



Message from His Worship Mayor Stephen Mandel



On behalf of City Council and the people of Edmonton, Alberta's Capital City, it is my great pleasure to extend a warm welcome to all delegates attending the Edmonton Aging Symposium.

It's fitting that this ground-breaking conference should be held in Edmonton, home to a well-educated workforce, and ten post-secondary institutions. The University of Alberta, the largest research institution in the province designates 26 areas of established and emerging research excellence. This world-class university certainly puts Edmonton at the forefront as a leading research capital in the world. Through this prestigious institution, more than 60 centres and institutes perform research in the life sciences.

There's no question, Edmonton, with a skilled workforce, effective commercialization supports and a cost-effective business environment is a city of choice for business and research. Our quality of life is second-to-none, and, of course, our economy is in overdrive. For all of these reasons and more, we continue to attract, the finest researchers and academic professionals from across the country and around the world.

This conference will provide you with wonderful opportunities to network with your peers, and to sample some of the Capital City's many highlights. The City of Edmonton is a proud sponsor of this important gathering. Thank you to the Methuselah Foundation for laying the groundwork for the Symposium. It takes a tremendous amount of hard work and financial investment to pull together a conference of this scope. I salute the many generous businesses and organizations that are sponsoring this innovative symposium.

Best wishes for a successful meeting, and a pleasant stay in Edmonton.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Stephen Mandel'.

Stephen Mandel
Mayor