

Keeping It in the Family

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Research aim:

A study was carried out with 300 Australian-Greek families in Melbourne to explore whether migrant peoples 'look after their own' to a greater extent than do English-speaking groups

Results/Conclusion:

Distinct evidence of caregiving burden was found to a significant degree. Gender differences were apparent in the type of disorders managed, in the perceived severity of caregiving duties provided and in the total range of activities engaged in. The ethno-specific community organisations and extended family networks played little part in providing assistance to caregivers which challenges the myths of a close-knit migrant community looking after its own.

Implications:

Cultural Group(s):

Greek

Location of study:

Victoria (Melbourne)

Age group:

mean age 58 years

Number included in study:

300

Type of participants:

Australian-Greek families including 150 who were providing family based caring

Research approach:

Mixed methods

Type of data:

Primary

Secondary data sources used:

Specific scales or analytical techniques used:

Implications/ Recommendations:

Notes: