

11 October 2017

Finnish Standards Association SFS
P.O.B 130 (Malminkatu 34)
FI-00101 Helsinki
Finland

Statement of position on ISO/TS/P 269

The Finnish Union of Practical Nurses (SuPer) disapproves of the establishing of an ISO committee on Ageing societies.

Our statement is based on our experiences of elderly care, including the quality of elderly care services and the working conditions of our members working in elderly care.

SuPer represents the majority of the workforce in elderly care services, both in institutional care (nursing homes, residential care, sheltered housing etc) and homecare. A comparison of care providers who follow ISO standards and those who do not has proved, that the quality of elderly care services is worse if ISO standards are followed. Working conditions are also poorer for employees of service providers using ISO standards.

SuPer has 90 000 members working mostly with elderly people. For more information, please contact Leena Kaasinen tel. +358 9 27279151.

Kind regards

The Finnish Union of Practical Nurses



Silja Paavola

Chair