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Construction Workers' Well-being: Time to Fly the Flag for Suicide Prevention in Australia

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Issue

Despite a lot of the consideration and money goes towards workplace health and safety, in the construction industry, statistic shows that death by suicide six to seven times more than on-site accidental deaths in Australia. This shows the obvious amount of time and effort we need to put in to stop the deaths among construction project workers (Dong et al., 2012; Milner et al., 2014; Welch et al., 2005). Thus, the aim of this research is to identify whether suicide ideation among construction project workers could be predicted based on personality traits and coping strategies.

Research Design

The Q methodology will be considered to explore the construction workers issues (Previte et al., 2007). This method has been used in various fields such as psychology, health, science, religion and pornography (Cross, 2004).

Discussion

Our study suggests an associations between certain personality types, coping strategies and suicide ideation among construction project workers.

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