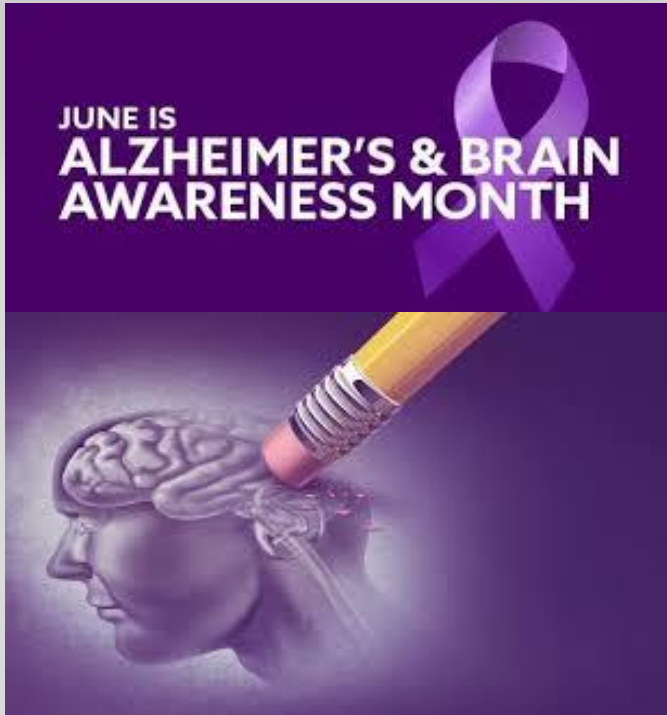




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Recent News



The month of June is **Alzheimer's & Brain Awareness Month**. Let's share some relevant facts:

- Alzheimer's disease is the most common form of dementia and the fourth leading cause of death in Puerto Rico, <http://www.healthdata.org/puerto-rico>
- Puerto Ricans, the second largest Latino group in the continental US, are underrepresented in genomic studies of Alzheimer disease (AD) <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC6593074/>
- The population of PR is aging and struggles with high rates of comorbid conditions (e.g., hypertension and diabetes) that contribute to dementia (<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC6593074/>)

The RCMI Center for Collaborative Research in Health Disparities joins the Alzheimer's Association in asking people to learn and disseminate information about this disease, as well as wear purple, post photos on social media, talk to friends, family and communities about Alzheimer's to raise awareness for the disease (<https://www.alz.org/abam/overview.asp#goPurple>).