5 Key Points for Management of DM-ADRD

1. Individualize management based on comorbidities, function and patient/family preferences

2. As you individualize HbA1c, suggested targets: 7-7.5%, healthy with good function; 7.5-8.0%, comorbidities and some functional capacity; 8-8.5%, multiple comorbidities and poor function

3. Consider simplifying regimen, especially medications

4. Check for caregiver stress (stress thermometer); refer to psychosocial resources as needed

5. Screen DM patients for cognitive impairment if ≥ 75 or younger patients if there are concerns

Refer:
Neurology: atypical cognitive impairment presentation, behavioral issues requiring medications, imaging is desired, family or patient preference

Endocrine: hypoglycemic episodes, complex regimen, poor glycemic control for health status
Resources

CaringKind – Social work services, financial and legal planning, support groups, education and caregiver training, workshops, and safety program
Website: https://www.caringkindnyc.org
24/7 Helpline: 646-744-2900

New York Memory Center: Brooklyn – Day center, transportation, family resources, caregiver support
Website: https://www.nymemorycenter.org
Phone: 718-499-7701

Downstate Center of Excellence for Alzheimer’s disease – Medical support, telehealth services, education, social workers, and support services
Providers should provide referral
Website: https://www.downstate.edu/alzheimers-cead/index.html
Phone: 1-718-270-2003

Alzheimer’s Association - education, support groups, and community resources
Website: https://www.alz.org/nyc
24/7 Helpline: 1-800-272-3900

Heights and Hills – Day center, home-delivered meals, help with household chores, support groups
Website: https://www.heightsandhills.org/
Email: info@heightsandhills.org
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My Stress Thermometer

STRESS: Feeling tense, nervous, anxious, restless, or unable to sleep because your mind is troubled all the time.*

Please mark your current stress level on the thermometer:

- Extremely stressed
- Very stressed
- Moderately stressed
- A little stressed
- Not stressed at all

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