Integrating Geriatrics into the Specialties of Internal Medicine Champions Conference Call Thursday, November 5, 2009 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. EST

Agenda

Tab 1 Presentation and discussion of research tools and resources available from the American Geriatrics Society.

Cathleen Colon-Emeric, MD

Tab 2 Discussion on possible collaborations with ASP. Kevin P. High, MD

American Geriatrics Society Research Committee

Mission: To ensure that every older American receives high quality patient-centered care through development, dissemination, and application of new knowledge to improve the health and well being of older adults; and to foster interdisciplinary research across the full spectrum of research in Geriatrics and Gerontology including basic biomedical, social-behavioral, clinical, health services delivery, and ethics research.

Membership: Aging researchers representing a range of research expertise (basic science, clinical, health service, translational, disparities, VA, NIA) appointed to serve by the AGS. Chair: Rebecca Silliman, MD, PhD

Relevant Subcommittees:

- Research Methods Subcommittee: develops workshops and publications on methodologic issues pertinent to aging research. Examples of recent workshops:
 - o Nursing Home research
 - o Mixed methods research in older populations
 - o Untangling the results of multi-factorial interventions
 - o Recruitment and retention of frail, older research participants
 - o Data analytic strategies for handling missing data
- Public Relations Subcommittee: Outreach to other constituents to promote aging research, including subspecialty societies

Needs Assessment: Please help us consider the following questions.

- How should we interact with your subspecialty society?
- How can we be helpful to you and your colleagues while furthering our mission of promoting high quality aging research?

Potential Deliverables:

- List of AGS researchers willing to serve as consultants for aging methodologic issues
- Slide sets from previous research issues and methods workshops
- Bibliography of seminal research methods articles pertaining to geriatrics research issues (recruitment, retention, analysis, etc.) with pub-med ID
- Aging research methods workshop at annual meeting of other societies (would require time and \$)
- Web-site with above resources and contact information

There is no background information for Tab 2