

Personal Networks and Social Lives

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Research Abstract

This paper examines the relationship between the choice of residence for the aged and their support networks. We did a random-sample survey (using questionnaires) of 432 adults in Kanazawa city in 2000 October. The data contains 263 cases of males and females, aged from 20 to 64. The response rate is 60.9%. The analysis of the data provides the following findings :

1. Respondents who can expect that they will spend their declining years with their spouses, are more likely to opt for staying at home when they need care.
2. As for males, men who can expect to be Cared for by their own children are more likely to choose to stay at home before going into a nursing home, When they need care.
3. The support network size in everyday life is not significantly relate to choice regarding type of care, It consists of three types, staying at home, going


into a public nursing home, and living at a private elderly residential home.


4. 28.0% of respondents aged from 40 to 64 choose to go into a public nursing home when they need care in the future, while only 12.8% of respondents aged from 20 to 39 choose to stay in a public nursing home in their old age. The younger generation may prefer a private elderly residential home. The reason for this is, it is considered that the older generation puts trust in the system of public nursing homes, but the younger generation does not. The problem of young people's general distrust in the elderly welfare system will have to be discussed as one of the main political issues in the nearfuture.

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