


Expanding Long-Term Care in the Community – Can it Be Done?

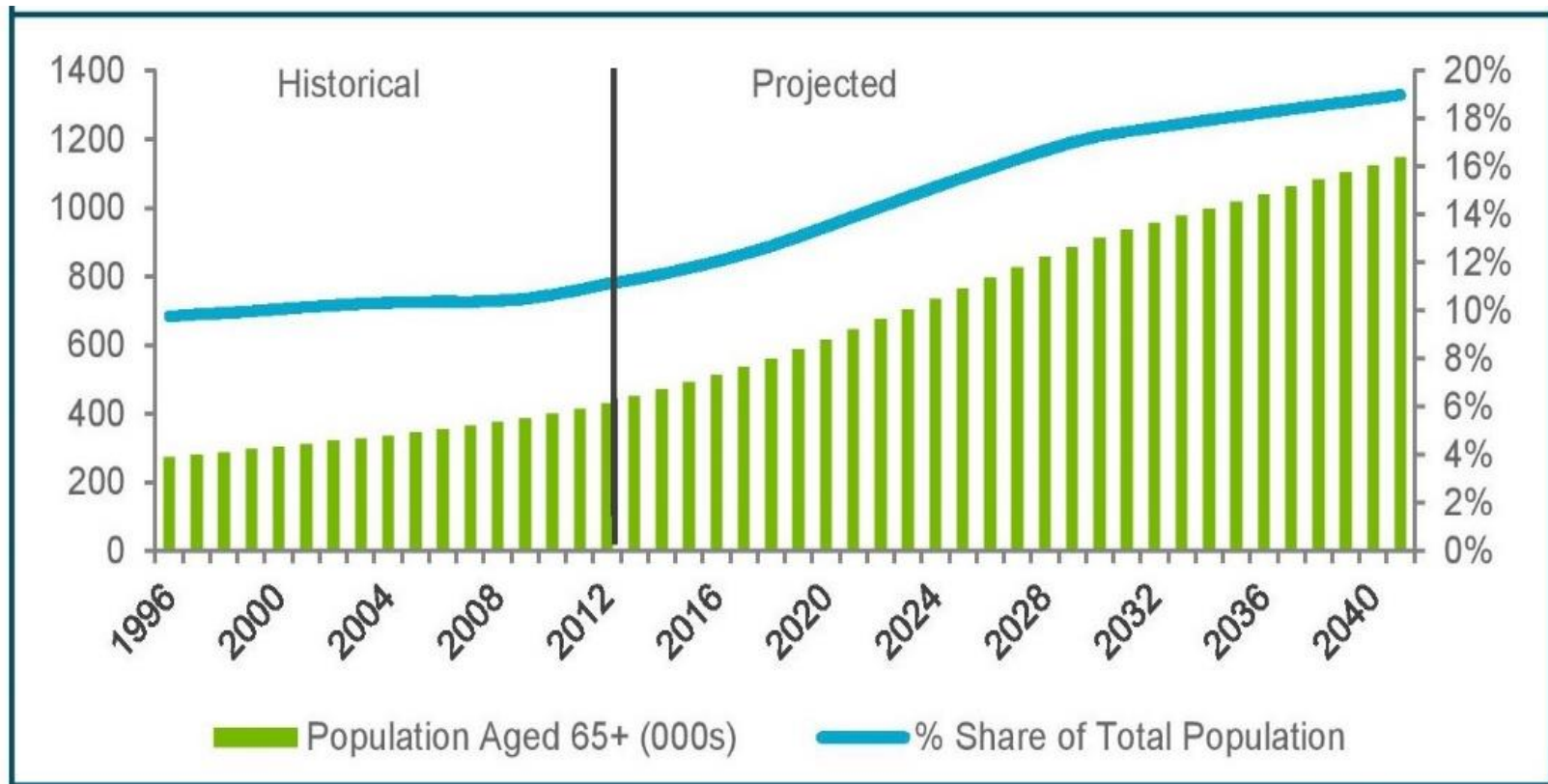
The Alberta Perspective.....



Release of Dr. Williams' paper & presentation is very timely:

- We are at the tip of the aging population iceberg.
 - Our current care and support system is struggling.
 - People want to remain in their homes and communities.
 - We need to look at innovative ways to approach care and supports for the long-term.
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Alberta Population, Aged 65 and Over



Sources: Statistics Canada, Alberta Vital Statistics, and Alberta Treasury Board and Finance

*ACCA's Mission:
Champion quality of
care, quality of life and
enhanced wellness for
Albertans requiring
continuing care.*

*ACCA's Vision:
The recognized voice for
advancing excellence
and innovation in
continuing care.*




Our Values:

- *Client, resident, family-centred*
- *Community focused*
- *Compassion*
- *Innovation*
- *Integrity*
- *Inclusivity*
- *Collaboration*

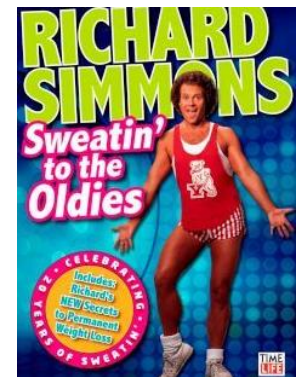


1. Plan for a Continuum of Places

- Variable care options needed with focus on the person.
 - Governments today are focused on beds and Alberta is no different.
 - Recent announcements: \$365M over next four years for “continuing care beds”
 - Also \$67M for Home Care and \$125M for Continuing Care
 - We must support individuals to be as independent as possible for as long as possible.
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2. Building Enabling Policy Frameworks

- Policy frameworks....barriers to innovative models.
- Legislation, Policies, Standards, Risk Aversion – Impede Innovation.
- Currently a legislative review underway in Alberta.
- The Nursing Home Act was written in **1985!**




2. Building Enabling Policy Frameworks

- Lots has changed in 30 years. We are living longer, have more complex needs and require more care and supports.
- Health professions such as nurse practitioner did not exist 30 years ago. Pharmacists could not prescribe medications!



3. Funds Based on Need, Not Location

- Right Care, Right Time, Right Place
 - Community-based care is important.
 - So are residential care places.
 - LTC facilities of today can be, and are, important community hubs!
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Thank you!

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