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A Message from Our Leaders

Dear Friends,

Thank you for helping to celebrate a major milestone in the life of our organization. This commemorative program offers a glimpse into GSA’s exciting history through nearly seven decades of growth and success.

GSA has become the driving force for the interdisciplinary advancement of research, education, and practice in gerontology. We foster collaboration between biologists, health professionals, policymakers, and behavioral and social scientists. Our members come from more than 40 countries. The Society’s Annual Scientific Meeting regularly welcomes over 3,000 professionals for 500 combined symposia, papers, and posters—all featuring new research presented for the first time. Through networking and mentorship opportunities, we provide a professional home for career gerontologists and students at all levels.

The men and women who founded GSA were pioneers who established gerontology as a legitimate field of study. The Society’s influence has continued to make a difference throughout the years, from playing a role in the founding of the National Institute on Aging to informing policy decisions as America implements major health care reform. These actions have paved the road for a future where individuals can expect better health, less disability, and greater independence in later life.

Through a celebratory look at how much GSA has accomplished over the past 65 years, this retrospective publication is meant to provide inspiration for the future. It is up to all of us—whether through volunteer leadership, mentoring, caregiving, advocacy, or diligent research—to tackle the challenges that lie ahead.

Sincerely,

Peggye Dilworth-Anderson, PhD
GSA President

James Appleby, RPh, MPH
GSA Executive Director
The Gerontological Society of America (GSA), founded in 1945, is the nation’s primary multidisciplinary scientific organization for aging research and education and home to more than 5,000 distinguished researchers, educators, practitioners, and other professionals in the field of aging.

Our Mission
The Society has consistently held up as its goal to advance the highest level of research, scholarship, and education that ultimately will make a difference in the lives of older adults in the United States and around the world.

65 Years of Visionary Leadership
At the time of GSA’s founding in 1945, pioneers like Past President James E. Birren, PhD had just begun organizing gerontology as a separate academic field. The *Journal of Gerontology*, the first aging-focused research publication of its kind, was launched a year later. The subsequent decades ushered in many other milestones. In the 1960s, Past President Leonard Hayflick, PhD, the author of *How and Why We Age*, led the way in establishing biogerontology as a new discipline, and in the early 1970s, Past President Bernice L. Neugarten, PhD, DSc first introduced the concept of the “young-old” (active, healthy agers) and “old-old” (frail elders). Among our numerous successes, in 1974, GSA played a critical leadership role in the creation of the National Institute on Aging.

Health, generativity, vitality over the lifespan—but this is just a snapshot.
The Society is conceived at a 1937 Woods Hole conference.

1945: The Society is incorporated in New York, NY.

1946: The *Journal of Gerontology* begins publication—the first gerontological journal ever published.

1947: GSA successfully advocates for the creation of the Gerontological Study Section at the U.S. Public Health Service.

1949: The first Annual Scientific Meeting is held in New York, NY.

1954: A Society newsletter is started.

1960s

1960s: GSA produces benchmark publications that serve as the basis for many of the initial in-service training programs.

1960: A student membership category is created.

1961: The *Gerontologist* begins publication to satisfy the growing demand for multidisciplinary and general interest articles.

1966: GSA issued seminal report on Working with Older People.

1970s

1970s: The Society is instrumental in establishment of Center on Aging at National Institute of Mental Health.

1970: GSA moves its office to Washington, DC.

1974: The Association for Gerontology in Higher Education (AGHE) is founded as a separate organization.

1974: GSA plays a major role in the creation of the National Institute on Aging.

1974: The Fellowship Program in Applied Gerontology is established. Under many names, the program operates for 20 years.

1974: GSA issues a major report providing baseline information on the issues of design and environments for the elderly.

1977: GSA is a founding member of the Leadership Council of Aging Organizations, which now has over 50 members.
1980s

1980: GSA publishes and conducts a Congressional Briefing on Social Security and Women.

1984: GSA publishes *Ties That Bind: The Interdependence of Generations* and *The Common Stake*, which helped shaped the debate around intergenerational conflict.

1985: GSA hosts the World Congress of Gerontology and Geriatrics in New York, NY.

1986: GSA co-sponsors the International Forum on Aging in China.

1986: GSA publishes *Foundations for Gerontological Education*, which reviews core knowledge essential for institutional gerontology programs.


1988: The Interest Group program is initiated.

1989: GSA undertakes a project to look at the role of higher education and an aging society.

1990s

1991: *Minority Elders: Longevity, Economics, and Health* is published, followed by three additional editions.

1994: The National Academy on an Aging Society, GSA’s public policy institute, is founded.


1996: GSA holds forums across the country to begin process of defining the White House Conference on Aging agenda.

1998: AGHE is incorporated as GSA’s educational branch.

1999: GSA publishes *Demography Is Not Destiny*, which looks at the aging of the population as a challenge and opportunity.

2000s

2001: The Hartford Geriatric Social Work Initiative is created.

2008: GSA becomes a founding member of the Eldercare Workforce Alliance, a coalition devoted to ensuring an adequately-trained workforce to meet the needs of an aging population.

2009: The first Aging Means Business forum is held.

2010: GSA enters the social media age through Facebook, Twitter, and podcasts.

2017: GSA will host the 2017 World Congress of Gerontology and Geriatrics.
Innovation and Impact

The nation’s oldest and largest interdisciplinary organization devoted to research, education, and practice in the field of aging has crossed a milestone. For the past 65 years, GSA has been committed to providing resources and opportunities for its members. Now in 2010, faced with a growing baby boomer population, the demand for aging-savvy professionals has accelerated. GSA is proud to continue supporting its members in this vastly changing environment. Celebrating 65 years of excellence, GSA is stronger than ever.

65 Years of Published Research

GSA members now have access to the complete back catalog of the Society’s journals via a new user-friendly online interface. The Gerontologist, The Journals of Gerontology Series A, and The Journals of Gerontology Series B are included in this upgrade. These publications’ sites have become part of the new H2.0 platform from HighWire Press, the hosting company based at Stanford University. GSA’s publisher, Oxford Journals, supplies the content.

For those who are shaping policy and practice, WHAT’S HOT, a recently launched research and policy brief for the public, is the newest item in GSA’s publications catalog. The premiere issue deals with two pressing societal concerns—the economic downturn and health care reform—from the perspective of older minority adults. Funding for the inaugural issue was provided by sanofi-aventis.

Aging and Lifespan

The Society in 2010 joined with the American Aging Association and the American Federation for Aging Research to sponsor a unique symposium, Biology of Aging: A Meeting of the Minds to Celebrate Award Winning Science, as a leadoff event for the Annual Meeting of the American Aging Association. Many of GSA’s top scholars attended.

To push the bar on moving evidence to practice, on September 16, 2010, President Peggye Dilworth-Anderson convened a one-day summit, titled Diffusing Care Coordination Models: Translating Research into Policy and Practice. Eighteen recognized experts from across the country served as members of expert panels to identify, discuss, and recommend ways to increase the diffusion and “scaling” of proven care models for the aging.
Thanks to funding support from sanofi-aventis, the National Academy on an Aging Society published the first update to its well-known series of Data Profiles. The first installment focused on diabetes, drawing from the University of Michigan’s Health and Retirement Study (HRS), a large-scale longitudinal project sponsored by the National Institutes of Health.

**Aging Means Business**

The Society’s annual Aging Means Business Forum, started in 2009 and now in its second year, brings leading authorities on gerontology and consumer behavior together with industry leaders interested in understanding and capitalizing on an expanding senior market.

In 2010, with support from the New Orleans Metropolitan Convention and Business Bureau, GSA kicked off a Student Ad Contest to encourage under-grads and graduate students to think ahead to the future where “aging means business.”

The Aging Means Business initiative also launched a new quarterly e-Newsletter, which explores the intersection of business and aging. Tapping into new media, GSA uses twitter feeds to connect and inform, as well.

**Caring for an Aging America**

The Eldercare Workforce Alliance is a group of 28 national organizations, joined together to address the immediate and future workforce crisis in caring for an aging America. The Institute of Medicine, in its 2008 report, *Retooling for an Aging America: Building the Health Care Workforce*, called for immediate investments in preparing our health and long-term care system to care for older Americans and their families. Recent studies show that as the population of seniors grows, they will face a health care workforce that is too small and critically unprepared to meet their health needs. A founding member of the Alliance, the Society continues its advocacy for investing in the future.

**Civic Engagement**

In the legislative realm, preparations for the 2011 reauthorization of the Older Americans Act are underway, and the U.S. Administration on Aging is seeking input. GSA took a lead role in organizing Older Americans Act Reauthorization Idea Forums this year as part of the Age4Action Network, an advocacy alliance focused on increasing opportunities for older adults to work, serve, learn, and lead. The purpose of the Forums was to gather ideas about how to improve the Older Americans Act in the areas of work, service, learning, and leadership. The Age4Action Network has a Web site (www.age4action.org/OAAForums.html) to share ideas.

With funding support from the SCAN Foundation, the August 2010 issue of *Public Policy & Aging Report*, published by the National Academy on an Aging Society, dedicated itself to the Community Living and Assistance Services and Supports (CLASS) Act insurance program, Title VII of the new health care law. The voluntary program, a step forward to a national long-term care policy, covers home care for those who become disabled. The CLASS Act takes effect in 2011.

In the broadest sense, civic engagement includes work, volunteerism, active citizenship, civic leadership, social action, and advocacy. To spread knowledge, a new publication,
Today’s doctoral students are tomorrow’s faculty. Nurturing talent is critical.

*Civic Engagement in an Older America*, brings together “classic” articles previously published in GSAs *The Journals of Gerontology Series A* and *Series B* and *The Gerontologist*, along with new articles. As is the tradition, throughout, contributors highlight research gaps and emerging areas of scholarly study.

*Geriatric Medicine*

Comparative effectiveness research is rapidly becoming a national priority, stimulated in part by the infusion of $1.1 billion by the American Recovery and Investment Act of 2009. Over the past year, the Society received funds from the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), to sponsor a 3-part symposium on the *Comparative Effectiveness in Older Cancer Patients* at the 2010 Annual Scientific Meeting. Co-sponsors include the American Geriatrics Society, International Society of Geriatric-Oncology, and GSA Interest Group on Cancer and Aging. AHRQ’s overarching goal for its comparative effectiveness program is to improve health outcomes by providing evidence to enhance medical decisions.

*Hartford Fellows in Geriatric Social Work—A Decade of Cultivating Leaders*

The Gerontological Society of America continues to serve as an energetic partner in The John A. Hartford Foundation Geriatric Social Work Initiative, with the goal of ensuring the future of geriatric social work, cultivating academic leaders, and inspiring future generations of aging-savvy social workers to care for older adults.

Since 2000, the Hartford-funded *Faculty Scholars Program*, led by Barbara Berkman, DSW/PhD, has succeeded in raising visibility of geriatric social work, and building momentum and interest in geriatric teaching and research. Over the last 10 years, Hartford has awarded fellowships to 106 Faculty Scholars across the country.

Additionally, the Initiative has provided funds to support 92 doctoral geriatric social work fellowships. “Today’s doctoral students are tomorrow’s faculty,” says James Lubben, PhD, who leads the Hartford-funded *Doctoral Fellows Program*. “Nurturing talent is most critical.”

*Media Coverage for Aging Issues*

The Society, in collaboration with New America Media and support from the MetLife Foundation, established a new *MetLife Foundation Journalists in Aging Fellows Program* this year. Ethnic media outlets now reach more than 57 million Americans, according to New America’s market research. Our Annual Scientific Meeting is one of the few places where these journalists can talk with experts about new scientific discoveries, social and policy debates, and solutions to the issues facing our aging population.

The 2010 fellows represent such news outlets as *TheAtlantic.com, Chicago Tribune, El Nuevo Sol, Pasadena Star News* (California), *the Louisiana Weekly, Philadelphia Enquirer, Sing Tao Daily*, the *Minneapolis Star Tribune*, and *USA Today*. Their proposed projects, to be published early in 2011, will focus on issues such as the struggles of grandparents raising grandchildren, innovations in elder-friendly housing for seniors, challenges for elderly immigrants in the U.S., retirement planning in the recession, seniors’ use of new technology, and elders coping with the aftermath of multiple disasters on the Gulf Coast.

In another exciting development, GSA’s National Academy on an Aging Society is consulting with *Twin Cities Public Television* on a new multimedia venture called Next Avenue (www.nextavenue.org) to assist them in developing a Web site aiming at the boomer generation. The Web site will launch in 2011.
“In its early years, GSA…was something of an experiment… There were no road maps… There were no departments of gerontology or geriatrics in universities, no National Institute on Aging, no Older Americans Act, no Center on Aging at the National Institute of Mental Health. In short, there were no major focal points for either aging research and education or aging policies.”

— *The Gerontological Society of America, 1945-1995*

**Research & Discovery**

**A Leader in Geriatric Medicine**

In 1976, GSA President Robert H. Binstock’s Presidential Symposium for the 29th Annual Meeting in New York served as the setting for an official Hearing of the U.S. Senate Special Committee on Aging on the issue of *Medicine and Aging*. This landmark session, attended by an estimated 2,000 people, was presided over by Senator Charles H. Percy of Illinois. It led to the movement, and in some states, legislation, to require geriatric curriculum in medical schools.

The Health Resources Administration’s Division of Medicine in 1983 contracted with the Society to produce *Fundamentals of Geriatric Medicine*, a geriatric textbook for practicing primary care physicians. Edited by Ronald D. T. Cape, Rodney M. Coe, and Isidore Rossman, the first division of the book covered fundamentals of clinical geriatrics. The second covered the biology of aging.

A decade and a half later, in 2006, GSA published the *Multidisciplinary Guidebook for Clinical Geriatric Research*, a pocket-sized tool to help health care professionals address the unique challenges of conducting scientific studies involving older persons. This book offers information on preparing fundable proposals, conducting high-quality research, responding to regulatory requirements, collaborating with individuals in other disciplines, and assuring the protection of human subjects.

**Aging and Diversity**

The Society’s first efforts to bring minority aging research into the mainstream started in 1972 at a pre-annual meeting workshop, titled *Black Aged in the Future*. Members identified priority areas for study, placing special emphasis on the elaboration of curriculum content for courses on the black aged. Topics included cross-cultural comparisons, economics, long-term care, health, dental care, the growing middle class, and social mobility.
[Science] is a public enterprise as well as a personal devotion. No scientist should forget this....The Gerontological Society must continue to be devoted to research on aging and to the effective translation of that research in the public interest.

—George L. Maddox, PhD, President, The Gerontological Society of America, 1978

Based on groundwork laid by the Society’s Social Research, Planning and Practice (SRPP) Task Force on Minority Issues, Council in 1987 made a major commitment to minority aging issues. Subsequently, a Society-wide Task Force, under the leadership of Dr. James S. Jackson, was created, furthering our mission to bring greater attention and resources to aging and diversity issues.

Since 1987, the Society has published an annual meeting program supplement that identifies minority aging content in our program. Starting out in the first year with a mere 37 entries, GSA’s Annual Scientific Meeting now features 300 presentations that give prominence to minority content.

In 1989, the Society received a two-year grant from the U.S. Administration on Aging to help carry out its minority aging agenda. A publication produced as part of the grant, Minority Elders: Longevity, Economics, and Health, has been instrumental in identifying critical areas of research needed to build a public policy base. In 1991, the Society issued a second edition. Later editions are narrower in topical focus than in the past. Titles include: Minority Elders, Five Goals Toward Building a Public Policy Base (1994); Full-Color Aging: Facts, Goals, and Recommendations for America’s Diverse Elders (1999); and Closing the Gap, Improving the Health of Minority Elders in the New Millennium (2004).

To encourage advanced research, in 2003, the Society published the Science of Inclusion, Recruiting and Retaining Racial and Ethnic Elders in Health Research.

Global Aging

Presented at the 1988 Annual Scientific Meeting and published in both English and Spanish, Aging Around the World: A Report of the President’s Symposium “Aging in Tomorrow’s World: An International Perspective” contained presentations from four distinguished gerontologists from Africa, Latin America, Asia, and Europe, with a discussant from North America. Authors discuss similarities and differences in the aging of older adults and how both time and cultural experiences shape each person’s perspective.

In 2009, GSA was selected by the International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics (IAGG) as the host organization for the 2017 World Congress of Gerontology and Geriatrics. IAGG holds a World Congress every four years to provide an international forum for the exploration of new discoveries about aging and has member organizations in over 64 countries worldwide with a combined membership of over 45,100 professionals. Its mission is to promote the highest levels of achievement of gerontological research and training worldwide, and to interact with other international, inter-governmental, and non-governmental organizations in the promotion of gerontological interests globally and on behalf of its member associations.

Intergenerational Equity

The debates over aging America’s health and Social Security costs and implications for public policy are not new. Two reports, Ties That Bind (Eric R. Kingson, Barbara A. Hirshorn, and Jack Cornman) and The Common Stake (Eric R. Kingson, Barbara A. Hirshorn, Linda Krogh Haarootyan), commissioned and published by GSA in 1986 and 1987 respectively, sought to dispel a then-growing belief that the old and young were
fighting over scarce resources. In these lean economic times, the analyses are prescient. Funding for this research was provided by The John A. Hartford Foundation, AARP-Andrus Foundation, AlliedSignal Corporation, and National Institute on Aging.

The Search for Data
Before the Internet and info-technology boom, with funding from the Federal Inter-agency Forum on Aging-Related Statistics and the Inter-agency Committee on Research on Aging, GSA in 1987 published Data Resources in Gerontology: A Directory of Selected Information Vendors, Databases, and Archives. A decade later GSA published an update, Internet Resources on Aging: Data Sets and Statistics, by Joyce A. Post, MLIS, in The Gerontologist.

Commitment to Education
GSA’s educational unit, the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education (AGHE) is the international leader in advancing education on aging and is the only institutional membership organization devoted primarily to gerontology and geriatrics education since 1974. AGHE’s mission is two-fold: (1) To advance gerontology and geriatrics education in academic institutions, and (2) To provide leadership and support of gerontology and geriatrics education faculty and students at education institutions.

Early in its history, the Society recognized the need to nurture study in aging, which led to the creation in 1960 of a GSA Student Section. Forty years later, our student membership has reached a high of nearly 1,400, or about one-fourth of the membership.

In 1963, the U.S. Public Health Service’s newly established branch of the Division of Chronic Diseases awarded a contract to GSA to develop a Curriculum in Applied Gerontology for health and allied health practitioners. Soon after, with support from the Health Resources Administration, the Society developed Working with Older People: A Guide to Practice.

The Society has an imperative to stimulate the discovery, dissemination, and application of research from different disciplines. To help build bridges between research and practice, GSA in 1974-1994 sponsored the Fellowship Program in Applied Gerontology. The U.S. Administration on Aging provided initial funding. To this day, the Fellows are contributing to the field in untold ways.

In 1988, GSA produced Travelers in Time, a 12-min. video for students and others interested in aging as a career, highlighting the many rewards of working with older people, as well as the multidisciplinary dimensions of gerontology as a field of study. Higher Education and an Aging Society, published a year later, aimed to stimulate

—Elaine M. Brody, President, The Gerontological Society of America, 1980
dialogue on broad areas of mutual concern to higher education and professional communities. Funding for this work was provided by the U.S. Administration on Aging. In 1999, The Society published a Public Policy and Aging classroom reference for academics in gerontology.

In 2001, GSA and AGHE launched Careers in Aging Week, designed to raise awareness about America’s Aging and help college students discover the dynamic academic and career choices available. Three years later, the Society produced a multimedia package on Careers in Aging, aiming at undergraduate and graduate students, adults considering a career change, career counselors, and faculty.

**Policy & Practice**

The National Academy on an Aging Society is the policy institute of GSA and aims to provide clear and unbiased research and analysis focused on public policy issues arising from the aging of America’s and the world’s population. The goal of the Academy’s research is to enhance the quality of debates about the challenges and opportunities of an aging population by presenting findings from the policy and academic communities in language aimed at the general reader.

With our core mission in mind, for three decades, GSA has served as a leading contributor to White House Conferences on Aging (WHCoA). The purpose of these decennial events is to make consensus recommendations to the President and Congress to help guide national aging policy. The 1961 WHCoA led directly to the passage of Medicare, Medicaid, and the Older Americans Act. The 2005 WHCoA, the most recent, took as its theme: “The Booming Dynamics of Aging: From Awareness to Action.” If tradition holds, the next conference is slated for 2015.

In 1977, the Gerontological Society, under the leadership of former executive Edwin Kaskowitz, signed on as one of the founding members of the Leadership Council of Aging Organizations, formed to share information and coordinate advocacy efforts in Washington, D.C. This group, whose membership has grown to 64 national nonprofit organizations, has become one of the strongest and credible voices on aging and public policy.

Introduced in 1995, Public Policy & Aging Report, published quarterly, explores policy issues generated by the aging of American society. Edited by Boston University policy expert Robert B. Hudson, each thematic issue aims to stimulate debate, highlight emerging concerns, and propose alternative policy options. Timely national topics include legal and policy issues associated with end-of-life care, Social Security and women; Medicare and health reform; and the emerging crisis in geriatric care associated with labor shortages. Articles in each issue are informed, to the point, and provocative.
The Gerontological Society of America’s Council, headed by the Executive Committee, is the organization’s chief governing body. It consists of elected officials from various branches of the Society as well as key staff representatives.

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First Council

Officers and members of the Executive Committee of the Club for Research in Aging constituted the first GSA Council:

William delB. MacNider, Chairman
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Edward J. Stieglitz, Secretary

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Membership

Figure 1. Our Members’ Affiliations

- University: 73%
- Non-Profit: 5%
- Hospital: 5%
- Other: 4%
- Federal Government: 3%
- Long-Term Care: 3%
- Private Practice: 3%
- Private Industry: 2%
- State or Local Government: 2%
- Community Center or Clinic: 1%

Figure 2. Primary Disciplines

- Psychology: 18%
- Gerontology (Degree Program): 16%
- Nursing: 14%
- Medicine: 10%
- Social Work: 10%
- Sociology: 8%
- Other: 7%
- Public Health: 6%
- Education: 2%
- Biology: 2%
- Law/Policy: 1%
- Economics: 1%
- Anthropology: 1%
- Humanities & Arts: 1%
- Architecture/Housing: 1%
- Nutrition: 1%

Figure 3. Our Members’ Work

- Research: 54%
- Teaching: 19%
- Administration/Management: 7%
- Other: 7%
- Direct Service: 5%
- Patient Care: 4%
- Consulting: 3%
- Planning: 1%
Publications

Journal of Gerontology: Biological Sciences
Journal of Gerontology: Medical Sciences
Journal of Gerontology: Psychological Sciences

Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences
The Gerontologist
Gerontology and Geriatrics Education
Public Policy and Aging Report

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Major Awards and Fellowships

Awards
Donald P. Kent Lifetime Achievement Award
Robert W. Kleemeier Award for Outstanding Research
Clark Tibbitts Award for Advancement of Gerontology in Higher Education
Gene D. Cohen Creativity and Aging Award
Doris Schwartz Gerontological Nursing Research Award

GSA Distinguished Career Contribution to Gerontology Award
GSA Task Force on Minority Issues in Gerontology Outstanding Mentorship Award
Hiram J. Friedsam Distinguished Mentorship Award
Joseph T. Freeman Distinguished Physician Award
M. Powell Lawton Award for Innovation

Margret M. and Paul B. Baltes Foundation Award in Behavioral and Social Gerontology
Maxwell A. Pollock Award for Productive Aging
Nathan Shock New Investigator Award
Richard Kalish Innovative Publication Award

Fellowships
Hartford Foundation Faculty and Doctoral Scholars in Geriatric Social Work Program

MetLife Foundation Journalists in Aging Fellows Program

Interest Groups

Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation of Elderly People
Aging in Asia
Aging, Alcohol, and Addictions
Alzheimer’s Disease Research
Assisted Living
Business and Aging
Chinese Gerontology Studies
Developmental Disabilities
Economics of Aging
Emotion and Aging
Environment and Aging
Epidemiology of Aging
Gerontology PhD
Grandparents as Caregivers

Health Behavior Change
HIV, AIDS and Older Adults
Hospice, Palliative, & End of Life Care
Hospital Elder Life Program
International Aging and Migration
Measurement, Statistics, and Research Methods
Men’s Issues
Mental Health Practice and Aging
Nursing Care of Older Adults
Nutrition
Older Workers & the Aging Workforce
Oral Health
Physical Environments and Aging
Qualitative Research

Rainbow Research Group
Religion, Spirituality, and Aging
Reminiscence and Aging
Research in Quality of Care
Research on Cancer and Aging
Researchers Based in Long-Term Care
Rural Aging
Societal Implications of Delaying Aging
Systems Research in Long Term Care
Technology and Aging
Trauma, Aging, and the Life Course
Transportation and Aging
Urban & Neighborhood Aging
## Annual Scientific Meeting

GSA's multidisciplinary annual meeting brings together the best scholarship, the best minds, and the best talent in gerontology in the United States and the world to bear on the issues of aging.

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