The False Promise of Technology Use in Assisting People Experiencing Homelessness

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Introduction

- Health outcomes and people experiencing homelessness

- The digital divide

- Technology as intervention

Methods

- Cross-sectional survey

- 210 participants

- Multiple linear regression

- Relationship between internet use and wellbeing

Results

- No relationship between internet use and wellbeing in the context of homelessness

- Internet use related to age

- Wellbeing related to mental health and social support

Conclusions

- Breaking down the digital divide is not sufficient to anticipate changes in wellbeing
  - Need to understand confounding variables
  - Need to better refine out interventions