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MEMORY, DEMENTIA AND ALZHEIMER'S

The aim of this paper is to discuss the progressive decline from Memory, Dementia and Alzheimer's and to identify the difference between Memory loss and Memory decline and to identify the areas of the brain involved. The main difference between memory loss, memory decline and dementia relates back to the brain and how well it can process the incoming information, store it and recall on demand. The brain plays a major part in Dementia as well but other factors come into play to scramble how the brain functions or not, neural pathways become blocked, twisted and tangled. Pathogens maybe involved along with diet and nutrition.

From an Alzheimer's perspective the brain is unable to process information and in most cases will have a mobility and vocabulary disability as well. A further concerning factor for Alzheimer's it is often associated with one of many states of disease, some of which include Lewy Bodies, Vascular Dementia, Frontal Lobar Degeneration, Huntington Disease, Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease and Alcohol Dementia. We may not be able to reverse the state of Alzheimer's but we can make a difference by provide ongoing support for the client and the carer/s.

Further discussion will include various brain functions involved with the decline in Memory, Dementia and Alzheimer's

With 342,000 Australians with dementia and numbers growing annually I wonder how many of those attending the conference will be included in this number within the next 10 years? And what can be done to either minimize or eliminate the demoralising state before it takes hold for either ourselves or our clients.

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Rhonda Hall spent 16 years in hospitality running her own catering service and taking care of all business functions such as book keeping and staff management. She travelled extensively before returning to study as a mature age student to achieve a qualification in Ass Dip Social Science, which led her to working in the position of child protection for Human Services for 5 years.

While studying Social Science she was introduced to Kinesiology which has been a 30 year journey. She has been working in private practice as a Kinesiologist for the past 30 years, for 28 of those years teaching Kinesiology. In the early years she began teaching 3 In one concepts and Touch for Health and then focused on Neuro-Training. She resigned from teaching through the College of Neuro-Training 3 years ago but still maintains clinical practice with an extremely high case load.