

## IU GERIATRICS e-news for MARCH 2005

The IU Geriatrics Program and the [IU Center for Aging Research](#) will be looking for the letters "FACP" to follow the "MD, MPH" after **Michael Weiner's** name. He has been elected a Fellow of the American College of Physicians and will be inducted during the College's 2005 Annual Session April 14-16 in San Francisco, California. Fellowship is an honor achieved by those recognized by their peers for personal integrity, superior competence in internal medicine, professional accomplishment, and demonstrated scholarship. Congratulations, Mike!

### AWARDS

Our geriatrics family congratulates **Hugh C. Hendrie, MB, ChB, DSc**, who received the [Senior Investigator Award](#) on March 3, 2005, from the American Association for Geriatric Psychiatry at their 18th Annual Meeting in San Diego. Joining Dr. Hendrie at the award ceremony were IUCAR Director **Chris Callahan, MD**, and Center Scientist **Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH**. As winner of the award, Dr. Hendrie highlighted his research and related areas of study in the annual Senior Investigator Lecture.

**Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH**, will be making a splash at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the American Geriatrics Society held May 11-15 at the Swan and Dolphin Hotel in Orlando, Florida! He will receive a [2005 New Investigator Award](#) for his abstract, "The Prevalence and Burden of Cognitive Impairment in Hospitalized Older Adults." The award recognizes research for its originality, scientific merit and relevance in geriatrics and recognizes individuals who are committed to a career in aging research. Congratulations, Malaz!

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### PRESENTATIONS

Want to have interesting fun discussions and find out how other IUPUI scientists do their work? The IU Center for Aging Research has launched a new lecture series called SCORE which stands for Seeking Creativity to Optimize Research Endeavors. The goal of the series is to open our minds to topics and methods outside our normal scope of work. Check the **ANNOUNCEMENTS** for the next SCORE presentation by Dr. Polly Baker.

In addition to **Dr. Hendrie** receiving the Senior Investigator Award, the IU Center for Aging Research had a strong presence at the 2005 American Association for Geriatric Psychiatry annual meeting.

**Chris Callahan, MD**, represented geriatric medicine as a discussant in two complex case presentations, "Depression and Executive Function" and "Depression versus Delirium."

**Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH**, represented geriatric medicine as a discussant in multiple complex case presentations on "Delirium."

**Martin Farlow, MD**, participated in the symposium "Cholinesterase Inhibitors Across Stages of Dementia and Cognitive Impairments in the Elderly."

**Mary Guerriero Austrom, PhD**, and **Hugh Hendrie** presented a Retirees' Caucus interactive workshop entitled, "Retired Physicians and Their Spouses -- What Have We Learned from Surveys?".

**Steve Lind, LCSW**, geriatrics social worker from the IU Center for Senior Health at Wishard, presented "Caregiving: Harder Than it Seems, Easier Than it Looks--It's All Relative" at the Regenstrief Institute's Lunch and Learn Series on March 18, 2005. Attended by Institute employees and faculty over the lunch hour, the sessions explore topics of interest and personal development.

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

**Chris Callahan, MD**, reviewed grant proposals for the "[The 2005 Hartford Geriatrics Health Outcomes Research Scholars Award Program](#)" February 10-11, at the American Geriatrics Society offices in New York City. This program supports physician-scientists committed to improving the health care of older adults during the critical transition from junior faculty to independent researcher. Research must be focused on older adults and may address clinical strategies and effectiveness, innovative outcomes measures, and quality of life.

**Teresa Damush, PhD**, was an ad hoc reviewer for the March 2005 [Scientific Merit Review Board](#) for the Health Services Research & Development service of the Veterans Health Service. She participated in the Chronic Disease Management & Behavioral Processes review of proposals on March 14 in San Antonio, Texas.

**Chris Callahan** was an invited participant in a "Strategic Planning Conference to Improve the Care of Older Adults by Generalist Physicians" held March 7-8 in Atlanta, Georgia. The event was sponsored by the [Merck Institute of Aging & Health](#) and the Society of General Internal Medicine. Participants are developing a blueprint of high priority projects and initiatives to be accomplished over the next three years to improve the care of older adults by practicing physicians. Participants also are identifying a working group to provide leadership in moving these projects forward.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH**, will present "Post-Operative Cognitive Deficiencies in the Older Adult" at the April 6 IU Geriatrics Conference held from 7:30-8:30am in Wishard T2008 A&B. Dr. Boustani is assistant professor of medicine, center scientist in the IU Center for Aging Research, and research scientist in the Regenstrief Institute.

The April 20 IU Geriatrics Conference features Mark A. Deeg, MD, PhD. His presentation, "Cholesterol Management in Older Individuals" will be held in Wishard T2008 A&B from 7:30-8:30am. Dr. Deeg is associate professor of medicine and of biochemistry and molecular biology. He is director of the IU Vascular Health Program.

Polly Baker, PhD, will present a SCORE Lecture on April 26, 2005, 8:30-9:30am in the Regenstrief Institute 6th floor boardroom. Dr. Baker is the director of the Visualization and Interactive Spaces Lab at IUPUI. Her research investigates the design and application of sophisticated, highly interactive visual environments for data exploration and learning.

Joanne Wojcieszek, MD, will present "Parkinson's Disease" at the May 18 IU Geriatrics Conference held from 7:30-8:30am in Wishard T2008 A&B. Dr. Wojcieszek is associate professor of clinical neurology, IUSM.

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