



Creating a World Without Alzheimer's Disease

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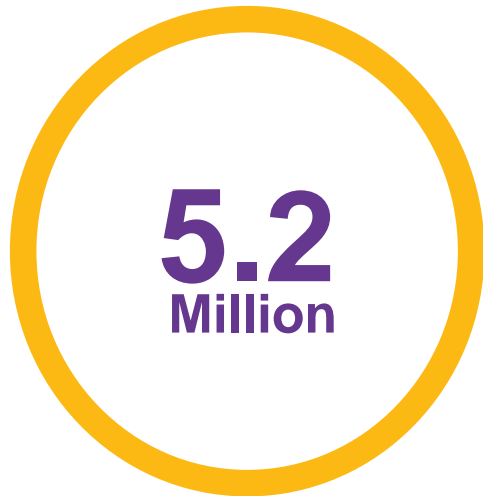
What is Alzheimer's Disease?

A progressive type of dementia that causes problems with memory, thinking and behavior. Alzheimer's is a disease and as such is:

- Not a normal part of aging
- The most common form of dementia, accounting for up to 80% of dementia cases
- A progressive fatal disease
- Cannot currently be prevented, slowed or cured



The Facts About Alzheimer's



Americans living with Alzheimer's disease



1 in 9 Americans

Age 65 and Over

Don't Know

THE FACTS: ALZHEIMER'S IS AN EPIDEMIC IN AMERICA



THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY
500,000
PEOPLE DYING

each year because they have
Alzheimer's disease.



Alzheimer's is the only cause of death
among the top 10 in America that
**CANNOT BE PREVENTED,
CURED OR EVEN SLOWED.**



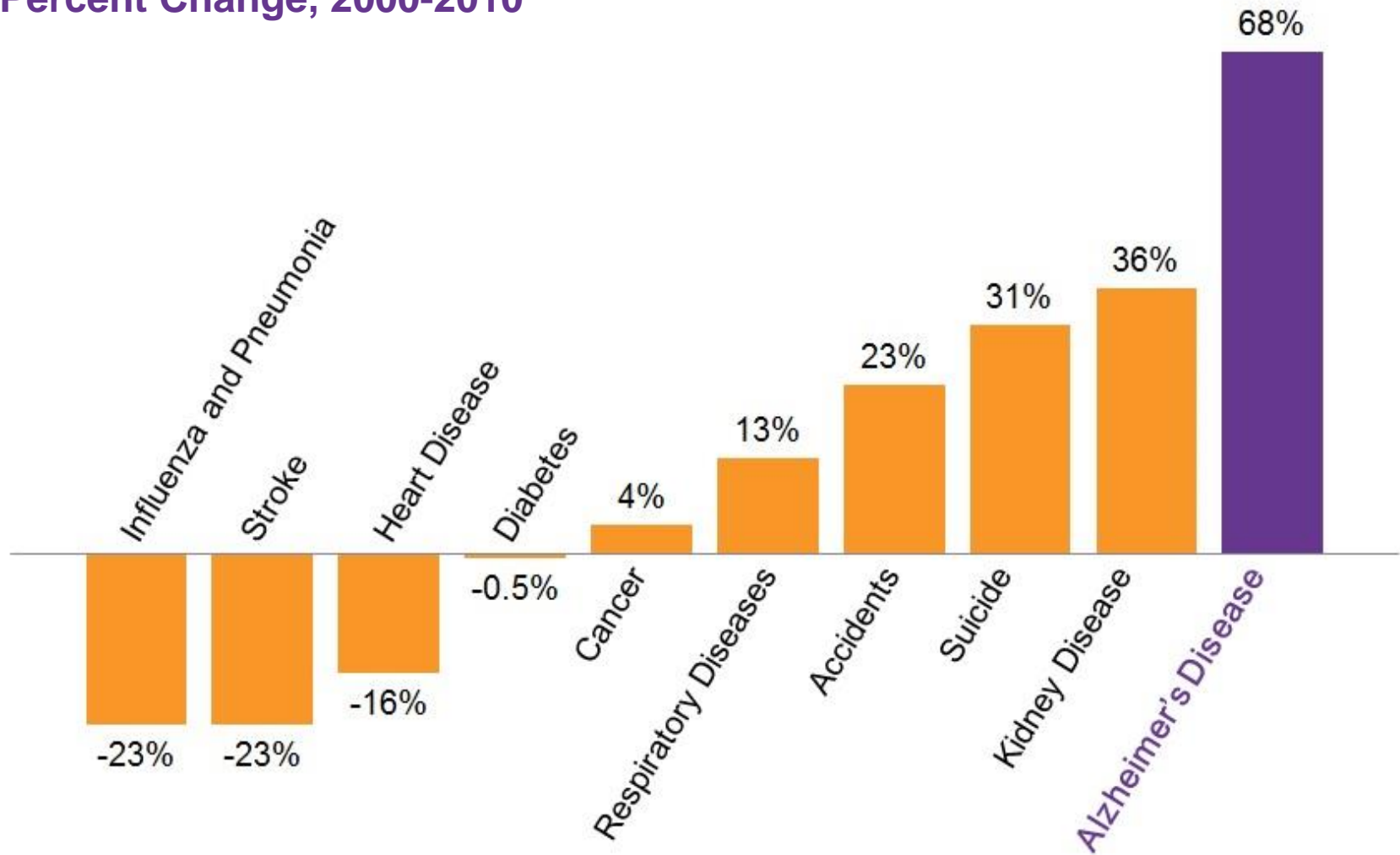
1 in 3 Seniors
DIES WITH ALZHEIMER'S
or another dementia.

17.7 BILLION

In 2013, 15.5 million caregivers
provided an estimated
17.7 BILLION HOURS
of unpaid care valued at more
than \$220 billion.

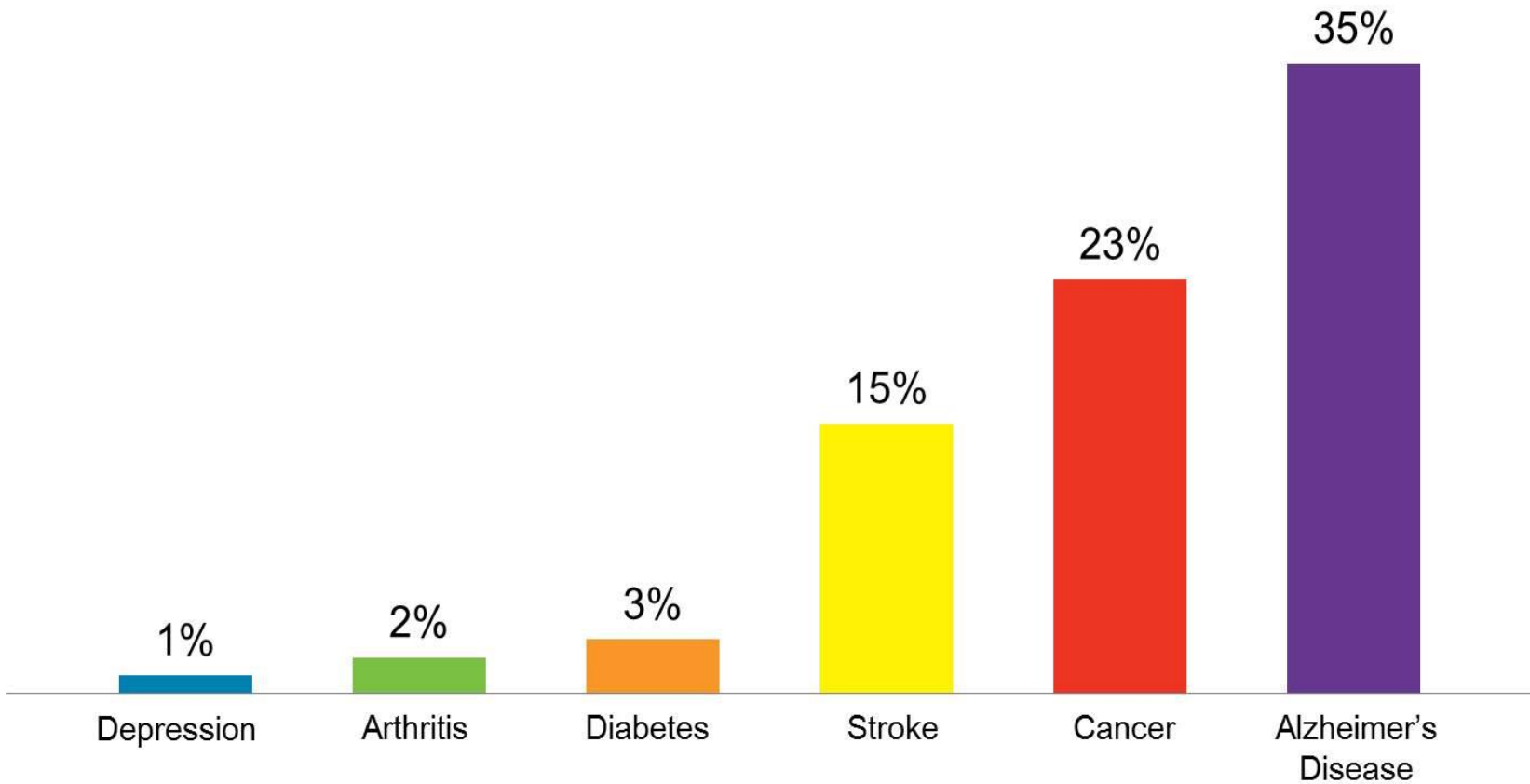
Top Ten Causes of Death

Percent Change, 2000-2010

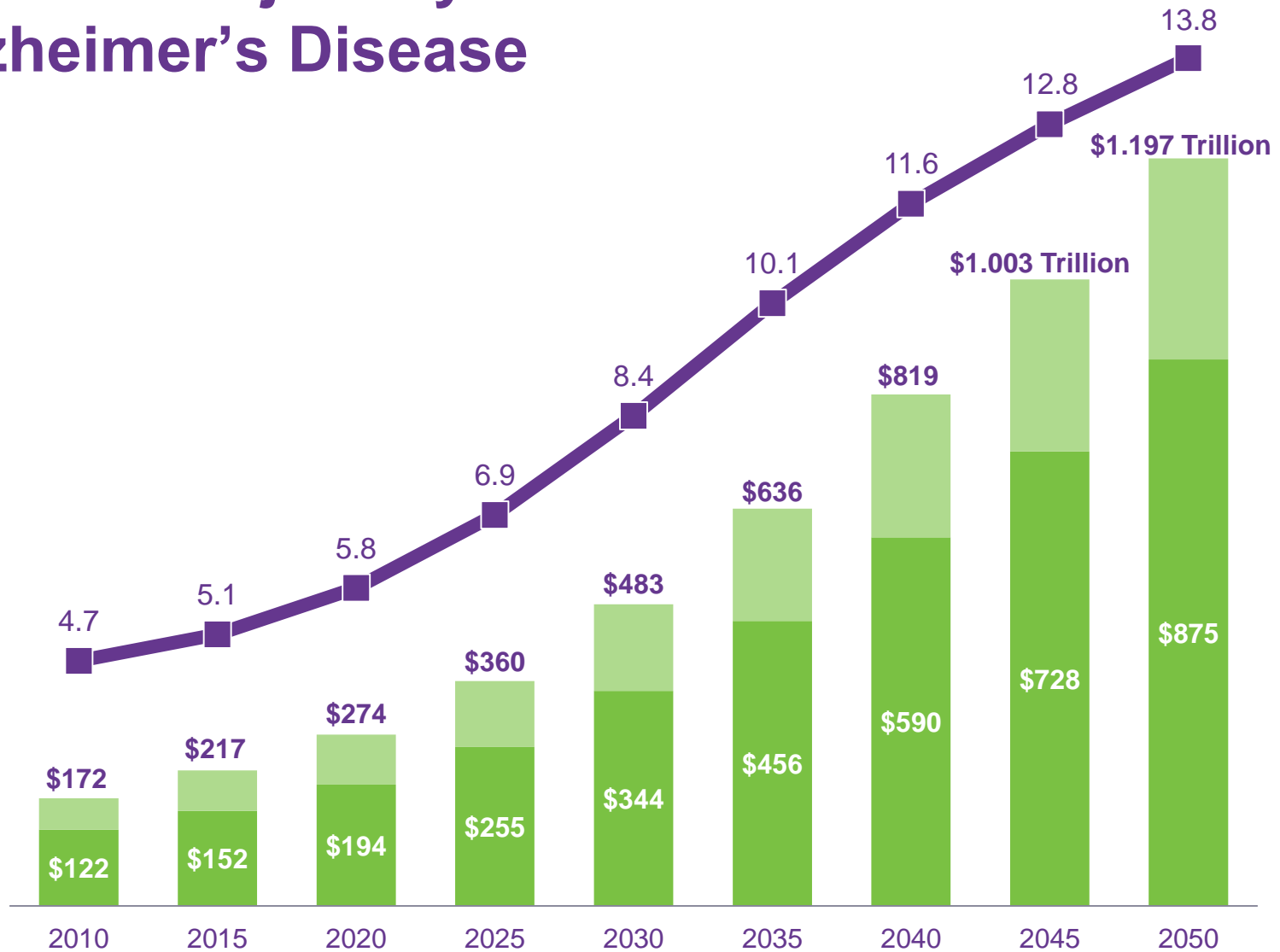


Most Feared Disease

Condition Those Aged 60 and Older are Most Afraid of Getting



Current Trajectory of Alzheimer's Disease





UTAH BY THE NUMBERS

★ 28,000

★ 10%

★ 25% by 2025

★ \$122 million

★ \$85 million

★ 140,000

★ 159 million

★ \$1.98 billion

★ \$62 million

★ #1

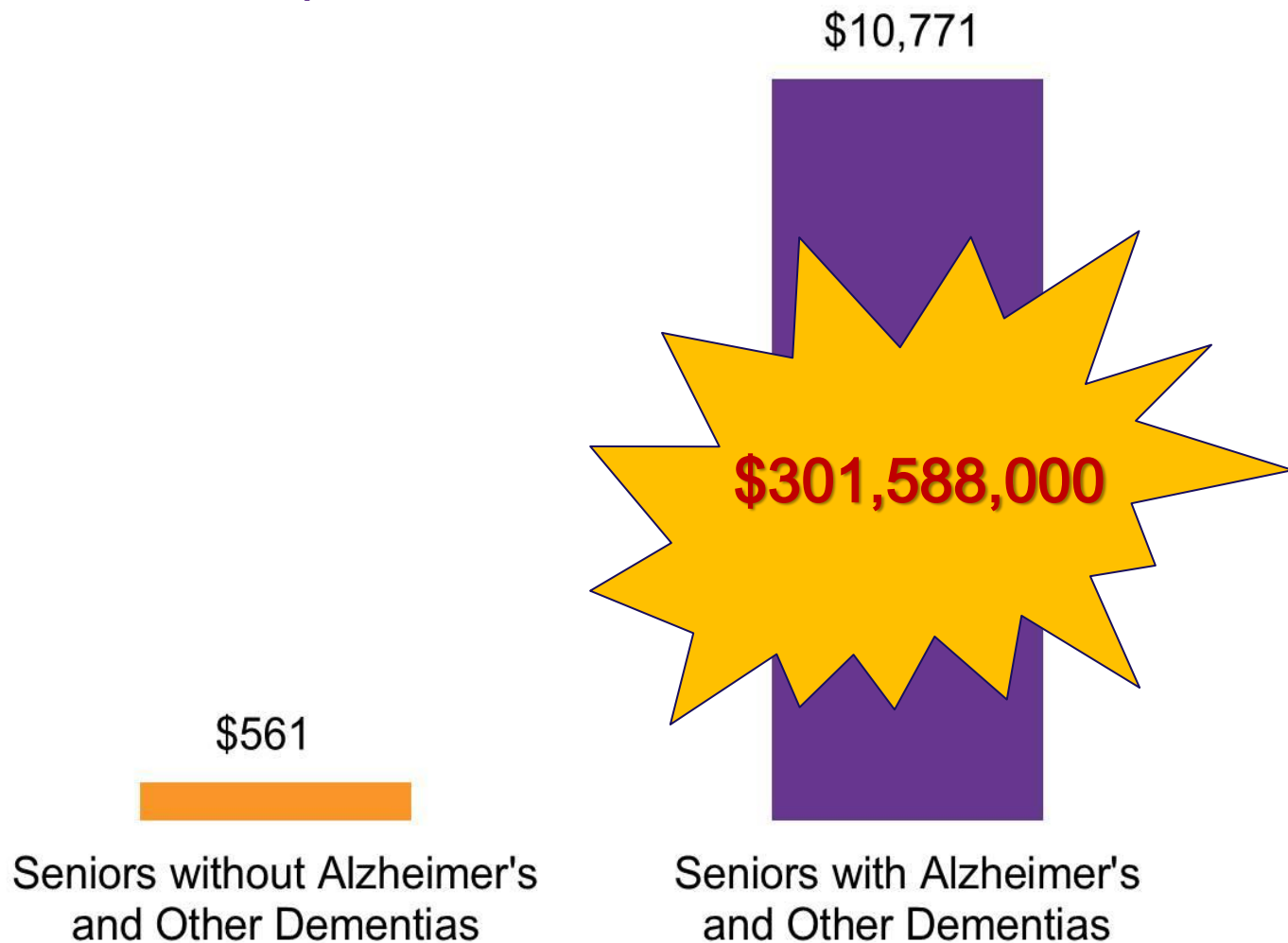
★ 127% increase

★ 70%

★ \$1.5 million

Costs to Medicaid

Average Per Senior Medicaid Payments 2008
(Inflated to 2013 Dollars)



Utah's State Plan for Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias

Action Plan for 2012-2017



50 thousand Utah
citizens affected

50

nation's highest
growth rate 127%

127

132 thousand
family caregivers

132

80% of dementia
patients live at home

80

prevalence is nearly
2 times greater among
older minorities

2x

\$1.8 billion of unpaid
caregiving in Utah

1.8

Summary of Goals

1. Dementia-aware Utah
2. Health & Dignity for All with Dementia and Those at Risk
3. Supported and Empowered Family Caregivers
4. A Dementia-competent Workforce
5. Expanded Research in Utah

93 specific strategies

THE PROBLEM:

Nothing has happened since the plan was approved!

No state department “owns” Alzheimer’s disease

- 84% of the strategies relate directly to the State Department of Health through their effective implementation of the Core Functions of Public Health
- 16% of the strategies relate directly to the State Department of Human Services, specifically to the Division of Aging and Adult Services; primarily focused on meeting the needs of caregivers

Call for specific legislation originating in the Health and Human Services Committee to designate

Alzheimer's disease and related dementias as a

WHY AM I HERE
PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUE
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as primarily responsible for implementing the Utah State Plan for Alzheimer's Disease and Related

Dementias by incorporating it into their strategic

planning process and coordinating with other state

departments as necessary.

Defining Public Health Issues

1. The burden is large

- 28,000 people are living with Alzheimer's, representing 10% of our seniors over 65; projected to grow to 25% in 10 years
- Annual healthcare costs related to the disease exceeds \$300 million

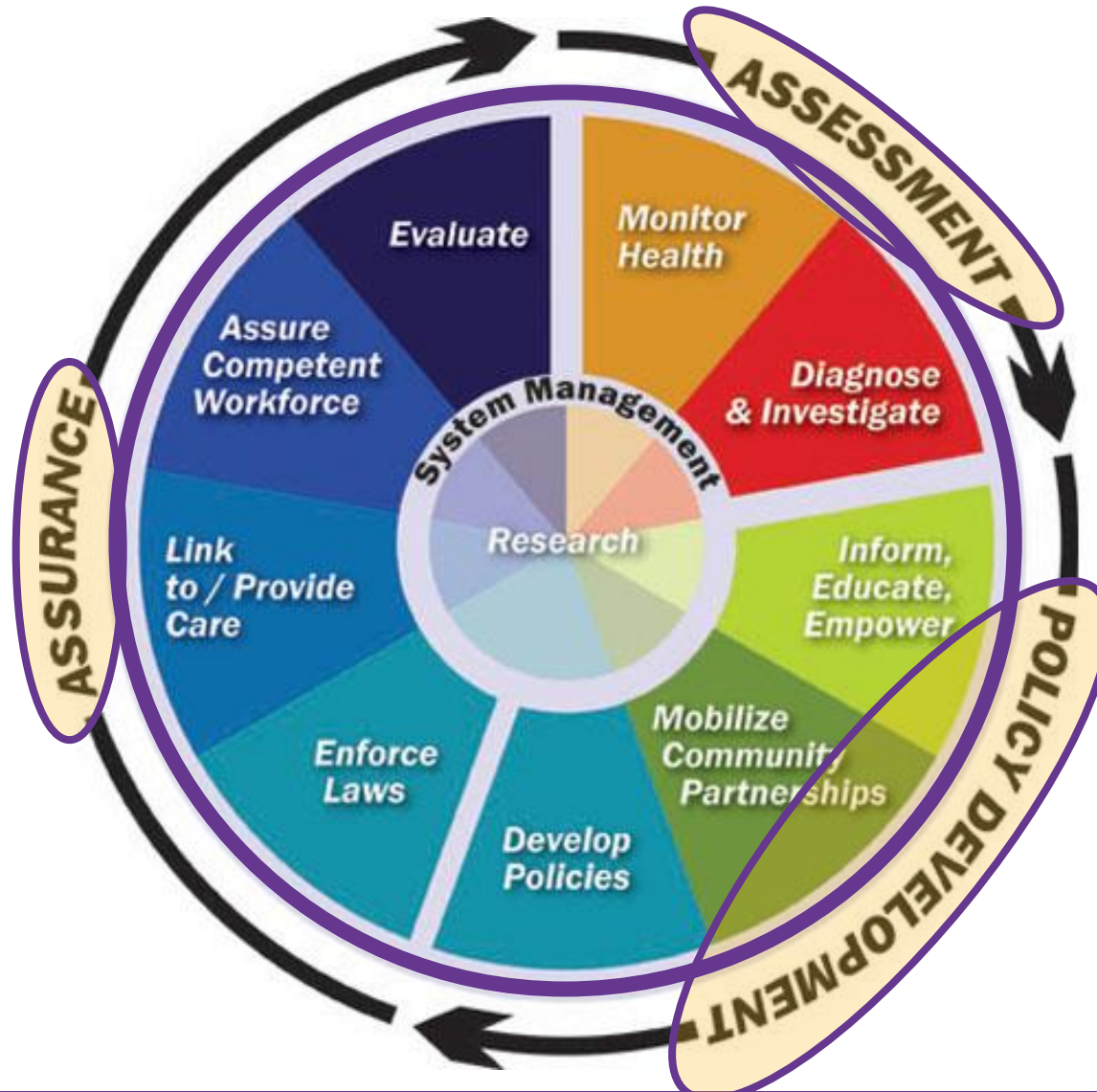
2. The impact is major

- More than 140,000 Caregivers
- Additional healthcare costs for caregivers is over \$68 million
- Medicaid costs are 70% of total cost of those with the disease and caregivers over 65

3. There are ways to intervene

- Improve quality of life
- Reduce associated costs

Core Functions of Public Health



State Department of Health

Alzheimer's Plan Lead Agency

- Dr. W. David Patten, Executive Director of the Department of Health has agreed to take on the plan as directed by the legislature
- Nels Holmgren, Division Director for Aging and Adult Services, Department of Human Services has agreed that it makes sense to have the Department of Health take the lead
- The original members of the State Alzheimer's Plan Task Force also agree that it is important to have The State Department of Health take the lead in addressing Alzheimer's as a public health issue

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION!

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