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Given the profound effects of the thriving policy perspective ‘ageing in place’ on the everyday life, it is imperative that care and support services pave the way of this aspiration of both older individuals and governments. Although many efforts have concentrated on the modification of health and social responses to enhance people’s chances to ‘stay put’ as long as possible, effective frailty management is hampered as a consequence of ignoring the dynamic and intertwining person-environment relationship. Moreover, frail people have often been perceived as passive consumers that do not have mastery over their life. In this regard, this book provides knowledge about the critical conditions for effective frailty management, and enables the development of three frameworks that support frailty management to successfully age in place.

Starting from the ‘framework for frailty management’, this book contributes to a more effective frailty management as it emphasises the individual in the care process and guides policy makers and professionals to empower frail people. Second, the ‘tool for risk detection’ enables the detection of neighbourhoods that experience specific care needs and allows political and administrative services to define concrete policy priorities. Third, the INClusive CAre framework allows responding to the diversity in demand through customising the care contents to the specific neighbourhood and the local residents. Moreover, the INCCA framework suggests a paradigm shift by positioning the frail individual at the core of the care process, and by including both the support (i.e. formal and informal carers) and environmental context (i.e. neighbourhoods) in the organisation of care and support.

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