

IU GERIATRICS e-news August 2009

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

Dr. Felipe Perez Joins IU Geriatrics

IU Geriatrics welcomes new faculty member and geriatrician **Felipe Pablo Perez, MD**.

Dr. Perez comes to Indiana University from the Section of Geriatric Medicine at the University of Illinois in Chicago where he directed fellowship programs in Geriatric-Oncology Medicine, Palliative Medicine and Hospice, and Geriatric Medicine. He also directed Home Based Primary Care at the West Side



VA Hospital in Chicago.

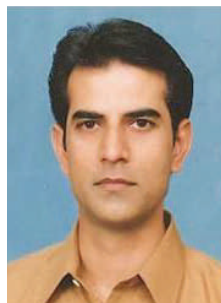
Dr. Perez completed an internal medicine residency and was chief resident at West Suburban Hospital in Oak Park, Illinois. He completed a geriatric medicine fellowship at Loyola University in Maywood, Illinois.

Dr. Perez joins IU as an associate professor of clinical medicine. He will serve as medical director of the Acute Care for Elders (ACE) Consult Service at Methodist Hospital and will provide outpatient consultations in the Senior Health Center at Methodist. Dr. Perez has been named the associate director of the [Geriatric Medicine Fellowship Program](#) at IU.

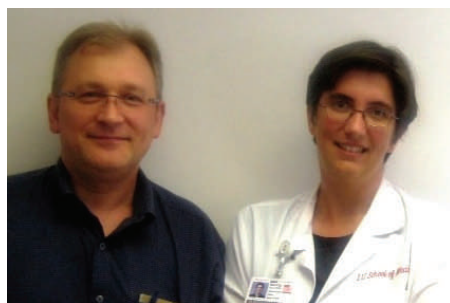
IU Geriatrics Welcomes Geriatric Medicine Fellows



Dr. Moinuddin



Dr. Hashmi



Dr. Gorbachev

Dr. Riggs

In this new academic year, IU Geriatrics has welcomed two new fellows, **Syed Salman Moinuddin, MD**, and **Syed Farhan R. Hashmi, MD**.

Dr. Moinuddin completed an internal medicine residency in 2009 at the IU School of Medicine.

Dr. Hashmi completed a combined internal medicine-psychiatry residency program at Southern Illinois University in 2009.

The new fellows join **Dr. Sergey Gorbachev** and **Dr. Heather Riggs** who have completed the Geriatric

Roudebush VAMC Names Section Chief for Geriatrics

Effective July 1, 2009, **Steve Counsell, MD**, became the first Section Chief for Geriatrics at the Richard L. Roudebush VA Medical Center.

At the request of Brad Allen, MD, Chief of Medicine at the Roudebush VAMC, Dr. Counsell will assess the need for specialized services in geriatric medicine at the VA and will work together with their leadership, physicians and staff to develop a comprehensive plan for geriatrics clinical services, teaching, and research.

It is anticipated that additional geriatricians and geriatrics interdisciplinary staff will be recruited for roles at the VA over the next two years. This is likely to include outpatient consultation and/or primary care, inpatient consultation, and home-based care management.



INDIANA GERIATRICS SOCIETY'S Third Annual Fall Conference

October 2, 2009
8:00 am - 5:30 pm

Forecasting the Economic Impact on Clinical Care of Older Adults: How can we make a difference?

Registration & Continental Breakfast 7:30 - 8:00am

Methodist Conference Center

1801 N. Senate Blvd
Indianapolis, IN 46202

Agenda and Registration at

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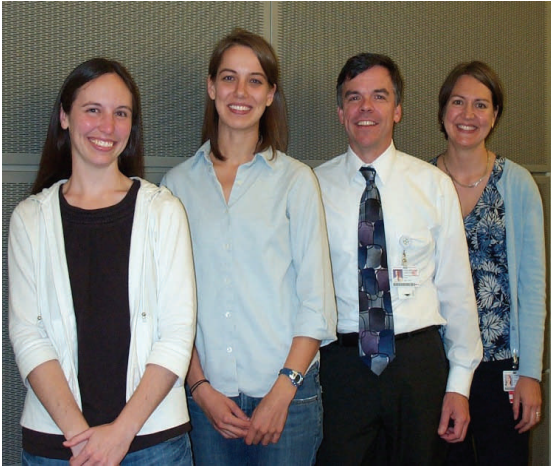
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Medicine Fellowship Program and are pursuing additional fellowship training. Dr. Gorbachev continues training in the Gero-informatics Fellowship Program and the Regenstrief Institute Medical Informatics Fellowship Program. Dr. Riggs is training in the combined Geriatric Medicine and Hematology/Oncology Fellowship Programs.

Drs. Michael Sha and Usha Subramanian, graduates of the IU Geriatric Medicine Fellowship Program, currently provide primary care services and teaching at the VA, and along with geriatric psychiatrist, Valerie Smith-Gamble, MD are involved in the planning process.

IU-CAR Mentors Summer Scholar Whitney Horn



Smiles summed up the successful conclusion of Whitney Horn's summer research activities with the Center for Aging Research. Pictured (L to R) are **Christianne Purnell, BA, Ms. Horn, Chris Callahan, MD, and Alexia Torke, MD, MS.**

Ms. Horn was a summer scholar in the National Institute on Aging Short-Term Training Program in Women's

Health and Aging at the IUSM. The T35 is led by PI Rose Fife, MD; Dr. Callahan is a T35 co-investigator and mentored Ms. Horn. The program is one of several [summer research opportunities](#) offered to IU medical students who have completed the first year of medical school.

Under the direction of Dr. Torke and Ms. Purnell, Ms. Horn conducted a systematic evidence review and collected data for a study of surrogate decision making for hospitalized older adults. She also collected data in an outpatient clinic for a time and motion project under the direction of Lee Ann Blue, MSN, RN, chief nursing officer at Wishard Health Services.

In August Ms. Horn began her second year of medical school at the IUSM on the Indianapolis campus.

International Presentations

Hugh Hendrie, MB, ChB, DSc, presented "Diagnosis of Dementia and AD in Indianapolis and Ibadan: Challenges in Cross-Cultural Studies of Aging and Dementia" at the Alzheimer's Association [International Conference on Alzheimer's Disease](#) held in July, 2009, in Vienna, Austria. The conference has become an annual event and drew nearly 3,800 international attendees to Vienna.

Steve Counsell, MD, attended the 19th [International Association of Gerontology & Geriatrics](#) World Congress of Gerontology & Geriatrics in Paris, France in July, 2009. In addition to presenting a poster, "Cost Analysis of the Geriatric Resources for Assessment and Care of Elders (GRACE) Care Management", he attended sessions on integrated models of care and reconnected with colleagues that he met last year while on sabbatical in Australia.

Publication News

Research results published in August by lead authors **Steve Counsell, MD** and **Kevin Terrell, DO, MS** made their way to web sites that report health news.

The GRACE cost analysis, from the healthcare delivery system perspective, was reported in an [IUSM news release](#) and on the [Medical News Today](#) website.

Congratulations to Dr. Terrell for his first publication in *JAGS*. [Merck Medicus](#) posted an article about his research.

Links to the PubMed abstracts are in the e-news publications section.

IU Geriatrics Conference

Palmer MacKie, MD, will present "Complementary and Alternative Medicine" at the IU Geriatrics Conference on Wednesday, September 30, 2009, 7:30-8:30am in Wishard Room T2008 A&B.

Publications

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