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## Functional Status & Disability in the Canadian Longitudinal Study on Aging

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Maintaining independence throughout the aging process is a key concern for older adults as well as health and social services. Functional impairments precede the onset of disability and may allow for early interventions to delay disability and maintain independence longer.

The Canadian Longitudinal Study on Aging (CLSA) includes several measures of functional status and disability. This presentation explores how activities of daily living can be used to define disability and how the CLSA's physical function questionnaire and performance tests can be used to define functional status

As part of this study, logistic regression models were used to assess the association between physical function and disability, which revealed differences in the strength of the association dependent on which combinations of physical function limitations were present.

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