

IU GERIATRICS e-news May 2012

A newsletter from [IU Geriatrics](#) and the [IU Center for Aging Research](#)



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IU Geriatrics Faculty Shine in Seattle

Some would say the 'supermoon' was the only show in Seattle on the fifth of May, but IU Geriatrics would politely and proudly challenge that opinion. Our contingent of clinician-educators, clinician-researchers and geriatrics fellows staged an impressive show of their own for over 2,670 geriatrics healthcare professionals who attended the 2012 Annual Scientific Meeting of the AGS.

Seattle is known as the jewel of the Pacific Northwest, but IU Geriatrics rocked the meeting with posters, presentations and national recognition. We're proud to devote this issue of the e-news to our stellar faculty for their contributions at AGS and to special awardees **Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH**, **Noll Campbell, PharmD**, and **Douglas K. Miller, MD**.

Geriatric Emergency Medicine Academy Recognizes Dr. Miller



Doug Miller, MD and Art Sanders, MD

AGS Taps Malaz Boustani for Top Scientific Achievement in Clinical Investigation



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

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 was 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.

"Malaz Boustani delivered one of the best talks I have heard at a national meeting. He was engaging, gracious, and compelling."

Dr. Boustani is a geriatrician, an associate director of the IU Center for Aging Research and medical director of the [Healthy Aging Brain Center](#) at Wishard Health Services. He leads the [Indianapolis Discovery Network for Dementia](#) and is the president-elect of the [American Delirium Society](#).

The Clinical Investigator Award Lecture slides from Dr. Boustani's presentation are available at http://www.americangeriatrics.org/annual_meeting/attendees/2012_meeting_handouts/ (Friday)

The 2012 [Academy of Geriatric Emergency Medicine](#) Gerson Sanders Award was presented to **Douglas K. Miller, MD** for his outstanding contributions to Geriatric Emergency Medicine. The award was presented by Dr. Art Sanders and AGEM members at the AGS meeting in Seattle.

Dr. Miller was noted as a dedicated and tireless advocate and leader of Geriatric Emergency Medicine. A former colleague expressed his gratitude for their nine-year collaboration.

"Doug has been a wonderful mentor, teacher, and friend to me.... Any success that I have had is a reflection of his dedication to helping me become a better researcher, a more effective leader, and simply a better person.... I'm incredibly grateful for his guidance and for the countless hours he dedicated to helping me... no one has influenced and moved the field as Doug has done over the past two decades."



Noll Campbell Receives Merck/AGS New Investigator Award

Congratulations to **Noll Campbell, PharmD**, who received a 2012 Merck/American Geriatrics Society New Investigator Award at the AGS meeting. 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.

Previous winners of the award are **Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH**, **Mike Weiner, MD, MPH**, and **Greg Sachs, MD** who also received the AGS Award for Outstanding Scientific Achievement for Clinical Investigation. Read more about Dr. Campbell's work in the [IUSM news release](#).



Stop by Master Swimmer Doug Miller's office to see the award — a one-of-a-kind [fused glass medallion](#) titled Swimmer in Motion.

Large Indiana Contingent Attends AGS Seattle and AGS welcomed geriatrics personnel from IU Geriatrics and the Indianapolis VAMC.

Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH
Ella Bowman, MD, PhD
Dawn Butler, MSW, JD
Chris Callahan, MD
Noll Campbell, PharmD
Asha Chakka, MD

Steve Counsell, MD
Kathy Frank, RN, PhD
Erica Gallmeyer, LCSW
Alex Garrido, MD
Toch Iloabuchi, MD
Todd James, MD
Michael LaMantia, MD, MPH

Justine Mays, MSW
Douglas K. Miller, MD
Stephanie Munger, MPH, CHES
Arif Nazir, MD, CMD
Kofi Quist, MD
Heather Riggs, MD
Cathy Schubert, MD

Vicky Shaffer
Monica Tegeler, MD
Alexia Torke, MD, MS
Kathleen Unroe, MD, MHA
Michael Weiner, MD, MPH
Glenda Westmoreland, MD, MPH

Oral Paper Presentations

Clinician-educator **Cathy Schubert, MD** and Geriatrics Fellow **Tochuku Iloabuchi, MD** were invited to make paper presentations in oral sessions.

In the Health Services and Policy Research paper session, **Dr. Iloabuchi** presented "Risk Factors for Early Hospital Readmission Among Low Income Seniors." His co-authors were **Wanzhu Tu, PhD**, Deming Mi, MS, and **Steve Counsell, MD**.

In the Models of Geriatric Care paper session, **Dr. Schubert** presented "Impact of GRACE Team on Hospital Readmissions at a VAMC." Her co-authors were Phyllis Beaman, Chief GEC, Chris Suelzer, MD, Nagesh Rao, MD, Brad Sutter, MD and **Steve Counsell, MD**.

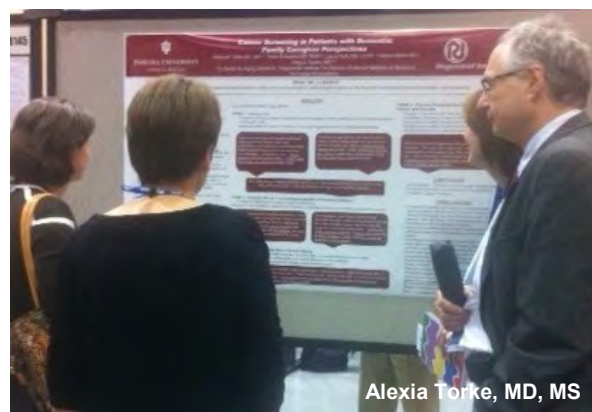


Presidential Poster Award Winners

IU Geriatrics was represented in two categories for "Best Posters."

Geriatrics Fellow **Asha Chakka, MD**, was awarded best poster in the Case Studies from Clinical Practice category for "REDD in the elderly." Her co-authors were **Alex Garrido, MD**, **Toch Iloabuchi, MD**, and **Felipe Perez, MD**.

Alexia Torke, MD, MS, was awarded best poster in the Preventive Medicine category for "Cancer Screening in Patients with Dementia: Family Caregiver Perspectives." Her co-authors were Peter Schwartz, MD, **Laura Holtz, BS**, **Annie Montz, MA**, and **Greg Sachs, MD**.



Posters

Noll Campbell, PharmD, presented "Impact of Race on Cognitive Assessment Among Hospitalized Elders." 2011 MSTAR Scholar/ IU medical student Braca Benizry was the first author. In addition to Dr. Campbell, co-authors were **Siu Hui, PhD**, Anthony Perkins, MS, **Babar Khan, MD, MS**, Mark Farber, MD, Wes Ely, MD, MPH, and **Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH**.

Noll Campbell presented "Interventions and Barriers to Medication Adherence in Cognitively Impaired Older Adults: A Systematic Review." Co-authors were **Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH**, Elaine Skopeljia, MALS, **Su Gao, PhD**, **Fred Unverzagt, PhD** and Mick Murray, PharmD, MPH.

Alex Garrido, MD presented "Blisters from my Surgery: Clinical History Helped by Internet Pictures." Co-authors were **Asha Chakka, MD**, **Toch Iloabuchi, MD**, **Felipe Perez, MD** and **Arif Nazir, MD**.



Didn't attend the meeting? Find AGS Meeting PowerPoint presentations at http://www.americangeriatrics.org/annual_meeting/attendees/2012_meeting_handouts/



Posters

Todd James, MD presented “A New Strategy for Teaching Residents Roles of Interprofessional Teams.” Co-authors were **Glenda Westmoreland, MD, MPH**, Christine Arenson, MD and **Steve Counsell, MD**.

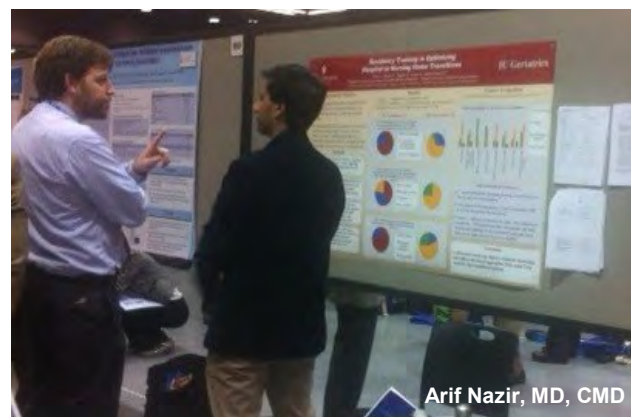
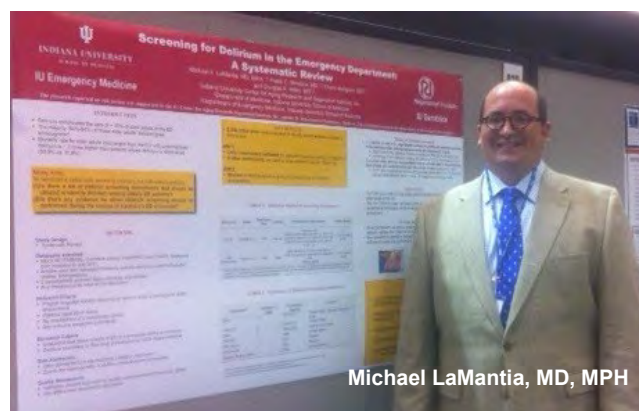
Michael LaMantia, MD, MPH presented “Screening for Delirium in the Emergency Department: A Systematic Review.” Co-authors were Frank Messina, MD, Cherri Hobgood, MD and **Doug Miller, MD**.

Arif Nazir, MD presented “Residency Training in Optimizing Hospital to Nursing Home Transitions.” Co-authors were **Asha Chakka, MD, Monica Tegeler, MD, Angela Graves**, and **Glenda Westmoreland, MD, MPH**.

Heather Riggs, MD presented “Early Discontinuation of Adjuvant Chemotherapy Among Veterans with Colon Cancer.” Co-authors were Katie Lane, MS, Sue Rawl, PhD, Patrick Loehrer, MD, **Siu Hui, PhD**, and **Michael Weiner, MD, MPH**.

Monica Tegeler, MD presented “Prognosis of Nursing Home Patients with Dementia: A Systematic Review.” Co-authors were Tom Emmett, MD, MLS and **Chris Callahan, MD**.

Kathleen Unroe, MD, MHA presented “An Analysis of Hospice Use in Nursing Homes.” Co-authors were **Greg Sachs, MD, Wanzhu Tu, PhD, Greg Arling, PhD**, Tim Stump, MA and **Chris Callahan, MD**.

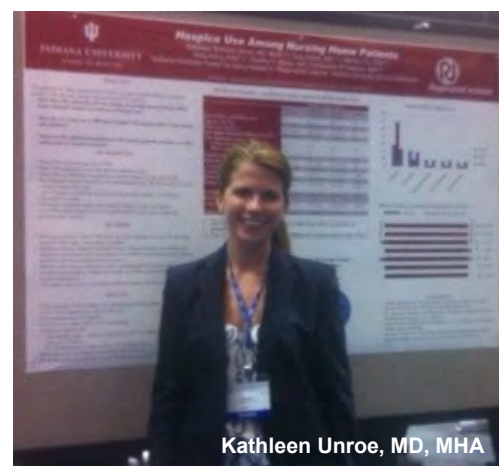


Presentations and Professional Activities

Ella Bowman, MD presented “The ACE Consult Service” at the symposium, Acute Care for Elders as a Geriatrics Safety and Quality Improvement Program.

Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH presented “Partnerships to Advance Implementation” at the symposium, Partnerships to Enhance Research Related to the Care of Older Adults.

Todd James, MD presented “GRACE Care Transitions: Collaboration with an ADRC” at the meeting of the Health Care for Low Income Seniors Special Interest Group.



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Ella Bowman, MD participated on a panel discussing “ACE Units: Create, Sustain, Demonstrate Value” at a meeting of the Acute Hospital Care Special Interest Group.

Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH chaired the meeting of the Clinical Research in Dementia Special Interest Group. He and IU Center for Aging Research Program Manager **Stephanie Munger, MPH, CHES**, discussed the Healthy Aging Brain Care (HABC) Monitor, a new screening and monitoring tool, along with the new products available through the Aging Brain Care program at Regenstrief Institute and IU Center for Aging Research.

Steve Counsell, MD moderated a meeting of the Health Care for Low Income Seniors Special Interest Group.

Todd James, MD moderated “Interprofessional Education and Practice in Geriatrics” at their IEP/P Special Interest Group meeting.

IU Geriatrics faculty members serve on many AGS committees which convene at the annual meeting:

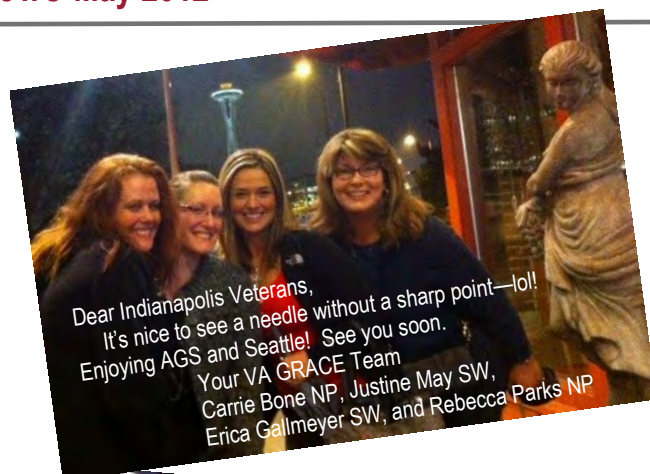
- As the Indiana COSAR representative, **Kathy Frank, PhD, RN** attended the meeting of the Council of State Affiliate Representatives.
- **Steve Counsell, MD** attended meetings of the AGS Board of Directors, Association of Directors of Geriatric Academic Programs, the AGS Public Policy committee, and the Directors of the John A. Hartford Centers of Excellence in Geriatric Medicine Program.
- **Kathleen Unroe, MD, MHA** attended a meeting of the AGS Public Policy Committee. She was elected vice chair of the AGS Junior Faculty Interest Group.
- **Cathy Schubert, MD** attended a meeting of the AGS Clinical Practice & Models of Care Committee. Her name and photo were included in the annual meeting program as a new AGS fellow.
- **Alexia Torke, MD, MS** attended a meeting of the AGS Ethics Committee and a dinner hosted by the John A. Hartford Foundation.
- **Doug Miller, MD**, attended meetings of the Ethnogeriatrics Committee and the Health Systems Innovation - Economics & Technology Committee

Behind the scenes before the annual meeting, **Glenda Westmoreland, MD, MPH** and **Cathy Schubert, MD** were conference proposal reviewers, and **Kathleen Unroe, MD, MHA** was an abstract reviewer.

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, held at Buca di Beppo, 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.

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Loved catching up with former colleagues like Gene Lammers at the Indiana Dinner! Kathy



Thank you to our photographers, including Geriatrics Academic Coordinator Vicky Shaffer!