The Best of IU Geriatrics Presented at 2011 AGS Meeting

The American Geriatrics Society vision for the future is that every older American will receive high quality patient-centered care. IU Geriatrics advances that vision through their own vision—to be a local and national leader in health care services and scholarship, and support the efforts of health care providers, educators, patients, families, and policymakers to improve the health care and vitality of older adults.

Those visions united when IU Geriatrics contributed to the best in the field of geriatrics at the American Geriatrics Society 2011 Annual Scientific Meeting held in May. The site was the Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center located along the Potomac River near Washington, DC.

Our talented cadre of clinicians and researchers will grow in the next academic year with the addition of four new faculty members, Kristi Lieb, MD, Babar Khan, MD, Michael LaMantia, MD, MPH, and Kathleen Unroe, MD, MHA. We're proud to cite their contributions at this year’s AGS meeting and look forward to their joining the IU Geriatrics tradition of national leadership in geriatrics and aging research.

Oral Paper Presentations

Several researchers were invited to make paper presentations in oral sessions.

In a session on Quality and Inequality, Alexia Torke, MD, MS, presented “Perspectives of Older Adults Toward Stopping Cancer Screening.” Her co-authors were Peter Schwartz, MD, PhD, Laura Holtz, BS, Annie Montz, MA, and Greg Sachs, MD.

In a session on Quality and Inequality, Kathleen Unroe, MD, MHA, presented “Racial Differences in Hospice Use and End of Life Care Among Medicare Beneficiaries with Heart Failure.” Her co-authors were Duke Clinical Research Institute colleagues.

In the Models of Care paper session, Michael LaMantia, MD, MPH was a co-author of “Impact of a Phone Call Follow Up on Discharge Instruction Compliance and Understanding in Elderly Patients after an Emergency Department (ED) Visit.” His co-authors were from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Best Posters

Each year, the AGS selects the “Best Posters” from 14 categories in the Presidential Poster session. Congratulations to Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH and Kathleen Unroe, MD, MHA, who were recognized among the best.

Dr. Boustani won in the Clinical Trials category for “MAGD (Managing Agitation in Dementia) Trial—Memantine for Agitation in Alzheimer’s Dementia.”

Dr. Unroe won in the Health Services and Policy Research category for “Associations Between Published Quality Ratings of Skilled Nursing Facilities and Outcomes of Medicare Beneficiaries With Heart Failure.”

Robin Beck, MD
Ashley Berkeley, PharmD
Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH
Ella Bowman, MD, PhD
Chris Callahan, MD
Noll Campbell, PharmD,
Sajid Chaudhry, MD
Steve Counsell, MD
Kathy Frank, RN, PhD
Erica Gallmeyer, LCSW
Toch Iloabuchi, LCSW
Todd James, MD
Dennis Joseph, MD
Gene Lammers, MD, MPH
Laurel Marshall
Douglas K. Miller, MD
Kelly Miller, LCSW
Brad Mossbarger, PhD
Arif Nazir, MD
Melanie Pumphrey, MHA
Greg Sachs, MD
Cathy Schubert, MD
Qurrat-ul-ain Shamim, MD
Usha Subramanian, MD
Kevin Terrell, DO, MS
Alexia Torke, MD, MS
Glenda Westmoreland, MD, MPH
Presidental Posters
Kevin Terrell, DO, MS, presented “Care Transitions between Nursing Homes & Emergency Departments.” Siu Hui, PhD and Douglas K. Miller, MD, were local co-authors.

Greg Sachs, MD, presented “Indiana Palliative Excellence in Alzheimer’s Care Efforts: INPEACE Pilot.” Local co-authors were Cathy Alder, JD, MSW, Mary Guerriero Austrom, PhD, Jo Groves, MS, RN, Susan Hickman, PhD, Laura Holtz, BS, Lisa Hovious, RN, Kurt Kroenke, MD, Annie Montz, MA, and Alexia Torke, MD, MS.

Senior author Steve Counsell, MD, presented “Dissemination of GRACE Care Management to a Veterans Affairs Medical Center.” Lead author was Usha Subramanian, MD; local co-authors were Phyllis Beaman, Cathy Schubert, MD, Nagesh Rao, and Chris Suelzer, MD.

Kathleen Unroe, MD, MPH, presented “Associations Between Published Quality Ratings of Skilled Nursing Facilities and Outcomes of Medicare Beneficiaries With Heart Failure” with colleagues from the Duke Clinical Research Institute and the Durham VA Medical Center.

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Noll Campbell, PharmD, presented “Association of Anticholinergic Medications with Incident Delirium: A Cohort Study.” His co-authors were Anthony Perkins, MS, Siu Hui, PhD, Babar Khan, MD, and Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH.

Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH, presented "Anticholinergics Exposure and the Risk of Cognitive Decline" with co-authors from the United Kingdom.

Steve Counsell, MD, presented “Dissemination of GRACE Care Management to a Managed Care Medical Group.” The local co-author was Kathy Frank, RN, PhD, along with colleagues from HealthCare Partners Medical Group of Torrance, California.

Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH, was the senior author of “Patients’ Attitudes and Acceptance of Dementia Screening in Primary Care.” Local co-authors were Sujuan Gao, PhD, Amie Frame, MPH, Anthony Perkins, MS, and Patrick Monahan, PhD.
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Arif Nazir, MD, presented “Perceptions of Nursing Home Medical Directors about their Responsibilities.” Steve Counsell, MD, was a co-author.

In the Geriatric Academic Career Awardee (GACA) Poster Session, Ella Bowman, MD, PhD, presented “Do Hospital-to-Home Transitional Care Programs for Older Adults Address Palliative Care Domains? A Systematic Review.” Her co-author was Greg A. Sachs, MD.

In the Geriatric Academic Career Awardee (GACA) Poster Session, Todd James, MD, presented “Improving Interdisciplinary Team Education for New Models of Team Care: Development of a Curriculum for Patients Perceived as Difficult.” His advisors are Steve Counsell, MD, Glenda Westmoreland, MD, MPH and Christine Arenson, MD.

IU Geriatrics Fellow Dennis Joseph, MD, presented “Acute Parkinsonism due to strategic basal ganglia infarct.” Local co-authors were Arif Nazir, MD, Felipe Perez, MD, and Sajid Chaudhry, MD.

IU Geriatrics Fellow Tochukwu Iloabuchi, MD, presented “Home Care: Increased Survival Rate?”. Co-authors were Felipe Perez, MD, and Qurrat-ul-ain Shamim, MD.

IU Geriatrics Fellow and co-author Sal Moinuddin, MD, presented “Binswanger’s syndrome with unusual word finding difficulty.” Lead author was Kristi Lieb, MD; Felipe Perez, MD was a co-author.

Michael LaMantia, MD, MPH, was a co-author of “Challenges to the Implementation of a Web Based System To Improve The Transitional Care of Older Adults” with colleagues from the University Of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and the Greater Baltimore Medical Center.

Michael LaMantia, MD, MPH was a co-author of “Impact of a geriatric curriculum on emergency medicine (EM) resident attitudes, knowledge, and decision making” with colleagues from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and WakeMed Health & Hospitals of Raleigh.
Presentations and Professional Activities

Chris Callahan, MD, presented “Having the Academic Career You Want: 10 Things You Need to Know to Advance Your Career,” at the AGS Council of State Affiliate Representatives (COSAR) Preconference held for representatives, leaders and trainees.

As the Indiana COSAR representative, Kathy Frank, RN, PhD attended the meeting of the Council of State Affiliate Representatives.

Steve Counsell, MD attended meetings of the AGS Board of Directors, AGS Mentoring Program, Association of Directors of Geriatric Academic Programs, and the Directors of the John A. Hartford Centers of Excellence in Geriatric Medicine Program.

Glenda Westmoreland, MD, MPH, moderated the workshop “Model Geriatric Programs: Geriatric Education Materials And Methods Swap.”

Steve Counsell, MD was discussant in the symposium, “Creating A System of Integrated Geriatric Care.”

IU Geriatrics faculty members serve on many AGS committees which convene at the annual meeting. Committees and their members or participants are:

- Chaired Healthcare for Low-Income Seniors: Steve Counsell, MD
- Chaired Clinical Research in Dementia: Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH
- Audit: Greg Sachs, MD
- Clinical Practice & Models of Care: Cathy Schubert, MD
- Ethics: Alexia Torke, MD, MS, and Greg Sachs, MD
- Ethnogeriatrics: Douglas K. Miller, MD
- Health Systems Innovation - Economics and Technology: Douglas K. Miller, MD
- Nominating: Kathy Frank, RN, PhD
- Public Policy: Gene Lammers, MD, MPH, Steve Counsell, MD and Kathleen Unroe, MD, MHA

The Indiana Dinner

IU Geriatrics continued the tradition of hosting the Indiana Dinner for our faculty, fellows, staff and guests who attended the AGS Meeting. This annual event provides an opportunity for IU Geriatrics to network with health care professionals from the state of Indiana and with former geriatrics faculty and fellows who continue to work in the geriatrics field.

2011 AGS MEETING HANDOUTS are available at http://www.americangeriatrics.org/annual_meeting/2011_meeting_handouts/

Thank you to Laurel Marshall for her photos of personnel and the garden.