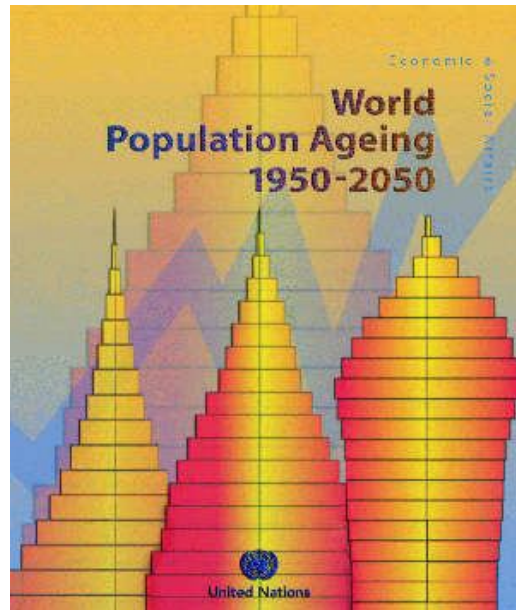


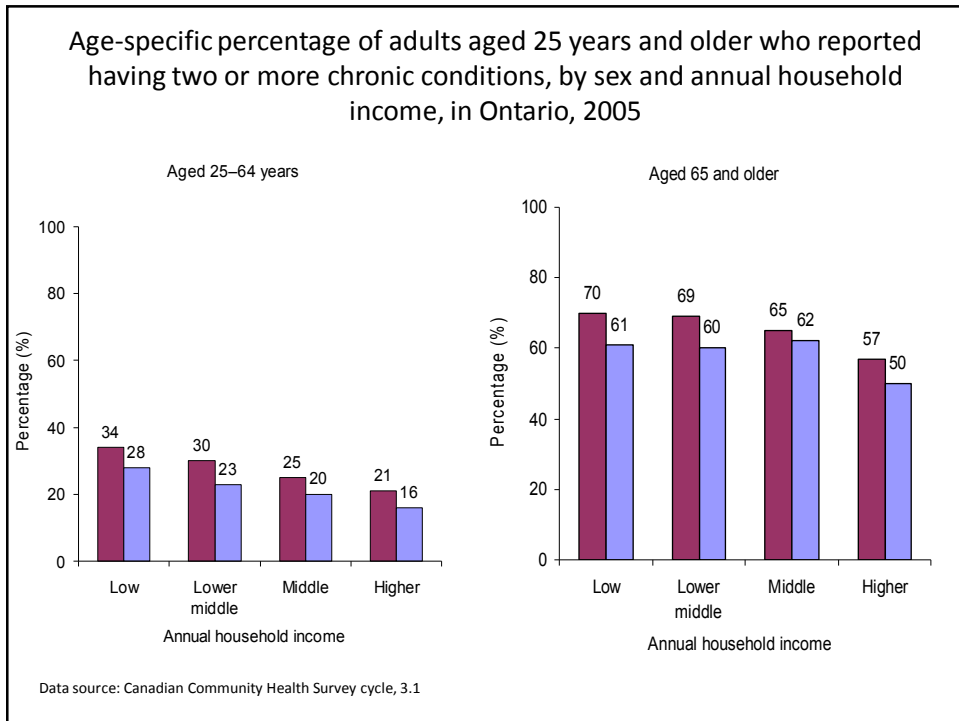
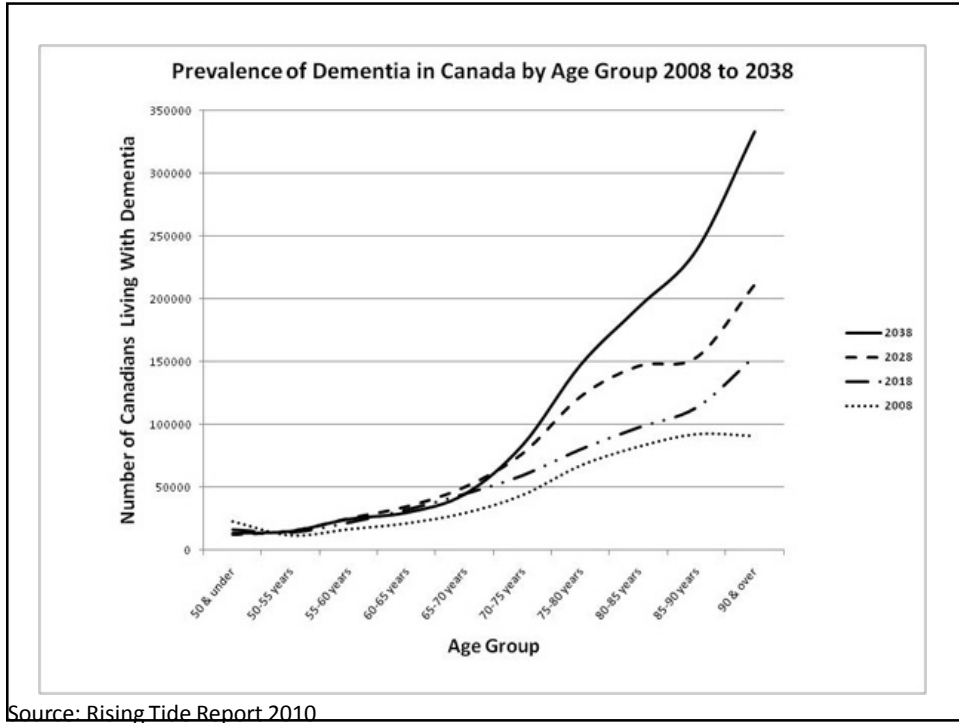
Virtual Policy Series on Dementia: Setting the Context

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Population aging

- Due to declining fertility and increasing longevity (demographic transition)
- Unprecedented, accelerating, shifts will be permanent
- Profound implications for human life, including health





Increasing Burden of Chronic Disease

“Minimizes the role of the role of the human capacity to cope autonomously with life’s ever changing physical, emotional and social challenges and to function with fulfilment and a feeling of wellbeing with a chronic disease or disability.”

BMJ 2011;343.d4163

What is health?

“...the ability to adapt and self-manage...” in the face of social, physical and emotional challenges

Source: BMJ 2011;343.d4163

Health System Perspective for Chronic Illness Management

Guidelines – use of explicit plans and protocols

Practice Design – re-organization of practice teams, visits & follow-up system to meet the needs of patients

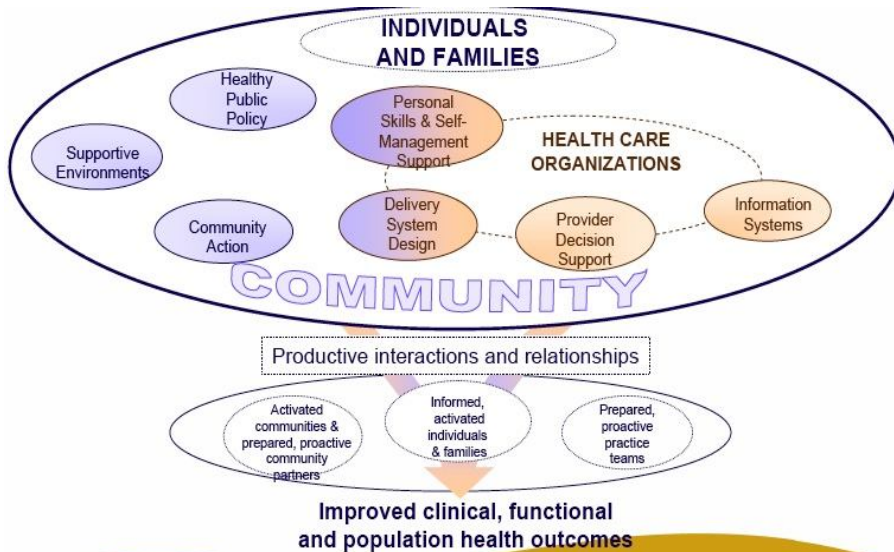
Patient Empowerment – systematic attention to information and behavioural change needs of patients

Expert System – increased provider training and decision support through guidelines, interactions with experts and other tools

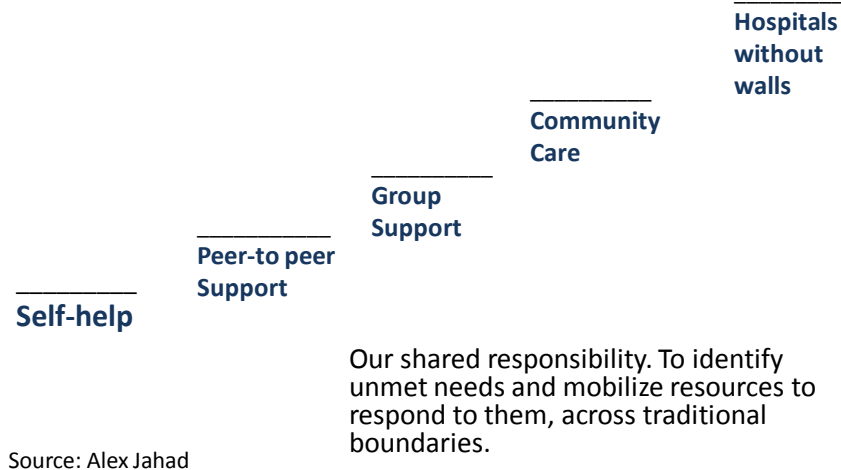
Information – info systems that support population-based care and provide reminders and feedback

Source: Showstack et al. The Future of Primary Care

Ontario's Chronic Disease Prevention and Management Framework (CDPMF)



The Staircase to Support



Questions Every Community Should Keep Asking about Services for Older Adults

- 1) What is the “community”?** (e.g. cultural, social, administrative, kinship, geographical)
 - 2) Does the community care?** (e.g. Competing demands or barriers to intergenerational activities)
 - 3) Do older adults want to live in the community?** (e.g. What is meant by autonomy)
- Continued...

Questions Every Community Should Keep Asking about Services for Older Adults (cont.)

- 4) **Are long-term care and retirement homes part of the community?** (e.g .what are the components of adequate quality of long-term care)
- 5) **Is the hospital in the community?** (e.g. hospital knowledge about community services (resources) for older adults)

Source: Tom Airie, Nottingham