

# 18th Annual Rocky Mountain Geriatric Conference Presentations

March 28-29, 2022

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**"Being the Change: Innovation and Quality Improvement for Older Adult Primary and Post-Acute Care Settings"**



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### Monday, March 28, 2022

- **Enabling Capacity for Change and Innovation: Leadership for Performance and Well-Being**, Read Pierce, MD, Dell Medical School, The University of Texas at Austin
- **Being the Change: From Quality Improvement to Implementation Science**, Katherine Jones, PT, PhD, College of Public Health, University of Nebraska Medical Center
- **Building Mental and Emotional Health Resiliency for Health Care Patient and Provider Communities**, Samantha Farro, PhD, CU Anschutz Division of Geriatrics and Multidisciplinary Center on Aging
- **The Balancing Act of Quality Improvement**, Kay Calloway, MS, BSN, RN, CHPN, VHA Office of Quality & Patient Safety
- **Vulnerable Elder Services, Protection, and Advocacy Team: Improving Quality of Care for the Most Vulnerable Older Adults**, Sarah Tietz, MD, CU Anschutz Division of Geriatrics and Multidisciplinary Center on Aging
- **Connecting Older Adults and Students Through Inter-Professional Telecare (COAST-IT): A Model for Stakeholder Engagement and Project Implementation**, Jodi Waterhouse, MHA, CU Anschutz Multidisciplinary Center on Aging
- **Neuropsychological Evaluation, Community Partnership, and Care Advocacy: Creative Efforts and Findings for Improving Older Adult Care**, Sara Qualls, PhD, ABPP and Jessica Zamzow, PhD, UCCS Aging Center
- **Do Your Patients Hear When You Speak?** Steve Huart, AuD, Rocky Mountain Regional VA Medical Center
- **Long-Term Care Medical Directors Panel Discussion: Why Vaccine Hesitancy?** Greg Gahm, MD, Jeff Wallace, MD, Leslie Eber, MD and Sing Palat, MD

### Tuesday, March 29, 2022

- **Digital Solutions for Older Adults**, Sandeep Wadhwa, MD, Global Chief Medical Officer, 3M Health Information Systems
- **Preventing Emergency Department Visits: Evolution of a High-Risk Rounding Approach**, Scott Pearson, PharmD, Abbott Northwestern General Medicine Associates
- **Shared Decision-Making and Geriatrics**, Dan Matlock, MD, MPH, CU Anschutz Division of Geriatrics and Multidisciplinary Center on Aging
- **A Transitional Pain Service Approach to Pain Management for Older Adults Undergoing Surgery**, Dr. Benjamin Brooke, University of Utah Health
- **Linking Efforts to Outcomes - Applying Evaluation Methods to Support QI Initiatives**, Kady Nearing, PhD, CU Anschutz Division of Geriatrics and Rocky Mountain Regional VA Geriatric, Education, Research and Clinic Center
- **Long-Haul COVID: Implications for Older Adults**, Amy Nordon-Craft, PT, DSc, CU Anschutz Medical Campus, Department of Physical Therapy
- **Outpatient to In-Home Care: How The VA Dementia Care Team and Home-Based Primary Care Help Families Navigate Dementia Needs**, Rebecca Tucker, LCSW and Christina Garrison-Diehn, PhD, Rocky Mountain Regional VA Medical Center
- **Leading Change Toward Person-Centered Care: Using Community Organizing Techniques to Build Inter-Dependent Leadership with Older Adults to Improve Health and Healthcare**, Risa Hayes, MD and Meredith Koob, Telling
- **Geriatric Surgery Verification Process and The Aging Veteran Surgical Veteran Wellness Program: Improving Surgical Care for Older Adults**, Carrie Horney, MD and Teresa Jones, MD Rocky Mountain Regional VA Medical Center

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