

Quality of Social Care for the Elderly

The Effects of Public Funding on Social Care Systems and Social Care Provision

Quality of social care – multiple definitions to be accounted for

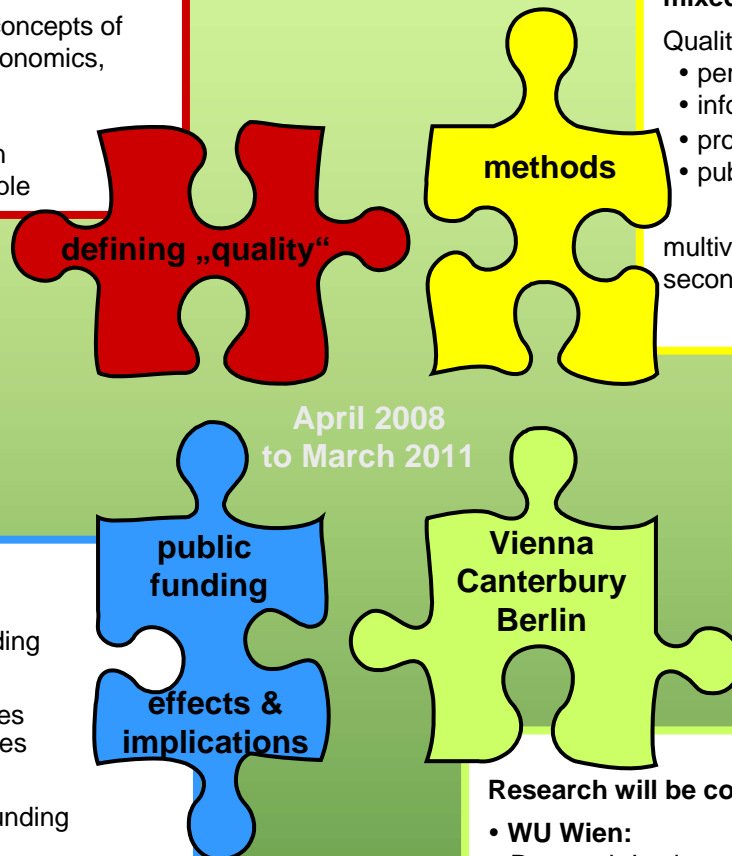
Integration of disconnected concepts of quality of social care from economics, public health, health care, gerontology, social work, ...
...with a special emphasis on the needs of frail elderly people

Empirical research: mixed methods approach:

Qualitative Interviews with

- persons in need of LTC
- informal carers
- professionals
- public authorities

multivariate analyses of secondary data



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Social care - typologies of public funding:

- levels/ share of public funding
- type(s) of funding agents (e.g. due to differing degrees of federalism/ responsibilities on a sub-national level)
- type of contract/ mode of funding

Social care – funding effects

Analyses of different systems of public funding with an emphasis on

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| a) access to | } social care services |
| b) mix of | |
| c) quality of | |

Implications for social policy

Research will be conducted at:

- **WU Wien:**
Research Institute for Economics of Aging & Institute for Social Policy
- **PSSRU-University of Kent:**
Personal Social Service Research Unit at University of Kent in Canterbury – England
- **DZA:**
German Centre of Gerontology – Berlin

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