Internet for serving seniors

Internet use is increasing among older adults as they discover its power to communicate with family and friends and to access online services.

Grandis is an EU funded project for exploring other benefits of the Internet for older adults, especially how it can support health and care.

We would like to ask you some questions that will help us understand your experiences with using the Internet and how it could be used more effectively. The survey is completely anonymous because we are not asking any questions that can personally identify you in any way. Your participation is, of course, entirely voluntary.

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1. What is your gender?	7. What is your current work status? (more answers				
	possible)				
Female	Employed full-time				
2. What is your age?	Employed part-time				
55-64	Unpaid voluntary work				
☐ 65-74					
	8. What help do you currently have with your household				
85+	and living needs? (select all that apply)				
3. Who do you live with? (select all that apply)	I do not need help				
Nobody (I live alone)	No help				
Spouse/partner	Some help with keeping the house clean and tidy				
Other family members or relatives	Some help with shopping				
Anyone under the age of 18	Some help with cooking				
Any non-relatives	Some help with laundry				
4. Do you have caring responsibilities? (select all that	Some help with household finances				
apply)	Some help with my own care (e.g. getting dressed,				
None	washing, eating)				
Primary carer of a child or children (under 18 years)	9. What help do you need or would like? (select all that				
Primary carer of disabled child or children	apply)				
Primary carer of disabled adult (18 years and over)	☐ I receive all the help☐ No help				
Primary carer of older person or people (65 years and					
over)	Some help with keeping the house clean and tidy				
Secondary carer	Some help with shopping				
5. Where do you live?	Some help with cooking				
☐ City/Suburb	Some help with laundry				
Town	Some help with household finances				
☐ Village	Some help with my own care (e.g. getting dressed, washing, eating)				
Rural or remote from other houses	10. How active are you in your everyday life?				
6. What is the highest level of educational qualifications	I am always busy				
for which you received a certificate? (more answers	I am often busy				
possible)	I am sometimes busy				
☐ No qualifications					
Certificates normally passed by the age of 16 (e.g. O level, CSE, GCSE)	☐ I don't do very much at all☐ I have nothing to do				
Certificates normally passed at the age of 18 (e.g. A level, BTEC, VCE)					
Higher education certificates (e.g. from a university,					

11. How would you describe your health status? Very good Good Fair Poor Very poor 12. Do you ever have accidents in your home? (fall over or lose your balance) No, I am very steady Yes, occasionally (a few times a year) Yes, I fall over or lose my balance quite often (several times a month) I'm always losing my balance or falling over (several times a week) 15. If you could change something in your life, what would it be	13. Do you feel safe in your own home? (think about burglary, fraudulent visitors, unwelcome guests, etc) I feel absolutely safe in my own home I mostly feel safe in my own house I sometimes feel safe at home but often think something bad will happen I never feel safe at home and always think something bad is going to happen 14. Do you ever feel lonely? I never feel lonely I sometimes feel lonely I often feel lonely I always feel lonely I always feel lonely
16. Are you interested in learning new things? Yes, I always want to learn	19. How would you describe your general level of technical knowledge?
I am interested in learning some things	I am an expert and can understand pretty well any
I don't want to learn anything any more	information technology
17. Do you use any of the following technologies in your own home? (select all that apply)	I am an advanced user and confident that I will be able to use most technology
Computer, laptop	I have reasonable knowledge and can do things like
☐ Tablet pc	sending emails, interacting with social media, ing
☐ Internet	packages for creating documents and spreadsheets, etc.
Smart phone	I know a bit but am only really able to do basic things
Personal emergency alarm	like search the web and buy things online
☐ "Smart" gadgets (smart phone, activity sensor, sleep	I don't know anything about technology
monitor, physiological monitors for heart te, blood	20. Would you be interested in using any "smart" gadgets
pressure, etc) 18. If you had access to the right technology and knew how to use it, what would you want it for? (select all that	that can track your activity and wellbeing (e.g. smart phone, activity sensor, sleep monitor, physiological monitors for heart rate, blood pressure)?
apply)	Yes, absolutely
Access to health services and advice	Yes, depending on what they measure and how they
Staying in touch with friends and family	work
Contacting public services	Not really, unless somebody can give me some good
Access to cultural activities	reasons Definitely not
Shopping	Definitely not
Access to people who can help with household jobs (repairs, maintenance etc)	

21. Would you be willing to use the following online health and care services (select an answer for each one):					
		Yes	Maybe	No	
Medical consultation and help in case of an emergency at any time)				
Talking to a doctor or a nurse online at an appointed time					
Ordering prescribed medicines that are then sent to your home					
Accessing test results online or, getting them by email					
Automatically alerting clinical services through a personal emerger some other technology in your home (e.g. when you press an eme if sensors detect you have had a fall)	logy in your home (e.g. when you press an emergency button or ou have had a fall)				
Have health and fitness data measured and sent to your doctor or					
Participating in an online forum where you could discuss health ma others.	atters with				
22. Are you worried about your care needs being a burden on family/friends now or in the future because you are iving at home? Yes, definitely I worry about it sometimes No, it doesn't worry me at all	works	own home a nto resident initely	nd makes it les	ss likely that	