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**"Passion for Living" Model of human occupation in the context of deprivation of occupational participation of older adults in a institutional context.**

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The purpose of this paper is to show the use of the Model of Human Occupation (MOHO) in the process of empowering older adults living in a context of institutionalization in a Latin American country. MOHO is one of the most trayectory models of occupational therapy and has delivered elements that allow contextual understanding of the interaction between the people's occupations and their environmental conditions of participation in occupations.

We present an experience of 6 years of community work with a group of 50 older adults (average age 85 years) who have been confronted with conditions of institutionalization. There is empirical evidence showing the serious consequences of institutionalization in humans, mainly the loss of his citizenship, loss of human rights and loss of power.

It is intended to show that providing opportunities for participation in occupations, guided by the remotivational process (de las Heras, CG, Llerena, & Kielhofner G. V. (2003) of the MOHO, it begins to give power to this group of older adults which ultimately leads to the creation of a community organization ( "Passion of Life") in the context of the institution where they live, enabling them to improve their quality of life, to ensure their rights as citizens, begin to be visible face to the community and state agencies to support older adults overcome prejudice, discrimination and receive funding to develop its own independent projects.