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AGS to Honor Malaz Boustani with 2012 Outstanding Scientific Achievement for Clinical Investigation Award



In recognition of his significant contributions to the health care of older adults, **Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH**, will receive the **2012 Outstanding Scientific Achievement for Clinical Investigation Award by the American Geriatrics Society**.

The honor will be presented in May at the AGS Annual Scientific Meeting in Seattle. The award was established to recognize achievement in clinical research addressing healthcare problems of older adults by an investigator who is actively involved in direct patient care.

Dr. Boustani is being recognized for his dedication to improving the care of older adults with dementia and delirium, his work on the development of clinical assessment tools and treatment approaches, and his research contributions in improving the performance of healthcare providers and healthcare systems.

He has secured funding from the NIH, including two active R01s and a Beeson Career Development Award. He has authored over 70 papers with significant policy implications including the United States Preventive Services Task Force guideline for dementia screening in primary care settings.

"Dr. Boustani is a strong, vocal and visible advocate for older adults and aging research....He has made exceptional contributions to clinical research addressing the healthcare problems of older adults."

Christopher M. Callahan, MD

Dr. Boustani joined the Indiana University faculty in 2002, and was promoted to associate professor in 2009. In 2010, he was named associate director of the Indiana Center for Aging Research.

Noll Campbell to Receive 2012 Merck/AGS New Investigator Award

Congratulations to **Noll Campbell, PharmD**, who has been named a recipient of a **2012 Merck/American Geriatrics Society New Investigator Award**.



The honor goes to individuals whose original research, as presented in a submitted abstract, reflects new and relevant research in geriatrics. Awards are chosen based on originality, scientific merit, relevance of the research, as well as the applicant's demonstrated commitment to and accomplishments in aging research.

Dr. Campbell will receive the award in May at the AGS Annual Scientific Meeting.

Dr. Campbell's research mentors are **Mick Murray, PharmD, MPH, Sujuan Gao, PhD, Fred Unverzagt, PhD, and Malaz Boustani** who received the New Investigator Award in 2005. **Mike Weiner, MD, MPH** also is a past awardee.

Dr. Callahan Presents to National Advisory Council on Aging



Chris Callahan, MD, presented his NIA-funded R01, "Alzheimer's Disease Costs and Transitions Study," at the January meeting of the National Advisory Council on Aging.

The Council advises the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the Director of the NIH, and the Director of the National Institute on Aging on its mission and

considers applications for research and training and recommends funding for applications that show promise of making valuable contributions in the field of aging research.

The long range goal of ADCAT is to help design the next generation of care management interventions for older adults with Alzheimer's disease. ADCAT allows the researchers to identify targets for quality improvement and cost savings and to progress from descriptive epidemiologic to intervention studies that are a hallmark of their past research. Co-investigators are **Greg Arling, PhD, Steve Counsell, MD, Wanzhu Tu, PhD, Michael Weiner, MD, MPH, and Marc Rosenman, MD**.

Regenstrief Scientist **Hugh Hendrie, MB, ChB, DSc**, currently serves as a member of the Council.



6th ANNUAL IGS SPRING DINNER

Guest Speaker Jennie Chin Hansen, RN, MSN, FAAN
Chief Executive Officer of the American Geriatrics Society

Thursday, March 15, 2012 6:00-9:00 PM
Renaissance Indianapolis North Hotel
11925 N. Meridian Street, Carmel, IN
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Publications

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SAVE the DATE

American Delirium Society to Hold Second Annual Conference in Indianapolis

The [American Delirium Society](#) consists of a broad array of health care professionals from diverse subspecialties and healthcare disciplines. Their goals are to improve recognition, treatment, and prevention of delirium among patients everywhere within the healthcare system.

The ADS will hold its 2nd Annual Conference on June 3-5, 2011 in Indianapolis, IN. Keynote speakers include [Sharon Inouye](#), MD, MPH and [Ann Kolansowski](#), PhD, RN. Visit the ADS website for details.



From the IUSMNEWSROOM

Nursing Home Quality Scorecards Don't Tell the Whole Score

November 21, 2011

INDIANAPOLIS -- The scoring system government agencies use to rate nursing home quality does not provide an adequate evaluation because they do not take into account the degree of cognitive impairment of their patient populations and whether facilities include a specialized dementia unit according to a new study.



Focusing on statistics from Minnesota, Dr. Arif Nazir, Dr. Greg Arling and co-authors report on the inadequacy of quality of care indicators for nursing home residents with behavioral and psychological systems related to dementia in a study published in the November 2011 issue of the *Journal of the American Medical Directors Association*. [Read more...](#)



Paving the Way for Better Prevention and Management of Delirium

November 17, 2011

INDIANAPOLIS -- Important clues to the prevention and management of delirium, a condition affecting an estimated 7 million hospitalized Americans, are being ignored, according to a study from the Regenstrief Institute and the Indiana University School of Medicine. [Read more](#) about first author Dr. Babar Khan's publication which appeared in the November 2011 issue of the *Journal of the American Geriatrics Society*.

