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**SAGE REFERENCE'S NEW *ENCYCLOPEDIA OF HEALTH AND AGING*
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Los Angeles, London, New Delhi, and Singapore (February 2007) – Alzheimer's disease, diabetes, heart disease, cataracts... These are just a few of the countless health issues facing the ever-increasing percentage of people entering "old age." The quickly expanding elderly population is making an escalating impact on both health care systems and on families' quality of life.

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