

WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 2025

Pre-conference sessions kick-off AGS25 and provide focused, in-depth learning on a variety of important topics. Pre-conference session attendance is in-person only, and many fill up quickly.

PRE-CONFERENCE SESSIONS

7:00 AM – 5:30 PM

AGS COCARE®: HELP (HOSPITAL ELDER LIFE PROGRAM) PRECONFERENCE

Additional fee session

CME/CE Credit: 7.75 Track: Clinical Practice

HELP has been working to make health systems safer and health care more effective for over two decades, preventing delirium, functional decline, falls, and other adverse outcomes among hospitalized older adults. The AGS CoCare®: HELP program ultimately promotes a growing trend toward “age-friendly health systems,” so named because they promote unique expertise on geriatrics focal points: care for the mind, medications, mobility, and what “matters most” to patients. Join us at the AGS CoCare®: HELP Preconference and learn how to implement strategies for sustainability & longevity to ensure success of HELP in the hospital.

7:30 AM – 1:00 PM

FELLOWSHIP DIRECTORS PRE-CONFERENCE SESSION

Additional fee session

CME/CE Credit: 4 Track: Education

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

The role of the geriatrics fellowship director is complex and involves a variety of activities and responsibilities. This session will present topics of interest and practical instruction for both new and seasoned fellowship directors.

8:30 AM – 5:00 PM

2025 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE US DEPRESCRIBING RESEARCH NETWORK

Additional fee session. Held in conjunction with the AGS Annual Meeting

We are pleased to announce the in-person annual meeting of the US Deprescribing Research Network - open to all people who are conducting or care about research on deprescribing medications and addressing medication overuse among older adults.

This meeting will comprise a wide-ranging series of sessions and activities that are focused on:

1. Enhancing skills, providing multidisciplinary perspectives, and offering practical guidance on and opportunities for deprescribing research
2. Communicating how the network can help you and your research interests
3. Building collaborations and community among people interested in deprescribing research and how it can be used to improve care for older adults

The meeting speakers and agenda are not yet finalized, but please see [our website](#) for examples of agendas from the last several years of meetings. The meeting will include a poster session. Encore submissions from research submitted for presentation at AGS and other meetings are welcome. [Click here](#) to submit an abstract.

Join us as we build a community of researchers and stakeholders that will generate science, address logistical and safety challenges, and develop infrastructure to promote the conduct and dissemination of research on deprescribing.

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| 7:45-8:30 AM | Registration and Breakfast |
| 8:30-9:00 AM | Welcome Address |

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| 9:00-10:00 AM | Keynote Address: Topic TBD Emily Reeve, BPharm(Hons), PhD – Monash University |
| 10:00-10:15 AM | Break (with morning snacks) |
| 10:15-11:15 AM | Moderated Panel: Deprescribing and Age-Friendly Health Systems |
| 11:15AM – 12:00PM | Updates in Deprescribing Research |
| 12:00 AM-12:45 PM | Lunch Break |
| 12:45-1:45 PM | USDeN-Sponsored Research - presentations with panel discussion |
| 1:45-2:45 PM | Breakout Groups – small group discussion based on attendee interest |
| 2:45-4:00 PM | Poster Session (with afternoon snacks) |
| 4:00-4:45 PM | Moderated Panel: Negative Deprescribing Trials – Implications for the Field and Future Intervention Studies |
| 4:45-5:00 PM | Closing Remarks |

11:30 AM – 6:45 PM

GERIATRICS WORKFORCE ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM (GWEP) PRE-CONFERENCE SESSION

CME/CE Credit: TBD Track: Professional Development

Supported by a grant from The John A. Hartford Foundation

This pre-conference session is limited to HRSA GWEP awardees and is an opportunity to bring all GWEPs together to share experiences, lessons learned, and network with each other.

1:00 PM – 5:30 PM

MANAGING EARLY DEMENTIA IN 2025: AN INTERPROFESSIONAL CLINICAL SKILLS SESSION USING THE 5Ms APPROACH

Additional fee session

CME/CE Credit: 4 Track: Clinical Practice

Sponsored by the Nurses Section, Teachers Section, Pharmacists Section, Clinical Practice and Models of Care Committee and Education Committee

Moderator: Lisa Granville, MD

This session will include presentations and hands-on skill stations focused on: 1) diagnosis and staging of AD, including when to consider advanced imaging and other biomarkers, 2) therapeutic choices for early AD, including monoclonal antibody therapy eligibility and exclusions, and 3) communication skills centered on the benefits and harms of new therapies integrating with what matters most to the patient.

Learning Objectives: (1) diagnose and stage Alzheimer's disease using a modern clinical, cognitive testing, imaging and biomarker based approach; (2) using the framework of the geriatric 5Ms (mind, medications, mobility, multicomplexity and matters most), analyze the benefits and risks of therapies for MCI and Mild Dementia due to AD; (3) observe and practice communication strategies to counsel patients and care partners on new therapies for AD based on what matters most.

Introduction of Faculty and Orientation to the Session

Lisa Granville, MD

Diagnosing, Staging and Initial Management of MCI and Mild Dementia in the Modern Era

Hal Atkinson, MD, MS & Zaldy Tan, MD, MPH, FACP

Break/Networking

Therapeutic Choices for Alzheimer's Disease, Including Eligibility and Safety Monitoring of Amyloid Targeted Therapy Demetra Antimisiaris, PharmD, BCGP, FASCP & K. Gregory Pugh, MD, MSc, FACP

Break/Networking

Having the Conversation About Treatment: Benefits, Risks, Alternatives

Maura Brennan, MD, AGSF, FACP, FAAHPM & Margaret Wallhagen, PhD, GNP-BC, AGSF, FAAN

Break/Networking

Health System Challenges and Opportunities: The Geriatrics Healthcare Provider's Role (Panel Q&A)

All faculty

2:00 PM – 6:00 PM

ADGAP LEADERSHIP SESSION

Additional fee session

CME/CE: 4 Track: Professional Development

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

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, AND OTHER DRUG USE (ATOD) AMONG OLDER ADULTS

Track: Networking

Co-Chairs: Benjamin H. Han, MD, MPH; Kimberly Beiting, MD; Justina L. Groeger, MD, MPH

The mission of the Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drug Use (ATOD) Among Older Adults Interest Group is to address the dramatic increase in older adults with unhealthy substance use and substance use disorders. This SIG brings together an interdisciplinary group of professionals with clinical, educational, and/or research interests in reducing the harms of alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use in older adults. Our group also focuses on national collaboration to provide education and research in the care of older adults with substance use disorders.

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASES AND AGING

Track: Networking

Co-Chairs: Ariela R. Orkaby, MD, MPH & Min Ji Kwak, MD, MS, DrPH

The mission of the Cardiovascular Diseases and Aging Special Interest Group is to provide an official forum for AGS members who are dedicated to providing high-quality and safe care for older adults with cardiovascular diseases. The members will engage in activities (1) disseminating the up-to-date evidence in geriatric cardiology; (2) collaborating on various research projects; (3) discussing the current challenges and solutions in care for older adults with cardiovascular diseases in real-world practice; and (4) networking nationally and internationally. The forum is open to AGS members from diverse backgrounds.

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

CLINICAL RESEARCH IN DEMENTIA

Track: Networking

Chair: Noll L. Campbell, PharmD, MS

The mission of this SIG is to bring together AGS members who are dedicated to advancing the health care of older adults living with dementia by advancing clinical research in geriatrics across disciplines and

care settings; to disseminate interdisciplinary, evidence-based clinical knowledge about the management of dementia in older adults.

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
DUAL AND D-SNPS

Track: Networking

Chair: Chuck Pu, MD, FACP, CMD

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
ETHNOGERIATRICS

Track: Networking

Co-Chairs: Jeffrey D. Mariano, MD & Olga Olivares-Herrera, MD

The Ethnogeriatrics SIG is open to anyone with an interest in the relationship between aging, ethnicity, clinical practice, and research. We work to identify challenges and practical solutions to providing appropriate care to different cultures and ethnicities in our diverse country.

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
GERIATRIC ACADEMIC CAREER AWARD (GACA)

Track: Networking

Co-Chairs: Mary Bonnett, MD; Emily Coskun, MD; Evan Henricks, MD; Kristen Martin, MD

The GACA SIG seeks to promote the career development and longitudinal professional growth of GACA awardees.

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
GERIATRICS CONSULTATIVE SERVICES

Track: Networking

Chair: Ella H. Bowman, MD, PhD, AGSF, FAAHPM

This meeting is open to anyone interested in geriatric medicine consultative services across all care settings. Participants will collaborate with fellow attendees about how geriatrics consultative services are provided in various clinical settings. Our discussions focus on what services are in demand; the types of older adults we are asked to see; various collaborative efforts with other services; billing processes and concerns; efforts to incorporate geriatrics teaching within the consultative setting; and the types of problems we encounter as a group.

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
HEALTH SYSTEMS LEADERSHIP IN GERIATRICS

Track: Networking

Co-Chairs: Anna Chodos, MD, MPH & Ardeshir Hashimi, MD, FACP, AGSF

The mission of the Health System Leadership (HSL) SIG is to explore principles of leadership, management, and systems transformation as they apply to the growing need for geriatrics in health systems and present strategies to accomplish this. Our goals are to educate AGS members about these principles, highlight successful work in HSL, present opportunities for training in HSL, develop workshop leadership challenges, and form a community to help develop new health systems leaders in geriatrics.

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
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 PM - 7:00 PM

OLDER ADULTS FACING CHRONIC KIDNEY DISEASE AND/OR KIDNEY FAILURE

Track: Networking

Co-Chairs: Christine Liu, MD, MS & Devika Nair, MD, MSC1

The mission of this SIG is to discuss the ways interdisciplinary collaboration can help older adults and their family members feel supported in the dialysis vs conservative management decision making process; to collaborate on how to create co-management geriatrics and renal subspecialty clinics; and to foster research on outcomes that affect the quality of life of older adults with kidney disease, such as falls, re-hospitalization rates, and end of life care.

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

POST-ACUTE AND LONG-TERM CARE

Track: Networking

Co-Chairs: Elena Cabb, MD & Nicole Orr, MD, FACC

The mission of this SIG is to serve as a resource and voice to the AGS, the public, healthcare practitioners, policy makers, and various educational centers regarding issues on the availability, delivery, quality and regulation of long-term care (LTC) in the U.S.

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

TIDESWELL LEADERS IN AGING PROGRAM

Track: Networking

Co-Chairs: Megan Young, MD; Timothy W. Farrell, MD, AGSF; Liron Danay Sinvani, MD; Maile Karris, MD

The mission of the SIG is to support Tideswell scholars and leaders in geriatrics through mentorship, networking, continued leadership training, and scholarship with the ultimate goal of a commitment to enhancing the care of older adults through clinical work, research, and education.

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

WOUND PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT

Track: Networking

Co-Chairs: Veronica Nwagwu, MD & Sarwat Jabeen, MD, FAAFP

This SIG is an interdisciplinary group of healthcare professionals who strive to improve outcomes in skin and wound health for vulnerable older adults by supporting education, research, and quality improvement initiatives. The SIG serves as a platform to discuss educational initiatives at AGS, policy objectives, and updates on budding research.

7:00 PM – 8:00 PM

AGS, ADGAP, HIAF BOARD AND COMMITTEE RECEPTION

Track: Networking