

Costing Foodservices in Aged Care Is More Than Food Alone: The Development of the FCT

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Study

Development and validation of a foodservice costing tool for residential aged care

What was found

The Foodservice Costing Tool (FCT) consists of eight domains, measuring costs involved directly or indirectly in the foodservice. Due to the impacts of Covid-19 only a small number of homes were recruited to use the tool, however, results showed that this small subset could use the FCT to calculate their foodservice costs and these were comparable to national reported estimates.

Practical Applications

The foodservice costing tool could be used by residential aged care homes to understand their foodservices costs within greater granularity. Further testing of the tool is required to measure the tool's validity and use in different foodservice settings.

If you would like to participate in further testing of the foodservice costing tool please contact Mikaela Wheeler.

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