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AGING IN AMERICA

SURVIVE OR THRIVE

The [UCSF Division of Geriatrics](#) is featured prominently in the 1-hour documentary called "Aging in America: Survive or Thrive" which will be **airing in the Bay Area on KQED on May 18th at 6 pm**. Here is a link to the website to find specific dates/times when it will be airing across the country: aginginamericasurviveorthrive.com. Also, if you are attending the American Geriatrics Society Meeting in Chicago, the documentary will be shown at AGS on Friday, **May 9th at 8 pm (Room TBD)**.

The documentary is focused on [Robert Butler](#), who was the first director of the National Institute on Aging and coined the term ageism. Narrated by [Martin Sheen](#), the documentary shows the incredible legacy of Robert Butler and how he would be so proud of the innovative Geriatrics programs at UCSF that are helping older people thrive.

UCSF is featured about 20 minutes into the documentary, including [Tamika Bailey, MD](#) when she was a fellow in our Care at Home Program, our colleagues in the [UCSF Age-Friendly Emergency Department](#) as well as [Louise Walter, MD](#) and [Chris Cassel, MD](#) providing commentary. The film is quite moving, so everyone is encouraged to watch it.



The Care at Home team hosted its annual Day of Remembering this week to honor the patients they've cared for who have passed. Patient family members and members of the Care at Home team gathered in community to share stories, reflect on cherished memories, and celebrate the lives of their loved ones. The event offered a meaningful space for connection, remembrance, and healing, underscoring the enduring bonds formed through compassionate care.



[Pei Chen, MD](#) has been selected as a recipient of the **2024-2025 Graduate Medical Education (GME) Excellence & Innovation Award** in the category of **Advancing Wellbeing in GME**. This award recognizes Dr. Chen's unwavering dedication to fostering exceptional learning environments, as well as her inspiring commitment to teaching, mentoring, and guiding the next generation of healthcare professionals and administrators. Dr. Chen's outstanding efforts have had a profound and lasting impact on the GME community.



Congratulations to [Annalies S. Hines NP, MPH](#) (Age-Friendly Emergency Department NP) for receiving a \$2,000 Patient Experience Fund award to help support non-pharmacologic interventions to promote comfort and reduce stress to older adults in the emergency room! This initiative will significantly enhance patient care by providing compassionate, tailored support that addresses the unique needs of older adults. It will also contribute to quality improvement efforts by promoting a more holistic and patient-centered approach in the emergency department.



Age Awareness & Action Coalition

The Age Awareness and Action Coalition (AAAC) at UCSF, co-led by [Stephanie Rogers, MD](#), is working to foster a respectful, age-inclusive environment for all. Established in 2023 in response to Ageism Awareness Day, the AAAC supports UCSF faculty, staff, students, and leadership in addressing aging-related issues across our community.

Get involved at any level that works for you —just complete [this brief survey](#) by **May 12, 2025**.

Let's work together to make UCSF welcoming for people of all ages. Everyone is welcome!



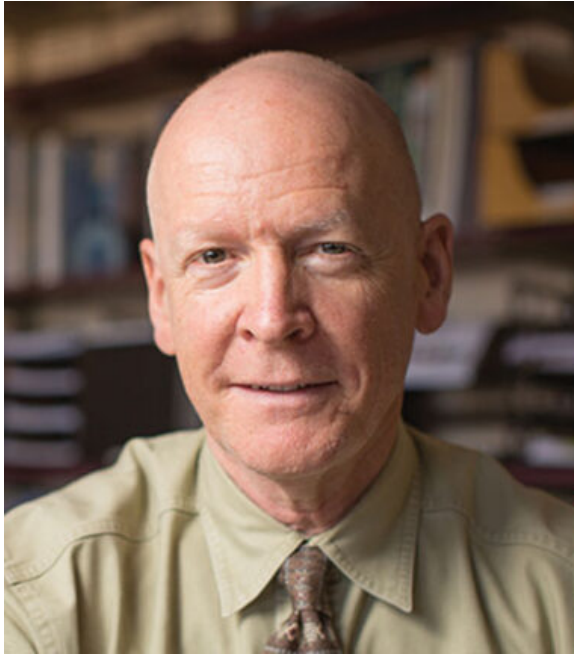
[Rebecca Brown, MD, MPH](#) and Penn colleague Shana Stites, PsyD, MA, published [an op-ed in the Chicago Tribune](#) that highlights the importance of supporting caregivers.



Geri VA Staff

Appreciation Lunch & Craft

Division staff at the SFVA worksite gathered on Monday for lunch and a fun afternoon of making beaded suncatchers. Everyone left with a unique creation! Have ideas for future community-building activities? We'd love to hear them — reach out to Karen.Yuan@ucsf.edu or Mary.Tran2@ucsf.edu!



[HIV, Aging, and Palliative Care: Peter Selwyn and Meredith Greene](#)

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GERIATRIC & PALLIATIVE MEDICINE GRAND ROUNDS



[Heather Schickedanz, MD](#), Chair, Harbor-UCLA
Department of Family Medicine; Health Sciences
Assistant Clinical Professor, David Geffen School of
Medicine at UCLA; Chair, LA County Health Agency
Geriatrics Workgroup

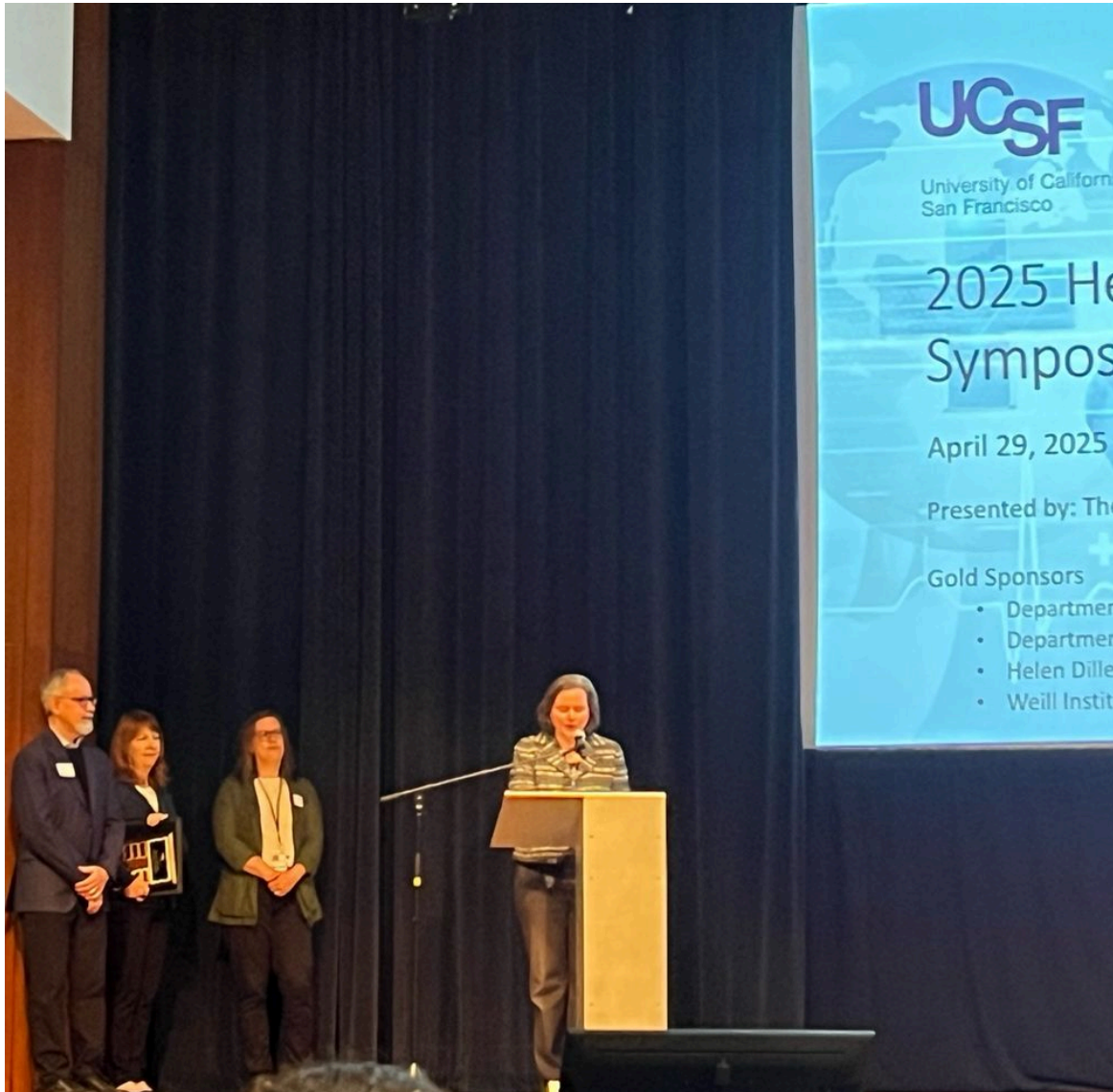
Wednesday, May 28, 2025
4:00 - 5:00 PM
Location: HSW-303 and via Zoom

[Register here](#)

[View Past Grand Rounds Recordings](#)

GERI BLUESKY POST OF THE WEEK

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Delighted to see [@lwaltermd.bsky.social](#) receive the Hal Luft Mentoring Award at [@ucsf-ihps.bsky.social](#) #HSR Symposia today. She's describing building a culture of mentoring in [@ucsfgeriatrics.bsky.social](#), which has certainly made my career possible

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- Krista Harrison, PhD [@kristalynharrison.bsky.social](#)

LEARNING & DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES



Take a moment to recognize your colleagues' great work—nominate them for a SPOT Award!

These \$1,500 awards celebrate outstanding contributions to a project or task. Let's show our appreciation!

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Welcome to UCSF
Geriatrics Community
Resources



This week's Geri Community Resource is: [The Russian American Community Services Association](#).



[The Russian American Community Services Association](#) is focused on enhancing the quality of life for older adults and people with disabilities in San Francisco. With a focus on helping Eastern European Americans, their mission is to provide social assistance and food to this population. The organization offers a variety of services, such as the Congregate Meals, Home Delivered Meals, Home Delivered Grocery, and St. Olga Housing programs. For more information, visit their website: <https://www.racssf.org>.

Find Geriatrics
Community
Resources here

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 7: Geriatrics Works in Progress
8:30 - 9:40 AM
Speaker: TBD
[Zoom Link](#)

May 14: Geriatrics Works in Progress
8:30 - 9:40 AM
Speaker: TBD
[Zoom Link](#)

May 21: Geriatrics Works in Progress
8:30 - 9:40 AM
Speaker: TBD
[Zoom Link](#)

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

UCSF Division of Geriatrics is Recruiting!
[Click here for more details>>](#)

Current Career Opportunities:

- [Clinician Educator \(JPF05568\)](#)
- [Research Scientist \(JPF05507\)](#)
- [Harris Fishbon Distinguished Professor for Clinical Translational Research in Aging \(JPF05557\)](#)

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