

Dr. William Reichman

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Biography

Dr. William E. Reichman is President and Chief Executive Officer of Baycrest, among the world's premier academic health care organizations focused on seniors care, aging and brain health. He is also CEO of Cogniciti, a brain health solutions company and the Centre for Aging and Brain Health Innovation, the largest solution accelerator in the seniors care industry. Dr. Reichman is Professor of Psychiatry on the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Toronto. He is a noted global authority on the delivery of mental health and dementia services in geriatric care and residential settings. His career has spanned clinical research in Alzheimer's disease drug development, academic administration, and healthcare management, with particular emphasis on delivering innovative services to meet the needs of a rapidly aging global population. Dr. Reichman is President-Elect of the International Psychogeriatrics Association and is a former President of the American Association for Geriatric Psychiatry and the Geriatric Mental Health Foundation. He has been a special consultant to the Civil Rights Division of the United States Department of Justice on dementia and mental health-care delivery within nursing homes and has advised the WHO and the governments of Canada and China on health policy. He served as the weekly Senior Health columnist for the Star Ledger, New Jersey's highest circulation newspaper and has been widely interviewed and quoted by all of the major media outlets in the United States and Canada. Dr. Reichman was the inaugural Chair of the North American Seniors Quality Leap Initiative, a collaborative of prominent academic healthcare organizations across Canada and the United States seeking to improve the well-being of older adults living in long-term care settings.

Industry Expertise

Health Care - Services, Corporate Leadership, Elder Care, Health Care - Facilities, Health Care - Providers, Health and Wellness

Areas of Expertise

Geriatrics, Maintaining Autonomy: the Brain Fitness Movement, Strategies for Remembering, Nutrition and the Aging Brain, Mental Health and Aging, The Interactive Impact of Fitness and Brain Health, Innovations in Long-Term Care

Sample Talks

Cognitive Health Across the Lifespan

As we age, decline is often noted in several cognitive functions including our memory. In many older individuals, dementia due to disorders, such as Alzheimer's disease or stroke, compromise our well-being. This talk will review emerging evidence on how to keep our brains healthy throughout the lifespan, activities which are commonly referred to as "Brain Fitness."

History and Experience: The Direction of Alzheimer's Disease

As the global population is projected to age substantially in coming decades, the number of individuals who will develop Alzheimer's disease (AD) is expected to rise dramatically. Not surprisingly, there is growing attention to successfully identify interventions to halt or delay the clinical onset of AD. This workshop reviews research advances supporting the potential for memory and other intellectual functions to be strengthened and maintained through cognitive training and lifestyle choices.

Education

State University of New York College at Buffalo
M.D. Medicine

Trinity College
B.S. Biology, General

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