

Caring for Persons with Dementia

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ABSTRACT

Globally, a new case of dementia is reported every 3 seconds (WHO 2017). Nearly 60% of people with dementia currently live in low- and middle-income countries and most new cases (71%) are expected to occur in those countries. The WHO Global Action Plan on the public health response to dementia 2017–2025 includes: increasing prioritisation and awareness of dementia; reducing the risk of dementia; diagnosis, treatment and care; support for dementia carers; strengthening information systems for dementia; and research and innovation. In this presentation, A/Prof Chan presents the results from a recently completed study examining the impact of providing targeted training to carers in order to reduce caregiver burden resulting from memory and behavioural issues of persons with dementia (PWDs). The presentation covers the prevalence of cognitive impairment among community-dwelling older persons and the impact of an NGO-based training programme for carers of PWDs on caregiver burden scores and quality of life. She will also share how the study results can be extended to other countries in the region.

SPEAKER



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A/Prof Chan's current research examines disability transitions, mortality and the effects of social support on health, caregiver burden and use of long-term care services. She has published widely on aging issues in leading international journals including the Journal of American Geriatrics Society, Journal of Aging and Health, and Journal of Gerontology Series B: Social Sciences and book chapters.

Her international work includes working with collaborators from Japan and USA on caregiving, work and retirement, and disability transitions. She has consulted for various local Singapore governments entities and international bodies such as the UNESCAP, The World Bank and the Asian Development Bank.

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