

In care and on call: the endangered system of Australian family-based caregiving

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Research aim:

the burden of caregiving in Australia is identified as a gendered issue that is entrapping women. The chapter identifies the limitations of formal services and discusses the under acknowledged and under resourced provisions for minority segments of the population.

Results/Conclusion:

These last include older migrants, of whom a prevailing myth holds that their support needs are less and that their families can and will look after them. The chapter proposes future policy directions to alleviate the various burdens experienced by those who devote their lives to their dependents, thus relieving the government of its duty of care.

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 - a discussion chapter about the expectations and role of women in providing care and how care roles and expectations may vary for migrant women.