

# IU GERIATRICS e-news May 2010

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

## IU Geriatrics Shines at Premier Forum

Orlando, Florida is known for sunshine and all things Disney.

IU Geriatrics joined the landscape in May, as twenty-five representatives, including faculty, staff and medical students, displayed their expertise and professional talent at the American Geriatrics Society's 2010 Annual Scientific Meeting--the premier forum for the latest information on clinical geriatrics, research on aging, and innovative models of care. We led symposia, workshops, special interest groups, committee meetings, and more. Our IU crimson poster headers drew attendees to our research.

IU Geriatrics continues the tradition of shining at AGS!

## AGS Board of Directors Recognizes Dr. Greg Sachs



Upon returning from the AGS Annual Meeting, Greg Sachs carefully placed the shiny glass memento on his desk. Reflecting on the past, he noted that "this is the first time in 18 years that I will not be on either a standing AGS committee or the board."

The society's Board of Directors acknowledged Dr. Sachs' extensive contributions, including six years on the Board, at his final meeting with an inscription on the glass:

*Thank you for your dedication and commitment as a Member of the AGS Board of Directors and as an Outstanding leader in the improvement of the health and well-being of all older adults.*

Your geriatrics colleagues also thank you for over two decades of service as an AGS member!

## Paper Presentation

**Noll L. Campbell, PharmD, FASCP, BCPP, CGP**, presented "Use of Anticholinergics and the Risk of Cognitive Impairment in an African-American Population" at the Epidemiology Paper Session. Co-authors were **Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH, Hugh Hendrie, MB, ChB, DSc, Fred Unverzagt, PhD, and Ann Marie Hake, MD.**

## Symposia

**Chris Callahan, MD**, presented "Implementing Geriatrics-based Dementia Research into Clinical Practice" at the symposium, Geriatric Medicine: Shaping the Future of Dementia Clinical Care and Research.

**Noll L. Campbell, PharmD, FASCP, BCPP, CGP** presented "Measuring the Anticholinergic Activity of Medications" at the symposium, Understanding the Impact of Anticholinergics on the Aging Brain.

**Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH**, presented "Impact of Reducing Anticholinergic Burden" at the symposium, Understanding the Impact of Anticholinergics on the Aging Brain.

**Steve Counsell, MD**, presented "The GRACE Model" at the symposium, Care Coordination in Primary Care for Older Americans: Evidence-Based Models & Policy Implications. He also moderated the symposium.

**Douglas K. Miller, MD** organized and moderated the symposium, Opportunities for High Yield Research Collaborations on Older Patients with Emergency Conditions.



## IU GERIATRICS at AGS

Geriatrics health care providers, researchers, and educators from Indiana gathered at the 2010 AGS Annual Scientific Meeting held in May in Orlando, Florida.

Attending from IU were:

Robin Beck, MD  
Jessica Brown, MS3  
Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH  
Ella Bowman, MD, PhD  
Chris Callahan, MD  
Noll Campbell, PharmD, CGP  
Steve Counsell, MD  
Kathy Frank, PhD, RN  
Farhan Hashmi, MD  
Whitney Horn, MS3  
Todd James, MD  
Jerrilyn Jones, RN, ANP  
Gene Lammers, MD, MPH  
Laurel Marshall  
Douglas K. Miller, MD  
Sal Moinuddin, MD  
Stephanie Munger, BS, MPH  
Stephanie Nothelle, MS4  
Greg Sachs, MD  
Cathy Schubert, MD  
Molly Stark, RN, GNP, ANP  
Kevin Terrell, DO, MS  
Alexia Torke, MD, MS  
Glenda Westmoreland, MD, MPH

## Workshop

**Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH**, presented "Lessons Learned on the Importance of Messaging" at the workshop entitled Message Matters: Communicating Your Research Findings Effectively.

## Posters

**Alexia M. Torke, MD, MS**, presented "Non-Hospice Palliative Care for Patients with Dementia: Barriers and Strategies for Success." **Greg A. Sachs, MD, Laura Holtz, BS, Siu Hui, PhD**, and **Matt Eaton, MPH** were co-authors.

**Kevin Terrell, DO, MS**, presented "Care Transitions Between Nursing Homes & Emergency Room Departments." **Douglas K. Miller, MD** was a co-author.

**Jessica Brown, MS3**, presented "Risk of Coronary Heart Disease Among Elderly Adults with Depressive Symptoms." **Chris Callahan, MD** and **Jesse Stewart, PhD**, were co-authors.

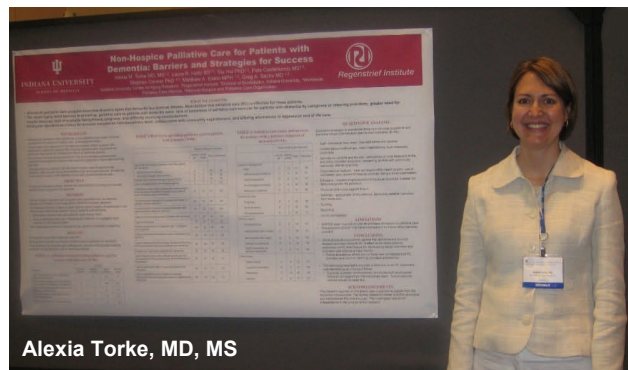
**Sal Moinuddin, MD**, presented "Homocysteine mediated attenuation of the Heat Shock Response." **Felipe P. Perez, MD** was first author.

**Stephanie Nothelle, MS4** presented "Medical Students' Perspectives about Participation in a Geriatrics Elective." **Glenda Westmoreland, MD, MPH** was a co-author.

**Greg A. Sachs, MD** presented "Cognitive Impairment as an Independent Predictor of Excess Mortality." **Wanzhu Tu, PhD, Laura Holtz, BS**, and **Chris Callahan, MD**, were co-authors.

In the Geriatric Academic Career Awardee (GACA) Poster Session, **Ella Bowman, MD, PhD**, presented "Post Hospital Discharge Telephone Survey Assessing Transitional Care Needs of Elderly." **Greg A. Sachs, MD** was a co-author.

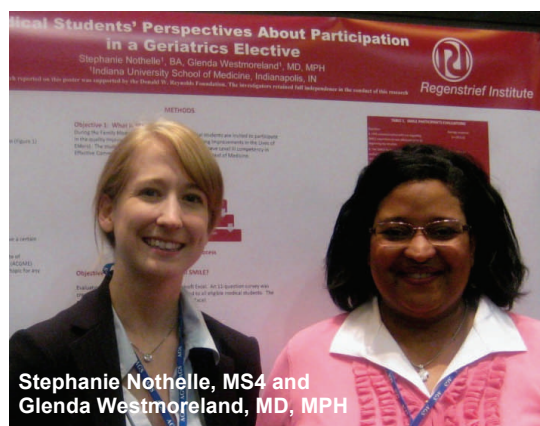
**Cathy Schubert, MD** presented "Building a Geriatrics in Oncology Program at Indiana University" at the Friday poster session and at the GACA session. **Heather Riggs, MD**, and **Glenda Westmoreland, MD, MPH** were co-authors.



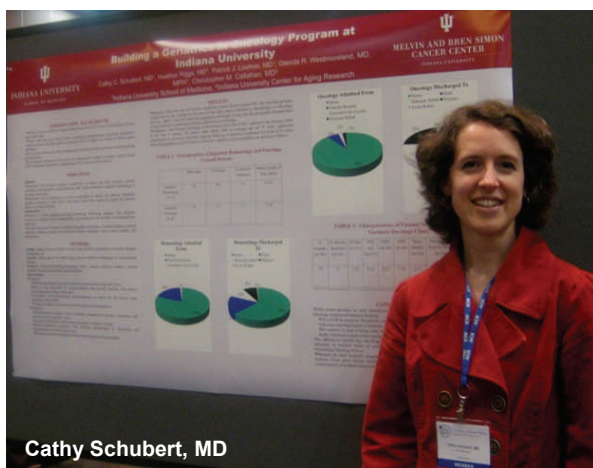
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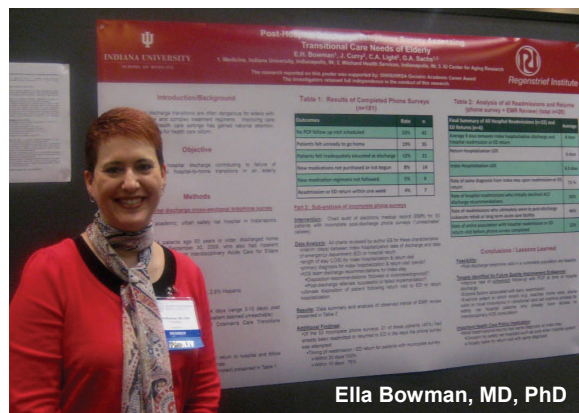
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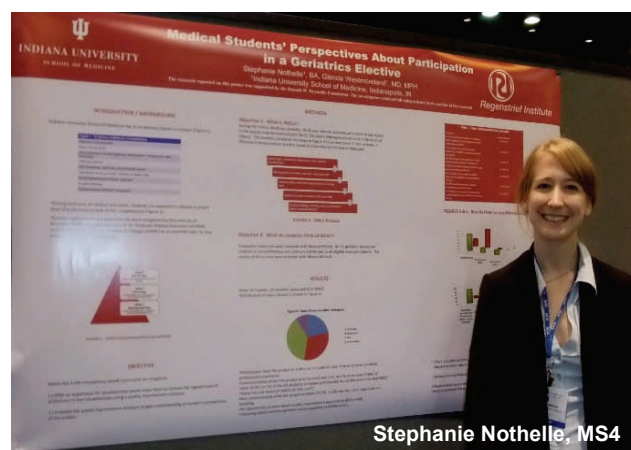


## MSTAR Scholar Alumna Present at Student Poster Session

Former scholars in the [Medical Student Training in Aging Research](#) program presented their data as first authors at the AGS/AFAR/John A. Hartford Foundation Student Poster Session.

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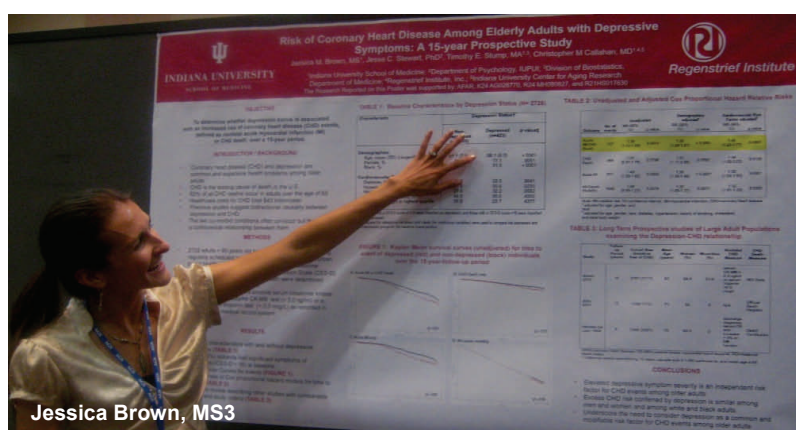
## Special Interest Groups

**Steve Counsell, MD**, and **Jerrilyn Jones, RN, ANP**, presented "ACE Consults and Collaboration with Hospitalists" at the meeting of the Acute Hospital Care Special Interest Group.

**Ella Bowman, MD, PhD**, presented "Wishard Hospital ACE Consult Service" at the meeting of the Geriatric Consult Services Special Interest Group.

**Greg A. Sachs, MD**, presented at the meeting of the Palliative Care Special Interest Group.

**Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH**, chaired the meeting of the Special Interest Group in Clinical Research in Dementia.



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**Stephanie Munger, MPH**, coordinated the meeting of the Special Interest Group in Clinical Research in Dementia.

**Steve Counsell, MD**, chaired the meeting of the Healthcare for Low-Income Seniors Special Interest Group.

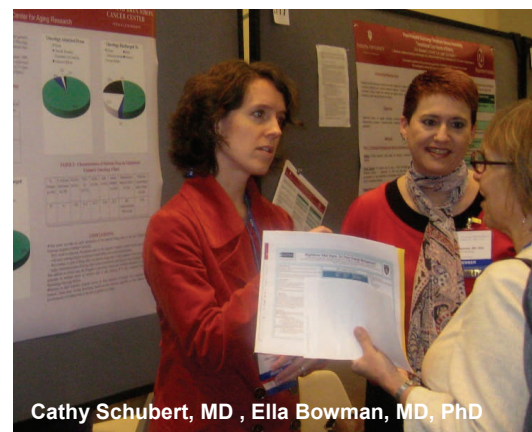
## Presentations and Professional Activities

**Kevin Terrell, DO, MS**, presented "Transitions of Care" at the Ninth Annual Meeting of the Section for Enhancing Geriatric Understanding and Expertise among Surgical and Medical Specialists.

**Ella Bowman, MD, PhD**, moderated the "House Calls Curriculum Swap" at the Reshaping the Future Through Education session of the American Academy of Home Care Physicians.

**Laurel Marshall**, IU Geriatrics Academic Coordinator, attended the Fellowship Directors Pre-Conference Session.

**Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH** and **Stephanie Munger, MPH**, organized and moderated a meeting about CHOICE: the Cognitive Health Outcomes Investigation of the Comparative Effectiveness of Dementia Screening. Among the attendees were representatives from the Veterans Administration, National Institute on Aging and the John A. Hartford Foundation. **Greg Sachs, MD**, and **Cathy Schubert, MD**, also attended.



Cathy Schubert, MD, Ella Bowman, MD, PhD

## 2010 AGS meeting handouts

are available at

[http://www.americangeriatrics.org/annual\\_meeting/2010\\_meeting\\_handouts](http://www.americangeriatrics.org/annual_meeting/2010_meeting_handouts)

### AGS Committees and Activities

As board members, **Greg Sachs, MD**, and **Steve Counsell, MD** attended the American Geriatrics Society Board of Directors meeting.

**Steve Counsell, MD** attended meetings of the AGS Public Policy Committee, AGS Mentoring Program, Association of Directors of Geriatric Academic Programs, and the John A. Hartford Center of Excellence in Geriatric Medicine Program Directors.

**Steve Counsell, MD**, presented "Partnerships with State Divisions of Aging – The Indiana Experience" at the Council of State Affiliated Representatives Leadership Pre-Conference.

**Kathy Frank, PhD, RN**, presented "Membership - Recruitment and Retention" at the Council of State Affiliate Representatives Leadership Pre-Conference.

**Gene Lammers, MD, MPH** attended the committee meeting as a member of the AGS Public Policy Committee.

**Greg Sachs, MD**, attended the committee meeting as a member of the AGS Audit Committee.

**Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH**, participated as a mentor at the Fellows-in-Training Breakfast.



### The Indiana Dinner

IU Geriatrics hosted the Indiana Dinner at Disney's Garden Grove for our faculty, fellows, staff and guests attending the AGS Meeting. This annual event provides 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.

Among the guests were Indiana University medical students Jessica Brown, Whitney Horn, and Stephanie Nothelle; former IU Geriatrics fellow Azita Chehresa, Diane Healey and Pat Healey from St. Vincent Center for Healthy Aging; Victoria Costello, and William Holt.



Steve Counsell, William Holt, Victoria Costello, Doug Miller, Cathy Schubert, Ella Bowman, Robin Beck, Glenda Westmoreland, Diane Healey, Pat Healey



IU medical students Jessica Brown and Whitney Horn



Stephanie Munger, MPH, and Greg Sachs, MD



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Molly Stark, RN, GNP, APN, Noll Campbell, PharmD, Gene Lammers, MD, MPH

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