

**2026 Conference
Official Programme**

09:00 - 09:45	Arrival & Registration
09:45 - 10:00	Rishi Jawaheer Shared Purpose & Belonging
10:00 - 10:45	Professor Joyce Simard Discussion on the Principles & Culture of Namaste Care
10:45 - 11:00	Break
11:00 - 11:40	Professor David Sheard Authenticity in Dementia Care Really Matters: Emotional Intelligence is Foundational
11:40 - 12:10	Sam Dondi-Smith Connection is the Key: Reaching the Person and the Heart
12:10 - 12:45	Beverley Wilson Connecting through Collaborative Art with People Affected by Dementia
12:45 - 13:30	Lunch
13:30 - 14:00	Vicki de Klerk Intergenerational Living
14:00 - 14:15	In-Touch Team In-Touch Topics & Updates
14:15 - 14:45	Helen Rochford-Brennan & Chris Maddocks In-Touch & The Power of Lived Experience: Personal Dementia Stories
14:45 - 15:15	Dr Karan Jutla Reconsidering Equity, Diversity and Inclusion in Dementia Care
15:15 - 15:25	Break
15:25 - 15:50	Kate Thubron Mindful Care
15:50 - 16:15	Sunnefa Lindudóttir Þórisdóttir & Rebekka Ingadóttir Namaste Care in Iceland
15:15 - 16:50	Charli Morgan & Isabelle Latham NCI Experience
16:50 - 17:00	Closing Reflections & NCI Plan for 2027

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