Older Adult Technology Preferences

Research suggests that older adults adopt technology for different reasons than younger adults. Although more older adults are becoming familiar with technology in their daily lives, many older adults still lag in technology adoption when compared with other adult populations. Understanding older adult technology preferences can help ensure that the products designed for older adults meet the expectations and preferences of the population.



Fall Detection Devices

Older adults were asked about their preferences and opinions on fall detection devices. I participated in the qualitative analysis of the transcripts of these focus groups.

Robotic Technology



Adults, both older and younger, were asked to complete a survey about their perceptions of robotic technology in their everyday lives. I participated in collecting the data and analyzing the research to determine if there were significant differences in perceptions among older and younger adults.



Personal Health Records (PHRs)

My dissertation explores older adult, caregiver, and home heath preferences on personal health record technology in home health care environments.

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