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Adelaida Zabalegui, Maria Galisteo, Maria Montserrat Navarro, and Esther Cabrera

The INFOSA intervention reduced burden and emotional distress and enhanced caregivers' perceived social support in the short-term, suggesting that applying the intervention for an extended period could maintain the positive effect in the long-term.

- 434** **Infusion treatments and deep brain stimulation in Parkinson's Disease: The role of nursing**
Anna De Rosa, Alessandro Tessitore, Leonilda Bilo, Silvio Peluso, and Giuseppe De Michele

Infusion therapies need adequate training both of caregivers and nursing staff in order to assist clinicians in the management of patients in the complicated stages of disease.

- 440** **End of life care in nursing homes: Translating focus group findings into action**
Johannes Bükki, Petra M. Neuhaus, and Piret Paal

Nursing home staff expresses willingness to care for the dying. Being able to provide high quality end of life care even enhances their personal integrity and professional resilience. Therefore, team issues, fears, and avoidance should be addressed.

- 446** **Predicting long-term nursing home transfer from MI choice waiver program**

Xiaoting Wu, Chenxi Li, Kathleen Oberst, and Charles Given

This study provides insights on the characteristics of waiver elderly with increased hazards of long-term nursing home placement, and can be useful for policy-makers to develop relevant support to reduce LT-NH transfers from the home and community settings.

- 453** **Feasibility of nurses measuring gait speed in older community-dwelling Emergency Department patients**

Paula W. Tucker, Dian Dowling Evans, Carolyn K. Clevenger, Michelle Ardisson, and Ula Hwang

This project demonstrates Emergency Department (ED) gait speed screening may be feasible. Implications for practice should consider incorporating gait speed screening into routine nursing assessment to improve provider ED decision-making and disposition planning.

- 458** **How trained volunteers can improve the quality of hospital care for older patients. A qualitative evaluation within the Hospital Elder Life Program (HELP)**

Bas Steunenbergh, Roos van der Mast, Marije J. Strijbos, Sharon K. Inouye, and Marieke J. Schuurmans

The trained volunteers daily stimulate older patients, at risk of a delirium, to eat, to drink, and to exercise, and they provide walking assistance and cognitive stimulation.

- 464 Assessing knowledge, motivation and perceptions about falls prevention among care staff in a residential aged care setting**

Jo-Aine Hang, Jacqueline Francis-Coad, Bianca Burro, Debbie Nobre, and Anne-Marie

Preliminary findings suggest that education to change care staff behavior regarding falls prevention should target improving care staff knowledge and awareness of falls.

- 470 Expressing sexuality in nursing homes. The experience of older women: A qualitative study**

Domingo Palacios-Ceña, Rosa María Martínez-Piedrola, Marta Pérez-de-Heredia, Elisabet Huertas-Hoyas, Pilar Carrasco-Garrido, and Cesar Fernández-de-las-Peñas

Three main themes emerged from the data: expressing sexuality, sexuality as a duty, and respecting vows.

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This study supports the use of both Fear of Falling (FOF) Likert scale and Falls Self Efficacy Scale- International tools for thorough FOF measurement.

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