Discussions on oral health care among elderly Chinese immigrants in Melbourne and Vancouver


Reference:
Key Words:
oral health, Chinese, Canada and Australia comparative study, service access, appropriateness of service

Research aim:
This study explored how elderly Chinese immigrants value and relate to how acculturation influences oral health and subsequent service use

Results/Conclusion:
The similarity of concerns in both cities suggests that dissemination of information and availability of services are the important themes influencing oral health, and that, beliefs developed over a lifetime play an important role in interpreting oral health in the host country.

Implications:

Cultural Group(s):
Chinese

Location of study:
Melbourne, Vancouver

Age group:
Elders

Number included in study:
4 focus groups in Vancouver, 5 focus groups in Melbourne

Type of participants:
Chinese elders who migrated within the past 15 years and attend local community centres

Research approach:
Qualitative

Type of data:
Primary

Secondary data sources used:
Specific scales or analytical techniques used:
Implications/ Recommendations:
Notes: