

Women at The Forefront of Aging in Canada

Challenging the status quo for older women

Knowledge Mobilization Package



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Welcome to our comprehensive Knowledge Mobilization Package designed to streamline the dissemination of our latest report across various platforms. This resource is crafted to empower your organization with the necessary messaging and graphics, ensuring a consistent and impactful dissemination strategy.

This package is curated to serve as a one-stop solution for all your dissemination needs related to our new report. It aims to provide clarity, consistency, and convenience, enabling you to effortlessly share key insights and updates with your target audience.

We appreciate your commitment to ensuring a clear and unified dissemination of our report.

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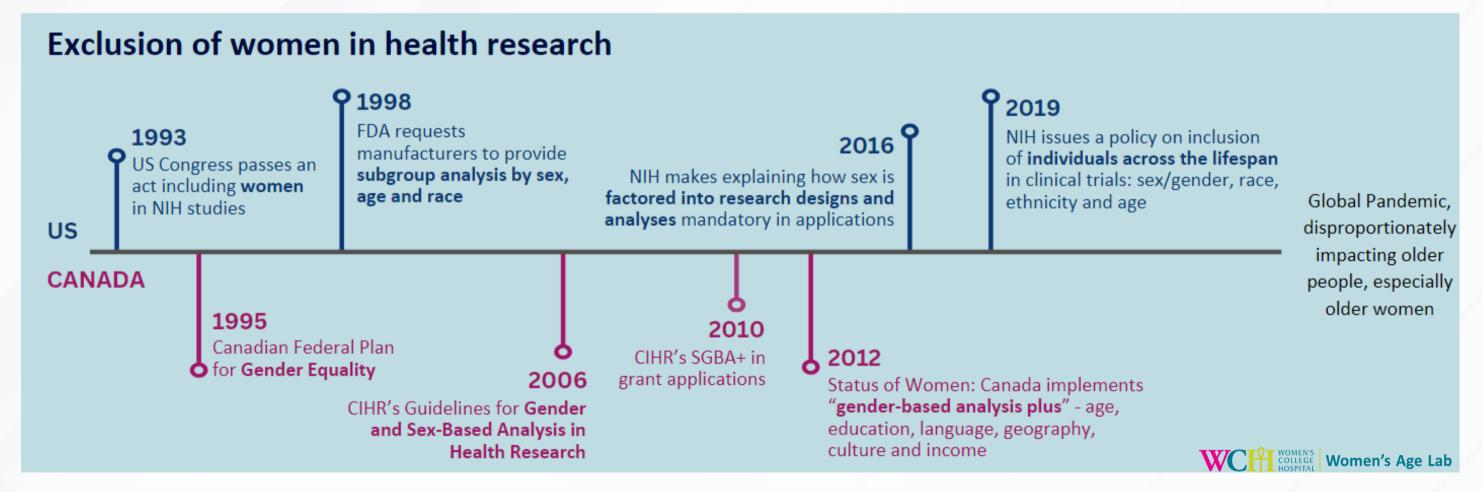
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Messaging Guide

Empowering older women requires a concerted effort from government, healthcare providers, and community organizations. Prioritizing their needs is paramount to ensuring equitable access.

Canada is witnessing a major demographic shift with the aging population, particularly among women. Despite their growing numbers, older women often face unique health challenges that are overlooked in research, healthcare, and policymaking.

The collection and appropriate utilization of disaggregated data has historically been neglected in health research, which can show insights and identify uniqueness of older women.



Messaging Guide

Gendered ageism is a thread that runs through the root causes of issues facing older women.

The majority of older women, like most older adults, live at home in their communities and want to remain there.

Recommendations to improve the health and well-being of older adults and women

GOVERNMENT

Develop a national strategy that supports older adults and considers the distinct needs of older women



Mandate the consideration of older adults and women in research across Canada to gain a comprehensive understanding of their needs



HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

Use evidence and guidance based on sex, gender and age differences to better meet their unique health needs





Virtual Launch Event

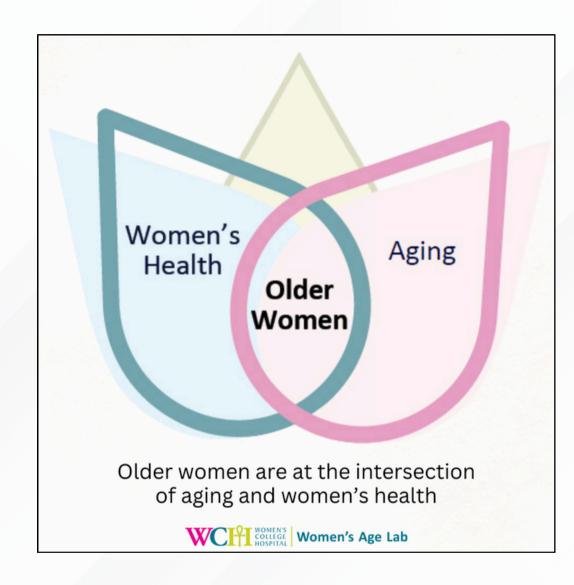
Learn more about improving the status quo of aging among older women in Canada at our virtual launch event, on June 20 at 12pm!

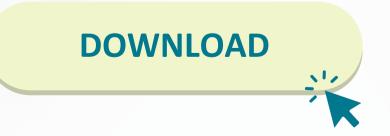
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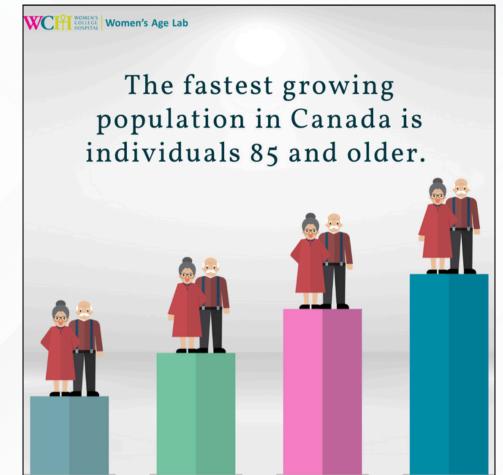




Visual Assets











Women's Age Lab



DID YOU KNOW?

The number of older adults over the age of 85 have DOUBLED since 2001 in Canada. By 2050, this population will TRIPLE.





DID YOU KNOW?

1 in 9

Long-Term Care home residents could have possibly been cared for at home, with the right supports.







DID YOU KNOW?

As of 2019, we only have **376** geriatricians in Canada, or **I** geriatrician for about every **20,000** older adults – & this gap is expected to widen.



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Challenging the status quo for older women

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Empowering older women requires a concerted effort from government, healthcare providers, and community organizations. Prioritizing their needs is paramount to ensuring equitable access. By recognizing the contributions and addressing the challenges faced by older women, we learn about men, and Canada can pave the way for a more inclusive sustainable future for all older adults.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

to improve the health and well-being of older adults and women.

For the full upplemental table see Appendix A

GOVERNMENT

Develop a national strategy that supports older adults and considers the distinct needs of older women



A national strategy can better enable federal, provincial, territorial and municipal governments to support older adults and consider the distinct needs of older women.

A national strategy should:

- Include collaboration of all levels of government across the country
- Appoint advocates championing the rights of older adults and women across all provinces and
- · Address the environmental, systemic and policy gaps impacting the older adults and women through:
- Reducing drug harm
- Addressing loneliness
- o Enabling aging in place
- Supporting caregivers
- o Improving LTC standards
- Combating gendered ageism
- Supporting intergenerational connections

RESEARCH

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A comprehensive understanding of the needs of older women is critical to their health and well-

To support the consideration of older adults and women in all research to advance our understanding of their unique health needs, the Federal Government can:

- · Mandate the collection and use of sex, gender and age disaggregated data as a standard practice in research, healthcare and policy-making
- · Increasing inclusion of older women and reporting of their data in research
- · Proactively include age in the Gender-based Analysis Plus framework, in addition to sex and gender to better understand impact of policies on older women and men

HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

Use evidence and guidance based on sex, gender and age differences to better meet their unique health needs



Providing evidence-based care informed by data on sex, gender, and age differences is important for the health and well-being of

Healthcare providers to can optimize care and support for the unique health needs of older

- · Being informed and educated on the unique needs of older women, based on sex, gender
- · Actively engage older adults and women in decision making and empowering them to take charge of their care
- Leverage geriatricians and healthcare providers to support our aging population

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Newsletter Blurb Template

We're pleased to announce the release of the latest report from Women's Age Lab at Women's College Hospital that shines a light on the unique challenges impacting older women across Canada. As our population ages, it's crucial to understand and address the specific health, socioeconomic, and systemic barriers faced by older women.

This comprehensive report delves into the health research gap, the impact of gendered ageism, and other challenges that older women encounter in Canada. From optimizing therapies, to investing in aging in place and promoting social connections, the report provides valuable insights and recommendations to improve the quality of life for older women.

Read the report and register for the launch event on June 20 at 12pm!



Email Template

Dear [xxxx],

I hope this message finds you well. We are pleased to share with you the release of the latest comprehensive report from Women's Age Lab at Women's College Hospital that delves into the challenges faced by older women in Canada.

As our population ages, it's crucial to understand and address the specific health, socioeconomic, and systemic barriers encountered by older women. This comprehensive report highlights the gaps in health research, the impact of gendered ageism, and other challenges affecting the health and wellbeing of older women across Canada.

From optimizing therapies, to investing in aging in the right place and promoting social connections, the report provides valuable insights and recommendations that can inform and guide our collective efforts to create a more inclusive and supportive environment for older women.

I invite you to read the full report and share it with your colleagues and partners.

X (Formerly Twitter)



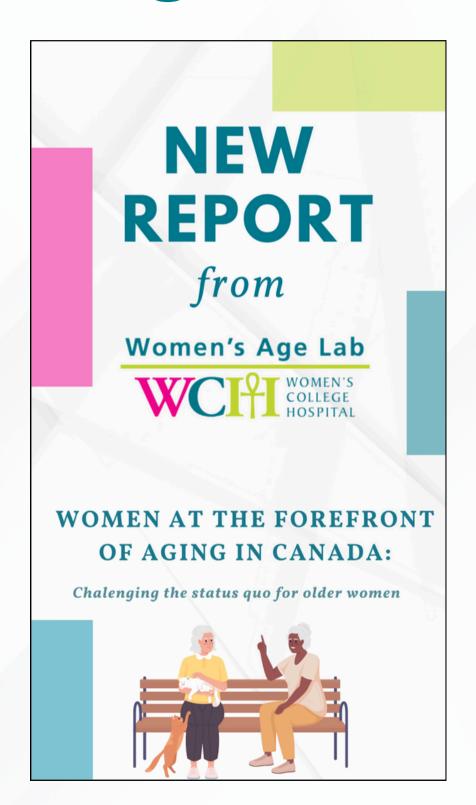
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From optimizing therapies, to investing in aging in the right place and promoting social connections, this report provides valuable insights and recommendations that can inform and guide our collective efforts to create a more inclusive and supportive environment for older women. By advocating for equitable aging policies and initiatives, we can ensure that older women receive the care, support, and recognition they deserve.



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