# HEALTH CARE SUBSTITUTE DECISION-MAKING



## WHY THIS?

CANADIANS ARE INCREASINGLY MOBILE

CANADIANS
WANT TO MAKE
PERSONAL
HEALTH
CHOICES

KEY GROUPS
(GOV'T, CBA
SECTIONS ETC) PRIORITY ISSUE



#### SHIFTS IN DEMOGRAPHY

Canadian seniors now outnumber children





Adults indicate < interest in Health SDM

#### WHY NOW?

- Baby boom has arrived
- Public and social expectations
- Highly topical and relevant

#### ORIENTATION

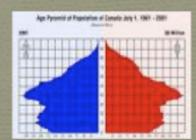


33 MILLION POP

1:8 OVER 65 NOW

1:4 BY 2041

CANADIAN SERVICES NOT PREPARED



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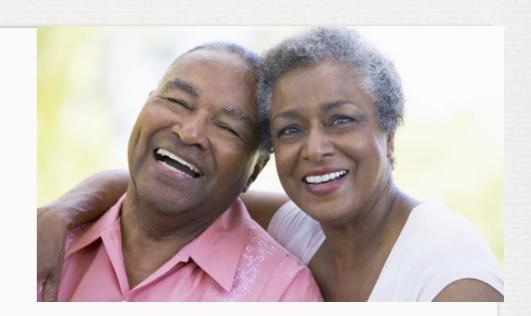
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#### WHO BENEFITS?

- Adults younger and older
- Families and supporters
- Health Care Providers
- Health Systems
- Lawyers / Notaries
- Government Systems...







# PROJECT PROPOSAL

- The proposed project includes 2 Phases:
- 1. A Phase 1 'landscaping' of current legislation and areas of possible harmonization for health care substitute decision-making in Canada
- 2. A Phase 2 development of uniform or standardized processes, forms or legislation based on the findings of Phase 1.

#### PROPOSED RESOLUTION

That the proposal on Health Care
Substitute Decision-making be
referred to the Advisory
Committee for Program
Development and Management
and if appropriate, that a Working
Group be formed to proceed with
Phase 1 of the proposed project.

Que la proposition au sujet du Processus décisionnel substitutif pour soins médicaux soit référée au Comité consultatif pour le développement et la gestion des programmes et, dans la mesure du possible, qu'un atelier soit mis sur pied dans le but de poursuivre la premiere étape du projet proposé.