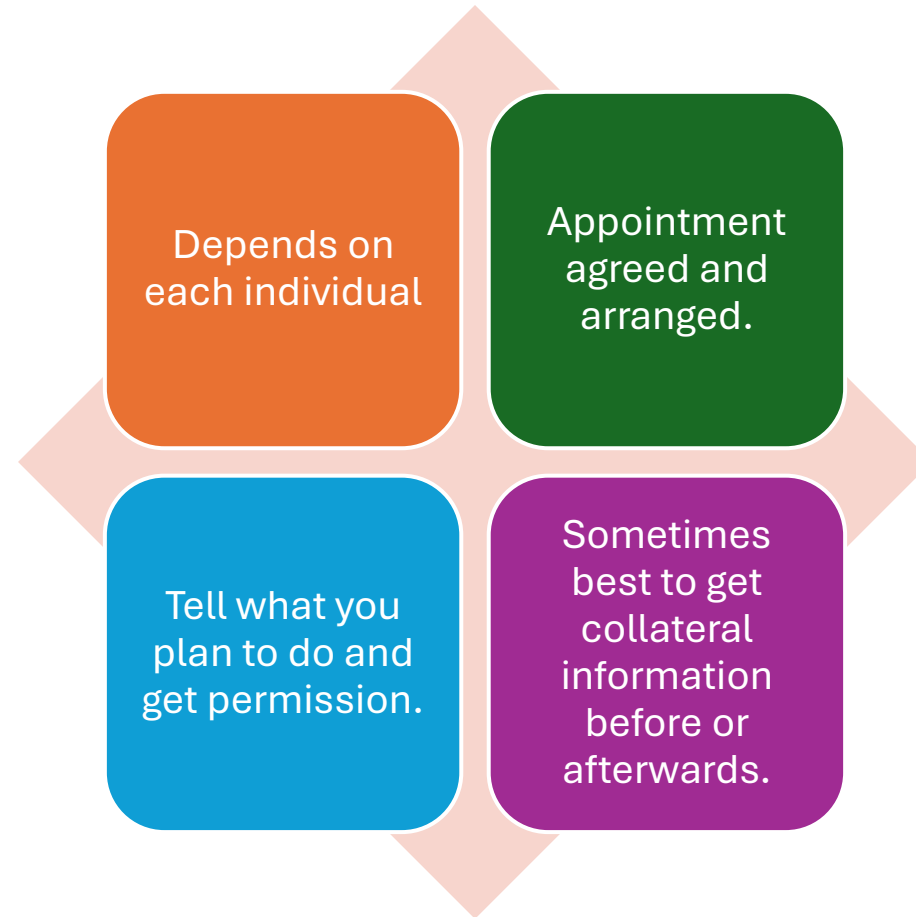


# • + Memory service assessment • +

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# Clinic or home visit



# Where to start

Confirm history of  
presenting issues

Exclude physical  
causes

Progression?

Short term  
memory

Functioning.

Biographical info-  
e.g. academic  
background/job

# Cognitive testing

Biographical info-e.g. academic background/job

Addenbrookes

MoCa

RUDAS

Remember to think about sensory deficits!

Knowing about the individual will help you choose which test

# Impression/Diagnosis



IF THERE IS A STEP DOWN IN  
MEMORY-USUALLY SHORT TERM  
AND A DETERIORATION IN  
COMPLEX EXECUTIVE  
FUNCTIONING WITH A LOW  
COGNITIVE TEST SCORE THIS IS  
PROBABLY DEMENTIA.



SCANS CAN OFTEN HELP  
IDENTIFY THE SUBTYPE OF THE  
DIAGNOSIS.



IMPORTANT HOW ONE DELIVERS  
A DIAGNOSIS

# In assessment

1

Eliminate physical health causes

2

Get a good history and observe.

3

Be aware of rarer dementias

4

May need to liaise with colleagues  
O/T, Psychologist,  
DR, SALT.

5

Be person centred and sensitive.

6

Consider different cultural backgrounds.