



The Economic Returns to Delayed Aging: Promises and Pitfalls

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Most medical research remains focused on combating individual diseases, despite robust evidence that delayed aging remains a realistic goal. Using the Future Elderly Model—a microsimulation of future health and spending of older Americans—Professor Goldman compares optimistic “disease specific” scenarios with a “delayed aging” scenario to see their effects on longevity, disability, and Federal spending. Professor Goldman finds that delayed aging is a particularly good investment, as it could increase life expectancy by an additional 2.2 years and save \$7 trillion over fifty years. Disease-specific investments have more modest returns, mainly due to competing risks. The fiscal challenges of delayed aging are manageable through modest policy changes. Overall, more research to delay aging appears to be a highly efficient way to forestall disease, extend healthy life, and improve public health—albeit with the potential to exacerbate existing health disparities



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