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[James Deardorff, MD](#), [Bocheng Jing, MS](#), [Matthew Growdon, MD, MPH](#), [Brian Motmans](#), [John Boscardin, PhD](#), [Leah Blank](#), [Ken Boockvar, MD](#), and [Michael Steinman, MD](#) published an article entitled "[Household Wealth and Potentially Inappropriate Medications in Persons With Dementia: Role of Comorbidities and Caregivers](#)" in the Journal of the American Geriatrics Society.



[Ashwin Kotwal, MD, MS](#) co-senior authored an article "[The Association of Alzheimer's Disease Genetic Risk with Social Connectedness in Middle- And Older-Ages](#)" published in the American Journal of Epidemiology.



Supported by mentors [Alex Smith, MD, MPH, MS](#), and [Sei Lee, MD, MAS](#), [Thiago Avelino-Silva, MD, PhD](#) has been selected to participate in the [2025 Butler-Williams Scholars Program](#) sponsored by the National Institute on Aging (NIA). Thiago will join a select group of scientists who have experienced a long-standing tradition of information sharing and network building made available through a unique career advancement opportunity for over three decades.



Congratulations to [Elizabeth Dzeng, PhD, MD, MPH](#), her team, and mentee Teva Brender (UCSF Internal Medicine R3 and incoming hospitalist at SFVAMC), on their new publication in *JAMA Network Open*: “[Perspectives on Systemic Contributors to Moral Distress Among Physicians and Trainees During End-of-Life Care](#)”.



[Anna Chodos, MD, MPH](#) presented on June 5th at the The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine's workshop, [Strategies and Interventions to Strengthen Support for Family Caregiving](#). She presented on the work that health care systems can do to better engage caregivers in care, and emphasized training opportunities for healthcare teams through [Caregivers as Partners in Care Teams](#).

GERIPAL BLOG

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Transgender Health, Aging, and Advocacy: A Podcast with Noelle Marie Javier and Jace Flatt

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GERIATRIC & PALLIATIVE MEDICINE GRAND ROUNDS



Anna Chang, MD, Professor of Medicine, Director, Clinical Microsystems Clerkship, Director, Tideswell Emerging Leaders in Aging Program, Associate Chief, Geriatrics Education, Geriatrician, SFVAHCS

Josette Rivera, MD, Professor of Medicine, Director, Geriatrics Workforce Enhancement Program, Co-Director, Dementia Care Aware, Co-Lead, UCSF School

of Medicine Interprofessional Education, UCSF
Housecalls Physician

***Advancing Geriatrics Education: The Science and
the Sticky Questions***

Wednesday, June 25, 2025

4:00 - 5:00 PM

[Register here](#)

[View Past Grand Rounds Recordings](#)

GERI SOCIAL MEDIA POST OF THE WEEK

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🧠 Thrilled this paper is out! Training nurses & social workers as dementia care specialists in managed care organizations improved their knowledge and practices, possibly enhancing care coordination for people living with dementia. journals.sagepub.com/eprint/KGNZ4...

”

- [Jarmin Yeh](#) @jarminyeh.bsky.social

LEARNING & DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES



**August 6-7 | 8am-4pm | UC San Diego
Price Center**

[Process Palooza 2025](#)

We invite you all: from the curious, to those getting started, to experienced practitioners evolving their continuous improvement journey! This year's theme is: Optimizing -> Transforming -> Disrupting. The convergence of process improvement and artificial intelligence powers this continuous cycle of enhancement, change and innovation.

[Register here](#)

GERI COMMUNITY RESOURCE

Welcome to UCSF
Geriatrics Community
Resources



This week's Geri Community Resource is: [LightHouse's Access Technology](#).

:LIGHTHOUSE:
FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

[LightHouse's Access Technology](#) team empowers individuals who are blind or have low vision through personalized support using assistive tools and accessible technology. They offer hands-on assessments to identify the best devices, one-on-one training—ranging from basic to advanced

levels—and workshops (both in person and virtual) on screen readers, mobile apps, and more. Whether you're new to assistive tech or looking to boost digital workplace efficiency, this program is designed to increase independence, confidence, and tech fluency for users of all ages and experience levels. To sign up for the access technology training, contact info@lighthouse-sf.org.

[Find Geriatrics
Community
Resources
here](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 25: Geriatrics Works
in Progress

8:30 - 9:40 AM

Speaker: TBD

[Zoom Link](#)

June 25: Geriatric &
Palliative Care Grand
Rounds

4:00 - 5:00 PM

Speakers: Drs. Anna
Chang & Josette Rivera

[Register here](#)

July 2: 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 \(JPF05568\)](#)
- [Research Scientist \(JPF05507\)](#)
- [Harris Fishbon Distinguished Professor for
Clinical Translational Research in Aging
\(JPF05557\)](#)
- [Clinical Social Worker \(85178BR\)](#)

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