Seven percent of the clients said their household has a med

...and 51% have a battery-powered radio. Thirty-

...water, 69% have a way to charge their phone without

...NSOAAP, 67% said they have ready 3 days’ worth of food

...emergency preparedness. Among 5,136 respondents of the 2022

...annual National Survey of Older Americans Act Participants

...and respond to emergency directions. For these reasons, in

...and/or chronic health conditions, making it difficult to access

...emergency or crisis. Many OAA clients have mobility challenges

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...EVALUATION OF THE IMPACT OF COMMUNITY

...In 2019, the Korean government launched a community
care project in response to the rising need for care brought

...on by the nation’s aging population and state-funded medical

...expenses. Namyangju, Korea, has implemented community
care for the care of older people. However, little is known

...about how to ensure the sustainability of community care

...by investigating the impact of community care services. To

...enhance our knowledge in this domain, we conducted focus
group interviews (FGI) with 24 participants, including 18 ser-

...vice providers and six older adult service users, from August
to November 2022. In the FGI, service providers and users

...identified vehicle and meal support services as core needs.

...They described the beneficial outcomes of these services, such

...as increased psychological well-being and the desire for inde-

...pendence and decreased depression. On the other hand, users

...expressed difficulty in accessing information about various

...services and mentioned restrictions on service usage (period,

...number of times), while the providers emphasized the diffi-

...culty of providing comprehensive services when health and

...welfare services were separated amid budget constraints.

...Both groups proposed solutions to these problems through

...community care services. Individual citizens’ perceptions of

...universal welfare should be changed, while institutions must

...actively promote this program and recruit professionals. A

...partnership between private and public institutions must be

...established at the regional level, and services must be dif-

...ferentiated to reflect the region’s distinctive features. Finally,

...national legislation must be enacted to promote care coordi-

...nators and ensure that appropriate budgets are allocated for

...successfully operating the program.