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The IU Geriatrics Program and the IU Center for Aging Research congratulate Chris Callahan, MD, on the publication of his co-authored book, *Reinventing Depression, A History of the Treatment of Depression in Primary Care, 1940-2004.* Published by Oxford University Press, the book traces the scientific and social developments that shaped the current treatment model for depression in primary care over the past half century.

The manuscript was written by Chris during his sabbatical year in the UK as a visiting scholar at the University of Cambridge, Department of Psychiatry, History and Psychopathology Research Program. His co-author is German E. Berrios, MD, director of the research program, lecturer and honorary consultant neuropsychiatrist at the university.

GRANTS

The IU Center for Aging Research has been awarded an Edward R. Roybal Center on Translational Research on Chronic Disease Self-Management among Vulnerable Older Adults (IU-Roybal). Led by Principal Investigators **Dan Clark, PhD,** and **Chris Callahan, MD**, the 5-year renewable funding period will support the research infrastructure necessary to maintain a feedback loop between basic and applied areas of social and behavioral science thus allowing IU-Roybal to translate social science innovations into practical clinical applications in day-to-day provision of health care for older adults. This infrastructure will facilitate pilot projects designed to improve support and education for self-management among vulnerable older adults cared for by generalist physicians. Congratulations, Dan and Chris!

AWARD

An appreciative contingent of supporters paid tribute to **Stephen Lind, LCSW**, as he received a 2004 Hulman Health Achievement Award in Geriatrics and Gerontology at the Indiana Public Health Foundation's annual awards banquet held on October 21 at the Westin Hotel. Steve has worked with Wishard for 26 years, most recently with Senior Care at Wishard in the IU Center for Senior Health, and is the first social worker to win the award in the Geriatrics and Gerontology category.

Steve's family and colleagues from IU Medical Group-Primary Care; Wishard's Social Work Department; IU Center for Senior Health, IU Geriatrics Program and IU Center for Aging Research were on hand to honor him. Since 1985, the Tony and Mary Hulman Health Achievement Awards have been awarded to top health care professionals who have helped shape and enhance public health in Indiana. Congratulations from all of us, Steve!

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PRESENTATIONS

Michael Weiner, MD, MPH, presented "To err is human: building a safer health system: a perspective on the Institute of Medicine study," at the Health Policy Symposium: Measuring Quality & Patient Safety held October 8, 2004, in Chicago, IL. The symposium was a feature at the Annual Meeting of the Illinois Chapter of the American College of Cardiology.

Kevin Terrell, DO, MS, presented the poster, "A Standardized Transfer Form Improves Communication Between Extended Care Facilities and the Emergency Department" at the American College of

Emergency Physicians Research Forum, in San Francisco, California, October 18, 2004. The Research Forum is the American College of Emergency Physicians' premier research event.

Mary Guerriero Austrom, PhD, Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH, Chris Callahan, MD, and Hugh Hendrie, MB, ChB, DSc, traveled to the United Kingdom in October to attend and present at conferences on the topic of dementia in primary care.

Malaz Boustani presented "Screening for Dementia in Primary Care," and **Chris Callahan** presented "Management of Dementia in Primary Care," on October 5 to leading Consultant Geriatricians and Consultant Old Age Psychiatrists attending the British Geriatrics Society Autumn Meeting 2004 held October 6-8 in Harrogate, Yorkshire, England.

IU-CAR investigators Boustani, Callahan, Austrom and Hendrie traveled to Kent, England on October 6 and participated in a collaborative meeting with researchers from the University of Kent at Canterbury and its Institute of Medicine Health Science (KIMHS). The long term goal of the collaboration is to develop a health care delivery system that will provide high quality ambulatory/community dementia care. The short term goal is to build the infrastructure for future grant submissions to develop this system.

The researchers identified 3 projects that will provide preliminary data, including PRISM-PC, a collaboration of **Dr. Boustani** and Dr. Chris Fox, Consultant (physician) in Old Age Psychiatry, KIMHS, to identify common and unique patient barriers to dementia screening in the US and UK.

Following the Kent meeting, **Malaz Boustani** traveled in England and Northern Ireland to present "Screening and Management of Dementia in Primary Care," to physicians in Dorking, Surrey; Nottingham; Cheshire; Leeds; Poole, Dorset; Warwick; and Belfast. His presentations and travels provided him the opportunity to learn about delivery of dementia care to older adults in the UK.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Glenda Westmoreland, MD, MPH, was invited and participated as a panelist at the October 14th informational session held for senior Indiana University medical students who are interested in careers in internal medicine.

Steve Counsell, MD, was accepted and participated in a two-week intensive course of the Harvard School of Public Health October 17-29 entitled, "Leadership Development for Physicians in Academic Health Centers." Topics of study included Institutional Policy and Strategy, Financial Analysis and Control, Organizational Issues, Operations Management, Conflict Resolution and Negotiation, and Clinical Innovation and Performance Improvement.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Teresa Damush, PhD, and **Linda Williams, MD**, will present information about the VA Stroke Quality Enhancement Research Initiative (QUERI) November 9, 8:30-9:30am, in the Regenstrief 6th floor boardroom.

Alex Arizmendi, MD, will present "Risk Factors for Adverse Outcomes Among Elderly in a House Calls Program," November 16, 2, 8:30-9:30am, in the Regenstrief Institute 6th floor boardroom. Dr. Arizmendi is a second-year geriatrics fellow.

Sandra Valaitis, MD, will present "The Surgical Approach to Urinary Incontinence in Older Adults," at the November 17th IU Geriatrics Conference held in Wishard T2008 A&B from 7:30-8:30am. Dr. Valaitis is associate professor of clinical obstetrics/gynecology, IUSM.

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