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Supporting paper

Introduction

The approach of supporting paper incorporated the standpoint of the debate along with the views of others and the reflection of the information provided in the debate. Furthermore, strengthening the debate with the help of statics and governmental support, the study aims to confirm the affirmative debate on the topic that ageing population does not pose challenge to the society

What was your standpoint in the debate?

The standpoint of the debate is to present the opposing view that ageing population do not pose challenge to the society because of the effective use of technology in the health and social care sector and. The use of these technologies in the health care sectors help the older population to live a quality of life and mitigate the risk of social and psychological issues which helped to manage the risks of health issues along with living a quality of life with effective conveniences.

The debate also presents the viewpoints of the other group which lead to an analysis of the fact that ageing population pose a challenge to the society fort their dependence and financial constrain.

What were the other views on the debate?

The viewpoints of my group were all positive that ageing does not pose a challenge to the society in general because of the benefit they bring to the table. It must be noted that the limited use of technology can help manage the risk as well as to live a quality of life. Furthermore, it can be observed that due to the lack of knowledge in the effective use of technology.

Reflect on the information provided in the main points discussed during the debate

The reflection of the information presents the increasing use of technology in order to perform the activities of elderly daily lives. The elderly use of technology by the target population leads to certain benefits for them are intertwine with socialization, convenience, management of health issues and entertainment are considered the primary benefits. As seniors in the UK are

observed to live alone because of high nutrition food they eat couple with their good living condition while as managing of their health issues along with monitoring complex health issues effectively. Socialization with the help of technology among elderly population helps the management of depression, stress, and anxiety (Latikka *et al.*, 2020). The use of technology fosters communication and thus helped reduce loneliness and experience better mental and physical health outcomes (Latikka *et al.*, 2021).

statistics on the ageing UK population that are relevant to your topic.

The statistics presenting the use of technology by the older population help in the analysis that 77 per cent of the population aged over 65 used the internet during the year 2020.

In this context, it can be stated that the use of the internet and technology among women aged between 75 and above has doubled since the year 2011. The recent use of technology by the age group between 65 and 74 years is observed to increase from around 52 per cent to 83 per cent from the year 2011 to 2019, respectively (Ons.gov.uk, 2022). More than 28 per cent of the adults above the age of 75 are observed to use tablets which have increased from 15 per cent in the year 2015.

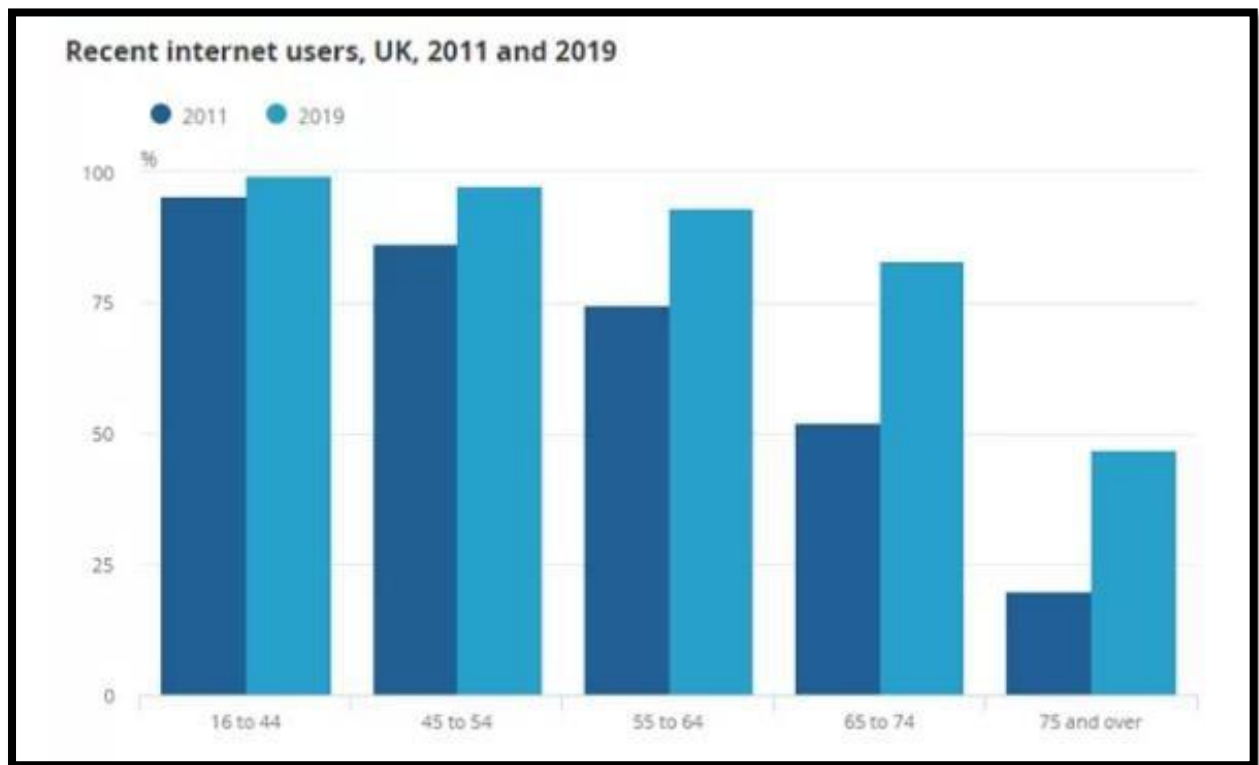


Figure 1: Statistics of the older population using technology in the UK (Source: Lifeline24.co.uk, 2022)

Explore current government support or services in place to support the UK elderly population

The current governmental support provided by the government is considered as the implementation of various applications which can be effectively used by the older population. The application designed for adults involves a simple design, which provides easy help for managing difficulties and living a quality life.

Thus, the advantage of the use of the technological applications by the older population helps in the increasing use of health monitoring devices and improvement in communication with healthcare professionals.

The government of UK provides the effective support and encouragement by providing services to adopt the technology (Moghavvemi *et al.*, 2021). Furthermore, with awareness provided to the seniors focusing on their living condition and their financial independence helped them lived longer.

Explore the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on the older person and relevant services

The impact of the covid-19 pandemic is observed to decrease social life and fewer in-person special interactions for the seniors. This leads to a reduction in the quality of life and increases reports of depression and loneliness. Furthermore, the pandemic facilitated the difficulty in accessing the services, which led to disturbances in sleep and reduced rates of physical activities (Lebrasseur *et al.*, 2021). Analyzing the impacts imposed on the healthcare services accessed by the seniors, it can be observed that a pandemic presents significant challenges in accessing medical treatments and healthcare services. In this context, it can be observed that older patients present an increased risk of loss and breakdown in social networks, which is further related to the impact of Covid-19. The pandemic thus creates a situation that results in difficulty in the mental and psychological support needs of the much older population. Thus in this context, the implementation of technology plays a crucial role in strengthening the social lives of seniors. With the help of technology, the older population can enjoy the benefits of socialization along with easy access to healthcare services whenever required (Unsdg.un.org, 202). Technology provides the crucial helps required by the senior to live a quality of life and to improve the complexities of health issues.

Conclusion

The supporting paper provides the required advantages of ageing population in our society to enhance the mental and physical health outcomes of adults. Technology during the pandemic situation has significantly helped the older population manage socialization and to access the needs and services provided by the healthcare sectors.

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