Looking for people 65 years or older with dementia (or a decline in thinking skills) for a study on improving everyday function.

The study involves NO medications and NO invasive tests.

Participants will be asked to 1) attend an initial 2/3-hour appointment to complete questionnaires, perform tests of thinking skills, perform two everyday tasks while video recorded; 2) complete four 30min. training sessions; and 3) two additional assessments 1 day and 1 month after the training. An informant (someone who knows you well) will be asked to answer questionnaires about your functioning.

Total study time will be approximately 9-11 hours over a period of 35-52 days. Participants will be compensated $200.00 for their time: $50 after each of the 3 assessments and after completing all four training sessions. You also may request a copy of your baseline test scores. Informants also will be compensated $75.00 for their time.

Where? The training portion of the study may be completed in your home. The participant will be asked to travel to Temple’s Main Campus (Weiss Hall; 1701 N. 13th Street, Philadelphia 19130). Parking is available and the study location is reachable by public transportation.

Do you qualify? Participants with cognitive decline and an available informant are eligible if they are fluent in English, have sufficient motor/sensory abilities to use a computer touch screen, no lifetime history of severe psychiatric or neurological disorder, or major illnesses other than dementia. If you are interested in the study but not sure if you qualify, please contact us to learn more.

CONTACT US

Call (484) 843-1321 for more information. Please leave a message and someone will return your call promptly!

This research has been reviewed and approved by the Temple Institutional Review Board.