# Spirituality and Chinese aging

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#### **Chinese cultural values of aging**

Good aging is lifelong life surrounded and cared by children and grandchildren.



#### **Chinese cultural values of aging**

- longevity
- respect
- filial piety

## **Spirituality and Chinese aging**

- Finding of an aging study from Singapore (Ng et al. 2009)
- Spirituality is one of salient determinants of successful aging in terms of functioning and wellness including cognitive and affective status, physical health, social functioning, engagement and life satisfaction.
- Finding of a research from Hong Kong (Wang et al. 2008)
   Spirituality played a mediating role in the linkage between vision impairment and general mental health.
- Spirituality was significantly associated with multiple domains of health related quality of life and it may play an important role in the process of adaptation to age-related loss among Chinese older adults with vision impairment.

### Healthy aging and spirituality for Chinese elderly immigrants

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老有所養 Nurturance and Sustenance
老有所用 Contribute to Society