

## Canada's federal election 2021: Candidate question sheet

Elections are an important time to raise awareness for issues that are important to you. One way of doing this is to ask questions of local candidates to learn about their party's position on the issue. To help raise dementia awareness this election season, we've created four questions you can ask at virtual political events, debates or via social media channels.

### If elected/re-elected as the Member of Parliament for my riding....

1. How will your party support a fully funded, implemented and monitored **national dementia strategy** that will truly benefit all Canadians?
2. Will your party commit to **increased investment in dementia research** to bring Canadians closer to a disease-modifying treatment or cure?
3. How will your party support the creation of a **robust and fully funded suite of services and supports** that meet the current and projected needs of Canadians affected by dementia?
4. How will your party make **dementia a priority**?

### Want to engage candidates through social media?

- Remember that posts have a character limit, so getting straight to your point is important.
- Tag a candidate by searching for their social media profile and then addressing your post to their handle (e.g. **@AlzheimerBC**).
- By searching hashtags such as **#dementia**, you will find other posts from like-minded people to see how they are raising awareness about issues important to them. You can engage with them by liking or re-sharing their post.
- For the 2021 federal election, search hashtags **#elxn44** and **#cdnpoli** to see what other voters are saying and add your **#dementia** issue to the conversation.

Try copying and pasting the questions above and sending them to candidates running in your riding – you might just get a response!