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- 24 Early Detection of Type 2 Diabetes  
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30 Complementary and Alternative Therapy Use by Older Adults in Three Ethnically-Diverse Populations: A Pilot Study

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38 Oral History: Validating Contributions of Elders

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For many older adults, reminiscence allows them to maintain continuity of self and contribute a legacy to future generations. This project utilized a group of elders and documented their World War II experiences. It provides a model that can be implemented in other arenas and community settings.



44 Anticipatory Grief and Chronicity: Elders and Families in Racial/Ethnic Minority Groups

Irene Daniels Lewis and Melen McBride

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