Supporting Older People through Telecare

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Abstract: This paper reports on a study investigating the triggers leading to older people needing increasing levels of care and support. A literature review revealed over 100 of these trigger factors and, through a consultation exercise, these were prioritised to identify 36 factors with the greatest significance. Assistive technologies, and specifically telecare technologies, were then mapped against these factors to discover how technology can be applied to mitigate them and effectively support older people.

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