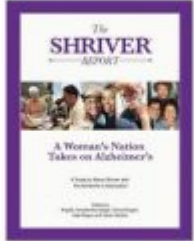


# The Women of Alzheimer's – Maria Shriver



Maria Shriver is the daughter of a parent with Alzheimer's but she is also one of the most vocal in exposing the impact of Alzheimer's on women.

**The Shriver Report focuses on how women are and will suffer the brunt of the Alzheimer's epidemic.** The report cites daunting statistics of a cost well beyond the \$300 billion a year currently being spent and how it will economically affect the 60% of women with Alzheimer's and the 60% of care giving provided by women.

**The Shriver Report is also the first to discuss the serious implications of how Alzheimer's will strain families, our society and our economy.**

The report points out the need to address –

- Caregiver support and coaching to deal with difficult and changing circumstances
- More affordable care to relieve caregivers of stress and negative emotions
- Increasing support for men who become caregivers
- Flexibility in the workplace for caregivers who must continue to work
- Making available support easier to get from health service providers
- Long term care insurance that is less costly
- Greater government assistance

**The Shriver Report is our warning. If we don't begin to address these issues now, the enormity of the problem will overtake us and time is running out.**

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