

2025 Geriatrics Symposium: Care Across the Continuum

Details

Friday, August 22, 2025, 9:00 AM to 3:45 PM, University of Nebraska at Omaha, Barbara Weitz Community Engagement Center, 6001 Dodge Street, Omaha, NE 68182

This program will provide current information and evidence-based practice guidelines that will enhance clinical and professional practice related to the care of the older adult. Topics will include the evidence-based approaches to support positive mentation in older adults, promoting safe mobility across diverse functional levels, Caring for Care Givers (C4C) Model by Rush University, communication and breaking bad news, potentially harmful medications, poster presentations, and so much more! The keynote speaker is Dr. Marie Boltz, who is the executive editor for the newly released textbook Evidence-Based Geriatric Nursing Protocols for Best Practice (7th Edition).

Agenda

Time	Topic/Speaker/Contact Hour(s)
8:30am	Registration
8:50am-9:00am	Welcome Message: Teri Bruening MSN, RN, Gero-BC, NEA-BC, Vice President & Chief Nursing Officer, Methodist Hospital & Methodist Women's Hospital
	CE Announcements
9:00am-10:15am	Keynote Speaker: Mobility and Mentation: The Intertwined Pathways to Health and Well-being in Older Adults: Dr. Marie Boltz, PhD, GNP-BC, FGSA, FAAN, Professor, Ross and Carol Nese College of Nursing (1.25 CH)
10:15am-10:35am	Break and time for vendors
10:35am-11:35am	Caring for Caregivers (C4C) Model: Diane Mariani, LCSW, CADC, Program Manager, Caring For Caregivers, Rush University Medical Center (1.0 CH)
11:35-12:20pm	Lunch (provided) and time for Vendors
12:20pm-1:05pm	Communication and Breaking Bad News: Dr. Todd Sauer, Medical Director for Palliative Medicine, Palliative Care Associates, P.C. (0.75 CH)
1:05pm-1:50pm	Potentially Inappropriate Medications (PIMs): Dr. Natalie Manley, MPH, Medical Director PACE, Immanuel Communities and UNMC (0.75 CH)
1:50pm-2:10pm	Break and time for Vendors
2:10pm-3:10pm	Podium Presentations: 30 minutes each in the order below (1.0 CH): Carly Haring, BS, Medical Student, USD Sanford School of Medicine: Maximizing Long-Term Care Resident Satisfaction Using the Kano Model Dr. Mariya Kovaleva, RN, PhD, AGPCNP-BC, Assistant Professor at UNMC College of Nursing: Leisure Activities for Persons Living with Dementia: Personhood and Meaning
3:10pm-3:40pm	Rapid Fire Poster Presentations, 10 minutes each in the order below (0.5 CH): Gardenia Leon, BSN, RN, Nurse at Memorial Hermann Southwest Hospital, and Brian Kern, MBA, BSN, RN, NEA-BC, Director of Patient Care, Memorial Hermann Southwest Hospital: Clinical Nurse-Led Implementation of a Journal Club Jordyn Stangl, BSN-RN, GERO-BC, Geriatric Resource Nurse, Nebraska Methodist Hospital, and Jordyn Kreifels, BSN, RN, GERO-BC, CDP, Nurse, Nebraska Methodist Hospital: The Impact of Live Music Therapy on the Nurse Practice Environment and Staff Satisfaction on Inpatient Units at Nebraska Methodist Hospital
3:40pm-3:45pm	Conference Wrap-Up and Conclusions

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Program Handouts

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