# The Canadian Longitudinal Study on Aging

Phase I Milestones and Phase II Activities

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## Important Milestones

### In terms of funding:

- ✓ Two important Quebec sites in the Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI) application in Feb 2006 : McGill University and Université de Sherbrooke
  - -Outstanding scientific review but unsuccessful application
  - -Used this application to prepare a letter of intent submitted to the CFI as part of the Clinical Research Initiative
- Quebec researchers from McGill University and Université de Sherbrooke are working on several aspects of the Phase II studies
  - -CIHR Submission for Phase II Development of the CLSA (May 2006 successful)



#### In terms of process and content of the CLSA:

- Completed data collection of a Phase I Study "Exploring attitudes about mental incapacity and long term participation in the CLSA"
- ✓ Development of a collaboration with Statistics Canada in determining how to use the Canadian Community Health Survey Cycle 4.2 as the inception cohort
- Ethical, Legal and Societal Issues (ELSI) Committee developed information packages and consent forms for the CLSA in English and French
- Reviewed epidemiology of Parkinson's Disease (PD) in Canada and proposed to include a study of PD within the CLSA

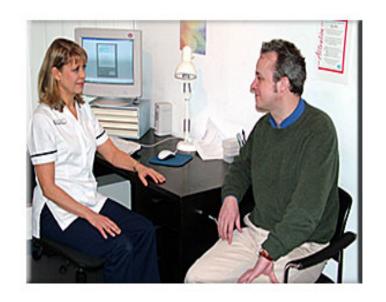
## Proposed Activities 07-08

☐ Studies will be conducted in Montreal and
Sherbrooke to evaluate the utility of selected clinical
algorithms in order to finalize the process and content
of the clinical assessment

□ Refine the February 2004 CLSA protocol, develop training manuals and standard operating procedures



- □ Design and conduct studies to examine the practicality of the use of the bilingual consent information package and consent forms developed by the ELSI Committee
- ☐ Analysis of qualitative data from the study on loss of capacity to consent in longitudinal research, prepare technical report





- □ Preparing papers describing the Phase I studies that will be considered for publication in the Canadian Journal on Aging (September 30, 2007):
  - 1) The Canadian Community Health Survey as a potential recruitment vehicle for the Canadian Longitudinal Study on Aging
  - 2) The validity of telephone administered cognitive tests as tools for the identification of eligible study subjects for population based research in aging
  - 3) The translation process for Phase 1 of the Canadian Longitudinal Study on Aging



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