

Ageing and the invisible suitcase

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Key Words:

CALD, policy, service access, integrated services

Research aim:

this article considers the work of Councils of the Ageing (COTA) in articulating and advocating to government the policies that will enable seniors to 'age well' and 'age in place', whatever their cultural or linguistic background.

Results/Conclusion:

The article argues that the diversity among older Australians must be reflected in policies and aged services. Older people from CALD backgrounds should enjoy integrated access to all aged services and not have to rely on targeted 'add-ons' to mainstream services. The article also discusses the concept of community based support, whereby services are delivered locally rather than people having to be relocated to receive them, as well as the importance of service providers' engaging with the community.

Implications:

Cultural Group(s):

Location of study:

Age group:

Number included in study:

N/A

Type of participants:

Research approach:

Type of data:

Secondary data sources used:

Specific scales or analytical techniques used:

Implications/ Recommendations:

Notes:

Not primary research - discussion piece