



Care Environments for People with Dementia

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Message from the Guest Editor

The number of people living with dementia is increasing rapidly, and a cure has not yet been discovered. Current estimates indicate that approximately 50 million people are living with dementia worldwide, and that number is expected to triple over the next three decades. People with dementia often require long-term care, especially when their disease progresses. Dementia influences the way people experience their care environment. Theories from various disciplines (e.g., psychology, nursing, geriatrics, public health, health sciences, gerontology) all stress the importance of the care environment on influencing the functioning and symptom presentation of people with dementia. In general, a match is needed between the person's needs, his/her abilities, and the environmental demands to ensure proper care for people with dementia.





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