

Older migrants and their families in Australia

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Research aim:

Discusses the family experiences of older migrants - both those who came as young migrants and now have grown old, and those who came during their old age to join their adult children in Australia.

Results/Conclusion:

Valuable support for the wellbeing of older migrants is to be found in the size of the ethnic community to which they belong. The lesson may be that life in the old country has its attractions, and so does life in the new. Some sense of loss is normal, but that loss is, hopefully, more than compensated for by family, material benefit, good health care, and the personal factors that motivated the migration in the first place.

Implications:

Newer groups may require some services funded by the wider society until their own community is able to handle the task.

Cultural Group(s):

CALD

Location of study:

Australia (national)

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/lit review/secondary data about older migrants and different challenges faced by different types of older migrants.