

# Health needs of migrant Vietnamese women in South-West Brisbane: an exploratory study

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**Key Words:**

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**Research aim:**

To explore and assess the health needs of Vietnamese migrant women

**Results/Conclusion:**

women have had to deal with culture shock, low self-esteem, lack of friends and relatives, unrecognized professional skills and most importantly in health terms, low socioeconomic status. Significant barriers to access health services and to improved health and well-being were also identified, such as language difficulties, transportation, time, and knowledge about health education.

**Implications:**

Recognition of specific requirements of sub-populations as well as broader socio-economic and cultural determinants of health should be a guide to more effective planning and implementation of health promotion strategies. The changing needs, over time, of these sub-populations should also be recognized.

**Cultural Group(s):**

Vietnamese

**Location of study:**

Brisbane

**Age group:**

18-65 years

**Number included in study:**

N/A

**Type of participants:**

Vietnamese women, service providers

**Research approach:**

Qualitative

**Type of data:**

Primary

**Secondary data sources used:**

**Specific scales or analytical techniques used:**

**Implications/ Recommendations:**

**Notes:**