

# What do you expect at your age?

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# Taking up marathon running at 89?

*Fauja Singh – marathon runner (by accident)  
aged 89 – 104  
(still running at 109)*



What is the LifeCurve™?

“ *Healthy ageing should be considered from the perspective of the functional ability that enables older persons to be, and do, what they have reason to value.*

*- World Health Organisation*

Based on continuing research at Newcastle University, UK

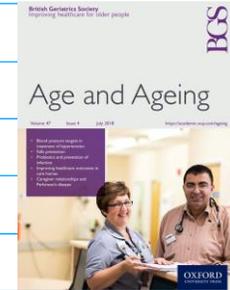


### What do you expect at your age?

Earliest **42**      Median **79**      Latest **100**

- Hiking
- Brisk walking
- Get up from the floor
- Walk one mile
- Cutting toenails
- Shopping
- Using steps
- Walk 400 yards
- Heavy housework
- Full wash
- Cook a hot meal
- Moving around
- Transfer from a chair
- Light housework
- Transfer from toilet
- Get dressed
- Transfer from bed
- Wash face and hands
- Eat independently

"New horizons in the compression of functional decline" in Age and Ageing 2018



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Research

delaying decline gives more *better* years (not *more* years)



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# Healthy ageing with LifeCurve™

(compression-ordered interventions)



Build reserve



Get it back



Equipment



Care

----- an opportunity to make choices at every stage -----



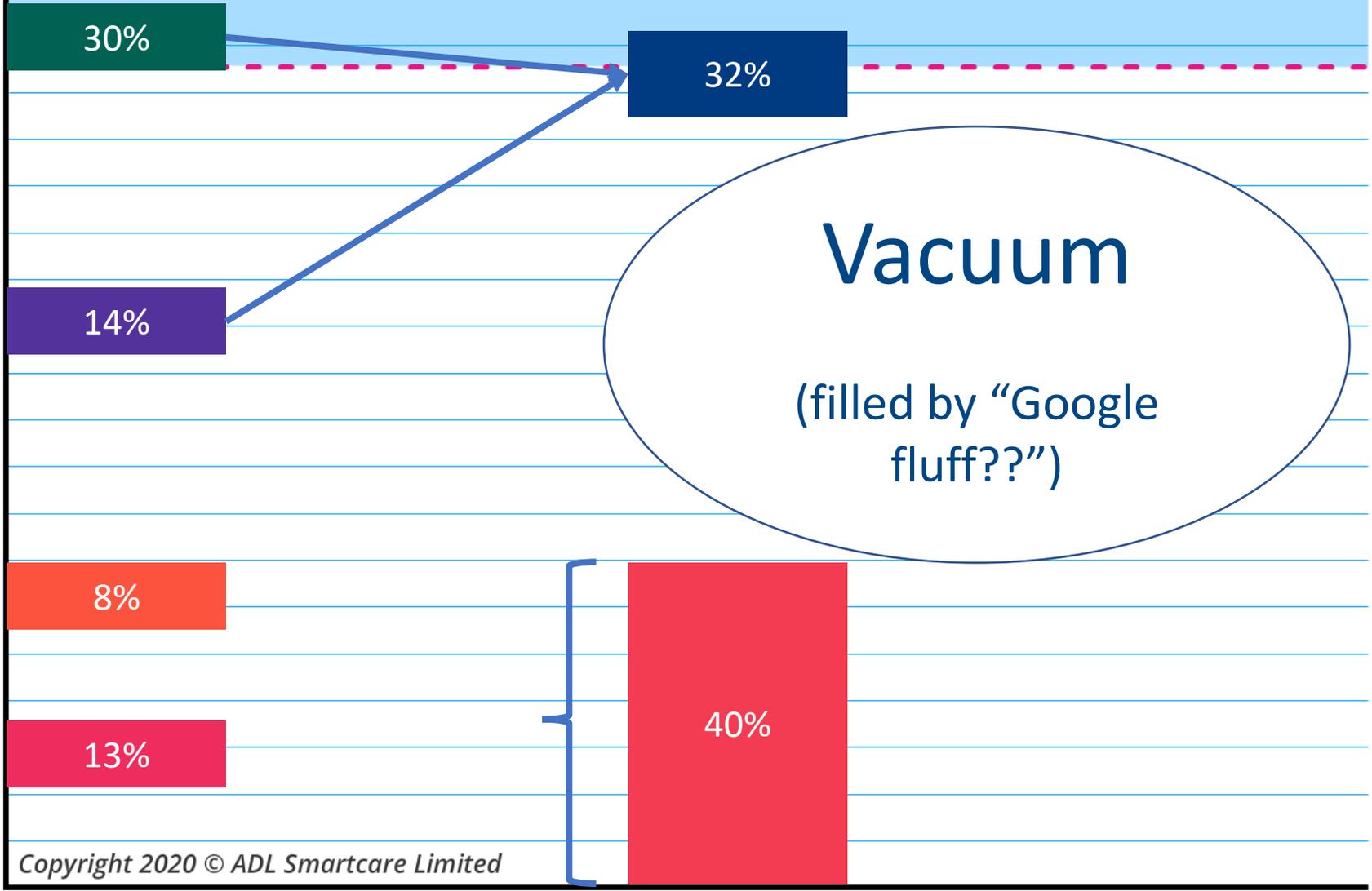
Who do public services reach?

Based on continuing research at Newcastle University, UK

# Scottish LifeCurve™ Survey (AHP engagement with patients)



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**Vacuum**  
(filled by "Google fluff??")

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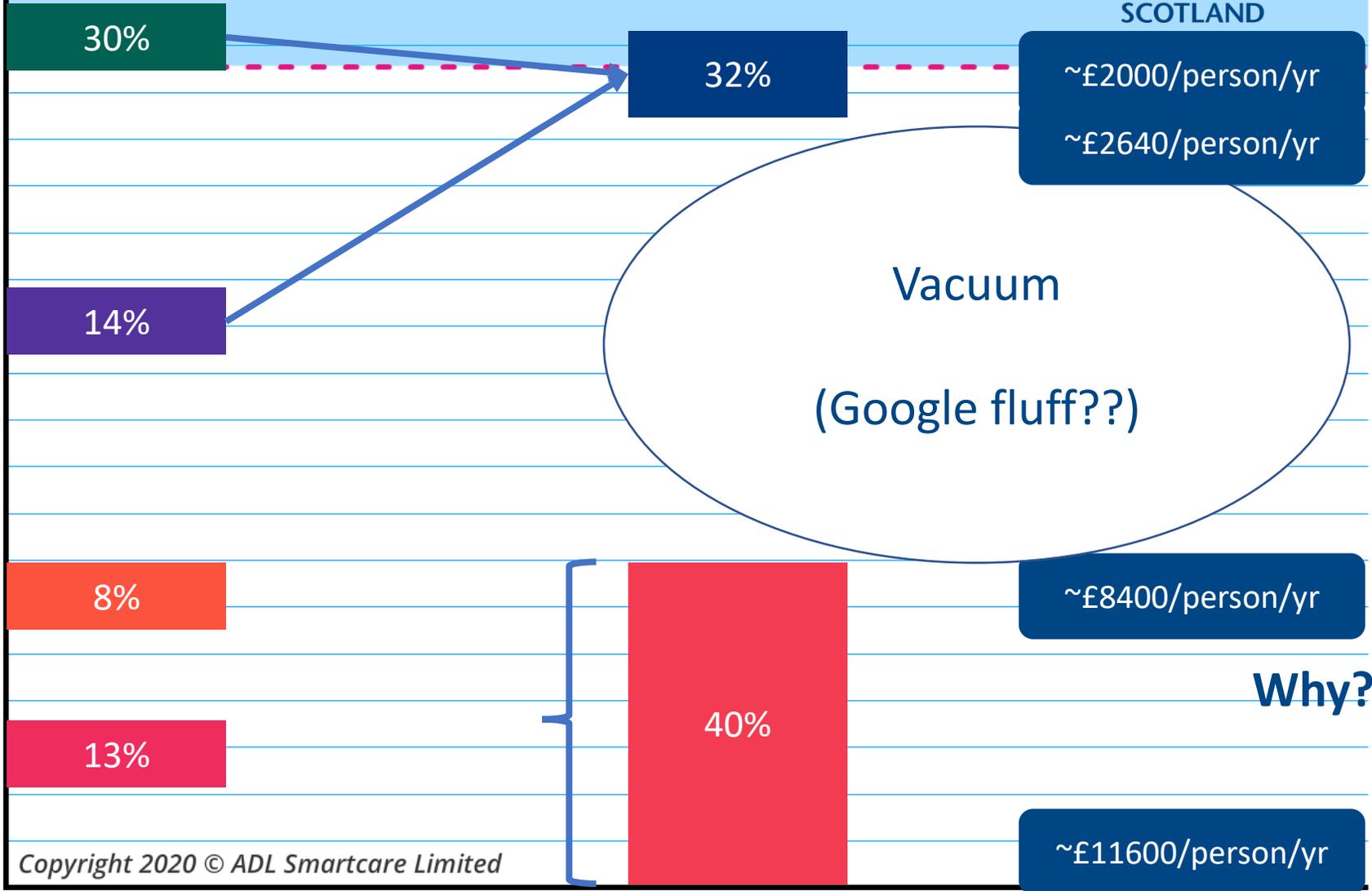
Where & what do we spend now?

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Why do *medical* costs increase?

# Hippocampal plasticity underpins long-term cognitive gains from resistance exercise in MCI

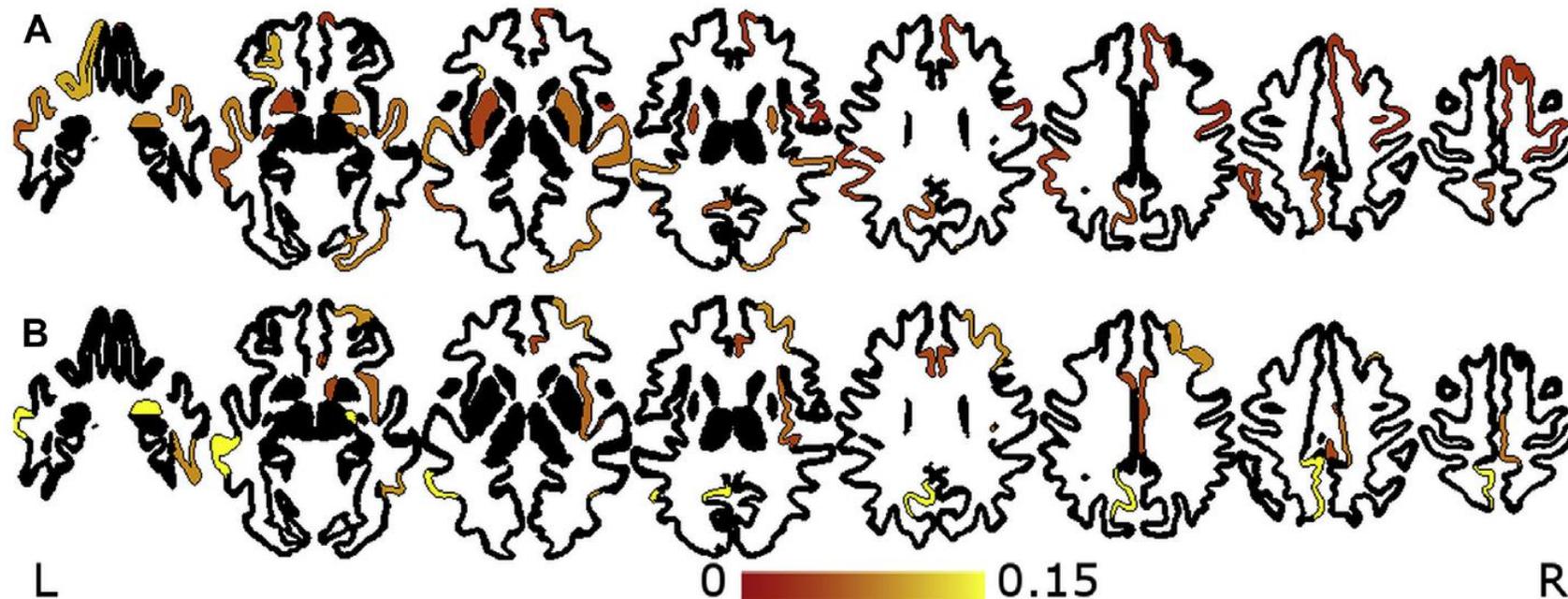
Kathryn M. Broadhouse<sup>a,b,\*</sup>, Maria Fiatarone Singh<sup>c,d</sup>, Chao Suo<sup>b,e</sup>, Nicola Gates<sup>b,f,g</sup>, Wei Wen<sup>f,h</sup>, Henry Brodaty<sup>g,i</sup>, Nidhi Jain<sup>j</sup>, Guy C. Wilson<sup>j</sup>, Jacinda Meiklejohn<sup>j</sup>, Nalin Singh<sup>j</sup>, Bernhard T. Baune<sup>k</sup>, Michael Baker<sup>c,l</sup>, Nasim Foroughim, Yi Wang<sup>m,n</sup>, Nicole Kochang, Kevin Ashtono, Matt Brown<sup>p,r</sup>, Zhixiu Lip, Yorgi Mavros<sup>c</sup>, Perminder S. Sachdev<sup>g</sup>, Michael J. Valenzuela<sup>b,q,\*\*</sup>

Given the great challenge of dementia to modern society it is promising to show for the first time that 6 months of high intensity resistance exercise is capable of not only promoting cognition in those with MCI, but also protecting AD-vulnerable hippocampal subfields from degeneration for at least 12 months post-intervention. Future work will need to establish just how long-lived these outcomes are and whether they are sufficient enough to delay cognitive decline. Despite this, given the strength of our findings we recommend that resistance exercise be considered an integral part of lifestyle-based prevention programs in older persons.

doi:10.1016/j.nicl.2020.102182.

# Functional ageing: Education and climbing stairs

*J. Steffener et al. / Neurobiology of Aging 40 (2016) 138–144*



For every:

**Year in education**  
your brain is **0.95**  
yrs physiologically  
younger

**Extra FOSCD**  
Your brain is **0.58**  
yrs physiologically  
younger

Fig. 2. Overlay of effect sizes for significant regions for education (A) and flights of stairs climbed (B).

RESEARCH PAPER

## Effects of line dancing on physical function and perceived limitation in older adults with self-reported mobility limitations

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**Conclusions:** Eight weeks of line dancing significantly improved physical function and reduced self-reported mobility limitations in these individuals. Line dancing could be recommended by clinicians as a potential adjunct therapy that addresses mobility limitations.

RESEARCH ARTICLE

Open Access

# What type, or combination of exercise can improve preferred gait speed in older adults? A meta-analysis



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and Cees Van Der Schans<sup>1,3</sup>

Improving gait speed is important – but just two activities were found to be significant in a meta-study:

- progressive resistance training (70-80% of 1 RM)

- exercise with a rhythmic component

- (balance training may have been insufficiently task-orientated to show an effect)

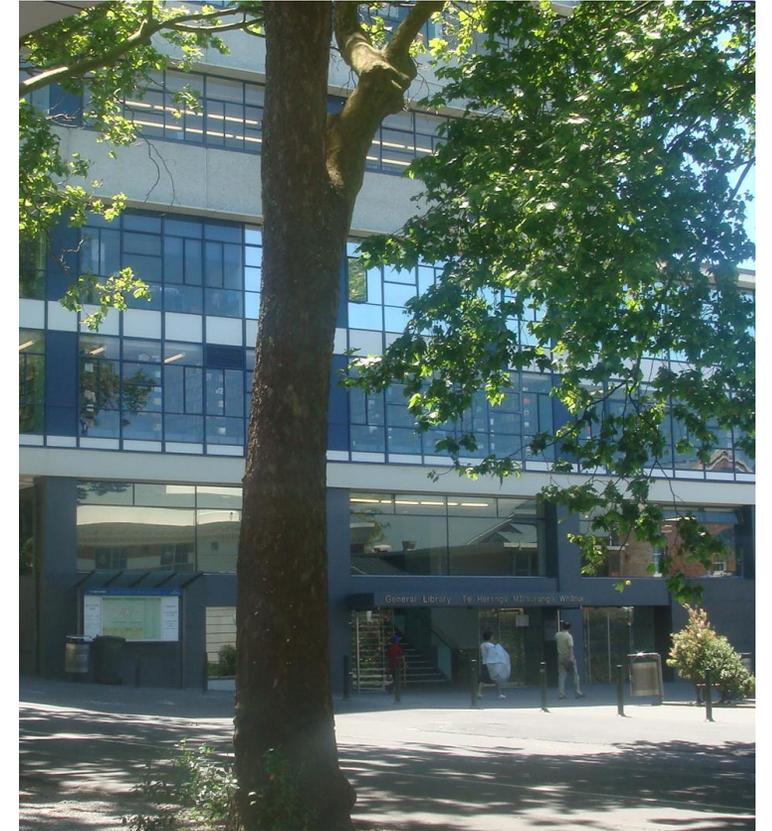
- (the jury is out on endurance training)

# Activity mitigates sitting **if sufficient**

Our findings indicate that sedentary time is a potent risk factor for mobility loss in older age that is independent of light-intensity and moderate-to-vigorous–intensity physical activity, as well as sex, educational attainment, smoking, and prevailing health status. Among those people reporting  $\geq 7$  h/wk of physical activity, there was no significant association between sitting up to 6 h/d and mobility disability, suggesting that higher levels of physical activity can mitigate some of the deleterious effects of prolonged sitting in older age. In contrast, increased TV time was significantly associated with increased mobility disability at follow-up within all levels of reported physical activity—and this was especially so in the least active participants.

*The Journals of Gerontology: Series A*, Volume 73, Issue 4, April 2018, Pages 532–538, <https://doi.org/10.1093/gerona/glx122>

# LIFECURVE™



Building an **academic** LifeCurve research collaboration  
between Newcastle University, BOPDHB & Auckland University et al

So what could you do?

# What could a 'LifeCurve™' Support Community achieve?



**Build reserve**



**Get it back**



**Equipment**



**Care**

...with links to mainstream services informed by an underlying impairment model



**Mass re-ablement**  
(it takes all sorts)

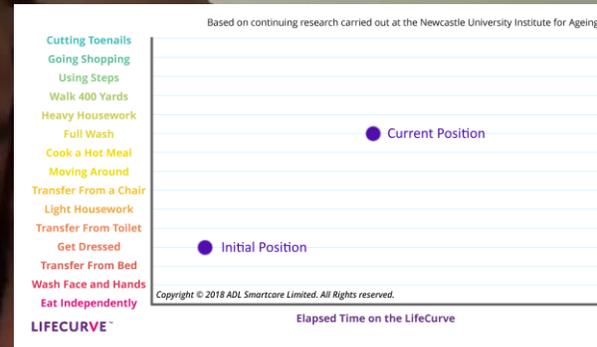


**MIND THE GAP**

Fill the gap

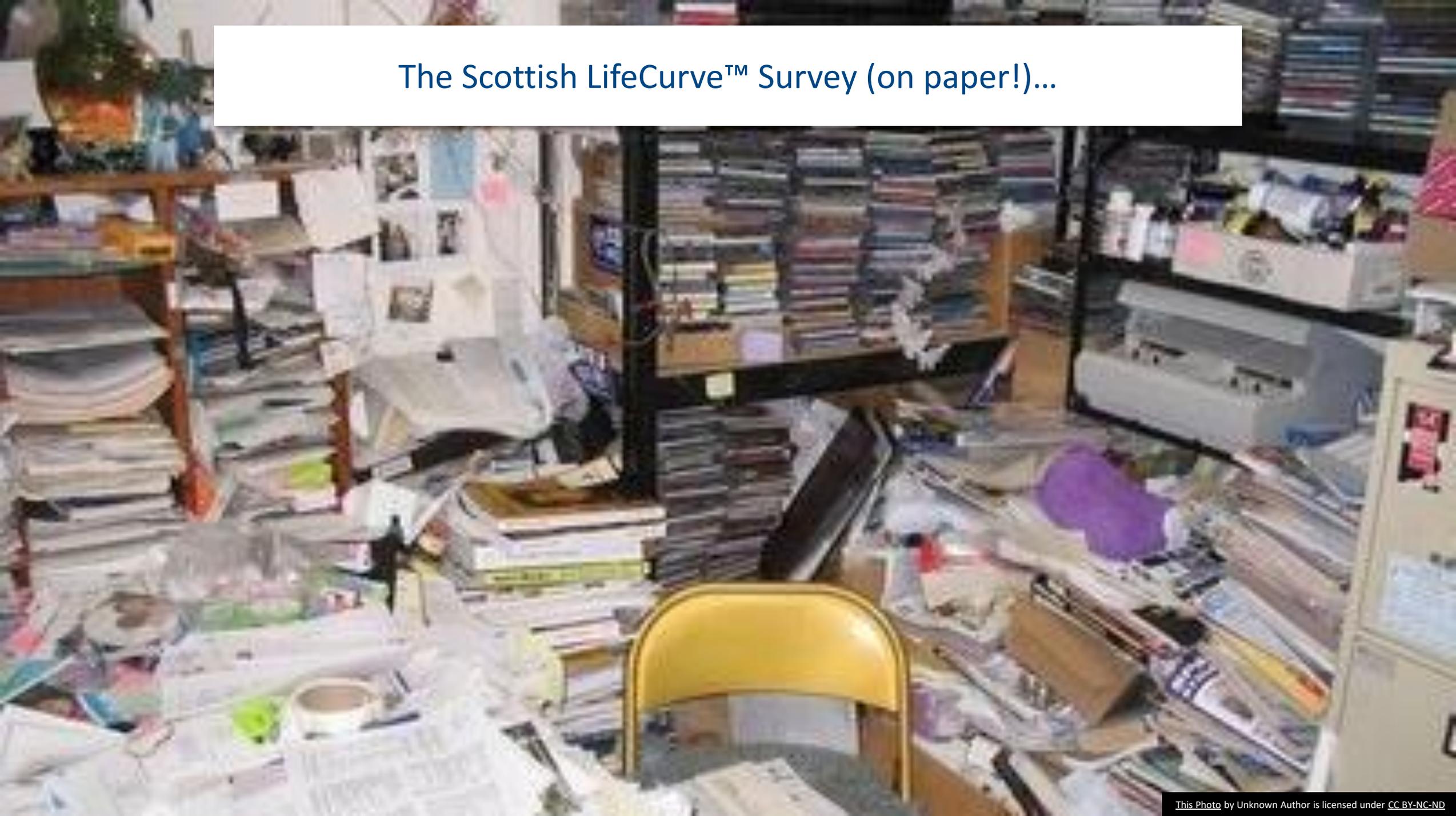
...with curated evidence-based interventions

Model rated by CQC as “Outstanding” and supported by RCN



60% of people receiving Dom Care agree to exercises (saving up to 15% of care in 6 weeks)

# The Scottish LifeCurve™ Survey (on paper!)...

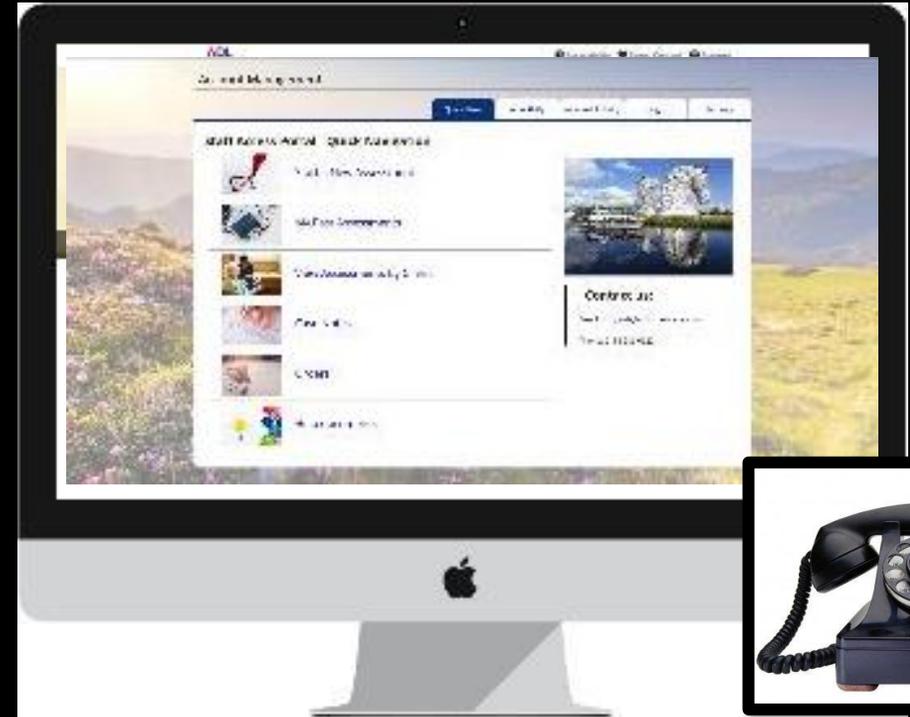




Free app



Safe, stage specific exercises included



Secure Staff Access website



Digital operational tools now available from ADL Smartcare



Questions  
later?