



Georgia Gerontology Society Annual Conference July 24-26, 2023

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

As of May 23rd

Monday, July 24th

- **1:00 - 2:30**
 - **Welcome**
 - **Keynote** – Garrett Davis

- **2:30 – 3:00**
 - **Visit with Exhibitors**

- **Mon 3:00 – 4:00 Concurrent Sessions A**

- **There's No I in Team: How Elder Abuse Multi-Disciplinary Teams Bring Out the Best in Us**
 - Anna Thomas, Dr. Diana Homier, John Tully, Special Agent Kaitlyn Payne
 - **Track: Protecting Rights and Advancing Justice – Panel Discussion**

- **A Wellness Vision: Respite, Positivity, and Care**
 - Dr. Norma Green
 - **Track: Empower Caregivers – An Unforgettable Journey – Workshop**

- **50 Years of Aging for LGBTQ Older Adults**
 - Melanie McNeil & Matthew Malok
 - **Track: Making Connections for Physical, Behavioral, and Social Wellbeing – Workshop**

- **Developing a Nutrition and Wellness Web-based Program for Seniors: The Journey to Evidence-Based Program**
 - Pamela Thompson, Scott Courson, Shawn Taylor
 - **Track: Making Connections for Physical, Behavioral, and Social Wellbeing – Informative Presentation**

- **Which Document Do You Need?**
 - Kelley Napier
 - **Track: Protecting Rights and Advancing Justice – Workshop**

Mon 4:10 – 5:10 Concurrent Sessions B

- **WAIT! Read Before You Sign That Admissions Agreement!**
 - Aimee Stowe and Melanie McNeil
 - Track: Protecting Rights and Advancing Justice – Informative Presentation
- **Addressing Social Disconnection Among Older Adults: Recent Developments in Research and Practice**
 - Alice Prendergast-Boughrum and Kristi Fuller
 - Track: Making Connections for Physical, Behavioral, and Social Wellbeing – Informative Presentation
- **Housing Needs of Georgians with Development Disabilities: A Statewide Assessment of Opportunities and Barriers to Community Housing**
 - Whitney Griggs
 - Track: Empower Caregivers – An Unforgettable Journey – Informative Presentation
- **Instruction for Living & Aging Well**
 - Ruthie Brew and Courtney Fleming
 - Track: Resources, Supports, and Technology to Age Well – Informative Presentation
- **Assistive Technology to Increase Health Literacy**
 - Sal Kibler & Carolyn Phillips or Martha Rust
 - Track: Resources, Supports, and Technology to Age Well – Informative Presentation

Monday 6:00 – 7:30 PM

Reception and Poster Sessions

Posters

- **Cognitive Flexibility as a Mechanism for Cognitive Processing Speed Changes Following a Piano Training Intervention in Older Adults at Risk for Dementia – Jade Dandurand**
- **The Effect of Music Learning on the Auditory Memory of MCI Participants – Kassidy Hogan**

- Empowering Rural Faith-Based Leaders to Shape Future Brain Health Education Programs – Hope Grismer
- My Aging Face: A Conversation on Aging, Beauty and Redefining Norms – Allyn Rippin
- Assisted Living Transitions: Experiences of Family Members of Older African American Women – Carol Shaw-Burns

Tuesday, July 25th

7:30 Breakfast

8:00 – 9:00 AM General Session

- Fall Prevention Nature Walk: Addressing Falls Prevention Across the Lifespan
 - Megan Passineau and Elizabeth (Liz) Head
 - Track: Making Connections for Physical, Behavioral, and Social Wellbeing – Informative Presentation

Tues 9:10 – 10:10 Concurrent Sessions C

- Caregiving: Help and Hope for the Journey
 - Sandra Jones
 - Track: Empower Caregivers – An Unforgettable Journey – Informative Presentation
- Addressing Inequality at the End of Life
 - Zeena Regis and Phyllis Talley
 - Track: Protecting Rights and Advancing Justice – Workshop
- Leveraging Strategies from Other States to Improve Access to Medicaid Home and Community-Based Services in Georgia
 - Alice Prendergast-Boughrum and Kristi Fuller
 - Track: Protecting Rights and Advancing Justice – Informative Presentation
- Dementia-Specific Training in Georgia – Envisioning Now to Next
 - Cloud Conrad, Gwenyth Johnson, Staci Hannah
 - Track: Hope in the Age of Dementia – New Knowledge, New Science, New Solutions – Panel Discussion

Tues 10:20 – 11:20 Concurrent Sessions D

- CARE Center Information Session
 - Kassidy Hogan, Jade Dandurand, Lisa Renzi-Hammond, Stephen Correia
 - Track: Making Connections for Physical, Behavioral, and Social Wellbeing – Informative Presentation
- Integrated Memory Care: Reducing Healthcare Costs and Unnecessary Healthcare Encounters
 - Laura Meddars and Carolyn Clevenger
 - Track: Hope in the Age of Dementia – New Knowledge, New Science, New Solutions – Informative Presentation
- Collaboration for the Expansion of Services
 - Courtney Fleming, Ruthie Brew, Cristy Russel
 - Track: Making Connections for Physical, Behavioral, and Social Wellbeing – Panel Discussion
- Guardianship/Conservatorship Panel
 - Kelley Napier, Aimee Stowe, Danielle Humphrey, Heather Nadler
 - Track: Protecting Rights and Advancing Justice – Panel Discussion
- A New and Needed Educational Pathway for a Career in Aging
 - Leisa Easom
 - Track: Resources, Supports, and Technology to Age Well – Informative Presentation

Tuesday 11:30 – 12:30 Concurrent Sessions E

- Unrepresented: Aging Alone by Choice or by Circumstance
 - Jennifer Ghorley
 - Track: Protecting Rights and Advancing Justice – Informative Presentation
- Meeting a Socially Assistive Robot in Assisted Living: First Impressions of Care Partners
 - Shannon Power
 - Track: Empower Caregivers – An Unforgettable Journey – Informative Presentation
- Effective Community/University Collaborations
 - Adrienne Cohen, Deb Blackburn, Brenda Lee, Jennifer Zoratovich, Rebecca Ryan
 - Track: Resources, Supports, and Technology to Age Well – Workshop

- Tracking Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Dementias (ADRD) Mortality and Morbidity in GA: A Demonstration of OASIS
 - Kimberly Erukunuakpor and Rana Bayakly
 - Track: Hope in the Age of Dementia – New Knowledge, New Science, New Solutions – Informative Presentation

- Counseling 101
 - Sheila Milikin
 - Track: Making Connections for Physical, Behavioral, and Social Wellbeing – Workshop

12:30 – 2:30 Awards Luncheon & Annual Meeting

- **2:30 – 3:00 PM**
 - **Visit with Exhibitors**

Tues 3:00 – 4:00 Concurrent Sessions F

- Managing Symptoms of Dementia with Assistive Technology
 - Sal Kibler and Martha Rust
 - Track: Empower Caregivers – An Unforgettable Journey – Informative Presentation

- Uncovering Best Practices to Address Workforce Challenges
 - Amanda James and Kyle Bower
 - Track: Empower Caregivers – An Unforgettable Journey – Informative Presentation

- Every Business Should Have a Plan During Natural Disasters: Emergency Preparedness in Long-Term Care Communities
 - Tim Suda and Lin Chao
 - Track: Making Connections for Physical, Behavioral, and Social Wellbeing – Workshop

- Avoiding Adult Guardianships: Maintaining Elder Autonomy through ADHCs, POAs, and Other Legal Means
 - Brittany Pasley and Mark Pickett
 - Track: Protecting Rights and Advancing Justice – Informative Presentation

Tues 4:10 – 5:10 Concurrent Sessions G

- Caregiving While Black: Dementia Caregiver Experiences with a Novel Culturally Tailored Course
 - Karah Alexander
 - Track: Empower Caregivers – An Unforgettable Journey – Informative Presentation
- Telenutrition for Older Adults: Findings from the Georgians Receiving Insightful Nutrition Services (GRITS) Project
 - Miranda Cook, Laura Samnadda, Rachael Berton
 - Track: Resources, Supports, and Technology to Age Well – Informative Presentation
- Examining a Person-Centered Model of Community Supervision for Older Adults
 - Victoria Helmly
 - Track: Protecting Rights and Advancing Justice – Informative Presentation
- The Mouth Remembers, Oral Health for the Patient with Dementia
 - Sonya Dunbar
 - Track: Hope in the Age of Dementia – New Knowledge, New Science, New Solutions – Informative Presentation

Wednesday, July 26th

8:30 – 9:30 Concurrent Sessions H

- Mealtime VDT: Making the Most of Preferences, Skills, and Autonomy of Individuals Living with Dementia
 - Gwenyth Johnson and Jessica White
 - Track: Empower Caregivers – An Unforgettable Journey – Informative Presentation
- Two social workers put their heads together to address community needs through an innovative collaboration!
 - MaryLea Boatwright-Quinn and Pamela Elfenbein
 - Track: Protecting Rights and Advancing Justice – Informative Presentation
- Personalized Justice: How Dispute Resolution Processes Give Voice to Disputants
 - Ellie Lanier and Tracy Johnson
 - Track: Protecting Rights and Advancing Justice – Informative Presentation

- Competency-based Education Recommendations to Support a Dementia-Capable Georgia
 - Jennifer Craft-Morgan, Kim McRae, Nancy Pitra
 - Track: Hope in the Age of Dementia – New Knowledge, New Science, New Solutions – Workshop

9:30 – 10:00 Hotel Check-out Break

10:00 – 10:30 Brunch Buffet

10:30 – 11:30 Closing Session Brunch

- Learning from the COVID-19 Pandemic to Guide the Future: The Aging Network's Response and Opportunities for Transformation
 - Kristie Fuller, Maureen Kelly, Alice Prendergast-Boughrum
 - Track: Resources, Supports, and Technology to Age Well – Informative Presentation

11:20 Closing Remarks and Silent Auction Pick-up