

Organization	Centre for Aging & Brain Health Innovation (CABHI)
URL	https://www.cabhi.com
Area(s) of Focus	To help improve the quality of life for the world's aging population regarding brain health
Relevance to social determinants of health and health equity	Strong
Intended Use	Through its funding programs, CABHI helps global innovators gain access to key user groups to test, develop, validate, and accelerate the adoption of their solutions.
Principles/Values	<p>Vision: a world in which people not only age but thrive in the setting of their choice, maintaining their cognitive, emotional, and physical well-being and independence, for as long as possible.</p> <p>Mission: to accelerate the development, validation, commercialization, dissemination and adoption of innovative products, services, and best practices to support aging and brain health.</p>
Tools/Guides	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Managing medication adherence • Community coaches • Supporting caregiver's education through the pandemic • Remote patient monitoring for independent living • Virtual mental health support • At home stroke rehabilitation • Falls prevention technology • ER avoidance • Culturally affirming seniors care • Supporting women's health aging and dementia • Virtual dance programs for seniors • Elder led care in Indigenous communities • Injury prevention in older adults • Palliative care app • Smart wheelchair system
Strategies	https://www.cabhi.com/wp-content/uploads/BAY-202-

	<p>CABHI-Annual-Report_Final.pdf</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revisiting the goals of Canada’s National Dementia Strategy and exploring how innovation can bring the strategy to life • CABHI is committed to advancing equity, diversity, and inclusion (EDI). • Innovation and themes are reassessed on a regular basis to ensure they target ongoing and emerging needs of older adults and caregivers
Barriers/Risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CABHI recognizes that organizations face many barriers to sourcing, testing, and adopting innovations (e.g., products, programs, or services) that can improve the quality of care and quality of life of those they serve. Due to the funder requirements, the organization must be located in Ontario to receive “Closing the Gap” funding.
Success Factors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diversity, Accessibility, and Health Equity. Ensuring aging and brain health needs are addressed, and solutions are accessible, for Indigenous, Black, or racially and culturally diverse communities; women; people living with disabilities; members of the LGBTQ2+ community; rural or Northern communities; or other vulnerable populations; and including issues of intersectionality. • Promoting Social Inclusion and Preventing Stigma and Elder Abuse. Creating opportunities and programs for enhanced engagement and social connection for older adults, including intergenerational programs, to combat ageism and stigma and support strong cognitive and mental health in older adults. Protecting older adults, particularly those living with cognitive decline and dementia, against elder abuse and other unsafe relationships.
Evaluation	
Other Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using Virtual Reality to stimulate cognitive health and social engagement, decrease anxiety and depression, and increase independence, in people

	<p>living with dementia and mild cognitive impairment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dementia Talk App, a new app that supports caregivers of older adults with dementia by helping them track behaviours and develop a care plan• Linked Senior, a digital platform that helps recreation staff in long-term care homes engage residents in meaningful and personalized activities• A community-led initiative that supports First Nations older adults living with dementia adopt language apps to keep minds active and reduce caregiver stress
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