

American Geriatric Society (AGS)
Geriatric ED (GER-ED) Special Interest Group
Wednesday, May 3rd, 2023, 6- 7 pm, Long Beach, CA

Mission Statement

The Geriatric Emergency Department (GED) Special Interest Group brings together all health professionals interested in caring for older adults in Emergency Departments. We review how to create and sustain new models of geriatrics care in a high-volume and fast-paced ED environment. In addition, we discuss the successes and challenges of GED programs and increasing partnerships between AGS and Emergency Medicine forums. Please join us to explore growing opportunities to advance the care of older adults in Emergency Departments.

Agenda

Welcome and Opening Remarks – 10 min.

Dr. Saket Saxena & Dr. Todd James

Topic of Discussion

Prioritizing Care of Older Adults at Times of Emergency Department Overcrowding

Keynote Speaker –

Mitchel Erickson, DNP, MS, BSN, BSc, ACNP-C

Consultant, Geriatric Age-Friendly ED at UCSF Health

Associate Clinical Professor, Chair, BRN APRN Advisory Committee

Department of Physiological Nursing

Division of Geriatrics, University of California, San Francisco – 15 min

Mr. Erickson will be speaking on the root causes of Emergency Department overcrowding

Dr. Esther Oh, MD, PhD

President, American Delirium Society

Co-Director, Johns Hopkins Memory and Alzheimer's Treatment Center, Associate Professor of Medicine, The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine – 15 min.

Dr. Oh will be speaking on the adverse impact of prolonged ED stay on older adults.

Discussion/Q & A –10 min.

Announcements- 10 min.

- Dr. Saxena; Dr. James - AGS Geriatric Emergency Medicine SIG Next meeting
- A call for original research, review articles and clinical case reports for the Journal of Geriatric Emergency Medicine. This is an opportunity for scholarship in our approach to care for acutely ill and injured older adults in our Emergency Departments. JGEM also requests peer reviewers from colleagues in geriatric medicine.

Link to the homepage: <https://institutionalrepository.aah.org/jgem/>

- **New work groups-**
 - GER-ED Documentation /Best Practice work group
 - Improving academic exposure to GER-EDs (Geriatric Medicine Fellows /Program Directors)
- **Collection of interesting topic from previous meetings**
 - Consider building a symposium proposal for future AGS conferences
 - Geriatric Assessment Tab in EMR
 - Structure of Geriatrics team in ED
 - Availability /access to geriatrics team in ED
 - Billing practices
 - Caregiver Stress documentation in ED
 - Innovative referral pathways from Geri-ED
 - Outcomes of interest
 - Build an advisory team
 - Consider a diverse group of presenters for the following meetings: social work, geriatricians, physical therapy, nursing