

# IU GERIATRICS e-news for NOVEMBER 2006

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

## Dr. Greg Arling Joins IU Geriatrics

[Gregory W. Arling, PhD](#), joined IU Geriatrics and the IU Center for Aging Research as a Center Scientist in August of 2006. Dr. Arling also has an appointment as visiting associate professor in the [School of Public & Environmental Affairs](#) at IUPUI.

He currently is working with Dr. Steve Counsell in two areas: 1) analysis of the GRACE clinical trial results as a member of the GRACE Research Team, and 2) development of care management and nursing facility transition programs for the State of Indiana as a member of the Medicaid Medical Advisory Cabinet.

Prior to joining IU Geriatrics, Dr. Arling was Associate Professor of Health Administration in the Department of Public Affairs at the Bloch School of Business and Public Administration, University of Missouri- Kansas City. He also was a Visiting Professor in the Division of Health Services Research and Policy at the School of Public Health, University of Minnesota.



## Gerontological Society of America PRESENTATIONS

The 59th Annual Scientific Meeting of the [Gerontological Society of America](#) was held November 16-20, 2006, in Dallas, Texas. Attending from IU Geriatrics and the IU Center for Aging Research were: **Mary Guerriero Austrom, PhD, Tamilyn Bakas, DNS, RN, Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH, Chris Callahan, MD, Steve Counsell, MD, Kathy Frank, RN, DNS, Douglas K. Miller, MD, and Michael Weiner, MD, MPH.** The meeting theme was "Education & the Gerontological Imagination."

The following posters, papers and symposiums were presented:

### POSTERS:

Mueller CA, Coates J, Cutler LC, O'Connell S, Thompson R, Kane R, and **Gregory W. Arling.** Imaginative Organizational and Management Practices in Nursing Homes

**Daniel O. Clark, Timothy E. Stump, Bair M, Gretchen Ricketts, Christopher M. Callahan, Steven R. Counsell.** Clinically Significant Depressive Symptoms Among Lower-Income Seniors Reporting Pain: Prevalence, Correlates, and Two-Year Incidence

Malmstrom TK, Andresen EM, Wolinsky FD, Stamps KC, **Douglas K. Miller.** Epidemiology of Aging: Risk Factors for Mortality in an Elderly Cohort

Wolinsky FD, Miller TR, Miller JP, Andresen EM, Malmstrom TK, Schootman M, **Douglas K. Miller.** Four-Year Disability Trajectories Among Older African American Men and Women

Lu Y, **Mary Guerriero Austrom,** Perkins SM, **Tamilyn Bakas, Martin Farlow,** He F, Jin S, Gamst A. Nursing Care of Older Adults: Depression in Family Caregivers of Persons With Mild Cognitive Impairment

### PAPERS:

**Mary Guerriero Austrom,** Bachman J, Wall JR, Miller E. Alzheimer's Disease Research: A Collaborative Approach to Recruiting Caregivers for Research

Sands LP, Xu H, **Michael Weiner,** Rosenman MA, Craig BA, Thomass III J. Home and Community Based Services as Alternatives to Nursing-Home Care for Medicaid Recipients With Dementia

Moore SJ, **Kathy Frank**, Twigg PI. Nursing Care of Older Adults: Developing a Collaborative Geriatric Nursing Interest Group

#### SYMPOSIUMS:

Ostwald SK, **Tamilyn Bakas**, discussant. Economics of Aging, Measurement, Statistics, and Research Methods, Nursing Care of Older Adults: Function and Economic Burden for Stroke Survivors and Their Spousal Caregivers After Hospital Discharge: CARES Study

Schootman M, Andresen EM, **Douglas K. Miller**. The Interplay Between Neighborhood Conditions and Presence of Diabetes on Risk of Incident Lower-Body Functional Limitations among Middle-Aged Urban African Americans in the symposium, Environment, Aging and the Gerontological Imagination

**Michael Weiner**. Home-Based Information System to Monitor Pain and Dysmobility in the symposium, Technological innovations for successful aging: research advancements of four Edward R. Roybal Centers on Applied Gerontology.

### GSA PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

**Chris Callahan, MD**, serves on the American Geriatrics Society (AGS) [Research Committee](#) which met at the GSA annual meeting. He is working with a junior faculty group that is developing programming for the 2007 AGS meeting.

**Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH**, chaired a meeting of the Junior Research Faculty Interest Group.

**Michael Weiner, MD, MPH**, attended the Technology and Aging Special Interest Group meeting. About ten people attended and discussed ways to advance their work. The group has a [Web site](http://faculty.cua.edu/tran/gsa-tag/) at <http://faculty.cua.edu/tran/gsa-tag/>.

**Douglas K. Miller, MD**, attended the [Editorial Board](#) meeting for the *Journal of Gerontology: Medical Sciences* and the Urban and Neighborhood Aging Special Interest Group.

**Steve Counsell, MD**, chaired the AGS [Public Policy Advisory Group](#) meeting and attended meetings of the AGS Committee Chairs/Vice Chairs, AGS [Quality Ad Hoc Work Group](#), the Association of Directors of Geriatrics Academic Programs ([ADGAP](#)), and the directors of John A. Hartford Foundation Centers of Excellence in Geriatric Medicine.

### OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

**Steve Counsell, MD**, served as Visiting Professor at the [Geriatrics Institute of the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine](#) and Miami GRECC of Miami VA Healthcare System on November 1, 2006, in Miami, Florida. He presented the Geriatrics Institute Grand Rounds entitled, "Geriatric Resources for Assessment and Care of Elders (GRACE) - A New Model of Primary Care for Low-Income Seniors".

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Anne Hake, MD**, will present "Dementia" at the IU Geriatrics Conference on January 3, 2007, from 7:30-8:30 am in Wishard T2008 A&B. Dr. Hake is assistant professor of neurology, IUSM, and provides neurology consultation in the IU Center for Senior Health.

Larry Cripe, MD, will present "Clonal Myeloid Disorders in Older Individuals" at the IU Geriatrics Conference on January 17, 2007, from 7:30-8:30 am in Wishard T2008 A&B. Dr. Cripe is associate professor of medicine in the Hematology/Oncology Division of the Department of Medicine, IUSM. Read Dr. Cripe's recent contribution entitled, "[Hope Is the Thing With Feathers](#)" in *JAMA's* A Piece of My Mind feature in the October 18, 2006, issue.