

# UCSF GeriNews

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The UCSF Diversity and Inclusion Certificate Program Alums (DICPA) are hosting a virtual event on **Wednesday, October 9, 2024**, to mark **Ageism Awareness Day**, highlighting the pervasive impact of ageism in society, including within UCSF itself.

[Learn more](#)



[Janice Schwartz, MD](#) was a Guest Editor for a special section on Drug Evaluation in Older Adults in the September 2024 issue of the Journal of the American Geriatric Society that includes invited contributions from the NIA, the FDA, the NASEM, the EMA, the EuGMS and international colleagues from Great Britain and IUPHAR, and nursing home researchers (the cover artwork) to describe activities in their areas.

[Learn more](#)



[Krista Harrison, PhD](#), has published a study in Health.Affairs titled: Private Equity Acquisitions Of Hospices Are Increasing; Ownership Remains Opaque. Enabled by [a collaborative P01 grant](#), researchers at Mount Sinai, [Lauren Hunt, PhD, RN, FNP](#), and Dr. Harrison used an economic data linked to Medicare data to identify private equity hospice acquisitions.

[Learn more](#)



[Michael Steinman, MD](#) was featured in a national NPR radio segment "[Here and Now](#)" on overuse of gabapentin.



The Division of Geriatrics wrapped up its Staff Appreciation activities for 2024 with a kayaking excursion at Mission Creek with UCSF Outdoor Programs! Participants were given a brief introductory session, outfitted with all the necessary equipment (life jackets, paddles, and kayaks) and then were sent on their way to explore! Thanks to the staff who came out to participate and a final THANK YOU to ALL the amazing Division staff who are imperative in supporting the Division's mission. Suggestions for future staff appreciation activities are always welcome via this [submission form](#).





Monday, Sept. 16, 2024  
12-1 p.m. via Zoom

## You are invited to attend the Dementia Care Aware Webinar Series

Primary Care's Role in Assessing  
Decision-Making in Patients with  
Dementia – A Medical-Legal Perspective

Caleb E. Logon, Elder Law & Advocacy



<https://www.dementiacareaware.org/>

Register  
here →



Please join [Dementia Care Aware](https://www.dementiacareaware.org/) at our next Zoom webinar, “Primary Care's Role in Assessing Decision-Making in Patients with Dementia – A Medical-Legal Perspective” on Monday, September 16, from 12 to 1 p.m.

Register for the webinar at: <https://bit.ly/DCASeptemberWebinar>

During this webinar, Caleb E. Logan, Staff Attorney at Elder Law & Advocacy, will discuss the principles of legal capacity and how to apply capacity principles to situations involving medical providers.

Participants of the live webinar are eligible to receive 7 Continuing Medical Education (CME), Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB), and Maintenance of Certification (MOC) credit;

You may also sign up to take the cognitive health assessment training (1.5 CE and CME/MOC credit) at [www.dementiacareaware.org](http://www.dementiacareaware.org).

## GERIPAL BLOG

# Geripal

Geriatrics & Palliative Care for  
All Healthcare Professionals



[Well-being and Resilience: a Podcast with Jane Thomas, Naomi Saks, Ishwaria Subbiah](#)

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GERIATRIC & PALLIATIVE MEDICINE GRAND ROUNDS



[Sarah Hooper, JD](#), Professor of Practice and Executive Director of the UCSF/UC Law SF Consortium on Law, Science & Health Policy, University of California Law

### **Conservatorship in Older Adults: Practice and Systems Change for Health Justice**

Weds, September 25th, 2024

4:00 - 5:00 PM

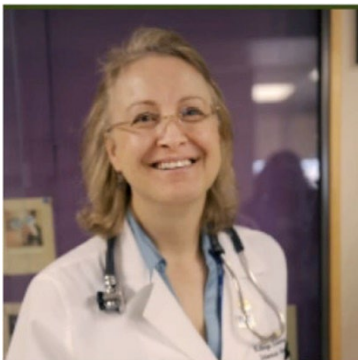
Location: Clinical Sciences Building, 521 Parnassus Ave, Room 1113 & 1114

[Zoom Registration Link](#) (remote)

[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](mailto:Caroline.Ziesmer@ucsf.edu) to include in future newsletters.



To Kathryn Eubank, MD:

Great work getting all of lifestages organized for our Division! It's going to be a great few weeks and we are so lucky to have this opportunity to teach the medical students Geriatrics! Thank you for all you do!

- Stephanie Rogers, MD

## **GERI TWEET OF THE WEEK**

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# US Deprescribing Research Network

*Advancing Research to Optimize Medication Use Among Older Adults*

## **Pilot Proposal Guidelines (USDeN Pilot 2025-2026)**

The U.S. Deprescribing Research Network is a collaborative research network with the overall goal to support development of investigators studying deprescribing for older adults and to catalyze a range of high-quality, clinically impactful research in this area. The challenges of excessive medication use, medication-related harms, and values-driven decision-making are especially pressing for older adults, particularly those with multiple chronic conditions. Solutions to these challenges require attention to geriatric principles, including (but not limited to) clinical complexity, multimorbidity, and cognition, transitions across multiple providers and sites of care, older adults' values and priorities, and the shifting balance of medication benefits and harms in late life. Our overarching aim is to expand the quality, quantity, and translational impact of deprescribing research. Pilot grants up to \$30,000 in direct costs (i.e., not including indirect funds) for a one-year period will be awarded to applicants seeking to further research efforts in this field as detailed in the following sections. Applicants from all related disciplines are welcome, including but not limited to medicine, nursing, pharmacy, psychology, social work, health economics, health policy, pharmacoepidemiology. The application process involves submitting a letter of intent (LOI); these will be competitively reviewed and a subset will be invited to submit a full application.

Just released: \*\* New RFA for pilot awards from the US Deprescribing Research Network \*\* Budget \$30K in directs over 1 year. Check out details at:

<https://deprescribingresearch.org/network-activities/grant-opportunities/.....>

Informational webinar on October 15. See above link for more info and to register.

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- [US Deprescribing Research Network \(USDeN\) @DeprescribeUS](#)

## LEARNING & DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES



**September 20 | 9am-12pm | Virtual Event**

[Introductory Machine Learning](#)

The [Gladstone Data Science Training Program](#) provides learning opportunities and hands-on workshops to improve your skills in bioinformatics and computational analysis. Gain new skills and get support with your questions and data. This program is co-sponsored by UCSF School of Medicine.

[Learn more](#)

## GERI COMMUNITY RESOURCE



This week's Geri Community Resource is: [Art With Elders](#).



[Art With Elders](#) offers both in-person and online art classes designed for older adults, led by professional artists. Classes cover techniques and art history, and provide a creative outlet in a community-focused environment. Sessions are available in various languages and cater to all skill levels. Open Studio sessions are available weekly, and a suggested donation supports the program, though free introductory classes are also offered. For more information about classes for communities, contact [info@artwithelders.org](mailto:info@artwithelders.org).

[Find Geriatrics  
Community  
Resources here](#)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**September 25:** Geriatrics  
Grand Rounds

4:00-5:00PM

Speaker: [Sarah Hooper, JD](#)

Location: Clinical Sciences  
Building, 521 Parnassus  
Ave, Room 1113 & 1114

[Zoom Registration Link](#)

**October 23:** Geriatrics  
Grand Rounds

4:00-5:00PM

Speaker: Sharon Brangman  
MD

Location: TBD

[Zoom Registration Link](#)

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

**UCSF Division of Geriatrics  
is Recruiting!**

[Click here for more  
details>>](#)

**Current Career Opportunities:**

- [Clinician Educator \(JPF05152\)](#)
- [Research Scientist \(JPF04741\)](#)
- [Harris Fishbon Distinguished Professor for Clinical Translational Research in Aging \(JPF04285\)](#)





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