

## Ways to become a member of the DAA

There are three ways an organisation can become a member of the Dementia Action Alliance.

### Action Plan Templates

#### 1. National Dementia Action Plan template

This is the original and full action plan that can be completed by national or local organisations. Local memberships are for organisations that have regional or local coverage and may want links to a local DAA. It can also include the local branches of national organisations / DAA members. Membership includes having their own member page, being invited to local DAA meetings, the DAA Annual Event and receiving local correspondence et al.

\*also available on [www.dementiaaction.org.uk/get\\_involved](http://www.dementiaaction.org.uk/get_involved)

#### 2. DAA Local Membership Form

This is a simplified version of the National Dementia action plan template. It asks the same questions, but is targeted toward smaller organisations and retailers who find the language of the full action plan too statutory/corporate. Local organisations that complete this action plan are considered the same as those who complete the full action plan.

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#### 3. Completing the online action plan form

The online action plan form is located here [www.dementiaaction.org.uk/join\\_the\\_alliance](http://www.dementiaaction.org.uk/join_the_alliance). It is the recommended method for sign up. It is often helpful to complete a draft action plan by using either the national dementia action plan template or DAA local membership form before completing the online form.

Organisations who are not in a position to become a member of the Dementia Action Alliance, but wish to be involved may become a Supporter.

#### 1. DAA Supporter Application Form

This is for smaller organisations or businesses that may be supportive of creating a dementia friendly community or local alliance but may not be in a position to become a full member of the Dementia Action Alliance and submit a plan. They are only listed as a supporter on their local DAA page, but will be invited to local meetings and receive local correspondence.

- Your organisation can only become a supporter if a local DAA already exists in your area
- If your Local Dementia Action Alliance has signed up to the Dementia Friendly Communities Recognition Process, you may be eligible to use the 'Working to become Dementia Friendly Symbol (2014/2015)' subject to approval.
- Supporters will be listed in the body of their local DAA page, with their form attached as a link so the public can see what the organisation has committed to.  
[http://www.dementiaaction.org.uk/local\\_alliances/4197\\_bexhill\\_dementia\\_action\\_alliance](http://www.dementiaaction.org.uk/local_alliances/4197_bexhill_dementia_action_alliance)
- The main difference to membership is that supporters are not given their own member page e.g. [http://www.dementiaaction.org.uk/members\\_and\\_action\\_plans/1074-active\\_minds](http://www.dementiaaction.org.uk/members_and_action_plans/1074-active_minds). If an organisation wants their own member page, they need to complete an action plan and regularly update their account. I.e. supporters do not require this upkeep.

**How to become a supporter:**

- Request the DAA Supporter Application Form from [dementiaaction@alzheimers.org.uk](mailto:dementiaaction@alzheimers.org.uk)
- Complete and return it to the same address.
- Form will be uploaded onto the relevant local DAA page
- Local DAA Coordinator or Lead will be in touch

N.B you may only become a Supporter if a local DAA exists in that area. Therefore this form is not on the main part of the website. If you are happy to have supporters in your local DAAs, please add this file to your local DAA page.

***Supporting Resources:***

***Guidance notes for businesses***

*There are sector developed toolkits and guidance to help organisations come up with actions. For the full list, visit [www.dementiaaction.org.uk/dementiafriendly](http://www.dementiaaction.org.uk/dementiafriendly) and [www.dementiaaction.org.uk/join\\_the\\_alliance](http://www.dementiaaction.org.uk/join_the_alliance).*