

ACTIVITY 6B: STUDENT WORKSHEET

COMPARING AND CONTRASTING DEMENTIAS

Directions: Use the Dementias Chart to answer the following questions.

1. Which of the main dementing disorders are potentially preventable?

2. Which dementia has an abrupt onset, meaning it happens quickly? Why do you think this dementia occurs so quickly?

3. Which dementia(s) have a slow or progressive onset?

4. a.) If a patient is confused and forgetful, what type of dementia might this person have?

b.) What if the patient also has problems with language and had a recent stroke?

c.) What if the patient was the town drunk?

5. What abnormal structures are found in the brain cells of a person with Alzheimer's disease?

6. Do you know anyone with a dementing disorder?

7. How do you think other people treat a person with a dementia?

8. How would you help someone with a dementing disorder?