

# 치매친화 생활환경 조성을 위한 정책개선 방향 연구

A Study on the Policy Improvement for a Dementia-friendly Living Environment

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SUMMARY

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Elderly people with dementia in Korea are tend to be recognized as patients that are subject to unconditional care. However, dementia seniors cannot be understood only as unconditional care targets, in a situation where the propotion of the elderly with dementia is increasing in proportion to the increasing elderly population in Korea. It may be a policy to support the improvement of the quality of life of the elderly with dementia and care families to help them live with their family and enighbors in ther homes that are familiar to them. Korea's support for the elderly with dementia remains in case management centered on health and welfare services, and there is lack of concerns at the architecture and urban design level where the elderly with dementia and their care families can maintain their existing quality of life in the community before considering entering the facility.

This study was conducted with the aim of establishing the concept of a demetia-friendly living environment that can support the continuous residence of dementia elderly and caring families in the community and deriving policy improvement directions for creating a dementia-friendly living environment.

To achieve the research purpose, this study examined the necessity of combining the community living environment and dementia management services, and reviewed current laws, systems, plans, and projects on the management and support of the elderly with dementia. This study also conducted a case study on the creation of a dementia-friendly living environment at home and abroad, a public survey, and an in-depth interview survey (FGI). Based on domestic and foreign policy status and cases related to the creation of a dementia-friendly living environment, and the results of an in-depth interview, the policy improvement direction for the creation of a dementia-friendly living environment in Korea was suggested.

**Keywords**

Dementia, Dementia Care, Housing, Living Environment, Dementia-friendly Living Environment, Aging in Place, Aging in Community