

A study of everyday solutions deployed by family carers when balancing risk and safety of relatives living in the family home with advanced dementia.

NDCAN member, Elaine Deehan, met recently with Research PhD student Margaret Kyermeh, Dr Ann Jack-Waugh and Dr Nick Jenkins (Senior Lecturers at University West of Scotland/Alzheimer Scotland Centre for Policy & Practice) as part of the research project advisory and steering group for this project.

The role and remit of NDCAN and SDWG in this PhD study was discussed, and it was agreed that Margaret will provide a six monthly update to NDCAN members. The SDWG will be updated yearly either through the Active Voices Network or SDRC or Alzheimer Scotland Conferences.



NDCAN's support for the study will be less at the early stages of the project, and input will increase towards the middle and end of the study in relation to data gathering, theoretical sampling and reflection on data.

Margaret aims to do many interviews and will have a reflective process and a clear analysis procedure; she will welcome the opinions of NDCAN members in the future when participation in the research process and translation of the findings to real-world solutions will be welcomed.

Elaine and Margaret will meet before each six-monthly NDCAN update in preparation for these and Elaine will provide further support as needed.

Margaret will shortly provide the first draft of the study proposal for review in February.