



HEALTH AND AGING POLICY FELLOWS

Fall 2023 Updates

Professional Accomplishments, Awards, and Publications

- ◆ **Heidi Allen (2014-2015 Fellow)**
 - Co-authored article in *The Milbank Quarterly* (July 2023) - [A Massive Step Forward in Measuring and Reporting Patient Experience of Inpatient Psychiatry](#)
- ◆ **Kyle Allen (2020-2021 Fellow)** recently started a new position as Chief Medical Officer at [CareRing Health](#).
- ◆ **Dawn Alley (2011-2012 Fellow)**
 - Podcast interview with *The Pulse* by Wharton Digital Health - [Dawn Alley, Carebridge, on scaling value-based payment models at CMMI and beyond](#)
- ◆ **Natalie Baker (2023-2024 Fellow)** was recently promoted to Professor at the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) School of Nursing.
- ◆ **Arlene Bierman (2012-2013 Fellow)**
 - Co-authored article in *JAMA Health Forum* (June 2023) - [Awareness of Racial and Ethnic Bias and Potential Solutions to Address Bias With Use of Health Care Algorithms](#)
 - Co-authored article in *Health Affairs* (October 2023) - [Promoting Equity In Clinical Decision Making: Dismantling Race-Based Medicine](#)
- ◆ Recent AHRQ Report by HAP Fellows **Maria Carney (2022-2023)**, **Trisha Milnes (2022-2023)**, and **Arlene Bierman (2012-2013)** – [Optimizing Health and Function as We Age Roundtable Report](#)

- ◆ **Steffany Chamut (2021-2022 Fellow)**
 - Recently accepted into the Boston University Alzheimer's Disease Research Center Research Education Component (REC) Trainee Program.
 - Recently awarded a NIH Exploratory/Developmental Research Grant Award (R21).
 - Recent publication - Steffany Chamut, et. al. [Oral Health Among Medicare Beneficiaries in Nursing Homes](#) (*JAMA Network Open*, September 2023). *US News & World Report article about this study: [Dental Issues Plague America's Nursing Home Residents](#)

- ◆ In January 2023, **Kate Clark (2013-2014 Fellow)**, joined [The Kennedy Forum](#) as senior director of strategic alliances, where she facilitates and manages new partnerships for the organization related to mental health and substance use policy. Kate is excited for this next chapter in her career, as it is a great opportunity to use her lived experience as a person in recovery and the skills that she acquired as a HAP Fellow!

Founded by Former Congressman and visionary mental health and substance use disorder advocate Patrick J. Kennedy, and his wife, Amy Kennedy, The Kennedy Forum (TKF) is focused on transforming the way mental health and substance use disorders are treated in our health care system by ensuring mental health as essential health. Here is a link to our newly launched federal public policy guide entitled [The National Strategy for Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders](#).

- ◆ **Jonathan Cohen (2022-2023 Fellow)** hosted and moderated a September 2023 USC Institute on Inequalities in Global Health event, [HIV/AIDS and the Longevity Dividend: Strengthening Health Systems and Advancing Equity in Aging Societies](#).

- ◆ HIGN at NYU Rory Meyers College of Nursing recently received a one-million-dollar gift from the estate of Jay R. Paul. Paul was a long-time supporter of the Institute thanks to HIGN Executive Director & Clinical Professor **Tara Cortes (2013-2014 Fellow)** whose leadership inspired his interest and philanthropy. With a mission to advance age-sensitive and equitable healthcare for older adults, HIGN's goal is to shape the quality of healthcare for all older adults and the Institute has been a leader in this space at the NYU Meyers College of Nursing for more than 25 years.

- ◆ **Steven Counsell (2009-2010 Fellow)**
 - Funded by The John A. Hartford Foundation, Altarum and Altarum Medicare-Medicaid Services for States (AMMS) investigated the

integration of the 4Ms Framework of Age Friendly Systems into evolving models for Medicaid managed long-term services and supports (MLTSS) and Medicare-Medicaid integrated programs, specifically via payers—health plans and managed care organizations. The 4Ms Framework (What Matters, Medications, Mentation, and Mobility) uses a person-centered approach to maintain the health of older adults to improve health outcomes and prevent avoidable harm and has been employed to ensure reliable, evidence-based care for older adults in all settings.

Our research and [resulting paper](#) spotlights Indiana’s model of Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) coordinating with Medicare Advantage (MA) Dual Eligible Special Needs Plans (D-SNPs) interdisciplinary care teams to coordinate services and supports for older adults dually eligible for Medicare and full Medicaid benefits. Indiana has worked to leverage the 4Ms Framework as they stand up partnerships across D-SNPs and AAAs to improve care coordination for high-need, high-cost populations. The paper also covers related efforts in Ohio, as well as considerations for states to advance similar efforts with payers to employ the 4Ms Framework in care coordination services across Medicare and Medicaid.

- ◆ **Annette DeVito Dabbs PhD, RN (2016-2017 Fellow)** Professor, University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing, and Emory School of Nursing Professor Mi-Kyung Song, PhD, RN are CO-PIs for a new NIA R56AG083167 titled, *CareNet: An Interactive Digital Tool to Assess Informal Caregiving Networks of Older Adults with Dementia*.

Previous research points to a substantial sharing of activities among multiple caregivers of persons with dementia. However, in both clinical and research settings, we typically do not assess who is involved in caregiving other than the primary caregiver, and the other characteristics of the caregiving network as a whole. We aim to shift the focus of caregiving research from the dominant primary caregiver-older adult relationship to more realistic caregiving situations in which collaboration occurs within a network of many individuals. The interactive digital tool will have an embedded social network survey for use by caregivers, clinicians, and researchers to capture the full scope of caregiving beyond the experience of primary caregivers.

Our hope is that *CareNet* will provide a practical and comprehensive perspective of informal caregiving to assist health care professionals as they guide patients and caregivers, and assist researchers to identify the

network characteristics that promote better health outcomes. The ultimate goal is to support and provide the best care possible for older adults with dementia and their caregivers.

- ◆ **Thomas Eagen (2019-2020 Fellow)** recently started a new position as Senior Health Policy Advisor in the Office of the Chair, Senator Bernie Sanders (D-VT) for the US Senate HELP Committee.
- ◆ **Gary Epstein-Lubow (2016-2017 Fellow)**
 - Co-authored *Health Affairs Forefront* publication by Nora Super, Gary Epstein-Lubow, David Reuben, Rani Snyder, Jane Carmody, and Abby Maglich – [Payment For Comprehensive Dementia Care: Five Key Recommendations](#)
- ◆ **Anne Fabiny (2017-2018 Fellow)**
 - Dr. Fabiny is a fellowship-trained geriatrician who retired from her professional roles at UCSF School of Medicine and the San Francisco VA Health Care System (SFVAHCS) in July 2022. Since then, she has continued to pursue her interest in permanent supportive housing for frail older adults. She will be working in a consultative role with the VHA Housing and Urban Development/VA Supportive Housing (HUDVASH) National Program Office to support the national dissemination of the Colma Veterans Village model that she helped develop at the SFVAHCS and as a HAPF Fellow. There are 18 VA sites across the country that are participating in the first round of funding and development; 12 sites in the second round. She sits on the Boards of three non-profit organizations, all of which provide transitional and supportive housing to older adults: On Lok Senior Health Services, Nation's Finest and A Beautiful Heart Ministries. She is currently working with A Beautiful Heart Ministries to create transitional and permanent supportive housing for older women returning to their community in the Bronx from the New York State carceral system.
- ◆ **Stephanie Firestone (2015-2016 Fellow)** spoke at the celebration of the United Nations International Day of Older Persons on October 2, 2023.
- ◆ **Lori Frank (2017-2018 Fellow)** is pleased to have worked with the Dementia Nomenclature Initiative. This publication is now out: [A New Framework for Dementia Nomenclature | Dementia and Cognitive Impairment | JAMA Neurology | JAMA Network](#). Additionally, a new RAND Corporation report for which Lori is a co-author was recently published: [Modeling the Impact of Research Investment on Down](#)

[Syndrome–Associated Alzheimer's Disease | RAND.](#)

- ◆ **Deborah Freeland (2021-2022 Fellow)** and Marian Grant published an invited review, [A Review of Medicare Advantage Policy Through the Lens of Geriatrics and Palliative Care](#) in *Current Geriatrics Reports* (May 2023).
- ◆ **Marie Gualtieri (2019-2020 Fellow)** recently started a new position as Senior Policy Advisor for the U.S. House of Representatives in the office of Congresswoman Rosa L. DeLauro (D-CT). Marie remains dedicated to continuing her work in creating meaningful change in the lives of the American people, ensuring that people's lived experiences and voices translate into policy.
- ◆ **Lynn Hallarman (2017-2018 Fellow)**
 - [I'm a Doctor and It Was Hard to Talk to My Mother About Drinking](#) (*NextAvenue*, September 2023)
 - [To the tune of dystonia](#) (aeon, October 2023)
- ◆ **Kelly Horton (2009-2010 Fellow)**
 - Recently started a new position as Chief Program Officer for the Food Research and Action Center (FRAC), the nation's leading national nonprofit working to improve the nutrition, health, and well-being of people struggling against poverty-related hunger in the U.S.
 - Spoke on behalf of Food Research & Action Center at the July 2023 reception, "Pathways to Progress: The Economics of Hunger", where she and Molly Snyder of Shipt, Juliegrace Brufke, and Senator Kirsten Gillibrand discussed the ways in which public and private entities can come together to tackle food insecurity in America.
- ◆ **Nicole Howell (2021-2022 Fellow)** recently started a new position as Director of Workforce Policy at [LeadingAge](#), where she is working with partners on and off Capitol Hill to develop innovative policy solutions to strengthen the direct care workforce.
- ◆ **Greg Hinrichsen (2008-2009 Fellow)**
 - Recent presentations:
 - Hinrichsen, G.A. (2023, September 20-22). Interpersonal psychotherapy for depression. A three-day training workshop for English and Scottish mental health providers at Edinburgh Napier University, Scotland.

- Hinrichsen, G.A. (2023, September 19). “Between two worlds: A personal reflection on a half-century since Stonewall.” Invited presentation for the Scottish National Health Service series “Inspirational Individuals,” Edinburgh, Scotland.
- Hinrichsen, G.A., & Waldinger, R. (2023, May 30). What you think about aging may not be true: A conversation with classmates. Presentation to classmates of the 50th Reunion of the Harvard-Radcliffe Class of 1973, Cambridge, MA.
- Hinrichsen, G.A. (2023, April 24). Implementation and effectiveness of cognitive behavioral therapy for insomnia in geriatric primary care. Grand rounds presentation to the Department of Psychology, San Francisco Dept. of Veterans Affairs.

◆ **Sharon Inouye (2016-2017 Fellow)**

- Co-authored publications:
 - [Estimating the number of cases of dementia that might be prevented by preventing delirium](#) (*British Journal of Anaesthesia*, June 2023)
- Editorials in JAMA Internal Medicine - [JAMA Internal Medicine—Providing Compelling, Credible, Timely, and Essential Evidence for Internal Medicine](#)
- Co-authored editorials in *JAMA Internal Medicine*
 - [Announcing Expanded Content for Clinicians Through the Clinical Review and Education Section at JAMA Internal Medicine](#)
 - [Introducing Inside Story, a New Section for JAMA Internal Medicine](#)

◆ **Shannon Jarrott (2021-2022 Fellow)**

- Co-authored publication: [Anti-Ageism for Gerontologists](#) (*Journal of Aging & Social Policy*, March 2023).
- Shannon’s [first podcast interview on fostering intergenerational relationships](#) with Gregor Sneddon, Executive Director of Help Aging: On Aging Canadian Conversations.
- Recent GSAenrich webinar - [Promoting Social Connection and Health with Intergenerational Ties](#)

◆ **LaCinda Jones (2021-2022 Fellow)** recently started a new position as Mental Health Policy and Legislative Affairs Health Systems Specialist in the Office of Mental Health and Suicide Prevention at U.S. Department of

Veterans Affairs.

◆ **Brian Kaskie (2016-2017 Fellow)**

- Brian Kaskie and Michael J. Lepore - [America Needs Farmers, and Farmers Need Public Health](#) (*Public Policy & Aging Report*, September 2023).

◆ **Brystana Kaufman (2022-2023 Fellow)**

- Co-authored paper and podcast in *JAMA Health Forum* - Link to paper [here](#) and [link to the podcast](#). **Key takeaway:** The diversity of health care use among dual-eligible beneficiaries requires integration strategies with comprehensive combined Medicare-Medicaid benefits to support whole-person, beneficiary-centered care for dual-eligible beneficiaries and their families.

◆ **Nancy Kusmaul (2019-2020 Fellow)**

- Worked with the Moving Forward Nursing Home Coalition to release its [nine nursing home quality improvement action plans](#) in July 2023
- Featured in [Guide to Elder Abuse and Home Safety](#) (September 2023)
- Nancy Kusmaul, et. al. [Medical Aid in Dying: How Might U.S. Policy Prevent Suffering at the End of Life?](#) (*Journal of Aging & Social Policy*, June 2023)
- Co-authored article in *Aging and Health Research* (June 2023) – [“Knowing when it's time to take a break”: Nursing home social workers’ coping during COVID-19](#)

◆ **Bruce Leff (2010-2011 Fellow)** is Featured Faculty for the [2nd National Primary Care Transformation Summit](#) (Virtual Online Video Live and Archived) – December 4-7, 2023.

◆ **Amanda Lehning (2014-2015 Fellow)** was recently appointed as Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and received a promotion to Associate Professor at the University of Maryland School of Social Work.

◆ **Terri Lewinson (2017-2018 Fellow)**

- Recent publications:
 - Lewinson, T., et. al. [Healthy residence in Highland: A photovoice project on aging-in-place in Historic Atlanta](#). *Journal of Aging and Environment*, 2023.

- Lewinson, T., et. al. [Healthy Housing in Richardsville: A Photovoice Project on Community Livability for Aging Adults](#). *Journal of Aging and Environment*, 2023.
- Lewinson, T., et. al. (2023). [“We’re kind of on the back burner”:](#) [Psychological distress and coping among medical social workers during the COVID-19 pandemic](#). *Social Work in Health Care*, 62(6-7):243-262.
- Barnett, M., Meara, E., Lewinson, T., et. al. (2023). [Racial inequality in medications for opioid use disorder](#). *New England Journal of Medicine*, 388(19):1779-1789.
- Recent presentations:
 - Lewinson, T. *“Considering dementia-friendly housing.”* Workshop on Aging in Place with Dementia: National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine: Online. (September 13, 2023)
 - Miller-Rosales, C., Meara, E., Murphey, J., and Lewinson, T. *“Behavioral health treatment delivery by social workers in accountable care organizations.”* AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting. Seattle, WA. (June 26, 2023)
- NIH/NIA Funded Project (2023-2028)
 - Birkmeyer, N. & Lewinson, T. (August 2023-2027). Project MPIs: [“Resident Services Coordination to Support Aging in Place in Affordable Housing for Persons with Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Dementias”](#) Project Two of Dr. Amber Barnato’s P01 Grant: Causes and Consequences of Healthcare Inequity in Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias. The Dartmouth Institute of Health Policy and Clinical Practice, Geisel School of Medicine, Dartmouth College.

◆ **Angela Mattie (2019-2020 Fellow)**

- [Received the American College of Healthcare Executives’ Regent Senior Leader Award](#) in August 2023.
- Hosted a talk in her interdisciplinary healthcare policy course in June 2023, entitled “Biden Administration Health Policy Agenda and How the Hill Works: An Insider’s View.” The talk featured fellow Fellows **Sarah Khasawinah (2015-2016)** and **Nicole Howell (2021-2022)**.
- Interviewed for an August 2023 News 12 Connecticut article, [‘Good policy won over politics.’ First 10 drugs chosen for Medicare price negotiations named](#)
- Quoted in an October 2023 Tucson Sentinel of Arizona article, [“Americans give nursing homes a D+ grade for quality of care.”](#)

- Interviewed by WTIC-AM of Hartford about three Connecticut hospitals reporting that they will face bleak financial outlooks if a merger with Yale New Haven Health does not go through. [Listen here.](#)
 - Quoted in a July 2023 Hearst Connecticut Media Group article, [“Ratings Service Downgrades Debt Rating for Yale New Haven Health System.”](#)
- ◆ In August 2023, **Heather Menne (2013-2014 Fellow)** joined Miami University as an Associate Professor in the Department of Sociology and Gerontology, where she teaches and conducts aging-related research.
- ◆ **Toni Miles (2008-2009 Fellow)**
 - Recent publications:
 - [Estimating Prevalence of Bereavement, Its Contribution to Risk for Binge Drinking, and Other High-Risk Health States in a State Population Survey, 2019 Georgia Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance Survey](#), by Toni P. Miles, et. al. (*International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*, May 2023)
 - [Inclusive Mentorship: The Urgency of Taking Your Time](#), by Drs. Christine Holmes and Toni Miles (ASA Generations Now, August 2023)
- ◆ **Rajeane Moone (2012-2013 Fellow)** is working with his team to build a toolkit to help caregivers better understand and serve the aging LGBTQ community. Learn more about it here: [Aging with pride.](#)
- ◆ In August 2023, **Laura Mosqueda (2021-2022 Fellow)**, Director of the National Center on Elder Abuse and former Health and Aging Policy Fellow, Bob Blancato, National Coordinator of the Elder Justice Coalition, and **Nicole Howell (2021-2022 Fellow)**, Health Policy Advisor to Congressman Bill Pascrell Jr., participated in a moderated “fireside chat”, in which they discussed the current status of elder justice policy and what they see coming in the near future at the federal level.
- ◆ **Madeline Naegle (2016-2017 Fellow)**
 - The American Academy of Nursing (Academy) recently designated six extraordinary nurse leaders, including Madeline Naegle, as [Living Legends](#) at the Academy’s annual [Health Policy Conference](#) (October 5-7, 2023).
 - Recent publications:

- Book chapter: [Reducing Harm Related to Substance Use by Older Adults](#), in *A Comprehensive Guide to Safety and Aging*
- Madeline Naegle, et. al. [American Academy of Nursing consensus recommendations to advance system level change for nurse well-being](#) (*Nursing Outlook*, February 2023)

◆ **Jennifer Olsen (2021-2022 Fellow)**

- [Rosalynn Carter Institute for Caregivers](#) is pushing for an Office of Caregiver Health within the Department of Health and Human Services to provide leadership, coordinate research, and ensure family caregivers have a voice in federal legislation and policies such as hospital-at-home. CEO Jennifer Olsen, DrPH, spoke to McKnight’s Home Care about the institute, its mission and how family caregiving is intertwined with professional caregiving. [Click here to listen.](#)
- On September 7, 2023, the Rosalynn Carter Institute for Caregivers and ATI Advisory released a new whitepaper “[Guiding the GUIDE Model Toward Stronger Caregiver Supports](#)” which includes an analysis and recommendations to strengthen caregiver supports included in the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation [Guiding an Improved Dementia Experience \(GUIDE\) Model](#). As you may know, the Institute has been supporting caregivers of Persons Living with Dementia (PLWD) through education and coaching programs for decades. Through her own experience, our founder, former First Lady Rosalynn Carter has shown us how to recognize the heartache, challenges, and even joy that shape a caregiver’s experience. And with that recognition comes responsibility to identify improvements. Our new analysis includes recommendations designed to strengthen specific supports for caregivers of PLWD and leverage the insights gleaned from the Model’s implementation that might inform supports for caregivers across the spectrum of diseases and conditions.

◆ **Lisa O’Neill (2019-2020 Fellow)**

- The University of Arizona Center on Aging recently developed low-cost (only \$35!) [online geriatric workforce development certificates](#) for PTAs, EMTs, and CNAs called “Advanced Care for Older Adults”. Each certificate includes 12 hours of discipline specific geriatric content designed to enhance their professional knowledge of, and comfort working with, older adults.

- ◆ **Adriana Perez (2011-2012 Fellow)** was recently awarded a 3-Year Grant funded by the Alzheimer's Association International for a study exploring ways to increase the screening and enrolling of Latinos in Alzheimer's clinical trials. Despite the fact that Latinos make up 18% of the U.S. population, they account for only 2% of the subjects participating in Alzheimer's and related dementia clinical trials. This, even as Latinos are 1.5 times more likely than non-Latino whites to develop Alzheimer's or related dementias.
- ◆ **Adam Perry (2022-2023)** was recently [interviewed for the 10 Minute HealthBizCast podcast](#) on the rapidly evolving field of Geriatric Emergency Care.
- ◆ **Karon Phillips (2011-2012 Fellow)**
 - Featured on the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials morning newscast in September 2023. Karon highlighted Trust for America's Health's age-friendly public health systems work and the importance of collaboration across sectors to promote healthy aging. Her section starts at the 1:46 mark. [Listen here](#).
 - TFAH is excited to share the inaugural edition of Age-Friendly Public Health, The Podcast, a production of the Age-Friendly Public Health Systems (AFPHS) movement. Since 2017, TFAH has been working to elevate public health's role in healthy aging among state, local, tribal, and territorial health departments. As this work has expanded, we wanted to highlight some of the outstanding contributors to the field of healthy aging and we hope these productions both inspire and encourage your age-friendly efforts! [This first AFPHS podcast](#) features Dr. Terry Fulmer, President of The John A. Hartford Foundation and an incredible leader and partner who continues to be a champion for changing the landscape of health and aging.
- ◆ **Tiffany Riser (2017-2018 Fellow)**, a second-year doctoral student in the Johns Hopkins School of Nursing and T32 trainee, [led a guest editorial published in *Research in Nursing and Health*](#) calling for the development and implementation of novel programs and interventions to reduce racial and ethnic health disparities and facilitate more equitable distribution of resources among U.S. veterans.
- ◆ **Karen Rose (2020-2021 Fellow)** was recently appointed as Dean of the College of Nursing at the Ohio State University.
- ◆ **Aditi Sen (2015-2016 Fellow)** joined *A Health Podyssey* in September 2023 to discuss her recent paper that suggests that employers lack leverage

to negotiate lower health care prices. [Click here to listen](#).

- ◆ During Parkinson's Awareness Month (March 2023), **Hiral Shah (2015-2016 Fellow)** was highlighted in Columbia University's Irving Institute for Clinical and Translational Research for her fantastic work striving for health equity in Parkinson's diagnoses for minority communities. [Read more about her work here](#).
- ◆ Advance Care Planning policy is here to stay, and there is a great need for enactment and refinement of it to support people as they consider what matters most in their medical care. [Check out our paper](#) where we discuss billing codes, telehealth, disparities in ACP and federal policy solutions to help improve the delivery of advance care planning. – **Sarguni Singh (2021-2022 Fellow)**, **Deborah Freeland (2021-2022 Fellow)**, and Marian Grant
- ◆ **Erica Solway (2011-2012 Fellow)** continues to serve as Deputy Director of the [University of Michigan National Poll on Healthy Aging](#). The team released more than ten reports this past year; the latest report is on [older adults' views on cancer screening guidelines](#). The team has several papers based on poll data recently published or in press including one on [racial and ethnic variances in preparedness for aging in place among US adults age 50-80](#) that was published this month in Geriatric Nursing. In addition to the team's partnership with AARP, they are now working with the Michigan Health Endowment Fund to poll older adults in Michigan about healthy aging issues with the poll's first Michigan-focused report expected to be released next month. The team continues to make its [poll data available for free public use](#).
- ◆ **Steven Starks (2018-2019 Fellow)**
 - May 2023 interview - [Action Collaborative: Advancing Viable Pathways for Black Males to Enter Medicine](#)
- ◆ **Gary Stein (2016-2017 Fellow)** recently published his study, [Project Respect: Experiences of Seriously Ill LGBTQ+ Patients and Partners with Their Healthcare Providers](#) in *Health Affairs Scholar*. This study demonstrated high levels of disrespectful and inadequate care towards patients and partners due to being LGBTQ+, especially problematic for Black and Hispanic patients and those living in politically conservative regions.
- ◆ The American Academy of Nursing (Academy) recently honored **Eileen Sullivan-Marx (2010-2011 Fellow)** with the organization's prestigious

President's Award during the [2023 Health Policy Conference, Celebrating 50 Years of Leadership, Policy, and Partnership](#) (October 5-7, 2023). Eileen has also stepped down as dean at NYU Rory Meyers College of Nursing after 11 years and will remain as a professor at the College with associate faculty appointments at the NYU Wagner Graduate School of Public Service and the Howard University School of Nursing and Health Sciences.

◆ **Quratulain (Annie) Syed (2023-2024 Fellow)**

- Recent publications:
 - Syed Q., et. al. [Back to the Future: Alternative Models of Payment and the Future of General Internists](#) (SGIM Forum, 2023)
 - Syed Q, et. al. [Do Refill Gaps Indicate Nonadherence? A Perspective on the Medication Adherence Metric for Quality Rating of Medicare Advantage Plans](#) (Population Health Management, February 2023)
 - Co-authored publication - [Telehealth Policy, Practice, and Education: a Position Statement of the Society of General Internal Medicine](#) (Journal of General Internal Medicine, April 2023)

◆ **Pamela Teaster (2023-2024 Fellow)**

- Recent publications:
 - Book Editor and Author of three chapters: [The Worldwide Face of Elder Abuse](#) (2023)
 - [Financial Fraud of Older Adults During the Early Months of the COVID-19 Pandemic](#), by Pamela B. Teaster et. al. (*The Gerontologist*, August 2023)
 - Teaster, P.B., & and Giwa, A.O. [Ageism as a source of global mental health inequity](#) (*AMA Journal of Ethics*, October 2023)
 - Pamela B. Teaster, et. al. [Environmental Scan of Guardianship Abuse and Fraud, Full Report](#) (NIJ)
- Recent presentations:
 - Teaster, P.B. (12 October 2023). Rights Considerations Surrounding Decision-Making in Guardianships. 25th Annual Conference of the American Society for Bioethics + Humanities. Baltimore, Maryland.
 - Teaster, P.B. (5 October 2023). The Face of Guardians and the People Under Guardianship. Annual Fall Conference of the Guardianship Association of North Dakota, Bismarck, North Dakota.

- Teaster, P.B. (5 October 2023). Guardianship and Elder Abuse. Annual Fall Conference of the Guardianship Association of North Dakota, Bismarck, North Dakota.
 - Teaster, P.B. (5 October 2023). Rurality and Guardianship. Annual Fall Conference of the Guardianship Association of North Dakota, Bismarck, North Dakota.
 - Teaster, P.B. (5 October 2023). Ethics and Kindness as Practiced by Guardians. Annual Fall Conference of the Guardianship Association of North Dakota, Bismarck, North Dakota.
 - Ramsey-Klawnsnik, H., & Teaster, P.B. (30 August 2023). Sexual Abuse of Adults Living in Facilities—Then Versus Now and Going Forward. National Adult Protective Services Association Conference, Boston, Massachusetts.

- ◆ In August 2023, **Lieke van Heumen (2019-2020 Fellow)** was promoted to the rank of Clinical Associate Professor in the Department of Disability and Human Development at the University of Illinois-Chicago College of Applied Health Sciences.

- ◆ In July 2023, **Victoria Walker (2014-2015 Fellow)** was spotlighted by the Center of Excellence for Telehealth and Aging (CE4TA) as one of the organization’s age-inclusive telehealth trailblazers, as well as a celebrated academic who is passionate about long-term health. [Read more here.](#)

- ◆ **Foy White-Chu (2022-2023 Fellow)** presented “Policy Updates – What Trains are Leaving the Building” at the [24th Annual Oregon Geriatrics Society Conference](#) on October 6, 2023. Foy is currently working with the society on a public policy committee as well as developing a new curriculum for the OHSU Geriatric Medicine fellows in health and aging policy.

- ◆ **Jennifer Wolff (2013-2014 Fellow)**
 - Jennifer is PI on the study, [National Health and Aging Trends Study \(NHATS\) and National Study of Caregiving \(NSOC\)](#) which was selected for the [2023 Policy Impact Award by the American Association for Public Opinion Research \(AAPOR\)](#). This [award](#) recognizes “outstanding research that has had a clear impact on improving policy decisions, practice and discourse, either in the public or private sectors.”
 - “Education is a foundational element in supporting caregivers of persons with dementia by helping them understand the disease, obtain skills and knowledge to effectively respond to symptoms of

the disease, and become familiar with resources and supports that are available,” said Jennifer Wolff, PhD, MHS, director of the the Center, in a [Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health news story](#).

- Okoye, Fabius, Reider, and Wolff [published a study in *Alzheimer's and Dementia*](#) finding that falls were higher for persons living with, versus without, dementia. Understanding and incorporating fall-risk factors may be an effective strategy to prevent falls for people living with dementia.
- Burgdorf, Fabius, and Wolff recently [published a study in *the Journal of the American Geriatrics Society*](#) finding disparities in patient portal use across various variables including dementia status, Medicaid enrollment, and education. Addressing disparities in patient portal use may help to equitably support caregivers of older adults.
- Co-authored article in *The Milbank Quarterly* (August 2023) - [The Role of Place in Person- and Family-Oriented Long-Term Services and Supports](#)
- Co-authored article in *Geriatric Nursing* (November-December 2023) - [“Caregiving is teamwork...” Information sharing in home care for older adults with disabilities living in the community](#)