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Despite six decades of worldwide efforts, there has been an increase (estimated to be 46% per 1,000 patient days from 1954–6 to 2006–10) in the number of patient falls in hospitals and other healthcare facilities.

348 Caregiver distress and associated factors in dementia care in the community setting in China
Jing Wang, Lily Dongxia Xiao, Xiaomei Li, Anita De Bellis, and Shahid Ullah

The high level of caregiver distress identified in this study suggests that dementia services and caregiver support should be established in the public healthcare system to target the needs of people with dementia and their caregivers.

355 Perceived barriers to infection prevention and control for nursing home certified nursing assistants: A qualitative study
Jasmine Travers, Carolyn T.A. Herzig, Monika Pogorzelska-Maziarz, Eileen Carter, Catherine C. Cohen, Patricia K. Semeraro, Ragnhildur I. Bjarnadottir, and Patricia W. Stone

Five key themes emerged as perceived barriers to effective infection prevention and control for nursing home certified nursing assistants: 1) language/culture; 2) knowledge/training; 3) per-diem/part-time staff; 4) workload; and 5) accountability.

361 Neuromotor training in older women living in long-term care setting: A pilot study
Paolo R. Bruscio, Daniele Magistro, Stefano Ivaldi, Marcella M. Caglio, Emanuela Rabaglietti, and Monica E. Liubicich

The intervention group showed steady and significant improvements in mobility, ADL, and fear of falling after the intervention, but the control group did not exhibit significant changes.

367 A literature review: Polypharmacy protocol for primary care
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No standardized protocols to address polypharmacy specific to the primary care setting were identified in this review of the literature.
The effectiveness of group reminiscence therapy for loneliness, anxiety and depression in older adults in long-term care: A systematic review
Sharifah Munirah Syed Elias, Christine Neville, and Theresa Scott

Notwithstanding the lack of empirical evidence, as there are no reported adverse events to reminiscence therapy, and it can be practically implemented in long term care settings, it should certainly be considered a worthwhile treatment.

Nutritional profile of older adults with chronic venous leg ulcers: A pilot study
Jodi C. McDaniel, Kaitlyn G. Kemmner, and Sarah Rusnak

A multidisciplinary treatment approach that includes routine dietary assessments followed by tailored dietary interventions may improve wound healing and long-term health outcomes in this older adult population.

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