

Nothing is more distressing than when a loved one goes missing.

The **Herbert Protocol** can help the emergency services locate a person quicker which could prevent them becoming unsafe.

### What is the Herbert Protocol?

The Herbert Protocol encourages families, carers, friends or neighbours to hold information about a person with Dementia. This could help the emergency services find the person if they go missing.

There is a specific form to record vital information about the person such as a description, photograph, their daily routine and significant places in their life.

The form should be kept where it can be easily located any time of day or night, so it can be given to the emergency services at a moment's notice to help in their search.



### Useful information

- **Where can I get The Herbert Protocol form?**

You can download it and find out more at

[www.dorset.police.uk/herbertprotocol](http://www.dorset.police.uk/herbertprotocol)

You can also pick it up from your local memory café, Citizens Advice office, council office, health centre, hospital PALS office, library or police station.

- **When should I complete it?**

The sooner the form is ready the sooner it can be used.

- **What should I do with it?**

Leave it in a prominent place so it can be easily found by officers and rescue services who are members of the search team.

- **What will happen with the information on the form?**

You need to keep the form in a safe place. The only time it will be used is if the person goes missing. The information will only be shared as part of the missing person operation.

