Translating research into practice

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This presentation outlines the translation of the study findings – both the understandings of loneliness and the strategic framework, into practice. Examples from four demonstration projects will be discussed to illustrate how the findings were translated and implemented into practice, and what impact the findings have had on practice. The projects were: Happy at Home, Social Networking for Older People Using Technology, The Living Well Model and a Self Help Resource Folder. The focus of the presentation will be on how the projects were informed by the five dimensions of loneliness identified, and how the framework was used to guide development and evaluation. Vignettes will be used to illustrate each project.