

# Rutgers GSA 2025

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Rutgers Exhibit Table: 203



Compiled by the Rutgers Hub for Aging Collaboration (School of Social Work, Rutgers - New Brunswick) in partnership with colleagues at Rutgers Health, below is a list of Rutgers-affiliated presentations and posters at the 2025 Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America.

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12

8:00 – 9:30 AM

Room 205

**Session: Mental Health in Hispanic/Latino Older Adults with Multiple Chronic Conditions: Evidence and Recommendations**

Paper: Strategies, Facilitators & Barriers in Recruiting Hispanic/Latino Older Adults in NYC Community Organizations

Rutgers Presenter: Irina Mindlis, PhD, MPH (*Co-Author, Symposium Chair*) – *Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School*

2:00 – 3:30 PM

Room 104

**Symposium: Journal of Gerontology Social Sciences: Featured 2024 Editor's Choice Articles**

Paper: Life Events and Loneliness Transitions Among Middle-Aged and Older Adults Around the World

Rutgers Presenter: Mara Sheftel, PhD (*First Author*) – *Rutgers Institute for Health, Rutgers School of Public Health*

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13

8:00 – 9:30 AM

Room 105

**Symposium: Cumulative Dis/Advantage in a Changing World: Structural and Policy Impacts**

Paper: Midlife Residential Segregation and healthcare Access as Mediators of Education and Cognitive Impairment

Rutgers Presenter: Min Hee Kim, PhD (*First Author*) – *Rutgers Institute for Health, School of Nursing*

Room 107

**Symposium: The Social Prescription: Enhancing Cognitive Functioning Through Social Activities**

Paper: Changes in Social Engagement Patterns Among People With Mild Cognitive Impairment

Rutgers Presenter: Takashi Amano, PhD, MSW (*First Author*) – *Department of Social Work, Rutgers-Newark*

10:00 – 11:30 AM

Room 101

**Session: Aging, Ethics and Society**

Paper: “Treat Me with Respect”: Older Sexual Minority Men’s Interactions with Healthcare Providers

Rutgers Presenter: Meki Singleton, PhD, MSW (*First Author, Session Chair*) – *Rutgers School of Public Health*

Room 108

**Session: Building Capacity for Community-Engaged Research: Frameworks and Methods for Successful Aging Science**

Paper: Engaging Villages as Key Partners for Healthy Aging Outcomes Research: A Framework for Capacity Development

Rutgers Presenter: Natalie E. Pope, MBA, MSSW (*First Author*) – *Rutgers School of Social Work*

12:00 – 1:30 PM

Room 110

**Symposium: Recent Investigations in Medical Aid in Dying: Awareness, Preferences, Policies, and Clinical Practice**

Rutgers Presenter: Elissa Kozlov, PhD (*Discussant*) – *Rutgers School of Public Health*

Paper: Factors Associated with Consideration of Future Preference for Medical Aid in Dying in the U.S.  
Rutgers Presenters: Elizabeth Luth, PhD, Elissa Kozlov, PhD (*Co-Authors*) – *Rutgers School of Public Health*

Paper: Factors Associated with Certainty Regarding Medical Aid in Dying Laws in a National Sample of U.S. Adults  
Rutgers Presenters: Elissa Kozlov, PhD (*First Author*), Elizabeth Luth, PhD (*Co-Author*) – *Rutgers School of Public Health*

Paper: Examining Public-Facing Hospice Medical Aid in Dying Participation Policies in Legalizing US Jurisdictions  
Rutgers Presenters: Elizabeth Luth, PhD, Elissa Kozlov, PhD, Paul Duberstein, PhD (*Co-Authors*) – *Rutgers School of Public Health & Rutgers Family Medicine and Community Health*

Paper: Mapping Trajectories of Hospice Clinician Presence Throughout the Medical Aid in Dying Procedure  
Rutgers Presenter: Elissa Kozlov, PhD (*Co-Author*) – *Rutgers School of Public Health*

1:45 – 3:00 PM  
Exhibit Hall C

**Session: End-of-Life**

Poster: Development of PAL MIND: a palliative care clinical tool to inform a pilot study  
Rutgers Presenter: Danielle H. Llaneza, PhD, MA, M.Ed. (*First Author*) – *Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School*

Poster: Hospice Administrator Perspectives on Supporting Patients after Live Discharge  
Rutgers Presenter: Kira G. Sheldon, BA (*First Author*), Elizabeth Luth, PhD (*Co-Author*) – *Rutgers School of Public Health & Rutgers Family Medicine and Community Health*

Poster: Palliative Care Interventions Among Hispanic Inner-city Patients with Advanced Liver Disease  
Rutgers Presenter: Meki Singleton, PhD, MSW (*Co-Author*) – *Urban Global Public Health, Rutgers-Newark*

**Session: Mental Health I**

Poster: Self-management Practices among U.S. Chinese older adults with Major Depressive Disorder  
Rutgers Presenter: Ying-Yu Chao, PhD, RN, GNP-BC (*First Author*) – *Rutgers School of Nursing*

Poster: Relationships between Difficulty with Healthcare Services and Psychosocial Adjustment in Hispanic Older Adults  
Rutgers Presenter: Irina Mindlis, PhD, MPH (*Co-Author*) – *Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School*

**Session: Late Breaking Poster Session II**

Poster: Revealing Within-Agency Variation in Medicare Home Health Quality Ratings  
Rutgers Presenters: Olga F. Jarrín, PhD, RN, FAAN - *Rutgers School of Nursing*, Anum Zafar, MS, MPhil – *Rutgers Institute for Health*

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14**

8:00 – 9:30 AM  
Room 101

**Symposium: Research to Accelerate Statewide Movements on Age-Friendly Communities**

Paper: Developmental Evaluation as a Tool for Spurring Age-Friendly Communities in New Jersey and Beyond  
Rutgers Presenters: Emily Greenfield, PhD, FGSA (*First Author, Chair*), Natalie E. Pope, MBA, MSSW (*Co-Author*) – *Rutgers School of Social Work*

Room 202

**Symposium: Social Networks in Dementia**

Paper: Unseen and Undiagnosed: The Relationship of Social Isolation to Underdiagnosed Dementia  
Rutgers Presenter: Min Hee Kim, PhD (*Co-Author*) – *Rutgers Institute for Health, School of Nursing*

12:00 – 1:30 PM

Room 205

**Session: Geriatric Syndromes Across Settings**

Paper: Impact of Home Health Care on End-of-Life Outcomes for Medicare Beneficiaries Across Racial and Ethnic Groups

Rutgers Presenters: Olga F. Jarrín, PhD, RN, FAAN (*First Author*), Andre A. Rosario, PhD, RN, Dione Sandiford, PhD, RN, CNE, CHSE, Anum Zafar, MS, MPhil, Haiqun Lin, MD, PhD, Paul R. Duberstein, PhD (*Co-Authors*) – *Rutgers School of Nursing & Rutgers School of Public Health*

1:45 – 3:00 PM

Exhibit Hall C

**Session: Long Term Care II**

Poster: Foregrounding Dignity and Kindness Across Care Facilities: Aging Around the World

Rutgers Presenters: Luis J. Cordero, BS, MPH (*First Author*), Elissa Kozlov, PhD (*Co-Author*) – *Rutgers School of Public Nursing*

**Session: Late Breaker Poster Session III**

Poster: Golden Tea Program: Examining the Feasibility of a Culturally-based, Mindfulness Intervention for Older Chinese

Rutgers Presenters: Keith Chan, PhD, LMSW (*First Author*) - *Center for Asian Health Promotion and Excellence, Rutgers Institute for Health*, Rosemary Li (*Co-Author*) - *Rutgers Institute for Health*

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15**

8:00 – 9:30 AM

Room 105

**Session: Geropsychiatric Care of Older Adults: Substance Use, Delirium and Depression**

Paper: Primary Care Provider Perspectives on Depression Management in Older Adults with Multimorbidity

Rutgers Presenter: Irina Mindlis, PhD, MPH (*First Author*) - *Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School*

Room 304

**Session: From Frailty to Friendship: Exploring Social Isolation and Well-Being in Older Adults**

Paper: Multilevel Factors Associated with Social Isolation Trajectory Among Older Chinese Immigrants

Rutgers Presenters: Wendi Da, PhD, Yanping Jiang, PhD (*Co-Authors*) - *Rutgers Institute for Health, Family Medicine and Community Health*

10:00 – 11:30 AM

Room 105

**Symposium: Research to Optimize the Action and Impact of Local Age-Friendly Community Efforts**

Paper: Older Adults' Strengths as Leaders of Age-Friendly Community Initiatives

Rutgers Presenters: Emily Greenfield, PhD, FGSA (*First Author*), Natalie E. Pope, MBA, MSSW (*Co-Author, Co-Chair*), Uri Amir-Koren, LSW, MSW, RDT, MSt (*Co-Author*) – *Rutgers School of Social Work*

Room 309

**Session: New Horizons in Housing Research**

Paper: Supporting Aging-in-Place: An Innovative Program for Older Adults Living in Subsidized Housing

Rutgers Presenter: Uri Amir-Koren, LSW, MSW, RDT, MSt (*First Author*), Karen Zurlo, PhD, Ayse Akincigil, PhD (*Co-Authors*) – *Rutgers School of Social Work*

Room 313

**Symposium: Technology in Aging**

Paper: Remote Symptom Assessment in Palliative Care: Patient and Clinician Perspectives

Rutgers Presenter: Irina Mindlis, PhD, MPH (*First Author*) - *Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School*

12:00 – 1:30 PM

Room 209

**Symposium: Multidisciplinary Approaches to Better Understanding the Health Implications of Migration Across the Life-Course**

Paper: Aging Into Precarity: Poverty and Health Insurance Coverage Among Older Unauthorized Latino Immigrants

Rutgers Presenter: Mara G. Sheftel, PhD (*First Author*) - *Rutgers Institute for Health, Rutgers School of Public Health*

1:45 – 3:00 PM  
Exhibit Hall C

**Session: Late Breaker Poster Session IV**

Poster: Living Together, Feeling Apart: Loneliness and Living Arrangements Among Older US Immigrants  
Rutgers Presenter: Mara Getz Sheftel, PhD (*First Author*) - *Rutgers Institute for Health, Rutgers School of Public Health*

3:30 – 5:00 PM  
Room 107

**Symposium: Let's Get Digital: Digital Biomarkers for Understanding ADRD**

Paper: Trajectories of Cognitive Decline and Subsequent Physical Activity  
Rutgers Presenter: Ryan J. Dougherty, PhD (*Co-Author*) – *Rutgers School of Arts and Sciences, Department of Kinesiology and Health*

Paper: Cognitive Decline Trajectories and Time-of-Day Physical Activity Patterns: The ARIC Neurocognitive Study  
Rutgers Presenter: Ryan J. Dougherty, PhD (*Co-Author*) – *Rutgers School of Arts and Sciences, Department of Kinesiology and Health*

Paper: Accelerometry-Derived Sedentary Behavior & Physical Activity With Brain Structure: A Compositional Data Analysis  
Rutgers Presenters: Ryan J. Dougherty, PhD (*First Author*), Jill Rabinowitz, PhD (*Co-Author*) – *Rutgers School of Arts and Sciences, Department of Kinesiology and Health*

Paper: Interdaily Rest-Activity Variability and Risk of Dementia: The ARIC Neurocognitive Study  
Rutgers Presenter: Ryan J. Dougherty, PhD (*Co-Author*) – *Rutgers School of Arts and Sciences, Department of Kinesiology and Health*

5:30 – 7:00 PM  
Room 108

**Symposium: Exploring Structural and Biological Determinants of Cognitive Health and Aging: Insights From Diverse Populations**

Paper: Cognitively Supportive Neighborhoods Slow Cognitive Decline: An 8-Year Follow-Up Among Older Chinese Americans  
Rutgers Presenters: Yanping Jiang, PhD (*First Author*), Wendi Da, PhD - *Rutgers Institute for Health, Rutgers School of Public Health*

## Additional Information:



### Save the Date: Friday, November 14, 11:40 AM

Join Rutgers colleagues for an All-Rutgers group photo at the Rutgers Exhibit Booth (Table #203) at 11:40 am on Fri., Nov. 14



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