

# **MATCH Colloquium Summary**

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# Key Points 1

- generations of telecare technology:
  - 1st generation (simple, active, 1.5M alarms in UK)
  - 2nd generation (passive, non-invasive monitoring)
  - 3rd generation (proactive, preventative)
  - 4th generation (smart, intelligent)??
- technology design:
  - informed consent becomes more difficult as technology advances
  - poor design should not stigmatise the user
  - assistive technology should 'make the grandchildren jealous'



# Key Points 2

- issues:
  - technology adoption is moving *very* slowly (since 1992)
  - the user should control the technology, not vice versa
  - managing reactive care services is already challenging, proactive services will be more so
- training and education:
  - should be in University/College courses
  - vital for professional carers and support staff
  - end users and informal carers also need awareness of technology benefits and limitations



# Future

- future events:
  - dramatisation (19th/20th April, Dundee)
  - stakeholder workshop (Autumn 2007?)
  - colloquium (Spring 2008?)
  - professional training (being explored)
- keep in touch:
  - newsletter
  - monitor web site
  - consortium open to new contributions

# Thanks

- to the speakers for their talks
- to Louise for organising the event
- to you for coming



