

A profile of Victorian Seniors from Refugee Backgrounds Health and wellbeing needs and access to aged care health and support services

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Key Words:

older refugees, emerging communities, health, service access

Research aim:

To explore the experiences and needs of older refugees living in Victoria

Results/Conclusion:

Implications:

While these numbers are small compared to other migrant groups and to refugees from other age groups, the needs of this group are large. Their small numbers and high levels of need pose a challenge to health and community services because many of these refugee communities have neither the capacity nor the resources to support their elderly, or to lobby for appropriate care services.

Cultural Group(s):

Refugees

Location of study:

Victoria

Age group:

Number included in study:

N/A

Type of participants:

interviews with service providers and community workers who work with older refugee groups

Research approach:

Mixed methods

Type of data:

Mixed

Secondary data sources used:

ABS Census data, Home and Community Care data (HACC), Immigration settlement database data

Specific scales or analytical techniques used:

Implications/ Recommendations:

Notes:

This is a comprehensive report exploring the demographics and needs of older refugees in Victoria