

Older people's experiences of sight loss in care homes

This publication summarises findings from research commissioned by Thomas Pocklington Trust to investigate the experiences of older people with sight loss in care homes. The research was carried out by Dr Lizzie Ward and Laura Banks from the University of Brighton

Summary findings

Older people with sight loss in care homes experience a range of challenges. These include difficulties with mobility, social isolation, and a loss of independence. Many people also experience a loss of identity and a sense of being 'invisible'.

Older people with sight loss in care homes often experience a loss of control over their lives. This is due to a lack of choice and a loss of autonomy. Many people also experience a loss of dignity and a sense of being treated as a child.

Older people with sight loss in care homes often experience a loss of connection with their community. This is due to a lack of opportunities to engage with others and a loss of social support.

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