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Press Release



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Title: No time to lose

The Asia Pacific region is facing a dementia epidemic with a new dementia case identified somewhere in the world every seven seconds¹.

This year's World Alzheimer's Day on 21 September 2009 is themed No Time to Lose, encouraging nations around the world to improve research funding, care and treatment for dementia².

According to Professor Henry Brodaty, leading dementia researcher and former chairman of Alzheimer's Disease International, governments need to create greater awareness about dementia and establish care services to manage the increase in the condition.

Already aware of this growing trend, Tunstall Healthcare has created telehealthcare solutions to support people living with dementia.

Tunstall Healthcare provides its greatest support by assisting people living with dementia to maintain their independence and dignity and to keep living where they want to live; in the comfort of their own familiar home.

By assisting people to safely maintain their independence in the home, Tunstall Healthcare alleviates pressure on higher care facilities, providing care in the home until a move to care facility is absolutely necessary.

Personal alarms allow people with dementia to make quick and easy contact with a 24 hour response centre, carer or family member.

This allows them to be left alone, with the peace of mind that help is available if and when it is needed.

With wandering being one of the potentially hazardous symptoms of dementia, the Tunstall property exit sensors allows the resident to come and go as they please, but notifies a response centre, carer or family member if they do not return within a certain time frame.

This allows the resident to be quickly returned to their home before they become disoriented and distressed.

¹ <http://www.alzheimers.org.au/upload/WorldAlzDay2006MediaRelease.pdf>

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Tunstall distributes other assistive technology solutions including the flood detectors to notify of overflowing water in sinks, baths and basins and smoke detectors so the resident can be assist to leave the home in the event of a fire.

Tunstall Healthcare has a range of solutions to assist people living with dementia to maintain their independence, or can create custom solutions to suit the individual.

To find out more about Tunstall Healthcare's solutions for independence, visit www.tunstallhealthcare.com.au or call 1300 760 333.

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With over 2.5 million users globally, Tunstall is the market leading provider of telecare and telehealth solutions. Across Australia Tunstall's solutions support older people and those with long term needs to live independently, by effectively managing their health and wellbeing. Tunstall provides technology, expertise and advice to millions of people enabling them to lead independent more fulfilling lives. For more information on how telecare and telehealth can improve quality of life, visit www.tunstallhealthcare.com.au