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Disciplines depend on the quality of their scholars to inspire passionate questions and pass knowledge and skills to each other and to students. As sociologists interested in aging, we have long benefited from an active and forward looking RC11 membership. Now the time has come to renew our energies with a new gathering in Japan and elections for the next RC11 executive board, to serve from 2014 to 2018.

Having served as Newsletter Editor for the past four years, I am proud to distribute the 8th RC11 Newsletter issue over the period. Your active contributions to this endeavor have been a clear indicator of our continued leadership in the scholarship of aging. I have been lucky to receive more than 30 short articles, country briefs, and book reviews, together with a variety of announcements that contributed to push forward a global and ambitious agenda.

This is an important time for RC11 as the challenges and opportunities of an aging society are gaining substantial attention, but too often without informed understanding. Fully expanding the awareness of a new aging world will require a lot of effort. Therefore, I invite you to strengthen our commitment to build a good aging society and to spread the word about RC11’s many benefits to colleagues around the globe. We have much to learn from one another as we face an older population the size of which the world has never seen before.★

Sincerely,

Esteban

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It is only a few weeks to the ISA World Congress in Yokohama, Japan, where RC11 has a full program of 27 sessions (7 are joint with other Research Committees and 1 is an integrative session). Over 150 papers have been accepted as either Oral or Distributed Papers. Full details of the RC11 sessions are provided in this Newsletter.

We hope you will attend the RC11 Welcome Get-Together in Yokohama, and meet other sociologists of aging. Details of our welcome event will follow very shortly.

Also in this Newsletter, you will find an announcement regarding the election of the RC11 Executive Management Group and the Board Members-at-Large positions for the period 2014-2018. Short biographical statements for all candidates are also included. I sincerely thank the 15 candidates willing to volunteer their time in the service of RC11’s mission and membership.

This is my last Letter as President of RC11, and thus an occasion to extend my sincere thanks to the Executive Management Group with whom I have served: Andreas Hoff, Susan Feldman, Julie McMullin, Lucie Vidivicova and Estban Calvo. Each has contributed to the activities of RC11 in Gothenburg, Buenos Aires and Yokohama over this period. It has been a genuine pleasure to work with this fine group of sociologists committed to the work of the Research Committee on Aging.

My particular thanks to Esteban Calvo for his superb work as Newsletter Editor. Many of you have noted how he has ‘raised the bar’ in terms of our primary means of communicating RC11’s activities.

Over the years, several of the Officers-at-Large have contributed also to the Newsletter and to RC11 activities, and I acknowledge their efforts: Sally Bould, USA; Elizabeth Brooke, Australia; Ricca Edmondson, Ireland; Kathrin Komp, The Netherlands; Jacob John Kattakayam, India; Wendy Martin, UK; Shirley Nuss, USA; and John Williamson, USA.

Many thanks also to the leaders of the RC11 Program Committee for the up-coming World Congress: Chair, Andreas Hoff, and Vice-Chair, Virpi Timonen, for their very hard work, often to tight deadlines, to ensure a successful and stimulating scientific program in Yokohama. The role of Program Chair is one of the most demanding and yet crucial contributions asked of our RC11 members. Andreas Hoff has demonstrated exceptional (and repeated!) commitment as Program Chair in 2006 (Durban), 2008 (Barcelona) and again in Yokohama. We are very much in his debt for this extraordinary level of service and professionalism on our behalf.

I look forward to meeting you in Japan in a few weeks. Safe travels, all! ✨

All good wishes,
Dear colleagues,

Time is just rushing by, don’t you think? It has been already seven months since my last report and we are now only a month away from the next ISA World congress! I would like to thank once again to all of you, who have become new members of RC 11 as well as to those who did renew their membership on time. There are numerous advantages of ISA and RC 11 membership, including: discount on registration fees at ISA meetings, subscription to ISA journals Current Sociology and International Sociology; on-line access to SAGE Collection and Sage Research Methods, 45% discount on SAGE Publications books, and reception of Isagram, an electronic newsletter containing announcements of the forthcoming conferences, calls for papers and manuscripts, prizes, competitions, job offers, and much more. Furthermore, all newly published SAGE Studies in International Sociology books, 2013 onwards, will be available to members at a discounted price of £9.99, postage included. Last but not least, RC 11 strives to be a living organism, supporting vibrant discussions and ideas exchange. It is fun to take part in all that!

These last months were quite busy for me as a secretary with thirty two members joining us or renewing their membership. They were (in alphabetical order): Barbara Barbosa Neves; Vadim Bezverbny; Boroka Bo; Esteban Calvo; Dafna Halperin; Andreas Hoff; P.B. Chamaraja; Bernadette Jonda; Jacob John Kattakayam; Martin Kohli; Harald Kuenemund; Stephanie Lessenich; Alejandra Lizardi; Laura Machat; Anne Martin-Matthews; Julie McMullin; Alda Motta; Margaret Penning; Birgit Pfau-Effinger; Marcela Pizzi; Ronica Rooks; Robert Salazar; Onima Sharma; Daniela T. Soitu; Erwin Stolz; Bussarawan Teerawichitchainan; Lucie Vidovicova; Wei-pang Wang; Huang Weifeng; Reiko Yamato; and Gerardo Zamora-Monge.

I have also requested from ISA office to make some slight changes in the membership files so it is easier to follow whose membership will be lapsing soon so I could have this information ready for you. If you are in any doubts about your membership status, do not hesitate to contact me. As of March 2014 we have 149 members in good standing, with another 49 to be still renewed from 2013 and 16 with lapsing RC 11 membership this year. I will be shortly sending a short note to those with lapsing membership in order to provide them with information how to easily renew it.

I am also very happy to see that the geographical variety of our members is rising; we have now 46 nations represented within our group. It will be great pleasure and honor to see you soon at the ISA World congress in Yokohama! ✨

Sincerely,

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Faculty of Social Studies, Masaryk University and Research Institute for Labour and Social Affairs, Brno, Czech Republic
ELECTING THE NEXT RC11 EXECUTIVE BOARD, 2014-2018

The next RC11 Executive Board (to serve from 2014-2018) will be elected at the Business Meeting at the ISA World Congress in Yokohama, Japan on Wednesday July 16th at 7:30pm. The elections are for six Officer positions on the Executive Management Group (EMG) and for up to 12 Board Members-at-Large.

Elections will be held for the following RC11 Officer positions:

- **President** (currently Anne Martin-Matthews, Canada)
- **Vice President** (currently Andreas Hoff, Germany)
- **Vice President** (currently Susan Feldman, Australia)
- **Treasurer** (currently Julie McMullin, Australia)
- **Secretary** (current Lucie Vidivicova, Czech Republic)
- **Newsletter Editor** (currently Esteban Calvo, Chile)

In accordance with ISA statutes, RC11 constituted a Nominations Committee for the 2014 election members of the Executive Management Group, and Officers-at-Large. This Nominations Committee is chaired by the out-going President, Anne Martin-Matthews, and two members of RC11 not seeking office. These two members are Past-Presidents Sara Arber from the UK and Lars Andersson from Sweden. Nominations for the RC11 Executive Board closed on June 1st, 2014, and the results are summarized in Tables 1 and 2. More information on the nominees is provided in the next section.

The voting procedure is as follows:

1. The election of EMG Officers and RC11 Officers-at-Large will take place at the RC11 Business Meeting on Wednesday, July 16th 2014, in Yokohama by a vote of paid-up members of RC11 who are present at the Business meeting. In addition, any votes cast in advance by RC11 members not attending the World Congress (see below) will be counted together with the votes cast at the RC11 Business Meeting.

2. Because we have one nomination per slot, and as has been usual RC11 practice, RC11 members will be asked to vote ‘yes’ or ‘no’ to two slates of nominees:
   a) The slate of six nominees (as indicated above) for the six Executive Management Group positions
   b) The slate of nine nominees (as indicated above) for the Board Member-at-Large positions

3. Any RC11 member who is not planning to attend the 2014 World Congress is invited to send in a vote (Y/N) for each of the two slates of nominees, as explained above. This vote should be sent to the Chair of the Nominations Committee, Anne Martin-Matthews (amm@mail.ubc.ca) no later than July 1st, 2014.

4. RC11 members attending the Business Meeting at the ISA World Congress should not vote in advance. However, any RC11 member planning to attend the ISA World Congress in Yokohama who has to cancel at short-term notice, e.g. because of sickness, should contact amm@mail.ubc.ca in order to submit their votes by July 12th.

Table 1. Nominees for the Executive Management Group (EMG) Positions

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<td>Sandra Torres</td>
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Biographies of the RC11 Nominees, 2014-2018

**President:**
**Virpi Timonen, Ireland**

I am a Finnish national who holds a PhD from the University of Oxford and is Professor in the School of Social Work and Social Policy in Trinity College Dublin (Ireland), and Adjunct Professor in the Department of Social and Public Policy, University of Jyväskylä (Finland). My research focuses on intergenerational relationships, experiences of and roles in old age, and policy pertaining to older adults. I have been an Officer-at-large of the Research Committee on Ageing (RC 11) since 2007; and have been involved in organising the RC11 sessions for the 2014 World Congress (Yokohama, Japan), the 2010 World Congress (Gothenburg, Sweden) and the 2008 World Forum of Sociology (Barcelona, Spain). My main aim as President of RC11, if elected, would be to ensure that others benefit as much as I feel I have benefited from being a member of a vibrant international community of sociologists. For me, perhaps the best example of the positive outcomes of RC11 membership has been the successful ‘translation’ of a session at the 2010 World Congress into an edited volume (Arber, S. and Timonen, V. (2012) Contemporary grandparenting: Changing family relationships in global contexts, published in 2012 by Policy Press and the University of Chicago Press), and I would work to ensure that both new and established scholars in the field derive benefits from RC11 membership. In case you wish to know more about my work, my full academic biography and list of publications can be accessed on http://people.tcd.ie/timonenv.
Vice-President: Merrill Silverstein, USA

Merril Silverstein, Ph.D., is the inaugural Marjorie Cantor Professor of Aging Studies in the Department of Sociology and School of Social Work at Syracuse University. He received his doctorate in sociology from Columbia University and prior to his current appointment he was Professor of Gerontology and Sociology at the University of Southern California. His research focuses on aging within the context of family life, including intergenerational relationships over the life-course and international perspectives on aging families. He has over 150 publications, including more than 90 articles in peer-reviewed journals. He was principal investigator of the Longitudinal Study of Generations, a project that tracked multigenerational families over four decades, and has projects in China, Sweden, the Netherlands, and Israel on topics of aging and intergenerational relations. He is a Fellow of the Gerontological Society of America, the Brookdale National Fellowship Program, and the Fulbright International Senior Scholars Program, and currently serves as editor-in-chief of the Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences.

Vice-President: Julie McMullin, Canada

Julie McMullin (Ph.D., University of Toronto) is a Professor of Sociology and Vice-Provost (International) at Western University in Canada. She studies social inequality with a particular focus on the intersection of age, gender, class, and ethnicity in the domains of paid work and families. McMullin has recently published two edited books, Age, Gender and Paid Work (UBC Press) and Ageing and Working in the New Economy: Careers and Changing Structures in Small and Medium Size Information Technology Firms (Edward Elgar) which emerged from the international, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) funded project entitled, Workforce Aging in the New Economy (WANE). From 2010-2014, she served as Treasurer for RC11; she was also the Program Chair for RC11’s Inter-Congress meeting, as part of the Second World Forum of Sociology, in Buenos Aires in 2012.

Secretary: Esteban Calvo, Chile

Dr. Calvo is an Associate Professor of Public Policy at Universidad Diego Portales, Chile. He has also served as a consultant for the United Nations, Government of Chile, Harvard University, and Center for Retirement Research. His research interests include aging and the life course, social epidemiology, public policy, and quantitative methods. Much of his work aims to identify and understand the social factors that influence the health and happiness of older adults, and to evaluate policies that can improve their well-being. Dr. Calvo received his Ph.D. and M.A. in Sociology from Boston College, and his M.Sc. in Public Health from Harvard University. Previously, he earned a B.S. in Sociology from Universidad Católica, Chile. More information available at www.estebancalvo.com.

Treasurer: Lucie Vidovicová, Czech Republic

Mgr. Lucie Vidovicová, PhD. is a sociologist. She works as a researcher with Office for Population Studies at Faculty of Social Studies,
Masaryk University in Brno, and at Research Institute for Labour and Social Affairs. Her long-term research interests include sociology of ageing, environmental gerontology, age discrimination, and active ageing. She is also involved in research projects in the field of family and social policy. She conducts research for national as well as European bodies and works as a consultant on a number of implementation projects such as Ageing in the media and Teaching about ageing. Lucie also cooperates with different governmental and NGO bodies in the field of senior advocacy. Her experience includes involvement with the European research projects and cooperation with EUROFOUND. Recent projects she has been involved in include surveys of older consumers, age discrimination (www.ageismus.cz), ageing in big cities (http://starnuti.fss.muni.cz), and the issue of role overload in active ageing grandparents (http://ups.fss.muni.cz).

**Newsletter Editor:**

**Wendy Martin, UK**

Dr Wendy Martin is a Lecturer and Programme Leader for the MSc Public Health and Health Promotion in the College of Health and Life Sciences, Brunel University, UK. Her research focuses on ageing, embodiment and daily life and the use of visual methods in ageing research. She was Principal Investigator for the Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) research project Photographing Everyday Life: Ageing, Lived Experiences, Time and Space and is co-editor of the forthcoming Routledge Handbook of Cultural Gerontology (with Prof Julia Twigg). She is co-convenor of the forthcoming Routledge Handbook of Cultural Gerontology (with Prof Julia Twigg). She is co-editor of the forthcoming Routledge Handbook of Cultural Gerontology (with Prof Julia Twigg). She is co-convenor of the forthcoming Routledge Handbook of Cultural Gerontology (with Prof Julia Twigg). She is co-convenor of the forthcoming Routledge Handbook of Cultural Gerontology (with Prof Julia Twigg). She is co-convenor of the forthcoming Routledge Handbook of Cultural Gerontology (with Prof Julia Twigg).

**Board Member-at-Large:**

**Elizabeth (Libby) Brooke, Australia**

I am an Associate Professor in the Centre for Social Impact, Swinburne Business School, Swinburne University, Melbourne, Australia. As Director, Business Work and Ageing Centre (BWA) for Research I have been researching the effects of the ageing global population on workforce demographics, policies and practices since the late 1990s. My research interests include gender and ageing, workforce innovation, economic analysis and public policy. The Board Member-at-Large position does not stipulate responsibilities and I would be interested in convening a research group/s in RC 11 around a policy question or theme, coordinating cross-national policy related research and publishing this research within the RC11 newsletter. These activities would set an agenda for future cross-national research and RC11 symposia.

**Board Member-at-Large:**

**Giuseppina Cersosimo, Italy**

Giuseppina Cersosimo is an Assistant professor in the Sociology Department of Medicine and Surgery - University of Salerno in Italy. After degree in Sociology, she earned a Master in Innovation Policy at the CIES (Center for Economic and Social Engineering) - University of Calabria - Expert in Innovation Policies. Her Ph.D.is in Political Philosophy and Ethics-Legal - University of Salerno. Post-graduate in Sociology of Health - University of Salerno, an in “Ongoing investigations of epidemics. Surveys and other studies: transforming scientific results into actions”, Istituto Superiore di Sanità [High Institute for Health] (Rome). She is a member of the Teachers of the
Ph.D. Translational Medicine development and active and health ageing, University of Salerno. From 2009 she is a member of the Italian Society for the Sociology of Health (SISS), and also a member of the Scientific Committee of Bulletin of the Transilvania University of Brasov. Series VII Social Sciences Law. From 2008 she is the director Explorations, a series edited by Kurumuny publisher, Lecce. From 2003 she is scientific secretary of the editorial board (Campania region) of Salute e Società (Journal Health and Society). Her scientific interests are mainly sociology of health and medicine, with a particular approach to life course, ageing processes and sociality and culture of ageing, the role of corporeity in medicalization of ageing in global society.

**Board Member-at-Large: Andreas Hoff, Germany**

Professor Andreas Hoff is Professor of Social Gerontology and Vice Dean for Academic Affairs, Zittau/Görlitz University of Applied Sciences, Germany and Research Affiliate, Oxford Institute of Population Ageing, University of Oxford. At Goerlitz, he is running a MA degree course in Social Gerontology and is teaching on other degree programmes as well. His central research interests focus on intergenerational relations in family, community and wider society; the reconciliation of employment and care for older family members, the potential of assistive technologies for improving older peoples’ and their carers’ quality of life, as well as social consequences of demographic ageing in Central and Eastern Europe. Previously, he was Senior Research Fellow at the Oxford Institute of Ageing, University of Oxford, where he directed the Research Programme on “Intergenerational Relations, Families and Communities” and co-ordinated the Research Network EAST ("Eastern-European Ageing Societies in Transition"). Andreas joined RC11 in 2002 and has served on the RC11 Executive Board continuously for the past 12 years – as Newsletter Editor 2002-2006 and 2006-2010 and as Vice-President 2010-2014. He was member of the RC11 Scientific Programme Committee organizing the RC11 Inter-congress conference at Surrey, UK, in 2004 and served as Chair of the RC11 Scientific Programme Committee for the XVI ISA World Congress of Sociology in Durban, South Africa, in 2006 and the XVIII ISA World Congress of Sociology in Yokohama, Japan, in 2014 as well as the First ISA World Forum in Barcelona, Spain, in 2008.

**Board Member-at-Large: Jacob John Kattakayam, India**

Prof. Jacob John Kattakayam is Professor Emeritus at the University of Kerala, Immediate Past President of the Indian Sociological Society & Hon. Director, Centre for Gerontological Studies. He was the Director-cum-Professor of the UGC Academic Staff College, University of Kerala, for over 12 years and Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences. He was member of the ICSSR (2005-2008), Secretary of the Indian Sociological Society for two terms (2001-2005), and Visitor’s nominee to the Faculty of Education, University of Delhi (2007-2010). He has produced 33 Ph.D.s and is supervising 8 Ph.D. students. He has presented papers and chaired sessions at many international conferences, for example: International Federation of Ageing Workshop, Istanbul (2013), 20th World Congress of Gerontology, Seoul (2013), World Forum of the International Rural Network, Whyalla, Australia (2012), 17th World Congress of Sociology, Sweden (2010), 6th Asia-Pacific Social Sciences and Medicine Conference, Kunming, China (2002), 5th Global Conference on Ageing, Mar del Plata, Buenos Aires, Argentina (2000). He was selected by the UNFPA to attend an international workshop on Social Gerontology in Malta (1993) and an international workshop on Health Expectancy at Nihon University, Tokyo (1999). The Ministry of Human Resource Development at the invitation of the South African Government nominated him to present the country
paper at the academic seminar held in connection with IBSA Summit in Johannesburg, Oct. 15 – 17, 2007. He has authored four books, edited four, and is Series Editor for the seven Diamond Jubilee Volumes of the Indian Sociological Society. Recently he was re-elected to the Executive Committee of the International Sociological Association, RC11, and to the Board of Directors of the International Rural Network (IRN), Canada

**Board Member-at-large: Kathrin Komp, Finland**

Kathrin Komp is adjunct professor in social gerontology at Helsinki University, Finland. She previously held positions in Germany, the Netherlands, Canada, and Sweden. Her research focuses on active ageing and social policies. She currently investigates what social change population ageing and the 2008 economic crisis bring about. Recent publications include a co-edited text book entitled “Old age in Europe. A textbook of gerontology” (Springer, Dordrecht). Komp is chair of the “Research Network on Ageing in Europe”, and she was named a “Future Leader of Ageing Research in Europe” in 2011.

**Board Member-at-large: Shirley Nuss, USA**

My preparation of the first and second global data banks on women guided recommendations for the 1975 and 1980 World Conferences of the ISA. After thirteen years of university teaching and research, I became an independent consultant engaged in activities for the United Nations at their international headquarters in New York, Geneva, Paris and Vienna. I was engaged in research, review and evaluation, and policy formulation for specialized agencies of the UN, specifically: ILO, UNICEF, UN (ESCAP), FAO and UNESCO, e.g. for ESCAP I prepared the first comprehensive survey of social protection scheme (including social security and health care) and I compiled national indicators for the elderly population for its sixty-member countries. Contributions to the RC-11 newsletter combine continued research with the care of elderly parents.
Board Member-at-large: Ronica Rooks, USA

Ronica N. Rooks is an Associate Professor in the Department of Health and Behavioral Sciences at the University of Colorado Denver. She completed a Kellogg postdoctoral fellowship in health disparities at the Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan and a postdoctoral fellowship in geriatric epidemiology, in the intramural Laboratory of Epidemiology, Demography, and Biometry, National Institute on Aging. She has a Ph.D. in Sociology from the University of Maryland at College Park. Her research interests focus on social-ecological explanations for racial and ethnic disparities in cardiovascular diseases (CVD). Her current projects include examining relationships between: race, community-level social and physical environments, and CVD among community-dwelling seniors and developing “time-banking” to build social capital and promote health among seniors across varied socioeconomic status communities.

Board Member-at-large: Sandra Torres, Sweden

Sandra Torres came to Uppsala University in late 2010 when she was appointed Professor of Sociology & Chair in Social Gerontology. Professor Torres was one of the first scholars to be awarded a FLARE-fellowship (FLARE stands for Future Leader of Aging Research in Europe) by the European Research Area on Aging. As a critical gerontologist, Prof. Torres’ is committed to expanding the gerontological imagination through studies that problematize old age-related constructs (such as successful aging, diminished everyday competence, autonomy, dependence and independence); shed critical light on commonly used methods in health and social care (such as standardized testing, need assessment practice and case file documentation) and deconstruct some of the taken for granted assumptions that guide policy and practice for the older segments of our populations (through policy and media analyses). Prof. Torres is the President of the Swedish Gerontological Society and co-chair of the Gerontological Society of America’s Interest Group on International Aging and Migration. She is also one of the founders of, and Associate Editors for, one of the first open-access journals in gerontology: the International Journal of Ageing and Later Life. In addition, she is an Editorial Board Member for top-ranked journals such as the Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences; Journal of Aging Studies, Ethnicity & Health; Social Policy and Society and for recently launched ones such as Vulnerable Groups & Inclusion. She leads the Social Gerontology Group and the Research Group Welfare & Lifecourse (both at the Dept. of Sociology, Uppsala University). For information on the Research Groups mentioned, the projects hereby listed and Prof. Torres’ publications, see: www.soc.uu.se
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**Monday, 14 July, 10.30-12.20**

**RC11.1: Population Ageing, Work and Caregiving Responsibilities in Four Liberal Democracies**

Session Organizer: Kate O’LOUGHLIN

1. Caregiving and Employment in the Canadian Context (Janet FAST and Norah KEATING)
2. Health, Work, Caregiving and Retirement in the New Zealand Context (Sally KEELING and Fiona ALPASS)
3. Gender Disparities in How Older Workers Reconcile Work and Care in England (Sue YEANDLE and Lisa BUCKNER)
4. Employment and Health Consequences of Care-Giving for Older Workers in Australia (Vanessa LOH and Kate O’LOUGHLIN)

**Monday, 14 July, 15.30-17.20**

**RC11.2: Age Inequalities, Ageism and Age Discrimination: Still on the Rise?**

Session Organizer: Lucie VIDOVICOVA

1. Ageism in Times of Population Aging. Rising Awareness and New Forms of Discrimination (Silke VAN DYK)
2. Ageing, Ageism and Discrimination (Lyn RYAN)
3. Older Canadian Men’s Perceptions and Experiences of Ageism in Everyday Life (Laura HURD CLARKE and Alexandra KOROTCHENKO)
4. Ageism and Social Integration Of Older Adults In Their Neighborhoods In Israel (Esther IECOVICH, Adi VITMAN and Nurit ALFASI)
5. Research on the Potential Age Discrimination to the Senior Citizens in China (Xu CHEN)
6. Abuse Among Older People: An Invisible Discrimination (Jacob John KATTAKAYAM)

**RC11.3: Life Course Influences on Inequalities in Later Life: Comparative Perspectives**

Session Organizers: Hal KENDIG and James NAZROO

2. Life-Course Influences on Paid Work Beyond Retirement Age: Quantitative and Qualitative Evidence (Simone SCHERGER and Anna HOKEMA)
3. Variations of Stressful Work and Effects on Health after Labour Market Exit. Results from Share and Elsa (Morten WAHRENDOF, David BLANE, Mel BARTLEY, Nico DRAGANO and Johannes SIEGRIST)
4. Gender and Cohort Differences in Work-Family Life Courses and Objective Markers of Health in Mid-Life: Evidence from the United Kingdom (Anne McMUNN, Rebecca LACEY, Meena KUMARI, Peggy MCDONOUGH and Amanda SACKER)
5. Socioeconomic Influences on Inequalities of Wellbeing in Later Life: A Study of Australian Baby Boomers (Hal KENDIG, Vanessa LOH, and Kate O’LOUGHLIN)
6. Cohort, Gender and Socioeconomic Inequalities in Trajectories of Frailty: Findings from a Growth Modelling Approach (James NAZROO and Alan MARSHALL)

**Tuesday, 15 July, 08.30-10.20**

**RC11.4: The Challenge of Cultural Gerontology**

Session Organizers: Julia TWIGG and Wendy MARTIN

1. The Challenge of Cultural Gerontology: New Directions, Critical Perspectives (Julia TWIGG)
2. Outlining and Applying an Intersectional Framework (Toni CALASANTI)
3. Communities, Connectivities and Later Life (Ian Rees JONES)
4. Cultural Representations of Widowhood: Social Media and the Declaration of a Status (Anne MARTIN-MATTHEWS)
5. Distinction and Identity in Later Life (Chris GILLEARD)
6. The New Political Economy of Generations: Social Class and Social Divisions in Old Age (Christopher PHILLIPSON)
7. Global Ageing in Precarious Times (Susan MCDANIEL)

**Tuesday, 15 July, 10.30-12.20**

**RC11.5: Aging, Globalization and Inequality. Presidential session**

Session Organizer: Anne MARTIN-MATTHEWS

1. Examining the Impact of Health and Housing on Poverty Among Older Australians (Yuvisthi NAIDOO and Peter SAUNDERS)
2. Cross Country and Intergenerational Comparison of Income and Wealth Using Luxembourg Wealth Study (LWS) (Carmen PETROVICI)
3. Multiple Disadvantage in Midlife and Old Age - Exploring the Associations (Josephine HEAP)
4. Predators, Parasites and Ambulance Chasers: Financial Exploitation Of The Elderly In Rural America (Shirley NUSS)
5. Elderly Suicide - A Question Of Social Standing? (Tina WEBER and Antje KAHL)
6. Work after Retirement or Work Instead of Retirement? (J P ROOS and Anna ROTKIRCH)
7. Is Poverty a Key Aspect of Ageing? (Lucie VIDOVICOVA)

**Tuesday, 15 July, 17.30-19.20**

**RC11.6: Poverty at Times of Affluence**

Session Organizer: Lucie VIDOVICOVA

1. The Changing Significance of Social Class in Later Life (Paul HIGGS and Chris GILLEARD)
2. Social Class, Age, and Identity in Later Life (Martin HYDE)
3. Ageing and Class in a Globalised World (Christopher PHILLIPSON)
4. Class and Health Inequalities in Later Life (Ian Rees JONES)
Wednesday, 16 July, 08.30-10.20

RC11.8: Life-Course Influences on Old Age

Session Organizer: Kathrin KOMP

1. Do Older Women without Work Experience Participate Less? Life Course Analysis Using the Jages Data (Kayo SUZUKI)
2. The Life Course and Individual Time Styles of Elderly People in Cross-Cultural Perspective (Stefanie GRAEFE, Stephan LESSENICH, Anne MÜNCH and David EKERDT)
3. The Influence of World War II-Experiences on Today’s Older Workers (Kathrin KOMP)
4. Getting Better All the Time? Selective Mortality, Attrition, and Compositional Changes in Longitudinal Studies on Ageing (Susanne KELFVE)
5. Exploring Age and Aging Via the Life Course Perspective: A Filipino Perspective (Maria Cecilia SAN LUIS)
6. Health Insights across the life course of Oglala Lakota Elders: From wellness to illness (Mary Kate DENNIS)
7. Pathways Of Aging: Old Women’s Gendered Narratives and Cultural-Historical Locations (Meiko MAKITA) (Distributed Paper)
8. Loss of a Spouse As a Poverty Risk (Mervi TAKALA) (Distributed Paper)
10. Active Aging in East and West Germany. Life-Course Influences in a Formerly Divided Country (Silke VAN DYK) (Distributed Paper)
11. Social Relationships in Later Life: The Role of Childhood Circumstances (Sarah GIIBNEY) (Distributed Paper)

Wednesday, 16 July, 10.30-12.20

RC11.9: Grandparenting

Session Organizers: Virpi TIMONEN and Sara ARBER

1. Contemporary Grandparenthood In Germany: A Perspective Of Social Inequality (Katharina MAHNE)
2. Grandparents Who Care for Children While Parents Work: Characteristics and Time Use Patterns (Lyn CRAIG and Bridget JENKINS)
3. Experiencing It like a “Gogo”: Intergenerational Relationships in South Africa (Jaco HOFFMAN)
4. The Perception of Leisure By Grandparents in the Era of Active Ageing: Conflicting or Complementary Roles? (Lucie GALCANOVA, Marcela PETROVA KAFKOVA and Lucie VIDOVICOVÁ)
5. What Drives National Differences in Intensive Grandparental Childcare in Europe? (Giorgio DI GESSA, Karen GLASER, Debora PRICE, Anthea TINKER and Eloi RIBE MONTSERRAT)
6. Transnational Grandparenting By Minority Ethnic Groups Living in England and Wales (Vanessa BURHOLT and Christina VICTOR)
7. Use It or Lose It? the Impact of Grandchild-Caring on Grandparents’ Cognitive Functioning in Rural China (Lu SONG and Liang LI) (Distributed Paper)
8. Intergenerational Relations in Rural Tamil Nadu: Grandparent –Grandchild Relations from the Perspective of Grandchildren (Rangasamy MARUTHAKUTTI) (Distributed Paper)

Wednesday, 16 July, 15.30-17.20

RC11.10: Intergenerational Dependencies (Roundtable)

Session Organizer: Michael FINE

Roundtable A:

1. The Politics of Intergenerational Conflict: A Comparative Study of the UK and Japan (Debora PRICE, Mayumi HAYASHI, Lynne LIVSEY, Suzanne MOFFATT and Utame MORI)
2. Beyond Mannheim: Conceptualising How People ‘See’ and ‘Do’ Generations in Contemporary Society (Virpi TIMONEN and Catherine CONLON)
3. Solidarity Regimes and Individualization: Institutional Change In Social Security Schemes (Patricia FRERICKS)
4. Intergenerational Dependencies: Retirement and Old Age in the Prism of Family Geography (Loic TRABUT)
5. Characteristics in the Personal Network and Mortality Risk in Older Adults (Lea ELLWARDT, Theo VAN TILBURG, Marja AARTSEN, Rafael WITTEK and Nardi STEVERINK)
6. Intergenerational Dependencies: Challenges for Theory, Research and Policy (Michael FINE)
Roundtable B:

7. Understanding Care Giving and Care Taking Experiences throughout the Life Course - a Comparative Study of Older Couples in Denmark and Japan (Makiko MORITA)

8. Widowhood, Intergenerational Family Support and Living Arrangement Among Older Adults in China: Based on Gender LENS (Yunzhu JIA)

9. Changing Intergenerational-Caring Relations in East Asia (Raymond CHAN and Song DAYOUNG)

10. “I Don’t Want to be a Burden”: Japanese Immigrant Acculturation and Their Attitudes Toward Non-Family-Based Elder Care (Atsuko KAWAKAMI and Juyeon SON)

11. Gender Difference in Older Parents’ Coresidence with Their Adult Children: A Comparison Between Japan and Taiwan (Reiko YAMATO)

Roundtable C:

12. Intergenerational Dependences and the Financialisation of Retirement: Lessons from Australia (Adam STEBBING and Ben SPIES-BUTCHER)

13. Intergenerational Reciprocity – the Idealization of the Interchangeability of Phases of Life (Andreas GOETTLICH)

14. Indirect Reciprocity in Intergenerational Support in Japan (Jun TSUNEMATSU)

15. Married and Cohabiting Adults with Ill and Old Parents: Does Intergenerational Solidarity Change According to Family Conditions? (Monica SANTORO)

16. Childcare and Eldercare - Different Paths of Development (Ingrid JÖNSSON)

Wednesday, 16 July, 17.30-19.20

JS1: Joint Session RC15/RC11: Health and Social Care in the Context of Population Aging

Session Organizers: Ivy BOURGEAULT (RC15) and Anne MARTIN-MATTHEWS (RC11)

1. Race/Ethnicity and Health Information Seeking and Use Outside of the Medical Encounter: Is It Associated with Chronic Conditions? (Ronica Rooks)

2. Population Ageing and Distributional Concerns (Maria Vaalavuo)

3. Ageing and the Development of Community Care in East Asia – What Way Forward? (Tine ROSTGAARD)

4. Policy and Practice Of Dementia Care - Comparing Japan and Sweden/Norway (Bengt G ERIKSSON, Masaaki YOSHIHARA, Åse-Britt FALCH and Yayoi SHIMIZU)

5. Choice and Decision-Making in Swedish Elderly Care (Anna DUNÉR, Pär BJÄLKEBRING and Boo JOHANSSON) (Distributed Paper)

6. The Hidden Patients - a Qualitative Study on Informal Caregivers in Germany (Marén SCHORCH) (Distributed Paper)

Wednesday, 16 July, 19.30-20.50

RC11.12: RC11 Business Meeting

Session Organizer: Anne MARTIN-MATTHEWS

The RC11 Business meeting will provide opportunity for discussion of programming activities for the Research Committee on Aging for the period 2014-2018. Proposed changes to membership categories and governance structure will be discussed. Voting will take place for the slate of officers for election for 2014-2018.

Thursday, 17 July, 08.30-10.20

JS2: Joint Session RC07/RC11: Future of Aging: Global and Comparative Perspectives on Trends, Implications, Policies, and Practices

Session Organizer: Julia ROZANOVA (RC07)

1. Dark Shades of travel: Death Tourism with its Legal and Social Implications (DeMond MILLER)

2. The ‘Gap-Filling’ Role of Civil Society Organisations for an Ageing Population in a Global Context: A Comparative
Thursday, 17 July, 10.30-12.20

**RC11.13: Older Workers and Ageing Workforces**

Session Organizer: Esteban CALVO

1. Completely Included, Partially Included or Partially Excluded in the Labour Market? an Exploratory Schema of Social Vulnerability in Late Careers (Ignacio MADERO-CABIB)

2. Socio-Economic Differences in Health Trajectories Around Retirement in the USA (Martin HYDE, Hugo WESTERLUND, and Jussi VAHTERA)


4. Older Women’s Worklife Transitions: Competing Regimes (Elizabeth BROOKE)

5. “I Hope to Muddle through until the Retirement” – the Aging Workforce in Demanding and Dangerous Jobs (Samo KROPIVNIK and Aleksandra KANJUO – MRČELA)

6. Factors Affecting a Prolonged Working Life for the Older Work Force. the Swedish Case (Tomas BERGLUND) (Distributed Paper)

7. Labor Market Exit of Older Low-Skilled Workers: German Firms’ Practices (Karl HINRICHS) (Distributed Paper)

8. Causal Effects of Retirement Timing on Healthy Behavior (Esteban CALVO and Natalia SARKISIAN) (Distributed Paper)

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Thursday, 17 July, 12.30-13.50

**Integrated Session RC11, RC07 and RC10: Inequality and the Future of Ageing: Global and Comparative Perspectives on Trends, Implications, Policies, and Practices**

Session Organizer: Julia ROZANOVA

1. Cleavages and Conflicts in Aging Societies: Generation, Age and Class? (MARTIN KOHLI)

2. Filial Piety Expectations of Older Adults in Urban and Rural China (MERRIL SILVERSTEIN)

3. Many Shades of Grey: Past, Present and Future of Age Relations in America (JULIA ROZANOVA)

4. China’s Aging Population and Challenges it is Facing (YI ZHANG)

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Thursday, 17 July, 15.30-17.20

**RC11.14: Old-Age Security in the 21st Century**

Session Organizer: Esteban CALVO

1. Need for a Comprehensive Reform of Old-Age Security in Japan (Koichi HIRAOKA)

2. Institutionalization Among Older Adults in Japan (Wenjing MO, Nanako TAMIYA, Li Mei CHEN, and Akiko KAMIMURA)

3. Are the Chinese Saving for Old Age? the Precautionary Motives of High Household Savings (Caroline VAN DULLEMEN)

4. Pension System Based on Sharecropping and Economic Security of Families (Marek KOSNY)

5. The Impact of Motherhood on Women’s Retirement Income: Six EU Countries (Sally BOULD, Isabella CRESPI, Gunther SCHMAUS, Roxana ELETA-DE FILIPPIS, Claire GAVRAY, and Clary KREKULA)

6. Healthy Aging and Concerns Among Japanese Elderly People (Yoko TSUCHYA and Kazuhiko MACHIDA) (Distributed Paper)

7. Current Social Welfare Conditions in China (Haisong NIE and Huang WEIFENG) (Distributed Paper)

8. Effectiveness of Social Welfare Schemes for the Elderly in RURAL Kerala, India (Jacob John KATTAKAYAM) (Distributed Paper)
Thursday, 17 July, 17.30-19.20

RC11.15: Innovation and Public Policies, New Answers for New Challenges
Session Organizer: Adriana FASSIO

1. E-Inclusive Active Aging: Citizens and Senior Volunteers in Telematic Society (Santiago CAMBERO, Manuela CABALLERO and Miguel CENTELLA)

2. Indicators and Models Assessing the Relationship Between Ageing, Severe Disability and Socio-Economic Deprivation (Georgia CASANOVA and Roberto LILLINI)

3. Aged Care Challenges and Solutions In Australia (Jed DONOGHUE and Chris TAYLOR)

4. Innovation in Nordic Elderly Care (Rolf RØNNING)

5. Promoting Elderly Volunteers and Long-Term Care Policy Reform: Through an International Comparative Analysis Between Nederland and Japan (Daisuke WATANABE)

6. Who Needs Age-Friendly Cities? Exploring Representations through Participatory and Trans-Disciplinary Research (Denise PICHÉ)

7. Life Expectancy and Retirement Age: Policy Options and Practise (Harald KÜNEMUND)

8. The Implications Of Demographic Changes On Intergenerational Relations and Social Policies. The Case Of Mexico City (Łukasz CZARNECKI) (Distributed Paper)

9. Navigating the Institutional Context in Late Life: The Function of Social Capital in Chilean Older People (Maria-Jose TORREJON) (Distributed Paper)

Friday, 18 July, 08.30-10.20

JS3: Joint Session RC06/RC11: Family and Elder Care
Session Organizers: Cynthia M. CREADY (RC06) and Jacobus HOFFMAN (RC11)

1. Specialization in Caregiving Networks (Tomoko WAKUI and Emily AGREE)

2. Cash for Care Schemes and Older Migrants: Perspectives from Needs Assessment Practice (Sandra TORRES, Emilia FORSELL and Anna OLAISON)

3. Family Support and Quality of Life: Structured Ambivalence As Bridging Concept Between the Individual and the State (Franz NEUBERGER and Klaus HABERKERN)


5. Informal Caregivers’ Expectations and Experiences of Hospital Admission of a Relative with Dementia (Jeanne KATZ, Caroline HOLLAND, Heather GAGE, and Bart SHEEHAN)

6. Inequality and Emotion Management in Parental Caregiving By Chinese Daughters (Patricia O’NEILL)

7. Current Attitudes of Supporting Older Parents in Asia: Korea, Malaysia, Hong Kong, Singapore, and Japan (Yoshiko SOMEYA) (Distributed Paper)

8. Family, Elder Care and Caregivers in India (Premchand DOMMARAJU) (Distributed Paper)

Friday, 18 July, 10.30-12.20

JS4: Joint Session WG03/RC11: Visual Methods in Ageing Research: Methodological Issues
Session Organizers: Elisabeth-Jane MILNE (WG03) and Wendy MARTIN (RC11)

1. Methodological Complexities Involved When Using Visual Methods in Dementia Research (Sarah Kate SMITH and Gail Ann MOUNTAIN)

2. ‘Taking Photos? I Don’t Do That Anymore’: Critiquing the Photo-Diary As Method in Ageing Research (E-J MILNE and Julie BROWNIE)

3. Visual Narrative and the Internet: Ethical Approaches to Engaging Australian Aboriginal Participants on Their Experiences of Ageing (Kayli WILD, Kath RYAN, Victoria TEAM, Jacqueline TUDBALL, Elaine Lawurrpa MAYPILAMA and Lorraine SMITH)

4. Virtual, Augmented or Real? Ageing Research in an Era of Spatial Technologies (Hamish ROBERTSON, Nick NICHOLAS, Andrew GEORGIOU, Julie JOHNSON, Joanne TRAVAGLIA and Tuly ROSENFELD)

Friday, 18 July, 15.30-17.20

RC11.16: Older Migrants and Migrant Care Workers
Chair/Session Organizer: Jacobus HOFFMAN

1. Age, Gender and Migration Status on the Labour Market – a Case for Accumulation of Advantages and Disadvantages? (Laura ROMEU GORDO and Justyna STYPINSKA)
2. Experiences Of Place and Community Among First Generation Turkish Immigrants Living In Brussels, Belgium (Tine BUFFEL and Seval GÜVEN)

3. Swedish Retirement Migrants To Spain and Migrant Workers: Interlinked Migration Chains and Their Consequences To Work and Care In Ageing Europe (Inés CALZADA and Anna GAVANAS)

4. Immigration and Elderly Care in Italy and Brazil (Guita GRIN DEBERT)

5. How the Rhetoric of Reaction Justifies the Legalization of Migrant Care Labour in Austria (Marianne EGGER DE CAMPO)

6. Nurses’ Attitudes Toward Migrant Care Workers In Hospitals In Israel (Esther IECOVICH)

Friday, 18 July, 17.30-19.20

RC11.17: How Do Telecare and Assistive Technologies Impact on Care-Giving?

Session Organizer: Andreas HOFF

1. The Role of Assistive Technology for Personal Care Activities of Daily Living to Enable Families to Care for Relatives with Dementia in Their Location of Choice (Suzanne SNOWDEN, Karen GLASER and Anthea TINKER)

2. Knowledge Transfer: From Identify Determinants of Poor Sleep in Nursing Homes to Developing and Implementing Solutions Supported By Technology (Ingrid EYERS)

3. Developing Care-Technologies While Balancing Utopian/Dystopian Worldviews: Dimensions of Attention (An JACOBS, Pieter DUYSBURGH, Karen WILLEMS, Shirley ELPRAMA and Jasmien DECANCQ)

4. Tool, Toy or Therapist? the Relevance of Emotion Stimulating Robots in Elderly Health Care (Michaela PFADENHAUER)

5. The Potential of Telecare/Aal Technologies for Enabling ‘Ageing in Place’ in Rural Areas in Poland and Germany (Jolanta PEREK-BIALAS and Andreas HOFF)

6. Ageing Well: What’s Technology Got to Do with It? (Emma-Reetta KOIVUNEN and SUE YEANDLE)

Saturday, 19 July, 08.30-10.20

RC11.18: Aging and the Body in Everyday Life

Session Organizer: Laura HURD CLARKE

1. Gender, Ageing and Everyday Life: Visually Representing the Body (Wendy MARTIN and Katy PILCHER)

2. Older Bodies, Dancing Together: Gender, Embodiment and Aesthetics in a Canadian Square Dance Club (Liza MCCOY and Barbara SCHNEIDER)

3. Women and Aging: Appearance and Age Appropriateness (Rachel THORPE)

4. Dress and the Embodiment of Age in Everyday Life (Julia TWIGG)

5. Alcohol, the Body and Gender in Later Life (Clare HOLDSWORTH)

6. Understanding the Meaning of Living with Parkinson’s Disease in an Australian Community Setting from the Perspectives of the Person Diagnosed and Their Partner/Carer (Johanne BRADY)

7. The Meaning and the Role of Clothing for Elderly Women (Shizuko KATAGIRI) (Distributed Paper)

8. Perceptions of the Concept of Physical Activity Among Older People and Staff in Residential Homes (Annsofie MAHRS TRÄFF) (Distributed Paper)


10. Corps En Mouvement : L’expérience De La Marche Chez Les Femmes aînées Immigrantes à Montréal (Mathilde PLARD, Anne QUENIART and Michèle CHARPENTIER) (Distributed Paper)

JS5: Joint Session RC41/RC11: Population Aging in South, East and Southeast Asia: Challenges and Opportunities

Session Organizers: Zachary ZIMMER (RC41) and Susan MCDANIEL (RC11)

1. Intergenerational Coresidence, Support Transfers, and Psychological Wellbeing Among Older Persons in Myanmar, Thailand, and Vietnam (Bussarawan TEERAWICHITCHAINAN, Wiraporn POTHISIRI, and Long Thanh GIANG)

2. Managing NGOs for Older Persons in East and Southeast
Asia: Lessons and Good Practices from the Field (Robert SALAZAR)

3. Factors Associated with Subjective Well-Being in Chinese Elderly People (Peng XU)

4. Aging and China’s Silver Industry: Based on a Sociological Survey of Urban and Rural Beijing in 2012 (Haisong NIE and Huang WEIFENG)

5. Socio-Economic and Health Status Of Elder Population: Some Empirical Reflections From Tamilnadu, India (T. Augustus Julian LAZMEY and S. Gurusamy SELLMUTHU)

6. Population Change, Demographic Dividend and Health Care in Aging Population of ASEAN (Shayanisawa KURATTANAMANEEPORN)

7. The Role of Population Policies in Fertility Decline: A Comparative Analysis of Lowered Birth Rates in Peoples Republic of China, the Republic of Korea, Japan and the United States (Byoung Mohk CHOI and Kooros MAHMOUDI)

8. Aged Population and Social Disability in Rural South India: The Social Exclusion and Inclusion Perspective (Gurusamy SELLMUTHU)

Saturday, 19 July, 12.30-14.20

JS6: Japan's Experience with Population Aging: Policy Challenges and Innovations

Session Organizers: Susan MCDANIEL (RC11) and Zachary ZIMMER (RC41)

1. Japan As a Shrinking Society: What Is the Condition for Recovering the Replacement Level of Fertility? (Toshihiko HARA)

2. Policy Innovations for Active Aging in Japan (Yasuko TAMURA-URANO)

3. Intergenerational Transfer within Families from the Perspective of Social Inequality in Japan (Sawako SHIRAHASE)

4. Newly Started Activities of 80-Year-Old Japanese Seniors (Wataru KOYANO, Shino SAWAOKA, Yuichi ANDO and Hitoshi OSADA)

Saturday, 19 July, 14.30-16.20

RC11.19: Preparing for a Career in the Sociology of Aging

Session Organizers: Sara ARBER and Anne MARTIN-MATTHEWS

This session is targeted to trainees and early career researchers in the sociology of aging. A panel of RC11 members (with editorial board experience and experience on research grant making bodies) will make brief presentations on key issues in successful publication and grantscraft in the fields of sociology of aging and in social gerontology. Issues of disciplinary strength and multidisciplinary collaboration are discussed.

Saturday, 19 July, 12.30-14.20

JS7: Joint Session RC24/RC11: Environment, Ageing and Vulnerability
Spanish Organizations Stand by the Protection of the Rights of Older Adults

On February 2014 Spain established a committee supporting the UN convention on the rights of older adults, and including 17 civil society organizations. This committee adheres to the ADA (Age Demands Action) Movement, a petition promoted by HelpAge International to foster the implementation of the UN convention, which is led by older adults over 60 countries and has been signed by over 200,000 people so far. The committee’s manifesto, which was signed by all 17 organizations, can be downloaded at www.helpage.org.
The authors of this clearly written scholarly overview of the circumstances of change (transitions) that older adults experience, and the personal and environmental factors that facilitate or hinder their movement through those transitions, include two professors of nursing at the University of Calgary in Canada: Dr. Annette Lane, who is a specialist in geriatric mental health and family nursing, and Dr. Sandra Hirst, who is an internationally known specialist in geriatric and gerontological nursing, and current Board Member of the International Federation on Ageing. The third author, Marlette Reed (BEd, MA), who has a background in working as a community chaplain with individuals and their families across the lifespan, is currently a palliative care chaplain in Calgary.

This paperback will be welcomed by a wide range of disciplines in the fields of health and social care of older adults, and by lay people who are interested in life-long learning because it affords the following four learning opportunities:

1. An opportunity to increase one’s knowledge of the types and domains of transitions. In regard to types of transitions, the authors categorized them according to the following three frameworks: (a) transitions as specific types of change; (b) transitions as events (both expected and unexpected /traumatic events) and individual’s responses to these events, and the degree of control one perceive he or she has at the time of occurrence of the event; and (c) transitions within the life course perspective. In regard to specific domains of transitions, some illustrative examples the authors discussed include: age- specific changes for e.g. education, employment, marriage and parenthood, retirement, healthcare system/medical services (unit/ agency/agent providing the care), family caregiving, and death and dying.

2. An opportunity to enhance one’s awareness of the complexities of the transitions that older adults have to navigate. The health care system offers numerous challenges to older adults and their families as they attempt to seek out appropriate services and programs.

3. An opportunity to gain knowledge about concerns and issues that all of us will encounter as we age. This reviewer uses the word challenges to label those happenings in order to convey her belief that regardless of the types of issues/concerns we face across the life span, we can better manage them if we have ease of access to the appropriate resources/services; that is, supports in the form of information, direct aid (such as having home help, or financial help), affirmative support and/or emotional support.

4. An opportunity to foster greater connectedness or engagement with older adults not just on a clinical level, but also on a human level. Two examples of expected outcomes of that approach are: (a) it would afford insights for staff and the general public about effective ways to promote personhood well-being among older persons; (see Kitwood’s research on this topic at: http://journals.cambridge.org/action/displayA
tact?fromPage=online&aid=2058980) and (b) it may facilitate the development of more intergenerational projects and programs that engage youth with older people, and thereby assist not only in building community and fostering creative aging programs (see Gene Cohen’s research on this topic at: http://cahh.gwu.edu/founders-tribute), but also may encourage such youth to consider a career in the field of caring for older adults.

There are eight chapters in this book. The format for each chapter makes the text effective as a core book for courses designed for graduate and undergraduate students in, or those learners in continuing education programs for nursing, social work, and other health and human services disciplines who work with older adults. This format is as follows: (a) at the beginning of each chapter, there is a set of focused reflective questions; (b) next, the body of the chapter contains content that addresses the concepts and principles associated with those questions, under headings and subheadings that helped this reviewer to easily keep track of “how the story fits together”; (c) a Case Example is presented in most chapters in order to provide a clear link between the salient concepts/principles on the one hand, and on the other hand, the interventions/caring approaches the helper might use to help older adults navigate these transitions; (d) as previously mentioned, a section containing a discussion of illustrative interventions/caring approaches; (e) a summary, which is about one paragraph in length; (f) critical thinking activities (N=3 to 4), which could serve as exam questions and (g) a reference list, which is about 5-6 pages in length, affords the reader choice of a range of evidence—both research-based and information based on experiential evidence; thereby giving voice to stories offered by patients, their families, or their cares in various treatment centers.

The titles of these chapters provide the reader with the content contained therein:

**Chapter 1: Introduction [to the topic of human transitions] (pp. 1-32).** This reviewer was intrigued with the concise yet precise overview the authors provided about the three frameworks used to conceptualize/categorize transitions over the lifespan and the domains within each of those categories. However, one suggested change from this reviewer would be to modify the word coping with transitions to managing the transition experience because the latter concept more clearly depicts the idea that individuals attempt to ‘shape’ or ‘fashion’ a situation as best as they can, given the supports (or resources/services) that they perceive as available and suitable to use during a particular transition.

**Chapter 2: Transitions and Older Adults: An Overview (pp. 33-62).** An informative overview is given in this chapter about the importance of this topic, the complexities of transitions in older adults, and the challenges for nurses and others helping the older person navigate these transitions. This reviewer was particularly impressed with the discussion that the authors provided about the lack of undergraduate and graduate gerontological content in many nursing and related helping disciplines, and the consequences of this (e.g., health professionals who do not realize that an older adult may have a significant infection and not have an elevated temperature).

**Chapter 3: Health Transitions in Older Adults (pp. 63-90).** Discussion here is focused on illustrative examples of the physical, mental, and cognitive changes that older adults experience. The first author’s educational background in family nursing is very evident in the overview provided on John Rolland’s psychosocial typology of chronic illness across the lifespan (see info on this model at: http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/j.1545-5300.2005.00039.x/abstract).

**Chapter 4: Relocations Transitions (pp. 91-121).** The discussion in this chapter includes the concept of home, housing options in later life, and interventions to promote a positive housing transition experience.

**Chapter 5: Existential Transitions (pp. 122-161).** An informative discussion of the concept of personhood—its development, changes in sense of self, and ways to enhance it (including life review and reminiscence)—is contained in this chapter. The authors note that researchers often make distinctions between soul and spirit, but they use these concepts interchangeably. This reviewer found that the discussion here echoed many of the insights voiced by the late Tom Kitwood, who
was one of the first researchers to emphasize the need to promote personhood well-being among persons experiencing dementia (see http://www.csa.us/pubs/articles/Journal51_siefert_DementiaSeniorHandout.pdf).

Chapter 6: Death: The final transition (pp. 204-236). The discussion in this chapter focused on myths about dying, and the issues related to dying from 3 different perspectives: the older adult, the family, and ethical perspectives.

Chapter 7: The Family (pp. 204-236). The focus in this chapter pertains to topics related to what is family, developmental tasks of families (based on Carter and Mc Goldrick’s framework: see http://wps.ablongman.com/wps/media/objects/4915/5033208/Fourth_ed.pdf); and principles that may help professionals in facilitating transitions for older adults and their families.

Chapter 8: Future Directions (pp. 237-276). This reviewer found that the reflective questions for this final chapter afforded the reader a concise yet precise overview of its content, and a very good take home message:

a) In your future work with older adults, what do you think will be the most rewarding aspect of your work?

b) What will be the most challenging facets of working with this population? (I have often had students tell me it’s the “closeness to death”, which in turn raises issues that they may not yet addressed with the loss of their own grandparents).

c) In the future, what changes would you seek to enact? How would you go about this? This reviewer believes that one of the answers would be a strength-based model of aging—see Hirst, Lane, and Le Navenec, 2011: http://www.mentalhealthresearch.ca/KeyInitiatives/ResearchGrants/Seniors_PwD/Documents/A%20Strength-Based%20Approach%20Rev%20March%2028%202011.pdf

In summary, this book will appeal to a range of students and staff in nursing and related disciplines, and to lay people who are committed to developing mentoring interventions that are specifically designed to help all disciplines in the fields of the health and social well-being of older adults to acknowledge that “the person comes first” (see Kitwood); in other words, to develop caring practices that are not only “scientifically and technically sophisticated”, but also “humanistic and compassionate” (see Arnold P Gold Foundation RFP: http://huminizingmedicine.org/rtp-mentoring-programs/; see also the presentation given by HRH Prince Charles to physicians in Great Britain:

Book Review: Montes de Oca (2013). Aging in Latin America and the Caribbean

This book was produced in connection with the Latin American Research Network on Aging (LARNA) at the Oxford Institute of Ageing (OIA). Coordinated by Dr. Verónica Montes de Oca, this book includes stimulating articles compiled and co-edited by eleven institutions, including the Mexican Society of Demography (SOMEDE), University of Guanajuato, Oxford Institute of Population Ageing, and eight academic units at UNAM (Institute of Social Research, the Institute of Anthropological Research, School of Iztacala, School of Zaragoza, Faculty of Psychology, Faculty of Medicine, National School of Social Work and the Regional Center of Multidisciplinary Research).

The book includes articles by 33 authors organized in five sections: “Global Scenery of ageing,” “Subjectivity and social action,” “Education, research and empowerment,” “Families, networks and social helps,” and “Public policy and human rights for the elderly.” The core theme is the interdisciplinary approach in the research on ageing. The book combines the analysis of the case of Mexico with a comparative and regional perspective. ⭐
Meetings

British Society of Gerontology (BSG), September 1-3, 2014, University of Southampton (Highfield Campus), Southampton, UK. “New understandings of old age and the lifecourse.” The BSG invites researchers, practitioners, educators, policymakers, the third sector, students, and all other stakeholders interested in ageing to participate in this multidisciplinary event. The general theme of the conference is organized around the following sub-themes: social policy in ageing societies; economics of ageing; ageing and the life course; international perspectives; intergenerational exchange; health and social care; ageing, arts and the media; new ageing populations. Everyone who wishes to participate in the conference must pre-register. The deadline for early-bird registration is June 27, 2014. Standard registration will be open from June 28 until August 1, 2014. More information at http://www.southampton.ac.uk/bsg2014/index.page.

Research Network on Ageing in Europe, European Sociological Association (ESA), September 18-20, 2014, Carinthia University of Applied Science, Klagenfurt, Austria. “2014 Mid-term Conference: Ageing, Anti Ageing & Ageism: Constructions and Politics of Being Old in Europe.” Managing the processes of ageing, both at individual and at societal levels, is seen as a main challenge for the future in many European societies. However, there is less discussion on the meaning of ageing itself. This conference brings together scholars from across Europe to discuss developments in ageing and old age. Such developments could include, but are not limited to: Ageing and work, older workers, retirement, and pensions; Ageism in political, social and cultural contexts; Concepts of anti-aging vs. longevity; Formal and informal care arrangements; Intergenerational relationships; Critical assessments of active and productive ageing; Social inequalities and poverty in old age; Effect of population ageing on generational solidarity and welfare states; Images, attitudes, coping-strategies and ageing; Development of social work for the elders in Europe. For more information, please visit http://www.ageing-in-europe.org.

World Pension Summit 2014, November 5-6, Amsterdam, Netherlands. “Financing pensions. New roles, new possibilities.” The World Pension Summit 2014 will offer key analysis, insights and ample room for peer-to-peer discussion. The event aims to explore the many ‘crossroads in pensions’ in plenary sessions, dedicated tracks and special Summit briefings, and gather top experts and key authorities in the field of retirement management, pension fund strategy, social security, employee benefits. For further information please visit http://www.worldpensionsummit.com.

Wittgenstein Centre (IIASA, VID/ÖAW, WU), December 3-5, 2014, Vienna, Austria. “New Measures of Age and Ageing.” The Wittgenstein Centre is pleased to announce the Call for Papers for its 2014 conference. The conference will be devoted to new ways of measuring ageing that more accurately represent the real world. These new metrics for population ageing will include factors such as life expectancy, health, disability, cognition and the ability to work—measures that explain how people live and what they need, not just the number of years they have lived. The economic implications of these new measures of age will be also discussed. 

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the following: life-table-based measures; measures based on subjective life expectancy and survival probabilities; measures based on self-reported physical conditions; measures based on biomarkers; measures based on cognitive functioning; economic implications of the new measures; country case studies. After scientific review, selected conference contributions will be published in the thematic issue of the “Vienna Yearbook of Population Research 2016.” The Yearbook high impact factor, and is widely circulated in hard copy and freely available on the web (http://www.oeaw.ac.at/vid/yearbook). 1-page abstract should be sent to conference.vid@oeaw.ac.at by June 30, 2014. More information at http://www.oeaw.ac.at/vid/newage.

**Research Network on Ageing in Europe**, March 23-25, 2015, University of Duisburg-Essen, Germany. “Long live the active!? A critical perspective on active ageing.” This meeting will bring together PhD students, early career scientists and senior researchers from various scientific disciplines with an interest on aging research to discuss different aspects of active aging at macro, meso and micro level. Sessions will be organized around five themes: retirement, social policy and demographics, definitions of active aging, resilience and a critical perspective on aging. For further information, visit http://www.ageing-in-europe.org/ or contact info@ageing-in-europe.net.

**Canadian Association on Gerontology (CAG)**, October 23-25, 2015, Westin Hotel, Calgary, Alberta, Canada. “Canadian Association of Gerontology Annual Scientific Conference and Meeting: From Possibility to Practice: Shaping the Future for All.” For further information contact Jennifer Hewson (jahewson@ucalgary.ca) or Dr Carole-Lynne Le Navenec (cllenave@ucalgary.ca).

**Funding**

_The EU Framework Program for Research and Innovation (R&I) under Horizon 2020 Work Program 2014-2015_. The Horizon 2020 social challenge of “Health, demographic change and wellbeing” includes 34 topics in the “Personalising health and care” focus area call. The call for proposals in this area of research and innovation should aim to: improve our understanding of the causes and mechanisms underlying health, healthy ageing and disease; improve our ability to monitor health and to prevent, detect, treat and manage disease; support older persons to remain active and healthy; and test and demonstrate new models and tools for health and care delivery. More information on the program is available at http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/en/h2020-section/health-demographic-change-and-wellbeing.

**Jobs**

_Open Rank Tenure-track Position at the Public Policy Institute at Universidad Diego Portales._ Screening of applications will begin immediately and will remain open until the position is filled. Applicants should have the ability to conduct research using advanced quantitative methods and to work collaboratively in a multidisciplinary setting. The ideal candidate will either have earned a Ph.D. in Economics or Public Policy, or have a Ph.D. in Sociology or Political
Science. Priority will be given to candidates whose research and teaching skills complement one or more of the following priority areas: political economy, economic competition regulation, innovation policies, or social policies, including aging and health. Candidates should be prepared to teach relevant courses both at the graduate and undergraduate level within the Public Policy Institute and the School of Business and Economics. Candidates will be selected based on academic merits and the strengths of their research agenda. Since candidates will also be expected to fully participate in the Public Policy Institute’s activities and institutional development, academic engagement with the public policy debate at the national or international level will be highly valued. Junior candidates should submit curriculum vita, statement of research, one or more recent papers, and the names of three references. Senior candidates should submit curriculum vita and statement of research. All materials should be emailed to Gregory Elacqua, gregory.elacqua@udp.cl, Director, Public Policy Institute at UDP, and addressed to: Faculty Search Committee, Public Policy Institute, School of Business and Economics, Universidad Diego Portales, Chile. More information at www.politicaspublicas.udp.cl.

Research Fellow in Ageing and Later Life at the National Institute for the Study of Ageing and Later Life (NISAL), Department of Social and Welfare Studies (ISV) at Linköping University, Sweden. The successful candidate will develop and undertake research in the field of quantitative sociological ageing and life course research in collaboration with the chair of ageing and later life (Professor Andreas Motel-Klingebiel) within the framework of the National Institute for the Study of Ageing and Later Life (NISAL) and will also engage in teaching. The position is akin to an assistant professorship. 80 percent of the time will be devoted to research and 20 percent to teaching. For further detail see: http://www.liu.se/en/job/show.html?5032. Informal enquiries may be made to Andreas Motel-Klingebiel (andreas.motel-klingebiel@liu.se).

Instructor at East Tennessee State University. The Department of Health Services Management and Policy, College of Public Health at East TennesseeState University, is inviting applications for an Instructor position, to contribute to the continued growth of their academic programs. The Department, part of aCEPH-accredited school, offers established baccalaureate and graduate degree programs with concentrations in health administration, a multidisciplinary environment that values excellence, diversity and teamwork and strong relationships with the community. The faculty member will have responsibilities for teaching and service. The Department offers on-ground and online courses in the field of health services management and policy and the successful candidate will be expected to teach in multiple disciplines within the field, with a focus on student application and practical skills. The successful candidate must hold a master’s degree in public health, health administration, business administration or a related discipline. Preferred qualifications include prior teaching experience and/or three or more years practice experience in health care or public health management. More information at https://jobs.etsu.edu/. Direct inquiries to Faculty Search Committee, Dr. Amal Khoury, Ph.D., MPH (Khoury@etsu.edu).

Geriatric Researcher (Tenure-track Faculty Position) at University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center. The OU College of Nursing announces an opportunity for a mid-career or senior faculty member in geriatrics, to support the mission of the College and the Donald W. Reynolds Center of Geriatric Nursing Excellence. A leader in nursing education, research and practice innovations, the OU College of Nursing has received national recognition, including the first funding of a nursing initiative by the Donald W. Reynolds Foundation. This position will contribute to the College and Reynolds Center of Geriatric Nursing Excellence mission of teaching,
research and service and includes mentoring faculty and doctoral students in productive scholarship/leadership and maintaining an active research. Candidates with well-established programs of research within community-based aging in place frameworks and successful records of extramural research support are encouraged to inquire. Major areas of faculty research within the Reynolds Center include caregiving, cancer support and survivorship, technology and cognitive aging, symptom management, mental health, violence prevention and palliative care. For Additional Information contact Lazelle Benefield, Ph.D., RN, FAAN, Dean and Director at College of Nursing and Donald W. Reynolds Center of Geriatric Nursing Excellence (lazelle-benefield@ouhsc.edu). More information at http://nursing.ouhsc.edu/index.cfm.

Chairperson, Health Related Programs at Pace University. Pace University’s College of Health Professions seeks a doctorally-prepared, full-time, tenure-track faculty member to lead our new health related programs on the Pleasantville and New York City campuses, starting with the BS in Health Science Program. The University is seeking for a chairperson to lead this new unit and will be adding a number of programs over time, projected to include nutrition, athletic training and the BS in Health Science. The ideal candidate will be experienced in academic program development to help us grow our offerings. Candidates should have PhDs, EdDs or other research doctorates. Academic rank and salary commensurate with educational preparation and experience. Credentials appropriate to Associate Professor or Professor rank are preferred. These include teaching experience, an active program of research and a track record of publications and grants activity. Cover letter and CV should be sent to CHPeducatorjobs@pace.edu. For more information, please visit www.pace.edu/chp.

Competitions

Atlas Award. The Spanish Association for the Scientific Study of Healthy Aging (AECES), the editorial Siglantana and the Trendy Project Company call for applications for the Atlas Award for scientific divulgation on neurosciences, healthy habits and longevity. The goal of this award is to disseminate scientific advances and researches on these topics towards the general public. More information at http://www.premioatlas.com/

Websites

International Longevity Center Brazil (ILC-BR), http://www.ilcbrazil.org/. ILC-BR is commemorating its 2nd anniversary with an extension of their Internet presence. The website provides information about the organization’s activities and news on longevity and population ageing. Carla Salas, ILC-BR Associate, coordinated the development of the website together with her team of web developers from Atelierssud: Anne-Christine Duss and Antonio Catalfamo. Moreover, ILC-BR is also present on Facebook with a profile in Portuguese with posts about themes related to longevity (see https://www.facebook.com/#!/ilcBR?fref=ts), and on Blogspot, with the Portuguese language blog Longeva Idade, which disseminates ILC-BR’s activities and those of partners and institutions related to ageing in Brazil and in the world (see http://
Internet Resources for Teaching and Learning about Aging, http://crab.rutgers.edu/~deppen/aging.htm. This website developed by Monica Deppen Wood (Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminal Justice at Rutgers University, Camden) contains a wide variety of resources - such as data, statistics, videos, newsletter, and in-class exercises - for those interested in teaching about aging.


Postgraduate Taught Programs (MA/MSc) in Ageing. The Institute of Gerontology / Department of Social Science, Health & Medicine at King’s College London is currently accepting applications for their postgraduate taught programs: MSc Gerontology, MA Public Policy & Ageing, and MA/MSc Ageing & Society. The MSc Gerontology program offers training at the cutting edge of research into ageing and later life, through taught modules and original research. Students draw on a wide range of expertise, including geriatricians, clinicians, demographers, policy analysts and sociologists, to gain awareness of cross-national and national perspectives on ageing and the lives of older people. The MA Public Policy & Ageing program is directed to students with an interest in government, NGOs, politics, policy, the voluntary sector, development work and comparative studies to develop specialist understanding of policy and policy making for old age and ageing populations. The MA/MSc Ageing & Society program is designed for social scientists who wish to develop their knowledge and understanding of the experience of ageing, ageing societies and policies for an ageing world. Complete applications received by May 30 2014 will be considered. For more information please visit: http://www.kcl.ac.uk/sspp/departments/sshm/study/mastersprogrammes.aspx or contact the Postgraduate Admissions Tutor, Dr. Laurie Corna, laurie.corna@kcl.ac.uk.

Ingrid Arnet Connidis, Professor of Sociology at Western University, London, Canada, was awarded the Wiley Alexis Walker Award at the annual meetings of the National Council on Family Relations held in San Antonio, Texas, November 2013. The award recognized influence on and contribution to the field of family studies and best research in the field of family studies, for “Interview and memoir: Complementary narratives on the family ties of gay adults.” Journal of Family Theory & Review. 2012, 4:2:105-121. More information at http://www.alphagalileo.org/ViewItem.aspx?ItemId=136188&CultureCode=en.
Lukasz Czarnecki, Postdoctoral Researcher at Instituto de Investigaciones Económicas, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, shared results from his research on old age policy in Mexico: My postdoctoral research has focused on the impacts of the money transfer program Programa de la Pensión Alimentaria, which targets older adults in the Federal District of Mexico. The program is universal for older adults aged 68 and over, who have been living for at least three years in the Federal District. By March 2014, 480,000 adults had received the money transfers, which are equivalent to 1,009.00 Mexican pesos per month, though there are between 600,000 and 700,000 older people living in the Federal District. Sponsored by Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM) and supported by Instituto para la Atención de los Adultos Mayores, we performed 186 surveys and interviews. The results suggest that the money transfers require concerted actions using socioeconomic criteria to target the poor and those most in need. We examined statements by the beneficiaries such as the following ones: “I won a place at the table”, “We defend ourselves with this card”, “one feels important”, “I feel safer”, among others. On the objectives of the program, more than half of the interviewed confirmed that it “improves their situation”, and a fourth, that it “supports economic situation of family”. Most respondents answered that the program covered medical care, followed by food. With the cash transfers, older adults improved their relations with family and friends. 75 individuals spent the monthly amount on their own needs while 71 shared it with their relatives and family. 55% of the respondents considered that the program reduces inequalities. Most of the older adults stated that they did not to have any influence in political decisions or in the decisions of their families. Regarding potential improvements to the program, respondents said: “Ending the abuse of children,” “To benefit only those who really need it,” “To implement discount programs providing medical care and food” and “To implement nursing at home.” The most troublesome aspects of old age were abandonment, staying at home alone, feeling marginalized and discriminated, not having a job, not having prosthesis, and not being able to hear and/or to see. The most important demands were made concerning health and social education; older adults requested home caregivers to improve their quality of life, their access to justice, and opportunities for sharing their experiences. They had problems with regard to the lack of dentures, hearing aids and eye diseases.
What Are Members Writing and Reading?


W. Andrew Achenbaum reviews this pioneer’s significant contributions to the concept of healthy aging and the notion that aging is not synonymous with physical and mental decline. Emphasizing the progressive aspects of Butler’s approach, this book affirms the relevance of his work to gerontology, geriatrics, medicine, social work, and related fields.


This book illustrates the multiple ways aging processes are embedded within individual, social, and cultural life courses. It presents a broad range of ethnographic work, introducing a variety of conceptual and methodological approaches to studying life-course transitions in conjunction with broader sociocultural transformations. The authors explore the interweaving of individual maturity and intergenerational relationships, social and economic institutions, and intimate experiences of gender, identity, and the body.


This book was produced in connection with the Latin American Research Network on Aging (LARNA) at the Oxford Institute of Ageing (OIA) and includes articles by 33 authors organized in five sections: “Global Scenery of ageing,” “Subjectivity and social action,” “Education, research and empowerment,” “Families, networks and social helps,” and “Public policy and human rights for the elderly.” The core theme is the interdisciplinary approach in the research on ageing. The book combines the analysis of the case of Mexico with a comparative and regional perspective.

This book outlines new research findings on what people can do to delay or avoid Alzheimer Disease and other forms of dementia. The book contains a broad range of innovative alternative medicine recommendations.


‘Active ageing’ has become a key phrase in discourses about challenges and remedies for demographic ageing and the enrolment of older adults into voluntary work is an important dimension of it. The pattern and factors conditioning volunteering among older people has so far been an under-researched topic in Europe and this is the first book to study volunteering among older people comparatively and comprehensively. In this topical book older people’s volunteering is studied comparatively in eight European countries representing different kinds of welfare regimes, at the structural, macro, meso and micro levels. Overall it highlights how different interactions between the levels facilitate or hinder older people’s inclusion in voluntary work and makes policy suggestions for an integrated strategy. This book provides important new insights for academics and students interested in ageing societies, active ageing and voluntary work. It will also be of great value for policy makers and practitioner in third sector, older volunteers and voluntary organisations. For more information visit: http://www.policypress.co.uk/display.asp?ISBN=9781447307204#. To purchase the book with a 50% discount, please write an e-mail to principi@inrca.it.


This book provides up-to-date, multidisciplinary, and comprehensive information about aging among diverse racial and ethnic populations in the United States. It focus on paramount public health issues as they relate to older minority Americans, and addresses social, behavioral, and biological concerns for this population.