

Delaying or preventing the onset of chronic, debilitating diseases that affect many older people is also increasingly important in an aging society. Canada is studying health in later life and is investing in research on the determinants that promote healthy aging and on chronic diseases such as osteoporosis and Alzheimer's disease, which primarily affect older adults. As well, Canada promotes healthy behaviours, policies and environments that lead to ongoing improvements in seniors' health status, moderating the impact of aging on the cost of providing health care and contributing to seniors' ability to remain active longer.