Employment Among Older Adults with Combined Hearing and Vision Loss

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Abstract

This primarily exploratory study provides detailed information about the employment status and experiences of a group of older adults with combined hearing and vision loss. Data was obtained from two sources: primary data collected through a survey and secondary data obtained from a nationally representative sample. Results indicate that many older adults with combined hearing and vision loss do work or want to work, and that accommodations, assistive technology, higher education levels, and changing jobs or type of work are associated with continued employment for this population. Based on the results, suggestions for VR counselors in working with older adults with combined hearing and vision loss are provided.

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