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# Clinician Partnership Program

## What is the Clinician Partnership Program?

The Massachusetts Alzheimer's Disease Research Center (MADRC) and the Center for Alzheimer Research and Treatment (CART) are building partnerships with professionals to support patients and families in receiving more timely access to care, treatment, and research.

## Why create partnerships in care?

Primary care providers (PCPs) and specialists can recognize early cognitive changes in their patients and advocate for a diagnosis of Mild Cognitive Impairment (MCI) or early Alzheimer's disease (AD). By working together, we can increase the rates of early detection of disease, improve access to care, provide information regarding available resources, and educate about research opportunities. Together we will work towards finding effective treatments and a better understanding of how to fight AD and related dementias.

## How do these partnerships work?

We are partnering with PCPs and specialists to provide the tools needed to support, diagnose, and manage the care of patients with MCI and AD. Our goal is to create a network of clinicians that will provide access to early diagnosis, high quality care and treatment, and information on community services and research opportunities. These resources include access to:

- Neurological and neuropsychological testing support
- The Rapid Diagnostic Clinic program
- Community resources through our network of collaborators
- Research and clinical trial resources



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### What is the Rapid Diagnostic Clinic?

The Rapid Diagnostic Clinic, which is a part of the Center for Brain/Mind Medicine at Brigham and Women's Hospital, is designed to improve access to earlier diagnosis for patients interested in research participation at CART, and to support physician partners whose patients are in need of diagnostic assistance. The goal of this clinic is to enhance our current diagnostic capability and work closely with professionals, particularly physician partners. We support patients with a timely diagnosis, help physicians develop a comprehensive plan for follow-up, and facilitate enrollment in research studies. This clinic is staffed by a behavioral neurology physician assistant and several behavioral neurologists. Professional referrals can be sent to [BWHBehavioralNeurology@bwh.harvard.edu](mailto:BWHBehavioralNeurology@bwh.harvard.edu).

### Why is this partnership important?

Professional partnerships will enhance our experiences as medical professionals and improve the experiences of patients and caregivers. Together, we can help lead patients and families to the support and resources they need.



### How to contact us

We are here to help.

Email us anytime at [bwhbehavioralneurology@bwh.harvard.edu](mailto:bwhbehavioralneurology@bwh.harvard.edu). We have scheduled every Wednesday morning as a time that we will follow up with you.

If you would like to contact us by phone, call the main number for CART at **(617) 732-8085**. Please leave your name and contact information, and ask to receive a call back from the covering Behavioral Neurologist of the week.

**If you would like to become a partner, please contact us:**

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