presentation to staff at Bromley Memory Service on working with people from BAME communities living with dementia and their family carers.

The DACE Executive Director also attended the Joint 12th International Conference on Vascular Dementia and Dementia and 8th International Conference on Neurological Disorders and Stroke in March, where he did a keynote forum on the impact of Dementia on BAME communities in London.



Other highlights of the conference included an excellent presentation by Patricia Quigley (pictured below), a nurse consultant from the USA on how to take a personalised approach to falls prevention in older people rather than the standardised approaches often taken.



Another thought-provoking presentation was by Dr Si Ching Lim (pictured below) who spoke about the challenges and complexity of multi-morbidity usually found amongst those living with dementia, and its impact on the risk of falling and ways to reduce that risk.



#### **Who to follow on Twitter**

Dementia Diaries @DementiaTweets

Dementia Diaries is series of audio diaries documenting the day-to-day lives of people living with dementia. Run by Innovations in Dementia.

#### **Websites you should try**

<https://www.culture dementiauk.org/>

**Culture Dementia UK** was founded in February 1998. Culture Dementia UK was previously known as Friends of African/Caribbean Carers and Sufferers of Dementia (FACCSD). It was originally set up to support carers and people living with of dementia among the African/Caribbean community but identified the need for such an organisation across the BAME communities.

It aims to educate and provide support to carers, to educate BAME communities about the causes of dementia, to promote education in all matters relevant to dementia and provide counselling and respite.

*We welcome any suggestions you have for Twitter commentators, bloggers and websites that you think would be useful for people who are living with dementia from BAME communities and their carers. Send your suggestions to [admin@demace.com](mailto:admin@demace.com)*