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The IU Geriatrics Program and the IU Center for Aging Research congratulate Hugh C. Hendrie, MB, ChB, DSc, who was selected by the Alzheimer’s Association as their Medical Honoree for the 2005 Chicago Rita Hayworth Gala. We also acknowledge our talented colleagues who represented us at the 2005 national meetings of the American Geriatrics Society and the Society of General Internal Medicine.

AWARDS

Dr. Hugh Hendrie joined a distinguished group of individuals who have been recognized for their dedication to Alzheimer’s research when the Alzheimer’s Association honored him on May 7, 2005 at the 18th Annual Chicago Rita Hayworth Gala held at the Civic Opera House in Chicago. The association noted “Dr. Hendrie’s professional accomplishments span several decades as a practitioner, researcher, scholar, teacher and mentor. His extensive international research on epidemiology and risk factors for Alzheimer’s disease and related disorders in cross-cultural populations earned Dr. Hendrie worldwide recognition as a pioneer in identifying modifiable risk factors for age-related brain diseases.”

An IUCAR and Regenstrief Institute tribute in the gala program noted, “…we offer Dr. Hendrie our highest praise and congratulations, in deep admiration and respect of his dedication to and success in improving the health and welfare of this large and vulnerable population.”

Congratulations to our colleagues who accepted awards at the American Geriatrics Society’s 2005 Annual Scientific Meeting May 11-15 in Orlando, Florida:

Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH, accepted a 2005 New Investigator Award for his abstract, “The Prevalence and Burden of Cognitive Impairment in Hospitalized Older Adults.”

Bruce Grau, RN, GNP, accepted the House Calls Clinician of the Year Award presented by the American Academy of Home Care Physicians.

Steve Counsell, MD, accepted the Academy of Home Care Physicians Abstract of the Year Award for “Aging with GRACE: Improving the Quality of Care for Low-Income Seniors.” Co-authors were Callahan CM, Buttar AB, Ricketts G, Stump T, Bone C, Grau B, Shields C.

Gretchen Ricketts, BSW, was awarded the Presidential Poster Award for “Aging with GRACE: Effects of the GRACE Intervention on Completion of Advance Directives by Vulnerable Seniors.” Co-authors were Callahan CM, Buttar AB, Clark DO, Stump TE, Devlin MA, Butler DE, Counsell SR.

PUBLICATIONS


PRESENTATIONS

AGS – The American Geriatrics Society held its 2005 Annual Scientific Meeting May 11-15 in Orlando, Florida. The meeting is the premier educational event in geriatrics, providing the latest information on clinical care, research on aging, and innovative models of care delivery.

Attendees with ties to IU Geriatrics or IUCAR included Alejandro Arizmendi, Robin Beck, Carrie Bone, Malaz Boustani, Dawn Butler, Padma Chimata, Steve Counsell, Barb Dahlstrom, Meredith Devlin, Kathy Frank, Bruce Grau, Doug Miller, Gretchen Ricketts, Cheryl Shields, Leo Solito, Kevin Terrell, and Glenda Westmoreland. The following colleagues contributed to the meeting:

Alejandro Arizmendi, MD, displayed a poster “High Risk Patients in a Geriatric House Calls Program” at the Presidential Poster Session.

Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH, displayed the poster “The Prevalence and Burden of Cognitive Impairment in Hospitalized Older Adults.”

Steve Counsell, MD, made an oral presentation “Aging with GRACE: Improving the Quality of Care for Low-Income Seniors.”

Kathy Frank, RN, DNS, displayed the poster “Self-Management of Foot Care for Patients 65 Years of Age or Older With Diabetes.”

Doug Miller, MD, was a discussant for “The Unique Role and Feasibility of Using the Emergency Department for Case-Finding of At-Risk Elders.”

Gretchen Ricketts, BSW, presented the poster “Aging with GRACE: Effects of the GRACE Intervention on Completion of Advance Directives by Vulnerable Seniors.”

Kevin Terrell, DO, displayed the poster “Computer Assisted Decision Support to Increase the Safety of Prescribing to Older Adults in the Emergency Department” at the Dennis W. Jahnigan Career Development Award Program Poster Session.

Glenda Westmoreland, MD, MPH, displayed the posters “The Geriatrics Education Network of Indiana (GENI): A Four-Pronged Faculty Development Program” and “How Residents Learn Web-Based Modules: A Randomized Controlled Trial” at the Presidential Poster Session.

Malaz Boustani co-chaired the workshop entitled “Connecting the New Generation with the Geriatric experts: A Round-Table Discussion and Funding Opportunities” sponsored by the AGS Junior Faculty Special Interest Group Steering Committee.

Steve Counsell displayed the poster “Aging with GRACE: Physician Satisfaction with the GRACE Intervention” at the Presidential Poster Session.

Steve Counsell moderated the symposium “State Dual Eligible Programs: Evidence and Opportunities” and chaired the meeting of the Special Interest Group, “Health Care for Low-Income Seniors.”

SGIM – The Society of General Internal Medicine held its 28th Annual Meeting May 11-14 in New Orleans, Louisiana. The following colleagues contributed to the meeting:

Chris Callahan, MD, attended meetings as an SGIM Council Member, participated in the One-on-One Mentoring Program and was a faculty participant in the precourse “Building and Sustaining A Research ‘Shop’”.

Dan Clark, PhD, presented the poster “Reliability and Validity of a Steadiness Score.”
Wanzhu Tu, PhD, presented the poster “A Pharmacy-based Intervention Reduces Emergency Department Visits in Patients with Hypertension.”

Michael Weiner, MD, MPH, presented the poster “Failure to Intensify Antihypertensive Therapy.”

Usha Subramanian, MD, presented the poster “Patient Self-efficacy, Provider Self-management Counseling and Health Status among Patients with Chronic Heart Failure.”

Usha Subramanian made an oral presentation “Physician Process Measures for Chronic Heart Failure Care: Relationships to Organizational Characteristics.”

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES
Glenda Westmoreland, MD, MPH, presented "Geriatrics Assessment: Screening Older Adults" to family medicine physicians on April 28, 2005 at Union Hospital in Terre Haute, Indiana.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
The June 1 IU Geriatrics Conference features William C. Hine, Jr, DDS. His presentation, “Oral Health in Older Adults” will be held in Wishard T2008 A&B from 7:30-8:30am. Dr. Hine is director of the General Practice Residency and the Division of Hospital Dentistry in the Department of Oral Surgery and Hospital Dentistry, IU School of Dentistry.

Geriatric Medicine Fellow Leo Solito, MD, will present “Cancer in the Elderly: The Role of Geriatrics in Enhancing Care,” at the June 8th IU Geriatrics Conference held from 7:30-8:30am in Wishard T2008 A&B.

Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH, will present “Preventing and Managing Delirium” at the June 15 IU Geriatrics Conference held from 7:30-8:30am in Wishard T2008 A&B. Dr. Boustani is assistant professor of medicine, IUSM; center scientist, IU Center for Aging Research; and research scientist, Regenstrief Institute, Inc.

The June 29 IU Geriatrics Conference features Tom Zunica, MD. His presentation, “Podiatry Care in Older Adults,” will be held in Wishard T2008 A&B from 7:30-8:30am.

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