

TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES FOR LIVING WITH MEMORY LOSS

Courtesy of Alzheimer's Family Services Center

BRAIN FITNESS SOFTWARE

Dakim

Brain fitness software and hardware

- <http://www.dakim.com/brain-fitness>

Posit Science

Free brain games and brain fitness software for sale

InSight - *Sharpen your Brain's Visual System*

Brain Fitness - *Sharpen Your Brain's Auditory System*

DriveSharp - *Sharpen Your Visual Processing for Safer Driving*

- <http://www.positscience.com>

It's Never 2 Late

Brain fitness software and hardware

- <http://www.in2l.com/index.cfm>

SuperMemo

A software package that uses a practical application of the well-researched spaced retrieval learning technique. The program is a database of question and answer fields (essentially digital flashcards).

- <http://www.supermemo.com>

SenseCam

A specialized small digital camera currently in development by Microsoft Research. Worn around the neck, the camera automatically takes a wide-angle, low-resolution photograph every 30 seconds for downloading onto a computer. By building an electronic memory ("lifelogging"), this product enables the user to recall events, possibly helping lead to long-term retention.

- <http://research.microsoft.com>

COMMUNICATION

Communication Picture Board

A person with limited language can point to pictures for wants and needs.

- Available at <http://www.amazon.com>

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- <http://www.bindependent.com>

BRAIN FITNESS ONLINE EXERCISES

HappyNeurons

Brain workout games

- <http://www.happy-neuron.com>

Cognifit

Personalized brain fitness program online

- <http://www.cognifit.com>

Lumosity

Brain workout games

- <http://www.lumosity.com>

Games for the Brain

Brain workout games

- <http://www.gamesforthebrain.com>

Wise 123

Brain workout games

- <http://www.buddhasplace.com>

My Brain Trainer

Brain workout games

- <http://www.mybraintrainer.com>

Big Brain Academy

Brain games for Nintendo Wii

- <http://www.bigbrainacademy.com>

Radica Brain Games

Handheld video games by Mattel for cognitive fitness, developed by Dr. Gary Small, UCLA.

- Available at www.Amazon.com or www.Target.com



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MEDICATION SUPPORT

GlowCap

Inside the GlowCap is a wireless chip connected to the Internet that enables four services: Personal Reminder, Social Network Support, Pharmacy Coordination & Doctor Accountability

- Available online at www.vitality.net or www.Amazon.com

Philips Lifeline Medication Dispensing Service

Hear a simple audio reminder and, at the push of a button, get medications at the pre-programmed times.

- <http://www.lifelinesys.com>

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Health Buddy System

Connects the individual at home to care providers, facilitates education, and encourages medication and lifestyle compliance.

- <http://www.healthbuddy.com>

QuietCare

An early detection and early warning system that lets caregivers and family members know that a loved one is safe. It recognizes emerging problems before they become emergencies.

- <http://www.quietcaresystems.com>

Genesis DM Telehealth Monitor

Automatically prompts the person at home when it's time to take vital signs and accommodates multiple medical peripherals.

- <http://www.hommed.com>

LifeStream™ Remote Patient Care System

The LifeStream™ platform offers anytime, anywhere secured access to the individual's personal health data, enabling smart care and helping improve outcomes.

- <http://www.hommed.com>

LOCATION MONITORING

ATLAS Rx™

The most advanced technology for the Global Positioning System. For the first time, the general public has access to this state-of-the-art device to help locate a missing or a lost person.

- <http://www.seniorcaresolutionsonline.com>

Project Lifesaver

A small personal transmitter band around the wrist or ankle that emits an individualized tracking signal.

- <http://projectlifesaver.org>

LoJack® SafetyNet™

Provides a Personal Locator Unit on a wrist or ankle that emits a radio frequency that can be tracked if the person goes missing.

- <http://www.lojack.com/safetynet>

EM Finders

EM Finders has created a reliable, affordable solution to help safely return an individual who has wandered.

- <http://www.emfinders.com>

Comfort Zone™ through the Alzheimer's Association, powered by Omnilink

Provides location updates. Family members can monitor the location of a loved one with Alzheimer's.

- <http://www.alz.org/comfortzone>

EMERGENCY DEVICES

eNeighbor® PERs System

The Personal Emergency Response system is used to call for assistance via a wireless pendant, pull cord or call button. The calls are usually routed to the Healthsense response center, which follows a predefined call protocol to bring assistance.

- <http://www.healthsense.com>

Life Alert

In the event of a fall or an emergency, the individual can press a button on a necklace or watch and be connected with trained personnel available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

- <http://www.lifealert.com>

Philips Lifeline Medical Alert Service

In the event of a fall or an emergency, the individual can press a button on a necklace or watch and be connected with a trained Response Associate available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

- <http://www.lifelinesys.com>

FUTURE ADVANCES

Center for Aging Services Technologies

- <http://www.aahsa.org>

The Gary & Mary West Wireless Health Institute

- <http://www.westwirelesshealth.org>

Technology resources can enhance the care of a person with memory loss, and provide added security for the caregiver. Technology resources, however, should not be used as a substitute for the personal hands-on care and supervision that people with memory loss need.
