

The Memory & Aging Program of Butler Hospital is dedicated to developing new treatments that improve the quality of life for patients and families dealing with memory loss.

The Memory & Aging Program was founded in 1997 with a goal of assisting individuals with memory loss and their families. Stephen Salloway, MD is the Program Director and Paul Malloy, PhD is the Co-Director.

Our Team consists of neurologists, neuropsychologists, psychiatrists, and nurses. We are located on the campus of Butler Hospital in Providence, RI and affiliated with the Brown Medical School.



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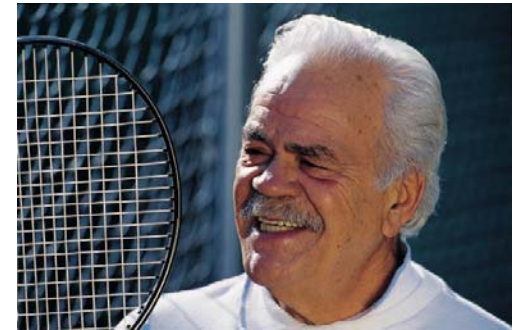
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Mild Cognitive Impairment

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What is Mild Cognitive Impairment?

Mild Cognitive Impairment (MCI) is characterized by decline in cognitive abilities (memory, concentration, orientation), and functional abilities (difficulties completing complex work-related tasks and daily activities) that correspond to pathological changes in certain parts of the brain. People with MCI have a higher than normal risk of developing Alzheimer's disease.



How is MCI diagnosed?

MCI is diagnosed by an evaluation that includes a neurology, physical, and neuropsychological evaluations, including laboratory tests, and a review of the patient's past medical and family history and medications that the patient is currently taking. A CT or MRI scan can also be ordered to help rule out other causes.

Why is an Evaluation Important?

An evaluation for Mild Cognitive Impairment offers information about the nature and severity of symptoms. This is important in order to create an appropriate treatment plan. Patients are followed periodically to help monitor their symptoms.

Are Treatments Available?

Currently, there are no treatments to cure or prevent MCI. However, the Food & Drug Administration (FDA) has approved medications that help people retain their memory longer.

Mild Cognitive Impairment is a major research focus. By studying MCI, we hope to find new ways to treat it. Treatments are being tested in clinical trials and non-pharmacologic studies.

How do I get more information?

To schedule an evaluation in our Memory Clinic please call **401-455-6403**.

To learn more about our research projects call **401-455-6402**.

Visit us on the web at www.memorydisorder.org.

All inquiries are confidential.

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