

THURSDAY, MAY 9, 2024

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

10:00 – 11:00 AM EASTERN

DE-PRESCRIBING IN TYPE 2 DIABETES: WHO, WHEN, WHERE, HOW, AND WHY

Track: Research CME/CE: 1.0

Moderator: Kathryn E. Callahan, MD, MS

Sponsored by the Medical and Surgical Specialties Section

This symposium aims to review the current state of the science in pharmacological management of type 2 diabetes mellitus (T2DM), with a particular focus on de-prescribing in alignment with the American Diabetes Association guidelines. Learning Objectives: (1) describe the risk/benefit ratios for intensive glycemic control across the heterogeneity of the older adult population; (2) review characteristics of person, place, and time that serve as effective points of transition to fuel a conversation about de-prescribing; and (3) name current technologies, and current care pathway strategies that show promise for safe and effective de-prescribing.

De-Prescribing in T2DM: What Is It, and Why Do It?

Kathryn E. Callahan, MD, MS

De-Prescribing in T2DM: Who, When and Where?

Alexandra K. Lee, PhD, MSPH

De-Prescribing in T2DM: How to Do So? Current Technologies

Chinenye Usoh, MD

De-Prescribing in T2DM: How to Do So? Interprofessional Collaborations

Joshua D. Niznik, PharmD, PhD

10:00 – 11:00 AM EASTERN

CPT CODING: BASIC PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICE

Track: Clinical Practice CME/CE: 1.0

Speaker: Peter Hollmann, MD

This session will help the attendee become aware of coding that is especially relevant to geriatrics health care professionals. Specific topics that will be addressed include: E/M (office and facility visit codes and Medicare Preventive Medicine codes) and an overview of coding and billing for the geriatrics professional. Learning Objectives: (1) describe basic coding principles; (2) discuss key Medicare payment rules; and (3) interpret how to relate these to practice management.

10:00 – 11:00 AM EASTERN

GERIATRIC EDUCATION MATERIALS AND METHODS SWAP

Track: Education CME/CE: 1.0

Sponsored by the Teachers Section and the Education Committee

Moderator: TBD

This session presents a forum for teachers of geriatric education to share topics and materials of common interest, such as program development, curriculum, educational process and research in teaching and evaluation. Learning Objective: (1) describe and exchange geriatric education and teaching materials.

10:00 – 11:00 AM EASTERN

EPIDEMIOLOGY PAPER SESSION

Track: Research CME/CE: 1.0

Sponsored by the Research Committee

Moderator: TBD

This session will present the latest peer-reviewed geriatrics research with questions and answers to follow. Learning Objectives: (1) discuss new and original geriatrics research; (2) describe an emerging concept or new scientific focus in aging research; and (3) summarize the key findings of projects with relevance to care of older adults.

Association of Non-English Language with Surgical Wait Time and Post-Operative Outcomes Among Older Adults with Hip Fracture

Christina Reppas-Rindlisbacher, MD

Low Mid-Life Dietary Protein Intake Predicts Higher All-Cause Mortality Over Five Decades: The Kuakini Honolulu Heart Program

Pedro Joaquin Ayau Aguilar

Trajectories of Xanthine Oxidase Inhibitor Use and Cardiovascular Risk among Older Adults

Earl Morris, PharmD, MPH, PhD

Prevalence of Potentially Inappropriate Medications Among Community-dwelling Patients with Dementia and Associated Healthcare Utilization

Caroline M. Mak, PharmD candidate

SECTIONS

10:00 – 11:00 AM EASTERN

FELLOWS-IN-TRAINING SECTION

Track: Networking

Chair: Brent Schell, MD

Please join other fellows, faculty members, and leaders in geriatrics at the annual Fellows-in-Training meeting. This event is a unique opportunity to share and discuss ideas, past experiences, and future career plans while networking with colleagues and mentors from across the country.

10:00 – 11:00 AM EASTERN

NURSES SECTION

Track: Networking

Chair: Margaret I. Wallhagen, PhD, GNP-BC, AGSF

Join other nurses, nursing students, and AGS leaders at this special session. The Section meeting will also include time for networking and presentations by AGS nursing leaders.

10:00 – 11:00 AM EASTERN

PHARMACISTS SECTION

Track: Networking

Chair: Teresa M. DeLellis, PharmD, BCPS, BCGP & Tasha Woodall, PharmD, BCGP

The Pharmacists Section meeting is an opportunity for pharmacist members of AGS to network, share information about their AGS presentations, and discuss ways to collaborate.

10:00 – 11:00 AM EASTERN

SOCIAL WORKERS SECTION

Track: Networking

Chair: Dawn E. Butler, JD, MSW

Please join other social workers and social work students at the Social Workers Section meeting. This session will provide an opportunity to meet, network, and collaborate with other social workers in the field of aging.

**10:00 - 11:00 AM EASTERN
MEDICAL AND SURGICAL SPECIALTIES SECTION MEETING**

Track: Networking

Co-Chairs: Lauren Ferrante, MD, MHS & Una Makris, MD, MSc

Medical and surgical subspecialists will provide updates on activities within their disciplines, thereby showcasing opportunities for specialists to advance a geriatrics agenda within their specialty societies and their institutions. In addition, we will discuss career development topics relevant to junior faculty pursuing aging research. All medical and surgical subspecialists are encouraged to attend.

PLENARY SESSIONS

**11:15 AM – 12:00 PM EASTERN
PLENARY PAPER SESSION**

Track: Research CME/CE: .75

Sponsored by the Research Committee

Moderator: Mark A. Supiano, MD

This session will present the top three research abstracts based on average score, quality, originality and methodology of research. Learning Objectives: (1) describe emerging concepts or a new scientific focus in aging research; and (2) summarize the key findings of research with relevance to care of older adults.

FOXO3 Genotype Mitigates the Effect of Low Bioavailable Testosterone on Mortality: The Kuakini Honolulu Heart Program

Ayumi Emily Sakamoto, MD

Home Based Primary Care (HBPC) for Independence at Home Qualified (IAHQ) Veterans Lowers Costs and Expands Home and Community Based Services (HCBS)

Bruce Kinosian, MD

Decision Regret in Patients Considering Implantable Cardioverter Defibrillator

Tais Moreira Protasio, MD

**12:00 – 1:00 PM EASTERN
NEW ERA OF ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE DIAGNOSIS AND THERAPEUTICS**

Track: Clinical Practice CME/CE: 1.0

Co-Moderators: Esther S. Oh, MD, PhD & Noll L. Campbell, PharmD, MS

Sponsored by the Clinical Research in Dementia Special Interest Group

This program is intended to provide information for health professionals who want to learn more about the anti-amyloid monoclonal antibody (mab) for treatment of early symptomatic Alzheimer's disease (AD) with focus on lecanemab. Presenters will also discuss donanemab if it is FDA approved by May 2024.

Learning Objectives: (1) discuss the evidence and controversies surrounding the new mab AD medications, and how best to choose appropriate patient population, determine therapeutic dose/frequency/duration and monitor for adverse events; (2) review CMS's approach to addressing access to FDA approved medications and FDA cleared diagnostics, for Medicare beneficiaries with Alzheimer's disease; (3) describe the current brain health inequities in the United States and how beta anti-amyloid monoclonal antibody treatment will exacerbate these inequities without additional changes to our AD/ADRD prevention, diagnosis and care paradigms; and (4) discuss the healthcare delivery and economic implications of the FDA approval of medications, such as lecanemab, that target a broad population of people at risk or with Alzheimer's disease.

Use of Anti-Amyloid Therapy for Alzheimer's Disease in Clinical Practice

Esther S. Oh, MD, PhD

Coverage of FDA Approved Medications and FDA Cleared Diagnostics for Medicare Beneficiaries with Alzheimer's Disease

Shari M. Ling, MD

It's Not Just the \$26,500: How Existing Brain Health Inequities Will Be Exacerbated by Beta Anti-Amyloid Monoclonal Antibody Treatment and Real-World Opportunities and Solutions to Address These Challenges

Abraham A. Brody, PhD, RN, FAAN

Population and Economic Implications Treatment of People with or at Risk for Alzheimer's Disease

Julie Bynum, MD, MPH

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

1:15 – 2:15 PM EASTERN

PREOPERATIVE MANAGEMENT OF OLDER ADULTS UNDERGOING NONCARDIAC SURGERY

Track: Clinical Practice CME/CE: 1.0

Moderator: Elizabeth L. Whitlock, MD, MSc

Sponsored by the Cardiovascular Diseases and Aging Special Interest Group

Despite advances in surgery and anesthesiology, older adults remain at increased risk for postoperative complications, which in turn contribute to increased length of stay, functional decline, reduced quality of life, and increased cost. Learning Objectives: (1) discuss the implications of frailty for perioperative risk and discuss strategies for reducing risk and improving outcomes in frail patients undergoing noncardiac surgery; (2) utilize communication skills for culturally sensitive shared decision making and how to integrate what matters to patients and families into preoperative planning; (3) discuss strategies for perioperative pharmacological management designed to reduce postoperative complications, including delirium, bleeding, and organ-specific disorders; and (4) describe key recommendations from the 2024 ACC/AHA guideline for perioperative cardiovascular care as they pertain to older adults undergoing noncardiac surgery.

Case Presentation

TBD

Implications of Frailty for Preoperative Risk Assessment and Management

Shaista U. Ahmed, MD, MPH

Role of Shared Decision Making and Team-Based Care in Perioperative Management

Dianne Bettick, MSN, ACNS-BC, RN

Pharmacotherapy: Antithrombotics, Anticoagulants, Analgesics, and More

Shelly L. Gray, PharmD, MS

Update on 2024 AHA/ACC Guideline for Perioperative Management for Noncardiac Surgery

Michael W. Rich, MD, AGSF, FACC

1:15 – 2:15 PM EASTERN

VACCINES SYMPOSIUM

Track: Clinical Practice CME/CE: 1.0

Description coming soon.

1:15 – 2:15 PM EASTERN

COMMUNICATING EFFECTIVELY ABOUT DYSPHAGIA, DIET MODIFICATION AND ARTIFICIAL NUTRITION IN THE DEMENTIA PATIENT: THE PRACTICE, THE PROCESS AND THE PITFALLS

Track: Clinical Practice CME/CE: 1.0

Moderator: Nivedita Gunturi MD

In this session targeted for any providers who are practicing clinical medicine particularly in a hospital or PALTC setting, we will address the common pitfalls, myths and misconceptions around dysphagia, diet modification and artificial nutrition in dementia. Learning Objectives: (1) describe pathophysiology of oropharyngeal dysphagia; (2) critically review evidence highlighting the presumed benefits and shortcomings of diet modification and tube feeding in dysphagia, particularly the disparities between patients of different racial and socioeconomic backgrounds; (3) analyze common barriers to effective and transparent communication regarding the risks and benefits of artificial nutrition; and (4) implement a communication framework for navigating these goals of care conversations with residents and caregivers in a compassionate and person-centered manner.

Swallow Anatomy/Physiology and Dysphagia

Lauren Lorenson, MS CCC-SLP

The Evidence for Diet Modification & Artificial Nutrition

Elizabeth Zavala MD

A Framework for Effective and Meaningful Conversation About Dysphagia

Nivedita Gunturi MD

1:15 – 2:15 PM EASTERN

QUALITY MEASURES: HOW ARE THEY DEVELOPED, ENDORSED, AND APPROVED FOR USE?

Track: Public Policy CME/CE: 1.0

Co-Moderators: Sei J. Lee, MD, MAS & Michael H. Perskin, MD

Sponsored by the Quality and Performance Measurement Committee

This session will help clinicians and researchers better understand how quality metrics are developed, validated, endorsed, and finally approved for use. Learning Objectives: (1) describe the organizations and processes that ultimately result in quality metrics that are rolled out to health professionals; (2) identify the different roles played by various organizations in the quality metric process, including AGS, NCQA, Battelle and CMS; and (3) review the various ways to influence the quality metric development process, including engaging with AGS and the QPMC as well as contributing to public comments to CMS and other organizations.

Joint Replacement Patient Reported Outcome Performance Measure: From Inception to Practice

Michael H. Perskin, MD

Quality Measures: The Role of NCQA

Caroline Blaum, MD, MS

Quality Measures: The Role of NQF and Battelle

R. Sean Morrison, MD

CMS and Quality Metrics

Michelle B. Schreiber, MD

1:15 – 2:15 PM EASTERN

THE ABCS OF NIA GRANTSMANSHIP - FOR EARLY CAREER RESEARCHERS AND THEIR MENTORS

CME/CE: 1.0 Track: Research

Sponsored by the National Institute on Aging for new and early-stage researchers in cooperation with the AGS Research Committee

Moderator: Amy S. Kelley, MD, MSHH, *Deputy Director, National Institute on Aging*

The symposium is intended for investigators with current research training or career development awards, including “T,” “F,” or “K” funding, or GEMSSTARs. It is also intended for individuals who are interested in learning about these types of grant opportunities. The session targets the needs of new and early career investigators by providing an overview of NIA’s extramural research programs and initiatives, including a focus on emerging opportunities across NIA for Alzheimer’s and related dementias research. Funding and training opportunities, the Center for Scientific Review grants review process, and experiences of an early career researcher will also be featured. Learning Objectives: (1) describe the NIA mission and extramural divisions supporting early-stage investigators in clinical, biomedical, neuroscience, and behavioral and social research; (2) discuss recent policy changes which affect the funding environment; and (3) identify NIA’s resources for research training and grant application.

NIA Research Priorities and Opportunities for Early Career Researchers

Amy S. Kelley, MD, MSHH, *Deputy Director, NIA*

NIA Division and Office Overviews / How to Get a NIA Grant

Viewpoints from Junior Faculty Researchers

1:15 – 2:15 PM EASTERN

GERIATRIC EDUCATION PAPER SESSION

Track: Research CME/CE: 1.0

Moderator: Reena Karani, MD, MHPE

This session will present the latest peer-reviewed geriatrics research with questions and answers to follow. Learning Objectives: (1) discuss new and original geriatrics research; (2) describe an emerging concept or new scientific focus in aging research; and (3) summarize the key findings of projects with relevance to care of older adults.

Downward Trends in Geriatrics Education: A National Landscape Survey of Geriatrics Faculty Leaders at US Medical Schools

Beverly E. Tomita, Medical Student

Enhancing Geriatric Care: Insights from the UW ECHO in Geriatrics Program

Aylin Ozdes, PhD

Geriatrics Workforce Enhancement for Psychiatric Providers

Maria H. van Zuilen, PhD

Alignment of the ACGME Milestones for Internal Medicine and Family Medicine with Patient Priorities Care Core Skills

Timothy W. Farrell, MD, AGSF

PLENARY SESSION

2:30 – 3:30 PM EASTERN

HENDERSON STATE-OF-THE-ART LECTURE: THE GERIATRIC SURGERY VERIFICATION PROGRAM: A JOURNEY TO IMPROVE THE SURGICAL CARE OF OLDER ADULTS

Track: Clinical Practice CME/CE: 1.0

Moderator: Ronnie A. Rosenthal, MS, MD

This session will describe the efforts of the American College of Surgeons (ACS), together with the AGS and the John A. Hartford Foundation, to improve care for older adults considering and having surgery by developing a structured program and measures that address the goals and needs of each individual older adult. Learning Objectives: (1) describe the process used to develop the ACS Geriatric Surgery Verification quality program; (2) describe the measure available through the GSV for tracking the quality of surgical care in older adults; and (3) discuss the importance of having palliative care standards as part of the care of older adults considering or having surgery.

Introduction: The Team and the Groundwork

Ronnie A. Rosenthal, MS, MD

Developing the Standards and Creating a “Program”

Marcia M. Russell, MD

Overcoming the Challenges of Developing the Measures

Thomas N. Robinson, MD

Continuing the Progress: Adding Palliative Care Standards and More

Zara Cooper, MD, MSc

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

3:45 – 4:45 PM EASTERN

OSTEOPOROSIS MANAGEMENT ACROSS SETTINGS OF CARE – THE ROLE OF THE GERIATRICS HEALTHCARE PROVIDER

Track: Clinical Practice CME/CE: 1.0

Sponsored by the Osteoporosis and Metabolic Bone Diseases Special Interest Group

Moderator: Cathleen Colón-Emeric, MD, MHS

Learning Objectives: (1) describe the role of the geriatrics healthcare provider in reducing the osteoporosis treatment gap in older adults across settings of care; (2) conduct shared decision making with older adults about common outpatient dilemmas in osteoporosis management, including when to stop, switch, or initiate a medication holiday; (3) implement inpatient care pathways to reduce secondary fractures and mortality following osteoporotic fractures; and (4) utilize practical strategies to reduce injurious falls and fractures in the Skilled Nursing Facility.

Outpatient Conundrums in Osteoporosis Management

Richard Lee, MD, MHS

Inpatient Management of Osteoporotic Fractures

Karen Chahal, MD & Kathleen Drago, MD

The Role of SNFs in Fracture Prevention

Sarah Berry, MD, MHS

3:45 – 4:45 PM EASTERN

MEDICATE MINDFULLY! EXPLORING THE IMPACT OF ANTIPSYCHOTIC USE DURING AND POST HOSPITALIZATION

Track: Clinical Practice CME/CE: 1.0

Sponsored by the Clinical Practice & Models of Care Committee and the Care Transitions Special Interest Group

Moderator: Lynn McNicoll, MD

The intended outcome of this symposium is to provide the basis for, and an approach to modifying, institutional processes to reduce inappropriate antipsychotic medication use in acute care hospitals.

Learning Objectives: (1) review the impact of antipsychotic medication use on patients and care delivery in the hospitalization and post-hospitalization episode; (2) describe patterns and adverse effects of antipsychotic use during hospitalization; (3) describe consequences associated with in-hospital antipsychotic use on transitions of care; and (4) explore the implementation of an EMR-based clinical decision support tool.

Patterns and Adverse Effects of Antipsychotic Use During Hospitalization

Shoshana J. Herzig, MD, MPH

Effects of New Antipsychotic Use in Transitions of Care

Mriganka Singh, MD

Clinical Decision Support Tools to Guide Safer Pharmacotherapy for Hospitalized Older Adults

Kristel L. Chatellier, PharmD, BCPS

3:45 – 4:45 PM EASTERN

EAT WELL, LIVE WELL: ASSESSING AND ENGAGING OLDER ADULTS TO OPTIMIZE NUTRITION

Track: Clinical Practice CME/CE: 1.0

Moderator: Raele D. Robison, PhD, CCC-SLP

Sponsored by the Clinical Practice & Models of Care Committee and the Healthy Aging Special Interest Group

Nutrition is a cornerstone of health promotion and disease prevention and is integral to enhancing overall well-being of older adults. Learning Objectives: (1) identify opportunities to integrate brief discussion of nutrition and dietary choices into clinical practice with older adults; (2) recognize and access validated tools to assess and guide intervention for nutrition, malnutrition and food insecurity in the care of older adults; (3) recognize strategies and available resources to support healthier food choices and improve access to nutritious foods, particularly in lower socioeconomic status (SES) areas, while also addressing the needs of patients dealing with food insecurity; and (4) leverage social media and web-based approaches to engage patients in healthy eating.

Nutrition is Vital: A Clinician's Guide to Assessing Nutrition, Malnutrition and Food Insecurity in the Care of Older Adults

Emily A. Johnston, PhD, MPH, RDN, CDCES

Patient Education: Nutrition Resources at Their Fingertips

Elizabeth Eckstrom, MD, MPH

Engaging Patients: Leveraging Social Media and Web-Based Strategies for Healthy Eating

Anna R. Pleet, MD

3:45 – 4:45 PM EASTERN

NIA SYMPOSIUM FOR RESEARCHERS AT MID-CAREER AND BEYOND – OPPORTUNITIES FOR ESTABLISHED RESEARCHERS

CME/CE Credit: 1.0 Track: Research

Sponsored by the National Institute on Aging in cooperation with the AGS Research Committee

This symposium is intended for independently funded researchers at a mid- to senior career level. It targets the needs of research leaders and established investigators by providing an update from NIA staff on research programs and initiatives. Presentations will include current funding, new opportunities

including those related to Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias, and future priorities and research directions of NIA. Learning Objectives: (1) describe the current and future research foci of the NIA extramural divisions; and (2) discuss the current funding environment.

Overview of NIA Budget, and Priority Areas

Amy S. Kelley, MD, MSHS, *Deputy Director, National Institute on Aging*

NIA Division / Office Introductions

Division of Geriatrics and Clinical Gerontology:

Division of Behavioral and Social Research:

Division of Neuroscience:

Division of Aging Biology:

Office of Special Populations:

Training Office:

3:45 – 4:45 PM EASTERN

DISPARITIES: CAN WE DO BETTER? PAPER SESSION

Track: Research CME/CE: 1.0

Developed by the Research Committee

Moderator: TBD

This session will present the latest peer-reviewed geriatrics research with questions and answers to follow. Learning Objectives: (1) discuss new and original research in geriatrics; (2) describe an emerging concept or new scientific focus in aging research; and (3) summarize the key findings of projects with relevance to care of older adults.

Improving Functional Status among Older Adults Living in Subsidized Housing: A Pilot Study

Rebecca Brown, MD

Social Isolation in Adults with COPD is Associated with Higher All-Cause Mortality Risk

Angela Suen, MD

Sex-Related Differences in Exosomal Proteins Concentrations Throughout Age

Yuan P. Song, MSc

Transfers among Long-Stay Nursing Home Residents with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, Serious Mental Illness and Dementia

Ana Montoya, MD, MPH

POSTER SESSION

5:00 - 6:00 PM EASTERN

PRESIDENTIAL POSTER SESSION B

Track: Research

The Presidential Poster Session features posters that received the highest rankings from abstract reviewers. Posters will be judged and one poster in each category will be chosen to receive a "Best Poster" award.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

6:00 - 7:00 PM EASTERN

ACHIEVING HEALTH EQUITY AMONG DIVERSE OLDER ADULTS (AHEAD)

Track: Networking

Co-Chairs: Jane Jih, MD, MPH, MAS & Benjamin Han, MD, MPH

The mission of this SIG is to bring together AGS members with an interest in promoting health equity and reducing health and healthcare disparities among diverse older adults in order to 1) promote health equity initiatives at AGS; 2) develop programming and educational materials for AGS members; 3) create interdisciplinary relationships and mentorship with colleagues with an interest in health equity initiatives; and 4) cultivate collaborations in health equity-focused research and quality improvement initiatives among older adults.

6:00 - 7:00 PM EASTERN

CANCER AND AGING

Track: Networking

Co-Chairs: Imran Ali, MD, MS, MPH & Maya Abdallah, MD

Fellows Representative: Evgenia Granina, MD

The mission of this SIG is to assemble clinicians and investigators interested in improving the care of older adults with cancer. Activities range from disseminating the latest evidence in geriatric oncology, collaborating on research studies and clinical innovations, and discussing the integration of geriatrics into local oncology practices. A fundamental goal of this group is to find ways to more widely implement newly adapted treatment guidelines created in conjunction with the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) and the Cancer and Aging Research Group (CARG).

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM EASTERN

DEMENTIA CARE AND CAREGIVER SUPPORT

Track: Networking

Chair: Maria D'Souza, MD, MPH

This SIG will provide a forum for AGS members who are dedicated to providing clinical care for individuals living with dementia and support for their caregivers, in order to discuss clinical questions, exchange information and resources, and explore ideas for improving our individual and collective practice, towards advancing optimal dementia care.

6:00 - 7:00 PM EASTERN

GEROSCIENCE

Track: Networking

Chair: George A. Kuchel, MD

The Geroscience SIG brings together AGS members from varied backgrounds who all share a common interest in efforts to leverage our understanding of basic aging processes towards the discovery, validation and implementation of gerotherapeutic interventions designed to promote health, function and independence in late life.

6:00 - 7:00 PM EASTERN

HEALTH CARE FOR LOW-INCOME OLDER ADULTS

Track: Networking

Chair: Steven R. Counsell, MD, AGSF

The mission of the Health Care for Low-Income Older Adults AGS Special Interest Group is to improve the quality and outcomes of health care and maximize independence among low-income older adults by bringing together geriatrics professionals dedicated to the care of these older adults, disseminating practical solutions and innovative geriatrics team care models, and advocating for public policy change to better address the needs of this population.

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM EASTERN

HOME-BASED PRIMARY CARE (HBPC)

Track: Networking

Co-Chairs: Melissa Dattalo, MD; Namirah Jamshed, MD, AGSF

Administrator: Karly Denes

The mission of this SIG is to ensure every chronically ill, medically complex patient who is homebound and in need has access to quality HBPC that results in a profound improvement in medical outcomes,

patient and family experience, and healthcare spending. To accomplish our mission, we: (1) provide awareness of the value and rewards of HBPC to AGS members; (2) support AGS members dedicated to advancing the field of HBPC; and (3) collaborate and discuss HBPC models of care, best practices, and key metrics to measure performance and quality of care.

6:00 - 7:00 PM EASTERN

HOSPITAL ELDER LIFE PROGRAM (HELP) / DELIRIUM PREVENTION

Track: Networking

Chair: Eva Schmitt

The mission of our Hospital Elder Life Program (HELP) / Delirium Prevention is to allow all current and potentially interested HELP sites to come together to hear the latest updates about HELP and delirium prevention, as well as network and discuss successes and challenges anywhere in the planning or implementation process. The Hospital Elder Life Program (HELP) is an innovative model of hospital care designed to prevent delirium and functional decline and to improve overall quality of hospital care for older persons. The program has been demonstrated to be both effective and cost-effective, with the potential for large cost savings.

6:00 - 7:00 PM EASTERN

INTERPROFESSIONAL EDUCATION AND PRACTICE IN GERIATRICS

Track: Networking

Co-Chairs: Josette A. Rivera, MD & Todd C. James, MD

The mission of this SIG is to explore how broad health professional interest in collaboration is changing health education and practice. While geriatrics has long recognized the importance of teams, this has not been a widely recognized focus of health education or practice until recently. Interprofessional education refers to "two or more professionals learn[ing] about, from and with each other to enable effective collaboration and improve health outcomes." All are welcome!

6:00 - 7:00 PM EASTERN

JUNIOR FACULTY RESEARCH CAREER DEVELOPMENT SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP BUSINESS MEETING

Track: Networking

Chair: Thomas Cudjoe, MD, MP & Jessica Lee, MD, MS

The Junior Faculty Research Career Development Special Interest Group facilitates and fosters the research career development for junior faculty members, fellows, and students. We discuss research interests, academic career development, career choices, job opportunities, and a range of other topics pertinent to junior faculty development.

6:00 - 7:00 PM EASTERN

VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

Track: Networking

Chair: Marianne Shaughnessy, PhD, CRNP

This SIG offers an opportunity to discuss in an open forum announcements and key issues related to geriatrics, extended care clinical programs, and research and education initiatives. All VHA staff attending the AGS Annual Scientific Meeting, and all other interested meeting attendees, are invited to participate.