

# Ageing in intellectual disability

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What are the issues?

- Life expectancy of people with ID are increasing world wide
- Increased risk of dementia in ID population
- Mental and physical health declines rapidly compared to non-ID population





Aim of research:

- Conduct a comprehensive investigation of the predictors and correlates of healthy ageing, and of dementia in people with ID.
  - Prevalence of dementia and age specific mental disorders
  - Level of cognitive reserve
  - Service use and carer burden





- Men and women aged 40 and over
- Has and intellectual disability of any level
- Lives in either regional (Sydney)/rural (Illawarra) NSW or regional (Melbourne) /rural (Bendigo) Victoria in Australia

## Procedures:

- Person with ID:
  - Regional participants; questionnaire and assessment option (Sydney)
    - $_{\odot}$  Questionnaire main carer
    - Cognitive & Physical assessment person with ID
  - Rural participants; questionnaire only
- Family Carers:
  - Regional/Rural; questionnaire only





#### Domain(s) Measured Instrument Name

Reference

Questionnaire completed by main carer about the person with ID

Adaptive Behaviour	Scales of Independent Behaviour - Revised (SIB-R)	Bruininks, Woodcock, Weatherman & Hill (1997)	Ì
Behaviour problems and psychiatric status	Developmental Behaviour Checklist for Adults (DBC)	Mohr, Tonge, Einfeld, & Gray (2005)	THE SADE ID
Sleep	Basic Nordic Sleep Questionnaire	Partinen & Gislason (1995) Epworth Adapted	A state of the sta
Health and care service use	Client Service Receipt Inventory (CSRI)	Beecham & Knapp (2001)	
Significant Life Events	PAS-ADD checklist	Moss et al. (1998)	
Dementia screening	Dementia Questionnaire for People with Intellectual Disabilities (DLD)	Evenhuis, Kengen & Eurlings	(2006)
	Dementia Screening Questionnaire for Individual with Intellectual Disability (DSQIID)	Deb, Hare, Prior & Bhaumik (	2007) Pink – Family carer
	Adaptive Behaviour Dementia Questionnaire (ABDQ)	Prasher, Farooq & Holder, 20	Blue – Paid Carer
	Cambridge Examination for Mental Disorders of Older People with Down' Syndrome (CAMDEX)	Ball, Holland, Huppert, Trepp & Dodd (2006)	ner
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Measures:

#### Domain(s) Measured Instrument Name

Reference

*Questionnaire completed by family carer regarding themselves* 

Objective Carer Burden	National Mental Health and Wellbeing survey	Australian Bureau of Statistics (2007)	
Subjective Carer Burden	Zarit Burden Scale	Zarit, Orr & Zarit (1985)	THE SAGE DE THE SA
Mental and Physical health of family carer	General health Questionnaire 28 (GHQ)	Goldberg (1978)	
	Patient Health Questionnaire 9 (PHQ-9)	Kroenke, Spitzer & Williams (2001)	
	Short-Form 12 Health Survey (SF-12)	Ware, Kosinki & Keller (1996)	
Quality of Life (health related)	Assessment of Quality of Life survey (AQoL)	Richardson, Atherton Day, Peacock & Iezzi (2004)	
Social Supports	Social Support Questionnaire 6 (SSQ6)	Sarason, Sarason, Shearin & Pierce (1987)	Yellow – Family Carer burden
Coping responses	Breif COPE	Carver (1997)	

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Measures:

Domain(s) Measured	Instrument Name	Reference	Cognítíve Assessment:
Cognitive and functional level of ID	Peabody Picture Vocabulary Test (PPVT)	Dunn & Dunn (2007)	
Motor function, language, comprehension, delayed memory general knowledge and conceptualisation	Test of Severe Impairement , (TSI)	Albert & Cohen (1992)	
Vocabulary, grammatical	Test for Auditory Comprehension	Carrow-Woolfolk (1999)	
morphemes and elaborated phrases and sentences	of language - 3rd Edition (TACL-3)		
Memory encoding, recall and retrieval	Cued Recall Test (CRT)	Buschke (1984), Grober & Buschke (1987)	
Executive function - planning and working memory	Scrambled Boxes Test (SBT)	Adapted from Griffith et al. (1999), Ball et al. (2008)	
	Tower of London (TOL)	Shallice (1982)	
Dementia-related cognitive skills memory, orientation, language	: Neuropsychitric Assessment of	Crayton & Oliver (1993),	
and praxis	Dementia in Individuals with ID (NAID)	Oliver, Crayton, Holland, Hall, & Bradbury (1998)	

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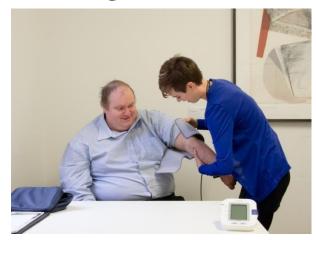




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## Physical assessment:









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## Our questionnaire sample so far..... (n=112)

		Male	Female	Total
Mean Age (yrs)		51.0	51.4	51.2
Marital Status				
	Married	0	2	2
	Single	57	50	107
	Divorced	1	1	2
Location				
	Metro Sydney	26	24	50
	Regional Sydney	20	15	35
	Victoria	12	15	27
Living situation				
	Home w/family	9	6	15
	Small residential	29	23	52
	Large residential	13	12	25
	Independently	6	6	12
	Aged care facility	0	6	6
Currently have a job (paid/voluntary)		17	14	31

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# Adaptive Behaviour **Broad Adaptive Behaviour (%)** 6% **Standard Score** 13% ■ 0-24 25-39 12% 52% ■ 40-54 **55-69** ■ 70-100 17%

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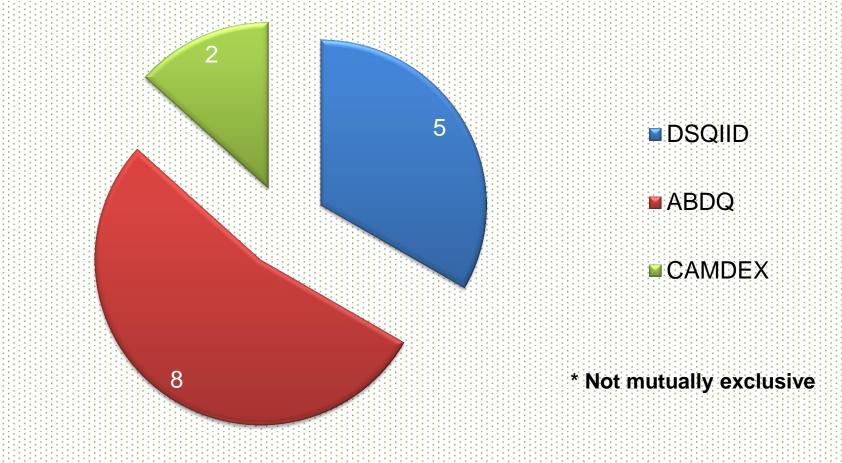
# Physical health:

- BMI range 17 57; average 29.8 = Obese Super Obese!
- Stroke 5.4% 1 or more
- High blood pressure 26.7% (only 13.4% meds)
- Cholesterol 25.9% (only 12.5% meds)
- Diabetes 15.2%
- Thyroid 12.5% (Underactive 10.7%; Overactive 1.8%)
- Fits/Epilepsy 35.7% (26.8% meds)
- Consulted a psychiatrist/psychologist 46.2%
- Sight problems 27.7%
- **Physical disability 33.9%** (11.6% confined to wheelchair)
- Diagnosed with Autism/ASD/Aspergers 15.2%



### Possíble Dementía Cases (N=11):

#### **Possible Flagged Dementia Diagnosis from each tool**



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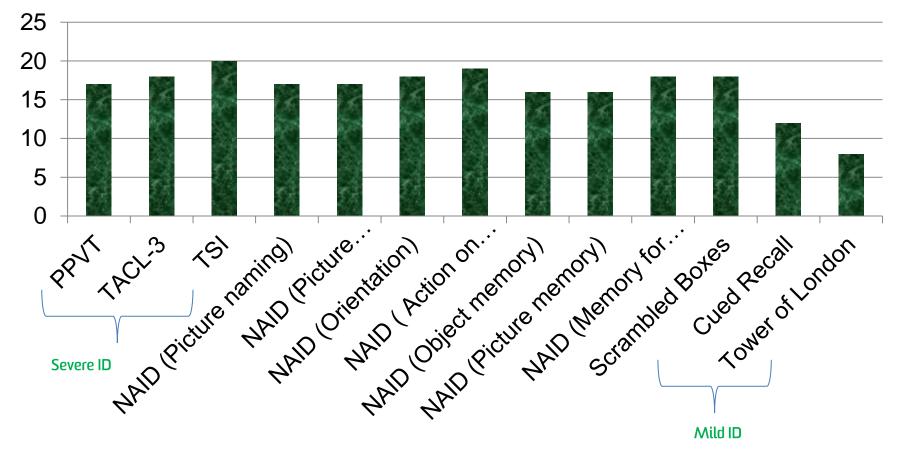
#### Assessment Stats:

- 27 participants completed assessments
- Nearly all participants were categorised as moderate to severe ID
- Mild Severe tools: PPVT, TACL-3, TSI
- Mild Moderate: NAID, Cued Recall, Tower of London



#### Assessment measures completed

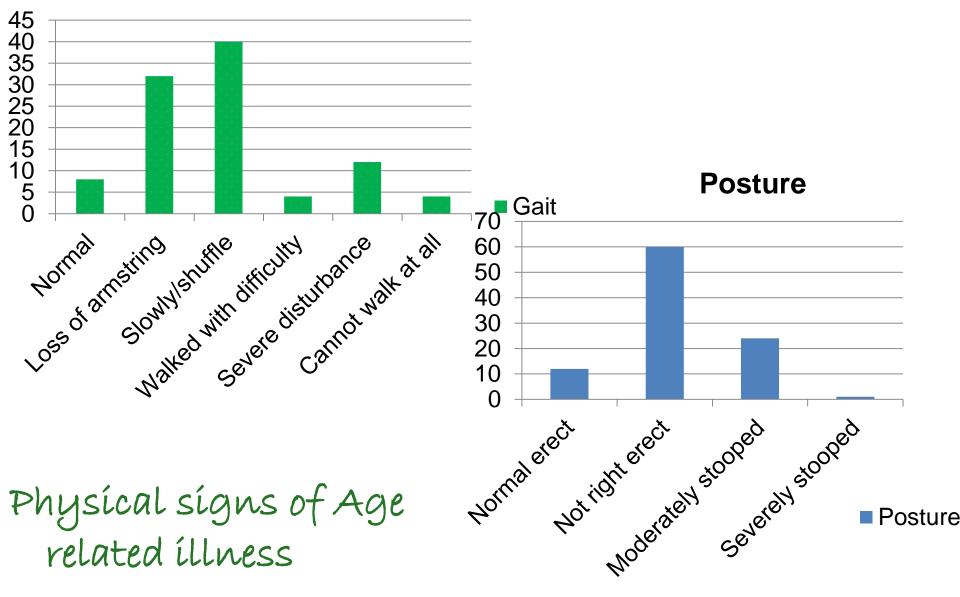
#### **Assessment measures**



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# What now....

- Continued recruitment for Time 1
- Time 2 recruitment (30 months) December onwards
  - Questionnaires
  - Assessments
- Repeated Focus groups; Family carers and health professionals
  - Carer burden and stress
  - Service support and ageing ID population







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