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Transforming Perspective on Older Adults: Conceptualizing the "Silver Tsunami" As a Cultural Paradigm Shift

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The purpose of this presentation is to showcase older adults as their own diverse group. The older adults are so unique, a "one size fits all" answer doesn't fit. To successfully transform nurses working with older adults, a shift to being inclusive in all things diverse needs to occur to meet the needs of this diverse "Silver Tsunami". Older adults need nurses to be culturally competent to serve their needs.

The target audience of this presentation is nurse educators in clinical and classroom settings for student nurses. These future nurses will be caring for the "Silver Tsunami" and need to see their diversity.