

Politics, Position Statement

With the present structure and lobbying protocols at Ontario's Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, WRM does not see a place in that ministry for the type of mind set that Wellness Risk Management is organized toward instilling in the working population base. To be clear, the Ministry of Health and Long-term Care is interested in Wellness, however, their mandate is to deliver disease and injury care to the Ontario population not Wellness care. Focus is a problem.

- WRM helps a company build Wellness in their work force on an individual worker basis at the **Self-Help** end of the Wellness continuum spectrum.
- Wellness Risk Management leaves the disease and injury care therapeutics to the healthcare professionals and allied professionals.

What seems to be missing from that 'therapies oriented model' is an **intense** focus on self help in a multidimensional way, as a solution to improving **Wellness Risk**. Wellness Risk is a new term with a dedicated website. We should say right off that Wellness Risk requires a **MEASUREMENT** process to gain numbers. That measurement process is available online.

While **Wellness Risk Management** understands the need for disease care, it has no interest in competing with Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care lobbying specialists interested in furthering a narrow model of disease care. Consequently, that ministry is not the place for Wellness Risk Management protocols to be housed. Disease and injury care are outside the Wellness Risk Management model.

THEREFORE

The cost for Wellness Risk Management does not fall on government, nor business or industry. There is always a cost. We can't get away from that cost element. Well, who bears the cost burden? That burden is quite easy to determine.

The person investing time in themselves, then benefiting from Wellness improvements, rightfully bears the cost. This helps to offer motivation to that person.

We try to keep that cost reasonable and that means a centralised cost control system is necessary. We do not want a fee-for-service system as they spiral out of control. Wellness Risk Management has set the WRM Head Office structure with the mandate to regulate costs. Ideally those costs should be handled by a future WRM Foundation. In the meantime, those costs will flow through the **WRM Directorship Instructor program** to pay instructors and to maintain WRM Head Office. First, I need the company's management team on board. Please contact us.