IU Geriatrics Faculty Accomplishments Grow at AGS
Even though the Annual Scientific Meeting of the American Geriatrics Society took place in Grapevine, the IU Geriatrics e-news confirms that what you are about to read is the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth!

Our contingent of clinician-educators, clinician-researchers, geriatrics fellows, and geriatrics staff members contributed an impressive array of activities for more than 2,300 geriatrics healthcare professionals who attended the 2013 Annual Scientific Meeting in May.

We’re proud to devote this issue of the e-news to the work of our geriatrics personnel who transplanted their knowledge and expertise via posters, presentations and professional activities in Grapevine!

Oral Paper Presentation
Kathleen Unroe, MD, MHA was invited to make a presentation in the oral paper session called Living with Serious Illness. Dr. Unroe presented "Differences in Hospice Use Among Nursing Home and Non-Nursing Home Patients." Her co-authors were Greg Sachs, MD, Tim Stump, MA, Wanzhu Tu, PhD, and Chris Callahan, MD.

Presidential Poster Presentations and Award Winner
In the Presidential Poster Session, Arif Nazir, MD, CMD, received the Best Poster Award in the Health Services Research category for “Impact of Cognitive Impairment on Rehospitalizations.” His co-authors were Michael LaMantia, MD, MPH, Anthony Perkins, MS, Siu Hui, PhD, Noll Campbell, PharmD, Babar Khan, MD, MS, Josh Chodosh, MD, MSHS, and Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH.

Dr. Nazir also presented "Skilled Heart Unit: A New Model for Heart Failure Care in the Skilled Nursing Facility" in the Presidential Poster Session. His co-authors were Kathleen Unroe, MD, MHA, Adnan Malik, MS, Amir Habib, MD, Joanna Kingery, PharmD, Merih Bennett, MA, Karin Comastri, NP, and Steve Counsell, MD.

Michael LaMantia, MD, MPH, presented a poster in the Presidential Poster Session entitled, “Redesigning Acute Care for Cognitively Impaired Older Adults: Optimizing Health Care Services for the 21st Century.” His co-authors were Shola Jhanji, MA, Mungai Maina, Arif Nazir, MD, CMD, Cathy Alder, JD, MSW, Josh Chodosh, MD, MSHS, and Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH.
**Posters**

*Noll Campbell, PharmD*, presented “The 2012 Update to the Anticholinergic Cognitive Burden Scale.” His co-authors were Chris Fox, MD, Babar Khan, MD, MS, and Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH.

**Todd James, MD**, presented “Beliefs of Medicine Residents Regarding Interdisciplinary Teams.” His co-authors were Glenda Westmoreland, MD, MPH, and Steve Counsell, MD.

IU-CAR research coordinator *Kianna Montz, MA*, presented “Barriers and Facilitators to Recruiting Older Adults for Hospital Research.” Her co-authors were Chris Callahan, MD, Greg Sachs, MD, Siu Hui, PhD, James Slaven, MS, and Alexia Torke, MD, MS.

**Arif Nazir, MD**, presented “Medicine Residents’ Curriculum for Optimizing Hospital to Nursing Home Transitions.” His co-authors were Steve Counsell, MD, Monica Tegeler, MD, and Glenda Westmoreland, MD, MPH.

**Alexia Torke, MD, MS**, presented “The Impact of a Volunteer Guardianship Program for Unbefriended, Incapacitated Adults.” The lead author was Robin Bandy, JD, MA; co-authors were Greg Sachs, MD, Laura Holtz, BS, Robert Bandy, MS, Alexia Torke, MD, MS.

Third-year IU medical student Lorraine Myers, BA, presented “Post-Emergency Care Transitions by Nursing Home Residents: Patterns and Complications.” The research is a product of her work as an MSTAR-Medical Student Training in Aging Research Scholar at IU-CAR in 2011. Her co-authors were Eric Coleman, MD, and Douglas Miller, MD.

**IU Geriatric Medicine Fellows presented the following posters:**

**David Bose, MD**, presented “Right Sided Lewy Body Dementia.” His co-author was Felipe Perez, MD.

**Ian C. Chua, MD**, presented “Cerebral Amyloid Angiopathy (CAA).” His co-author was Felipe Perez, MD.

**Ian C. Chua, MD**, presented “Corticobasal Degeneration.” His co-authors were Sofy Sendoya, MD, and Felipe Perez, MD.

**Angela Hackman, MD**, presented “Factors Influencing Patient’s Selection of Skilled Nursing Facility.” Her co-authors were Sofy Sendoya, MD, MHA, Ian Chua, MD, Greg Arling, PhD, and Arif Nazir, MD.
Posters by IU Geriatric Medicine Fellows
Sofy Sendoya, MD, MHA, presented “C.A.D.A.S.I.L. Syndrome.” Her co-authors were Ian Chua, MD, and Felipe Perez, MD.

Sofy Sendoya, MD, MHA, presented “Delirium with Cutaneous Etiology.” Her co-authors were Ian Chua, MD, and Kofi Quist, MD.

Sofy Sendoya, MD, MHA, presented “Sudden Decline in a Highly Functional 91 Year Old.” Her co-author was Valerie Smith-Gamble, MD.

Presentations and Professional Activities
In the research track, Kathleen Unroe, MD, MHA, presented “Differences in Hospice Use Among Nursing Home and Non-Nursing Home Patients” at the Symposia on Living With Serious Illness Paper Session.

In the models of care track, Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH, presented “Establishing an Effective Dementia Care Program in a Safety Net Health System” at the Symposia on Comprehensive Care for Dementia: Approaches of Two CMMI Innovation Challenge Awardees.

In a pre-conference session clinical practice track, Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH, moderated Dementia Screening and Early Detection: What Do We Know About It and Is It a Good Idea? He also participated in a debate, “Should We Screen for it in General Practice?”

In the Dementia Screening and Early Detection session, Alexia Torke, MD, MS, presented “Ethics of Early Detection.”

In the clinical practice track, Arif Nazir, MD, CMD, moderated the Symposia session Breaking the Code to Nursing Home Quality: Lessons from a Unique Approach by One State and presented “Transforming Barriers into Opportunities: Engaging Physicians in PIPP Initiatives.”

In the Breaking the Code to Nursing Home Quality Symposia session, Greg Arling, PhD, presented “Bending the Curve: PIPP Impact on Care Quality.”
Presentations and Professional Activities
In the professional development track, Kathleen Unroe, MD, MHA, presented "National Palliative Care Research Center (NPCRC) CDA's" at the workshop titled, Tips for a Successful Career Development Award Application.

In the education track, Glenda Westmoreland, MD, MPH, was a facilitator at the Education Product Development Peer Review Workshop.

At the Social Workers Breakfast, Dawn Butler, MSW, JD, director of the GRACE Training and Resource Center, presented "GRACE Team Care: Model of Interdisciplinary Team Care That Improves Outcomes in Older Adults."

IU Geriatrics faculty members served on many AGS committees which convened at the annual meeting:
- **Steve Counsell, MD**, chaired the meeting of the Healthcare for Low-Income Seniors Special Interest Group.
- **Todd James, MD**, co-chaired a meeting of the Interprofessional Education and Practice Special Interest Group.
- **Ella Bowman, MD, PhD, AGSF** chaired the meeting of the Geriatrics Consultative Services Special Interest Group.
- **Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH**, chaired the meeting of the Clinical Research in Dementia Special Interest Group.
- **Kathleen Unroe, MD, MHA**, is vice chair and met with the Junior Faculty Research Special Interest Group meeting.
- **Michael LaMantia, MD, MPH**, attended the meeting of the Junior Faculty Research Special Interest Group. He is joining the Steering Committee for this group.

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- **Steve Counsell, MD** attended meetings of the AGS Board of Directors for which he serves as a board member and secretary; the Association of Directors of Geriatric Academic Programs; the AGS Audit, Steering, Executive and Finance Committees.
- **Kathy Frank, PhD, RN** attended the Council of State Affiliate Representatives (COSAR) meeting and the AGS Board Meeting as the elected representative of COSAR.
- **Kathleen Unroe, MD, MHA** attended a meeting of the AGS Public Policy Committee on which she is vice chair.
- **Cathy Schubert, MD** attended a meeting of the AGS Clinical Practice & Models of Care Committee.
- **Doug Miller, MD**, attended meetings of the Ethnogeriatrics Committee and the Health Systems Innovation-Economics, Technology Committee.

Dr. Bowman Awarded AGS Fellowship Status
Ella Harvey Bowman, MD, PhD, added AGSF to her titles. She was awarded American Geriatrics Society Fellowship status during the Friday awards ceremony. Fellowship is a special honor that recognizes members’ professionalism, scholarship and contributions to geriatrics and to AGS.

On the serious side, IU Geriatrics congratulates you! On the humorous side, Dr. Bowman notes that she received a large framed certificate that was “most fun trying to get on the plane in my carry-on luggage!”

Learners Speed Date with Fellowship Program
The IU Geriatric Medicine Fellowship Program participated in a new event at AGS. Speed Dating offered residents an opportunity to meet fellows and learn about academic fellowships from program personnel.

Representing our program and pictured above are
- **Angela Hackman, MD**, Geriatrics Academic Coordinator
- **Victoria Shaffer**, Fellowship Director
- **Felipe Perez, MD**
- **Sofy Sendoya, MD, MHA** and **Ian Chua, MD**.
Presentations and Professional Activities
Ella Bowman, MD, PhD, AGSF attended the meeting of the American Academy of Home Care Medicine titled “Best of Care—Best of Business.” The word “Physicians” in the Academy’s title.

Robin Beck, MD, attended the meeting of the American Academy of Home Care Medicine.

As the director of the IU Geriatric Medicine Fellowship Program, Felipe Perez, MD, attended the pre-conference session for fellowship directors.

Steve Counsell, MD, was interviewed and quoted by Medscape in an AGS meeting news release “Geriatric-Orthopedic Partnership Lowers Hip Fracture Deaths.” The release reported on a study, Ortho-Geriatric Models and Optimal Outcomes: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis P22, which was presented in the Models of Geriatric Care paper session.

Indiana Dinner—The Tradition Continues
IU Geriatrics hosted the Annual Indiana Dinner for our faculty, fellows, staff and guests who attended the AGS Meeting. The event provided 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.

The IU Geriatrics e-news thanks Ian Chua, Todd James, Doug Miller, and Victoria Shaffer who contributed photographs.