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Lay health worker intervention as a solution to manage pre-diabetes in Chinese living in inadequate houses

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Zoom Meeting ID: 980 0989 5132 Speaker: Dr. Crystal Ying Chan

Lay health workers, despite their lack of formal trainings, are important partners in providing accessible care to people with risk to develop diabetes in the community. While pre-diabetes and diabetes are more prevalent among people with low socioeconomic status, including those living in inadequate houses. However, this population often have accessibility problems to formal care services due to their financial and social disadvantages. In a high-income, developed Chinese society, this pragmatic randomized controlled trial seeks to investigate the effect of a 6-months lay health worker intervention in diabetes management among people living in sub-divided flats units in Hong Kong. Our trial is one of the first to investigate the effect of lay health worker intervention on pre-diabetes management in a low-income Chinese population residing in inadequate houses. This study could provide insights to consider alternative service provision models to people living with diabetes risk in the community.



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