

## Accepting Applications for FY2022 Geriatric Junior Faculty Development Award

The Donald W. Reynolds Institute on Aging is now accepting applications for a Junior Faculty Development position funded by the Arkansas Geriatric Workforce Enhancement Grant awarded from HRSA. The due date for applications is Friday, May 14, 2021.

For more information, including eligibility requirements and application, [\*\*CLICK HERE.\*\*](#)

## From the Director's Desk

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Wow, it has been over a year since the pandemic began and although we can see light at the end of the tunnel, we are still in the tunnel, yet thriving! The AGEC may look a little different than it did 12-15 months ago, but we are persevering and growing. We are now more diverse in our program offerings while still meeting and exceeding our goals and objectives. Over the past year we have embraced new partnerships and...

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## Rhinitis and the Older Adult



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Rhinitis, commonly known as inflammation of the nasal mucous membranes, affects adults of all ages. There are two major categories of rhinitis: Allergic rhinitis (AR) and Non-allergic rhinitis (NAR). Most people are familiar with the symptoms of AR...

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## Aspirin for Primary Prevention in Older Adults

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Heart disease and stroke are leading causes of death in older adults. For prevention of cardiovascular disease, aspirin works as an antiplatelet through inhibition of cyclooxygenase-1 and 2 enzymes. It irreversibly inhibits the formation of thromboxane A2 via acetylation of platelet cyclooxygenase, which then inhibits platelet aggregation...

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## Healthy Ager Program Transforms During the Pandemic



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The College of Nursing and Health Professions (CNHP) at Arkansas State University and Center on Aging-Northeast partnered in 2004 and started the Healthy Ager Program (HAP). The objective of the HAP is to promote interprofessional educational and collaboration (IPEC) opportunities for health professions students while working with...

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## Arkansas Geriatric Education Collaborative Programs for Older Adults

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The Arkansas Geriatric Education Collaborative (AGEC) at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences has the mission to provide high quality programs that support healthy aging in Arkansas. Currently the population of adults age 65 and older is 54 million...

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