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James Harrison, PhD, Stephanie Rogers, MD, Julia Adler-Milstein, PhD, and others have published a [perspectives article in INQUIRY](#). They critically examine the necessity for evidence on the outcomes of Age Friendly Health System implementation and propose strategies that catalyze such evidence generation.



Ashwin Kotwal, MD, MS and [Carla Perissinotto, MD, MHS](#) were recently quoted in [AAHPM Quarterly's Fall 2024 issue](#), offering insights on how hospice and palliative care providers can address elder abuse.



Ashwin Kotwal, MD, MS was named chair-elect of the AAHPM Research Committee through 2026, where he will help lead efforts to advance palliative care research, training, and funding at the national level.



New CAP-CT Trainings Out Now

Caregivers As Partners in Care Teams (CAP-CT) has launched three new self-paced, online courses designed to complement its inaugural training, Foundational Skills for Engaging Caregivers in Health Care.

These new supplemental courses build on topics introduced in the foundational course, offering a deeper dive into each of the three core areas of how to identify, engage, and support caregivers. Take the supplemental courses individually to sharpen specific skills or combine them with the foundational course for a more comprehensive learning experience. All courses offer free continuing education credits.

[Register Today](#)



Josette Rivera, MD
UCSF Geriatric Medicine Expert

COGNITIVE HEALTH ASSESSMENT TRAINING



Monday, May 5, 2025

12 - 1 PM PDT



Zoom

Free CE/CME



Register Here! 



Primary Care Teams: Join us on May 5, from 12-1 PM PT, via Zoom for the Dementia Care Aware virtual training session on cognitive health assessment.

Free CE/CME! Register here: bit.ly/CognitiveHealthAssessment

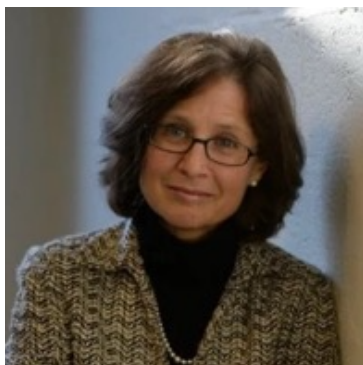
The training covers: - An overview of dementia - A review of screening tools in the cognitive health assessment - Conducting a cognitive health assessment - Team-based implementation strategies



[Loss of DEI Hurts Everyone: Farah Stockman, Ali Thomas, Ken Covinsky.](#)

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GERIATRIC & PALLIATIVE MEDICINE GRAND ROUNDS



[Alice Bonner, PhD, RN, FAAN](#), Adjunct Faculty and
Director of Strategic Partnerships, CAPABLE
Program, Johns Hopkins University School of
Nursing; Senior Advisor for Aging Institute for
Healthcare Improvement (IHI)

Wednesday, April 23, 2025

4:00 - 5:00 PM

Location: HSW-303 and via Zoom

[Register here](#)

[View Past Grand Rounds Recordings](#)

GRATITUDE

This Gratitude section is an opportunity for us to post thank-you/gratitude messages to each other. Please email your gratitude posts to Caroline.Ziesmer@ucsf.edu to include in future newsletters.



Thanks to Geriatric Care Staff and Providers!

We met our target of vaccinating 88% of our patients for flu this year. This success was only possible due to the combined efforts of everyone in our practice. **Brenda, Julia, Liz, and Shar** organized our staff to give flu shots during provider appointments and during nurse visits. **Front desk staff** scheduled patients. **Nursing staff** (including our permanent and temporary staff) administered lots of injections and contacted patients to get updates about immunizations they received at other places. Our **social worker** helped patients get transportation to their appointments. **Providers** remembered to recommend flu shots during office visits and home visits. **Ziyi and Christina** provided reports of patients who were overdue, so we could do outreach. Of course, we would never brag, but **we had the top vaccination rate across all adult UCSF primary care practices.** I am very proud of everything that you all contributed to make this possible and I am so glad that I get to work with each one of you. You make our work excellent and fun.

- Daniel Pound

GERI BLUESKY POST OF THE WEEK

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People engage in [#AdvanceCarePlanning](#) & voice their healthcare wishes more often when they have access to free, easy-to-use tools in their own language. This [#NationalHealthcareDecisionsDay](#), check out our easy-to-read resources at buff.ly/3PztLqv.

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- Rebecca Sudore [@prepareforcare](https://twitter.com/prepareforcare).bsky.social

LEARNING & DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES



Save the Date! UC Moves Returns This Spring

UC Moves is an annual UC-wide wellbeing event that promotes wellness and an active lifestyle. Through a friendly competition among all UC campuses, this event encourages our community to incorporate physical activity and wellness into our daily routines.

Registration opened April 14 and the challenge runs May 5 - June 1, 2025.

[Move about UC Moves](#)



This week's Geri Community
Resource is: [Home Instead San
Francisco](#).



[Home Instead San Francisco](#) has been a trusted part of the San Francisco community, standing by families as they navigate the challenges of aging and illness. Whether it's supporting a loved one through dementia, recovery after surgery, or simply the day-to-day realities of growing older, our compassionate CarePros are here to help. With warmth and dignity, we provide personal care, companionship, home help, meal preparation, transportation, and end-of-life support — all tailored to the unique needs of each individual. Every care plan is thoughtfully designed with a focus on safety, fall prevention, and reducing hospital visits, so families can feel confident knowing their loved ones are in capable, caring hands. As a VA Community Care Network provider, we're also honored to serve eligible veterans with the same heartfelt commitment. To learn more or schedule a free consultation and assessment, call us at (415) 441-6490 or visit our website at www.homeinstead.com/sanfrancisco.

**Find Geriatrics
Community
Resources here**

April 23: Geriatrics
Works in Progress
8:30 - 9:40 AM
Speaker: TBD
[Zoom Link](#)

April 23: Geriatrics
Grand Rounds
4:00 - 5:00 PM
Speaker: [Alice Bonner](#),
[PhD, RN, FAAN](#)
[Register here](#)

April 30: Geriatrics
Works in Progress
8:30 - 9:40 AM
Speaker: TBD
[Zoom Link](#)

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

**UCSF Division of
Geriatrics is
Recruiting!**

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details>>](#)

Current Career Opportunities:

- [Clinician Educator \(JPF05152\)](#)
- [Research Scientist \(JPF05507\)](#)
- [Harris Fishbon Distinguished Professor for
Clinical Translational Research in Aging
\(JPF05153\)](#)

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