



**Government of Canada reaffirms commitment to
develop a national dementia plan in Budget 2015**

Real work begins today says Alzheimer Society

Toronto, On – April 22, 2015 – In response to Federal Budget 2015, Mimi Lowi-Young, CEO of the Alzheimer Society of Canada, issued the following statement:

“The Alzheimer Society commends the Government for its continued recognition and commitment to develop a national dementia plan. A national dementia plan is the only solution to integrate care and services to improve the quality of life for Canadians living with this disease and their caregivers, and reduce soaring costs to our economy and health-care system. A national dementia plan is pivotal to increasing investments in research to find prevention, better treatments and a cure, faster. Raising awareness and eliminating stigma is also central to the plan. In the coming weeks and months, the Alzheimer Society will work with all levels of government to make the plan a reality. Seven-hundred and forty-seven thousand Canadians, their caregivers and families are counting on us.”

About the Alzheimer Society

The Alzheimer Society is the leading nationwide health charity for people living with Alzheimer's disease and other dementias. Active in communities across Canada, the Society offers help for today through our programs and services, and hope for tomorrow by funding research into the cause, prevention and a cure.

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