

Preliminary study on dementia-friendly communities among Asian countries : A cross-cultural comparison

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Framework

Soft infrastructure

- Public awareness, sustainable human resources, social support system, etc.

Hard infrastructure

- Housing, road, etc.

Core value

Cultural-based DFC

- Religious
- Race
- Urban-rural

Objectives

To assess communities whether this is dementia-friendly

To compare among countries with different cultural background

To identify necessary components of dementia-friendly communities



To create public policies for DFC

Study sample

Sampling 2 different cities in each country

1. A good example city regarding DFC
2. A basic (ordinary) example city
Check the report of Alzheimer's Disease International (ADI)

Method

Case study (qualitative study; Participatory observation)

Interview guide for focus group discussion

Community assessment

Schedule

Now-2017.12 Make proposal

2018.1 –2018.3 Pilot study

2018.3 Recruiting

2018.4-2018.10 Survey (case study)

2018.11-2019.3 Synthesize the results/analyze

Prospective production

Report in conference, publish a paper, holding symposium, etc.