

THURSDAY, MAY 8, 2025

7:00 AM – 8:00 AM
COFFEE/TEA

7:30 AM – 8:00 AM
AGS MEMBERS BUSINESS MEETING

Meeting of the AGS membership. Reports on the status of AGS, highlights and introduction of the new President and Board members.

Opening Remarks and Announcements

Liron Sinvani, MD, *2025 Annual Meeting Program Chair*

CEO Remarks

Nancy E. Lundebjerg, MPA

Treasurer's Report

Alison A. Moore, MD, MPH, FACP, AGSF

Recognition of Outgoing Committee Members

Mark A. Supiano, MD, AGSF

Incoming President's Address

Paul Mulhausen, MD, MHS, FACP, AGSF

Recognition of New AGS Fellows

Paul Mulhausen, MD, MHS, FACP, AGSF

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

GERIATRIC FELLOWSHIP COORDINATORS AGE-ACT WORKSHOP

Track: Governance

Sponsored by the Association of Directors of Geriatric Academic Programs (ADGAP)

For Geriatric Fellowship Coordinators, the ever-changing curriculum and ACGME requirements make it imperative to provide support in mastering the increasingly complex day-to-day management of geriatric programs as a valued member of the education program leadership team. During this session, AGE-ACT will foster an environment of professional growth and development for coordinators supporting geriatric medicine programs by offering education resources for both novice and experienced members. Learning Objectives: (1) discuss administration and coordination of health care delivery, education, and research within the Geriatric Medicine Fellowship programs; (2) describe best practice strategies for supporting Program Directors; (3) discuss mentoring and professional development opportunities.

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

8:15 AM - 9:15 AM (this session will also be available on-demand)

AGE-RELATED HEARING LOSS: A PRIMER ON THE AAO-HNS CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES

Track: Clinical Practice CME/CE: 1.0

Moderator: Ardeshir Z. Hashmi, MD

This symposium will provide a clinically-oriented primer on how to identify and manage age-related hearing loss in a primary care setting. Learning Objectives: (1) describe the prevalence, consequences, and known disparities related to age-related hearing loss; (2) identify approaches to screening for hearing loss in a clinical setting; (3) discuss the benefits and options for addressing hearing loss with an emphasis on practical, accessible, and affordable options that advance hearing health equity, including

communication strategies, assistive technology, and amplification; (4) review the key action statements of the 2024 AAO-HNS Clinical Practice Guidelines on age-related hearing loss.

Age-Related Hearing Loss: What Is It? Why Does It Matter? How Can We Identify It?

Ardeshir Z. Hashmi, MD

Age-Related Hearing Loss: What Do We Do About It? What Can We Do in Geriatrics?

Carrie Nieman, MD, MPH

Age-Related Hearing Loss: What Comes Next? What Is After Hearing Aids?

Heather Weinreich, MD

8:15 AM - 9:15 AM

ENGAGING COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS IN 4MS CARE FOR OLDER ADULTS

Track: Models of Care CME/CE: 1.0

Sponsored by the Public Education Committee, CPMC Committee, Dementia Care and Caregiver Support SIG, Healthy Aging SIG, Interprofessional Education & Practice SIG, PPC SIG, and Pharmacists Section

Moderator: Lauren J. Gleason, MD, MPH, AGSF

Collaborating with community health workers (CHW) in health systems can further expand the Age-Friendly Health Systems (AFHS) movement to aging populations and address the 4Ms of AFHS for older patients who are marginalized. CHWs do not provide conventional clinical care but can facilitate outreach programs for health screening and education. They are often trusted members of the communities they serve and, as such, are uniquely positioned to address health disparities among older adults through advocacy and cultural understanding. Learning Objectives: (1) describe the breadth scope of CHW work with example models of care; (2) list the benefits of CHW roles in addressing knowledge and practice gaps related to the 4Ms; (3) discuss the benefits of engaging with the CHW workforce for public education to reduce health disparities.

CHW Role in Mind over Matter: Healthy Bowels, Healthy Bladder - Urinary and Fecal Incontinence

Jenil Bennett, BEd

CHWs in Partnership with MTM Pharmacists to Improve Medication Adherence (“Medications”) for Underserved Patients with Hypertension

Jeannie K. Lee, PharmD, BCPS, BCGP, FASHP, AGSF

Use of CHWS as Dementia Care Navigators

Don Scott, MD, MHS

8:15 AM - 9:15 AM

VA RESEARCH, FUNDING AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES IN GERIATRICS

Track: Research CME/CE: 1.0

Sponsored by the Research Committee

Description coming soon.

8:15 AM - 9:15 AM

GERIATRIC EDUCATION MATERIALS AND METHODS SWAP

Track: Education CME/CE: 1.0

Sponsored by the Teachers Section and the Education Committee

Moderator: TBA

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.

SECTIONS

8:15 AM - 9:15 AM

FELLOWS-IN-TRAINING SECTION

Track: Networking

Co-Chairs: Brent Schell, MD & Pavitri Dwivedi, DO

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.

8:15 AM - 9:15 AM

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.

8:15 AM - 9:15 AM

PHARMACISTS SECTION

Track: Networking

Co-Chairs: 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.

8:15 AM - 9:15 AM

SOCIAL WORKERS SECTION

Track: Networking

Chair: TBD

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.

PLENARY SESSIONS

9:30 AM – 10:15 AM (this session will also be available on-demand)

PLENARY PAPER SESSION

Track: Research CME/CE: .75

Developed by the Research Committee

Moderator: Paul Mulhausen, MD, MHS, FACP, AGSF

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.

10:15 AM – 11:15 AM (this session will also be available on-demand)

AN UPDATE TO THE AGS POSITION STATEMENT ON THE CARE OF LGBTQI+ OLDER ADULTS

Track: Clinical Practice CME/CE: 1.0

Sponsored by the Ethics Committee

This session will present the recently updated AGS Position Statement on Care of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer/Questioning, Intersex, and All Sexual and Gender Minority Older Adults. Learning Objectives: (1) describe the changing landscape and progress made in health systems, policy, and culture since the release of the preceding 2015 Position Statement; (2) summarize the historical lens of unequal treatment in laws and social structures; (3) discuss the gaps and need for training in LGBTQI+ health concerns; (4) identify research areas with paucity of data; and (5) review AGS recommendations in providing high-quality, equitable care for older LGBTQI+ adults to create affirming, inclusive environments that fully care for the intersection of their identities.

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM (this session will also be available on-demand)

BEST PRACTICES AND UPDATES IN THE MANAGEMENT OF BEHAVIORAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SYMPTOMS OF DEMENTIA

Track: Clinical Practice CME/CE: 1.0

Sponsored by the Clinical Practice and Models of Care Committee

Moderator: Nimit Agarwal, MD, MBA, AGSF

Behavioral and Psychological Symptoms of Dementia (BPSD) are a cluster of neuropsychiatric symptoms that can impact functionality and quality of life. More than 90% of all dementia patients are affected by BPSD at some point during their dementia progression. Learning Objectives: (1) identify Behavioral and Psychological Symptoms in Dementia (BPSD) promptly; (2) review best practices, non-pharmacological and pharmacological approaches in the management of BPSD; (3) discuss effective care transition strategies for BPSD, with emphasis on cultural and ethical implications when addressing BPSD; (4) discuss impact of social determinants of health in managing BPSD.

Prompt Identification and Quantification of Behavioral and Psychological Symptoms of Dementia

Sandeep Pagali, MD, MPH, AGSF

Best Practices in the Management of BPSD: Non-Pharmacological, Pharmacological, and Non-Invasive Newer Modalities

Manisha Parulekar, MD, AGSF

Effective Care Transition Strategies and Cultural and Ethical Implications When Addressing BPSD

Ella H. Bowman, MD, PhD, AGSF, FAAHPM, FACP

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM

PALLIATIVE PHARMACOTHERAPY FOR END-STAGE CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASES

Track: Clinical Practice CME/CE: 1.0

Sponsored by the Cardiovascular Diseases and Aging SIG

Moderator: Daniel Forman, MD

Patients with end-stage cardiovascular diseases commonly experience suboptimal treatment outcomes, high therapeutic burden, and poor quality of life. Palliative approaches for end-stage cardiovascular diseases provide an alternative approach that often helps patients better achieve care they value. However, compared to other life-threatening diseases, palliative care is underutilized among older adults with end-stage cardiovascular diseases. Learning Objectives: (1) explain why palliative pharmacotherapy is critical in the care of end-stage cardiovascular diseases among older adults; (2) review necessary medications used for palliative care for end-stage cardiovascular diseases among older adults; (3) discuss the process of deprescribing cardiovascular medications for palliative care for end-stage cardiovascular diseases among older adults; (4) describe the value of pharmacists, geriatricians and cardiologists working together in the care for end-stage cardiovascular diseases among older adults.

Right Patient, Right Time: How and When to Initiate Palliative Pharmacotherapy

Katherine E. Di Palo, PharmD, MBA, MS, FAHA, FHFSA

To Deprescribe or Not Deprescribe: That is the Question

Parag Goyal, MD, MSc

Ageing Hearts and Healing Hands: Geriatricians in End-Stage Cardiovascular Diseases Care

Min Ji Kwak, MD, MS, DrPH

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM

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:

Office of Strategic Extramural Programs:

Breakout Tables

NIA representatives will move to designated tables, organized by division. Participants will have an opportunity to visit different tables to interact with NIA representatives in small groups or individual conversations.

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM

BUILDING AND SUSTAINING A DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION PROGRAM IN AN ACADEMIC HEALTHCARE SETTING

Track: Professional Development CME/CE: 1.0

Sponsored by the Ethnogeriatrics Committee and the Achieving Health Equity Among Diverse Older Adults Special Interest Group

Moderator: Stephanie Chow, MD, MPH

In this workshop, we will share our experience on the feasibility and value of a dedicated DEI curriculum in an academic geriatric department. Learning Objectives: (1) review techniques to offering a departmental DEI-B baseline needs assessment and reflection on knowledge gaps, and evaluate the institutional landscape with a focus on caring for older adults and persons living with serious illness; (2) assess and present sensitive and timely DEI topics intentionally and effectively, using interdepartmental, institutional, and community resources; (3) describe ways to potentially synthesize and establish metrics for curriculum outputs and their outcomes, positive and negative indicators for program success and performance, and overall program impact; (4) provide strategies and techniques for maintaining a stable DEI program, given limited resources and protected time.

Introduction and Overview

Stephanie Chow, MD, MPH & Martine Sanon, MD

Small Group Tables: Creating a DEI Council

Tremayne Cunningham, MS, CCDP & Katherine Brown, MS

Small Group Tables: DEI Peer Learning Curriculum

Noelle M. Javier, MD & Martine Sanon, MD

Small Group Tables: Evaluation of Program and Sustainability

Allen Andrade, MD; Reena Karani, MD, MHPE; Sasha Perez, MPH; Yoonyoung Choi

Small Group Tables: Opportunities for Cross Institutional Exchange

Stephanie Chow, MD, MPH; Ashley Walker

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM

THE VALUE-BASED AGE-FRIENDLY CARE

Track: Models of Care CME/CE: 1.0

Sponsored by Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)

Moderator: Shari Ling, MD

This session will provide an overview of Age Friendly Healthcare concepts in care across the continuum. The presenters will describe how CMS and the VA have incorporated Age Friendly Care in infrastructure changes, data collection related to inpatient delirium prevention and incidence, promoting care planning for older adults and in quality measurement, value-based payment and models of care developed by CMMI. Learning Objectives: (1) consider levers for quality, incentives and models that promote Age Friendly Care; (2) consider modifications to infrastructure that can be applied to operationalize Age Friendly Health Care; (3) consider the evidence associated with care planning in patient reported quality of life, providing care aligned with patient goals and delaying disability.

Quality, Incentives and New Models

Lenise Cummings-Vaughn, MD, CMD

What Works Is Not Always What Is Useful: Evidence to Care Planning

Liz P. Hall, MIS, MBA, RN

Infrastructure Addressing Age Friendly Care

Jonathan Nebecker, MD, MS

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM

SUPER HEAR-O'S ACADEMY: AMPLIFYING EDUCATORS' IMPACT ON THE CARE OF PATIENTS WITH AGE-RELATED HEARING LOSS

Track: Clinical Practice CME/CE: 1.0

Sponsored by the Teachers Section and Education Committee

Moderator: Becky Powers, MD AGSF

This interprofessional train-the-trainer workshop will provide hands-on tips, tricks, and teaching materials to clinician educators about teaching about the diagnosis, management, and communication techniques for patients with age-related hearing loss. We anticipate that educators from all health professions backgrounds will find the sessions useful as hearing loss impacts patients in all clinical settings and their trainees often lack skills on assessing and managing hearing loss. Learning Objectives: (1) teach implementation of practical tips and troubleshooting for hearing aids and equipment; (2) teach evaluation of candidates for hearing aids and/or cochlear implants; (3) teach interpretation of audiograms and their relationship to cognitive assessment; (4) teach performance of bedside testing and communication with a focus on health equity.

Overview and Introduction

Becky Powers, MD, AGSF

Station 1: Teaching Practical Tips and Troubleshooting Hearing Aids

Lindsey Jorgensen, AuD, PhD

Skills Station 2: Beyond the Simple Hearing Aid: CROS/BiCROS Hearing Aids and Cochlear Implants

Tina Gonzales Childress, AuD

Skills Station 3: Teaching Audiogram Interpretation to Trainees

Anna Jilla, AuD, PhD

Skills Station 4: Teaching Tips for Teaching the Assessment of Hearing Loss (And What Do You Do If Your Patient Cannot Hear)

Amit Shah, MD, AGSF

Skills Station 5: Personal Amplifiers (Pocket Talkers): Teaching How to Use Them and Obtaining Them for Trainees or Clinics

Becky Powers, MD, AGSF

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM

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.

12:00 PM – 6:00 PM

EXHIBIT HALL OPEN

12:30 PM – 1:30 PM

POSTER SESSION A

Track: Research

View the most current research in geriatrics. Authors will be available to discuss their findings and answer questions.

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

1:30 PM – 2:30 PM (this session will also be available on-demand)

THE STATE OF DIABETES CARE IN OLDER ADULTS IN 2025

Track: Clinical Practice CME/CE: 1.0

Moderator: Naushira Pandya, MD, CMD

This session will present recommendations to improve diabetes care of older adults from the recently updated American Diabetes Association (ADA) "Standards of Care in Diabetes." Learning Objectives: (1) review the ADA's current clinical practice recommendations for managing diabetes in older adults; (2) utilize the new ADA Standards of Care in Diabetes in clinical practice; (3) review diabetes technology and how it can be used to extend longevity and how they can be adapted to meet the needs of older adults.

An Overview of New Recommendations to Improve Diabetes Care

Naushira Pandya, MD, CMD, MD

Implementation of the ADA Standards of Care from an AGS Perspective

Sei Lee, MD

The Promise and Barriers of Diabetes Technology

Anna Kahkoska, MD, PhD

1:30 PM – 2:30 PM

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND GERIATRIC MEDICINE: INNOVATIVE USES OF AI TO IMPROVE CLINICAL CARE AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS EDUCATION

Track: Clinical Practice CME/CE: 1.0

Moderator: Amit Shah, MD, AGSF

This symposium will discuss current applications of AI in geriatric medicine and review current and future applications in clinical medicine and education. Learning Objectives: (1) review the current state of the uses of AI for clinical innovations in aging, with examples of projects funded by the NIA/Johns Hopkins Artificial Intelligence and Technology Collaboratory; (2) describe the integration of AI in clinical care models and within learning health systems, including how such models can be used to predict functional status and help in managing polypharmacy and deprescribing; (3) describe the use of AI in geriatrics education, focusing on the use of generative AI in curriculum development, learning, assessment and academic activities; (4) discuss limitations and health equity concerns involved in the implementation of AI technologies in geriatric medicine and education.

Clinical Applications of AI: Experiences from the Johns Hopkins Artificial Intelligence and Technology Collaboratory (AITC)

Jeremy D. Walston, MD

Clinical Innovation and AI within Learning Health Systems

Juliessa M. Pavon, MD, MHS

Current and Potential Applications of Generative AI in Medical Education

Ravishankar Ramaswamy, MD, AGSF

1:30 PM – 2:30 PM

OVERCOMING BARRIERS TO IMPLEMENTATION OF AGE FRIENDLY HEALTH CARE SYSTEMS

Track: Models of Care CME/CE: 1.0

Sponsored by the Nurses Section

Moderator: Barbara Resnick, PhD, CRNP

The goal of this session is to increase implementation of innovative ways to integrate the 4Ms into facilities and to measure objectively the outcomes of implementation. Learning Objectives: (1) describe the Plan-Do-Act process to developing and leading a nurse implemented age friendly approach to care in their acute care setting and identifying the outcomes to measure following implementation; (2) state the barriers to implementation of an Age Friendly Health Care approach into a primary health care clinic and the ways to overcome identified barriers; (3) describe how to implement an age friendly approach for what matters at the end of life through the incorporation of an advanced care planning approach and what is needed for success and what outcomes to measure; (4) describe how to implement an age friendly approach for people living with dementia and their care partners/caregivers.

Transforming Care of Older Adults: Leveraging the 4Ms to Improve Efficiency and Decrease Length of Stay

Tru Byrnes, DNP, MS, MSN, RN, CNL, GERO-BC-CMSRN & Mercy Kern, MSN, RN, NE-BC

Understanding Nurses' Perspectives of the Age-Friendly Framework in the Primary Care FQHC Setting

Jenny Knecht-Fredo, MSN, CRNP

What Matters to Patients as Reflected Through Advance Care Planning

Yael Zweig, CRNP, MSN & Heather Menzer, MSN, CRNP

Implementation of 4M's in a Comprehensive Dementia Care Practice

Carolyn K. Clevenger, DNP, GNP-BC, AGPCNP-BC, FAANP, FGSA, FAAN

1:30 PM – 2:30 PM

STRATEGIES TO ADVANCE RESEARCH THROUGH INCLUSION OF DIVERSE OLDER ADULTS

Track: Research CME/CE: 1.0

Co-Moderators: Katharine L. Cheung, MD, PhD, FASN & Kah Poh (Melissa) Loh, MBBCh, BAO, MS, FACCC

Sponsored by the Research Committee, Cancer and Aging SIG, and Junior Faculty Research Career Development SIG

Learning Objectives: (1) discuss the important of inclusion of diverse older adults in research and the barriers and facilitators to including older adults from diverse backgrounds; (2) review key strategies to include older adults from diverse backgrounds, including co-design of interventions with participants; (3) describe how community partners can facilitate inclusion of underrepresented communities in research; (4) describe the current AGS efforts to advance DEI in research.

Strategies for Reducing Health Disparities Among Older Adults with Cancer: The Importance of Inclusive Practices

Nikeshia Gilmore, PhD, MS

Strategies and Perspectives for Engaging Rural Older Adults in Research

Marquita W. Lewis-Thames, PhD, MPH, MS & Diane Potts, MA, MEd

AGS's Quest for Advancing Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Research

John A. Batsis, MD, AGSF

1:30 PM – 2:30 PM

PAPER SESSION

Track: Research CME/CE: 1.0

Developed by the Research Committee

Moderator: TBD

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1:30 PM – 2:30 PM

ADGAP BUSINESS MEETING

Track: Governance

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

2:45 PM – 3:45 PM (this session will also be available on-demand)

MANAGING DEPRESSION IN OLDER ADULTS

Track: Clinical Practice CME/CE: 1.0

Moderator: Susan M. Maixner, MD

Learning Objectives: (1) discuss the diagnosis of depression, including depression vs dementia; (2) review the treatment options for depression among older adults; and (3) discuss interventional psychiatry (Ketamine, TMS, ECT, esketamine), when to refer, and what medical clearance is needed.

Assessment of Depression in Older Adults

TBA

Psychopharmacology Treatment in Medically Complex Older Adults

TBA

Update on Interventional Psychiatry

TBA

2:45 PM – 3:45 PM

RHEUMATOLOGY IN THE GOLDEN YEARS: DIAGNOSIS AND MANAGEMENT OF LATE-ONSET RHEUMATIC DISEASES

Track: Clinical Practice CME/CE: 1.0

Moderator: Una Makris, MD, MSc

Rheumatologic diseases that develop later in life can have atypical presentations, sometimes leading to delayed diagnosis or misdiagnosis. Learning Objectives: (1) define late-onset rheumatologic diseases and describe their unique presentations in older adults; (2) develop competence in identifying clinical signs and symptoms of lupus, rheumatoid arthritis, PMR, and vasculitis in older patients, which may be atypical from younger cohorts; (3) interpret geriatric syndromes through the lens of underlying rheumatologic diseases to improve co-management of these conditions, as well as to review updates on the associated risks of rheumatologic diseases on conditions such as cardiovascular disease and dementia; (4) address health disparities in the management of rheumatologic diseases, recognizing how factors such as gender and race influence disease presentation and outcomes.

Lupus: Atypical Presentations of a Rare Disease in Older Patients

Sarah B. Lieber, MD, MS

Late-Onset Rheumatoid Arthritis: Challenges and Treatment Approaches in Older Adults

Justin Levinson, MD, MBA

Polymyalgia Rheumatica and Vasculitis in Geriatrics: Updates in Diagnosis and Management

Sebastian E. Sattui, MD, MS

2:45 PM – 3:45 PM

GUARDIANSHIP OVERVIEW: FROM CAPACITY ASSESSMENTS TO ETHICAL DECISION-MAKING

Track: Ethics CME/CE: 1.0

Sponsored by the Ethics Committee and the Elder Mistreatment SIG

Moderator: Caroline A. Vitale, MD, AGSF

This session will provide an overview of the topic of guardianship as it pertains to the care of older adults, presented by a multidisciplinary panel. Learning Objectives: (1) describe guardianship and the process for petitioning for guardianship, acknowledging state to state variability in this process; (2) review the clinician's role in guardianship, including the possibility of being asked to provide testimony in evidentiary hearings, how to best advocate for patients who are wards under guardianship, and the importance of regular screening for elder abuse and exploitation; (3) perform capacity assessments, with special consideration of the non-medical aspects of characteristics that affect capacity, such as functional, financial, and housekeeping capabilities; (4) discuss aspects of ethical surrogate decision-making and how to discuss topics such as substituted judgement with guardians and other surrogate decision-

makers; (5) recognize alternatives to guardianship, including the concept of supported decision-making for those with marginal decision-making capacity.

Capacity Assessments: Beyond the Clinic

Jennifer A. Crumlish, PhD, PLLC

Guardianship in Healthcare

Kahli Zietlow, MD

Ethical Considerations in Decision-Making

Emily A. Largent, JD, PhD, RN

2:45 PM – 3:45 PM

LEADERSHIP CURRICULUM: LEADING ACROSS BOUNDARIES

Track: Professional Development CME/CE: 1.0

Teaching Faculty and Small Group Facilitators: Vanessa Rodriguez, MD; Helen Fernandez, MD, MPH; Greg Pawlson, MD, MPH; Roopali Gupta, MD; Caitlyn Kuwata, MD; Nisha Rughwani, MD; Lesca Hadley, MD; Martine Sanon, MD; Segun Apoeso, MD; Rebecca Masutani, MD; Verónica Rivera, MD; Laurel Hansen, MD; Fiorella Pérez, MD; Pei Chen, MD

Geriatrics healthcare professionals are being asked to assume a wide variety of leadership positions in both academic and other healthcare organizations, requiring leaders that are highly skilled and adaptive to the increasing speed and number of changes occurring in the healthcare system and beyond. Learning Objectives: (1) define change agility and influence skills and discuss when, how and why to use them; (2) review how to manage horizontal, vertical, demographic, geographic, and stakeholder groups; (3) participate in peer consulting of case studies.

2:45 PM – 3:45 PM

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, MSHS, *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; (3) identify NIA’s resources for research training and grant application.

NIA Research Priorities and Opportunities for Early Career Researchers

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

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

- Training Office / How to Get an NIA Grant:
- Office of Special Populations:
- Division of Geriatrics and Clinical Gerontology:
- Division of Behavioral and Social Research:
- Division of Neuroscience:
- Division of Aging Biology:

Junior Faculty Viewpoint

Chair, AGS Junior Faculty Research Career Development SIG

2:45 PM – 3:45 PM

CAREGIVER FRUSTRATION AND ANGER: A WORKSHOP TO DEVELOP COMMUNICATION AND NEGOTIATION SKILLS

Track: Clinical Practice CME/CE: 1.0

Sponsored by the Home Based Primary Care SIG, Dementia Care and Caregiver Support SIG, SGIM SIG

Moderator: Patricia Harris, MD, MS & Lee Lindquist, MD

Healthcare providers are often confronted with one or more caregivers who express frustration in an aggressive manner. As part of the workshop, attendees will break into small groups to observe the facilitators role-play a "take-retake" scenario that involves a source of conflict. Learning Objectives: (1) identify situations that lead to frustration and miscommunication that occur in the healthcare settings among older adults, their caregivers, and the health care provider; (2) recognize the bidirectional relationship of stress/burden on frustrating situations between caregivers and health care providers; (3) identify (and predict) areas that can lead to conflict, and communication and negotiation tools that can help the health care provider form alliances with caregivers and patients; (4) utilize negotiation skills in the clinical setting.

Scenario 1: A patient has been told she can no longer drive; the caregiver reacts negatively, stating that the patient is fine around her home. "How can you do this to her?"
Karina M. Berg, MD, MS & Mia Yang, MD, MS

Scenario 2: A patient has recently been diagnosed with Stage 4 non-small cell lung cancer. His wife has been told that he is not eligible for treatment due to his low rating on some "performance scale" that she does not understand. She is agitated while waiting for the clinician
Rachel Chalmer, MD & Melissa Dattalo, MD, MPH

Scenario 3: A patient with advancing Parkinson's disease presents to the clinic with her wife. Over the past few months, the patient has become more dependent in all activities of daily living. Her wife is tearful and accuses the medical profession of not doing their job. She is the only caregiver for this patient and has shown reluctance to engage outside resources. Again, there will be a "take"--health provider and patient's wife discussing the patient's functional decline; and a "retake" after feedback from the audience, with brief follow-up
Ann Datunashvili, MD, CMD & Shahla Baharlou

Scenario 4: An 86 year old man has been in the hospital after sustaining a hip fracture for three days. Repair was successful, but he developed an agitated delirium that has upset his son and daughter. His symptoms are now controlled but his orientation waxes and wanes. The family refuses to engage in a discussion about discharge to a nursing home for rehabilitation
Anupama Gangavati, MD, AGSF & Therese Morrissey, MSW, LCSW, CCM

2:45 PM – 3:45 PM

GERIATRIC EDUCATION PAPER SESSION

Track: Research CME/CE: 1.0

Developed by the Research Committee

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.

PLENARY SESSION

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM (this session will also be available on-demand)

HENDERSON STATE-OF-THE-ART LECTURE: COLLABORATING WITH OTHER SPECIALTIES TO INCLUDE CLINICAL TRIAL OUTCOMES IMPORTANT TO OLDER ADULTS

Track: Clinical Practice CME/CE: 1.0

Speaker: Jeff D. Williamson, MD, MHS

Description coming soon.

POSTER SESSION

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

PRESIDENTIAL POSTER SESSION B & RECEPTION

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. Poster award winners will be announced at the Awards Ceremony on Friday morning. Light refreshments will be served.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

AGING AND ORAL HEALTH

Track: Networking

Co-Chairs: Christie M. Hogue, DDS & Theodore T. Suh, MD, PhD, MHS, AGSF

The purpose of this SIG is to provide a forum where issues that impact the oral health of older adults are presented, and where challenges requiring a team approach to coordinate needed treatments can be discussed.

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

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

CLINICAL CARE FOR HOMELESS ADULTS

Track: Networking

Co-Chairs: Diane Chau, MD & Vera Sverdlovsky, MD

The mission of this SIG is to provide a forum where issues that impact homeless older adults are presented and discussed, and geriatrics healthcare professionals can interact to find and expand access to care for homeless older individuals; to address the growing homeless epidemic by educating, promoting awareness, and assuring quality healthcare evidence and data to support homeless geriatrics care. To accomplish our mission, we: (1) disseminate knowledge regarding homelessness and poor health; (2) develop relationships with a broad range of other groups (social welfare, financial, public, academic) to aid in our mission and collate solutions for assuring adequate healthcare for homeless older adults; (3) promote clinical practices and address practice gaps that will improve the health status of older adults who live without homes or are at risk of homelessness.

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

CLINICIAN WELLNESS

Track: Networking

Chair: Magdalena Bednarczyk, MD

Open to anyone with an interest in improving clinician well-being in order to address growing concerns related to burnout. The goal is to provide information, tools and resources for decreasing burnout utilizing a holistic approach pertaining to professional, personal, financial, and physical wellbeing, with the ultimate goal of helping clinicians rediscover meaningful, mission driven work within their organizations, and if necessary, provide tools to redefine success.

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

FAMILY PHYSICIANS IN GERIATRICS

Track: Networking

Chair: Erik J. Lindbloom, MD, MSPH

The mission of this SIG is to discuss and act on issues of concern to family physicians, family medicine fellows, and family medicine residents caring for older adults. We communicate with several of the other family medicine organizations, such as the American Academy of Family Physicians and the Society of Teachers of Family Medicine.

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

GERIATRIC-SURGICAL CO-MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS

Track: Networking

Co-Chairs: Nadia Mujahid, MD & Esteban Garcia Franco, MD

This SIG brings together clinicians and researchers interested in clinical and academic perspective on surgical co-management. We share ideas, promote our work, network, collaborate, and provide a safe environment for clinicians to discuss the complexities and intricacies of co-management from creating a business case to promoting team-based care.

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

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 PM - 7:00 PM

HEALTHY AGING

Track: Networking

Co-Chairs: Kady Goldlist, MD & Julia Lowenthal, MD

The mission of this SIG is to promote healthy aging initiatives at AGS; to develop presentations, symposia, and educational materials for AGS members; to encourage research in healthy aging; to act as liaisons with other organizations promoting healthy aging; and to identify and promote ways that AGS members can promote healthy aging among their patients and among populations of people.

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Track: Networking

Co-Chairs: Ariba Khan, MD, MPH & Niharika Suchak, MBBS, MHS, FACP

This SIG brings together AGS members who have an interest in the development of international initiatives in geriatrics care and education. As our global older adult population continues to grow, we will see an increasing demand for health and social-service systems tailored to older adult needs. We promote awareness of global trends in aging and healthcare issues in older adults across continents and international borders. We emphasize improving care of older adults around the world by enhancing

networking and establishing partnerships that can translate into improved geriatrics care and education, greater use of technology to conduct didactic sessions with participants from multiple countries, long-term international collaborations for models of care and geriatrics education, and increased involvement and representation of AGS members in international geriatrics conferences and organizations.

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

NEEDS OF OLDER LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL AND TRANSGENDER PERSONS

Track: Networking

Chair: Carl Burton, MD

The mission of this SIG is to increase awareness for considering the needs of older gay and lesbian, bisexual, and transgender persons and to foster a more formal analysis and observation of these needs.

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

PALLIATIVE CARE

Track: Networking

Co-Chairs: Mona Gupta, MD & Lauren Mazzurco, MD

This SIG promotes awareness of palliative care issues in the geriatrics community and hopes to identify and build on synergies that exist between geriatrics and palliative care.

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

PROGRAM OF ALL-INCLUSIVE CARE FOR THE ELDERLY (PACE)

Track: Networking

Chair: Joanna DUBY, MD

The Program for All-Inclusive Care of the Elderly (PACE) is a comprehensive, fully integrated model that provides community-based care for nursing home eligible frail elders. We provide information to people who are interested in working with or establishing a PACE organization.

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

SOCIETY FOR GENERAL INTERNAL MEDICINE GERIATRICS (SGIM)

Track: Networking

Co-Chairs: Colleen Christmas, MD & Stephanie Nothelle, MD

The mission of this SIG is to serve as a source of collaborative activity between AGS and the Society for General Internal Medicine (SGIM). We focus on ways to collaborate on developing workshops for the AGS & SGIM annual meetings, as well as fostering ongoing collaborative efforts and better communication between the two groups.

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

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.

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

NEW MEMBER RECEPTION

Track: Networking

8:00 PM - 10:00 PM

RECEPTION/DANCE PARTY

Track: Networking