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# Down's syndrome and dementia

### A resource for carers and support staff

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A resource book for family carers, staff and other professionals to help them care more effectively for people with Down's syndrome and dementia.

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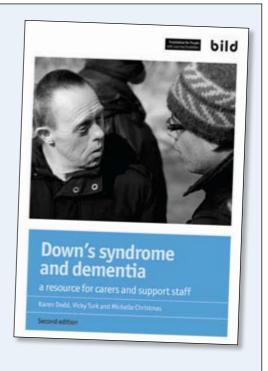
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- understanding and responding appropriately to changes in behaviour during the early, middle and late stages of dementia
- providing emotional reassurance for carers
- improving the confidence of carers to look after individuals
- identifying local supports and resources
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The book has been revised to take into account further developments both in working with people with learning disabilities in general and specific developments for people who develop dementia.

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