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EDUCATION:

<u>Institution</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Date</u>
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	AHRQ-NRSA Post Doctoral Fellowship	2002-2004
University of Kansas	Ph.D. (Sociology)	Summer, 2002
San Diego State University	M.A. (Sociology)	Summer, 1993
Wichita State University	B.A. (Communications)	Summer, 1990

POSITIONS HELD:

1992 - 1993	Medicaid Waiver for the Elderly Case Manager, State of Nebraska.
1993 - 1994	Social Service Director, DelMar Gardens of Lenexa, Lenexa, KS
1994 - 1995	Case Manager, Senior Link, Kansas City, MO
1994 - 2002	Adjunct Faculty Member, Park University, Parkville, MO.
1995 - 1999	Research Assistant, Gerontology Center, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS.
1999 - 2002	Project Manager, Office of Aging and Long-Term Care, School of Social Work, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS.
2002-2004	National Institute on Aging T32 NRSA Post Doctoral Fellowship, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC.
2004 - 2006	Research Associate, Sheps Center for Health Services Research, Program on Aging, Disability and Long-Term Care, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC.
2004 - 2006	Adjunct Faculty Member, School of Social Work, University of North Carolina- Chapel Hill
2005 - 2006	Research Consultant, NCB-Development Corporation, Washington, DC
2006 - 2012	Assistant Professor, School of Aging Studies, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL.
2012 - 2023	Associate Professor, School of Aging Studies, University of South Florida, Tampa FL
2022 to present	Director, PhD Program, School of Aging Studies, University of South Florida, Tampa FL
2023 to present	Full Professor, School of Aging Studies, University of South Florida, Tampa FL
2023 to present	Interim Director, School of Aging Studies, University of South Florida, Tampa FL

AREAS OF RESEARCH INTEREST:

End of Life, Palliative and Hospice Care
Long Term Services and Supports/Assisted Living
Qualitative Methods in Aging Research
Disaster Research
Dementia Care Populations Research

COURSES TAUGHT:

GEY 5642: Perspectives of Dying (graduate), GEY 4641: Death and Dying (undergraduate)
GEY 3625: Sociological Aspects of Aging (undergraduate); GEY 4475/5476: Program Evaluation in an Aging Society (undergraduate and graduate); GEY 4507/6934: Understanding LTC Policies and Practices (graduate/undergraduate); GEY 7649: Population Aging (graduate); GEY 7623 Health and Social Issues in Aging.

DISSERTATION COMMITTEES:

University of South Florida, School of Aging Studies

- 2009 (Chair)
April Temple, Factors Affecting the Utilization and Quality of Long-Term Care.
- 2011 (Chair)
Cate McCarty, Impact of Hospice and Dementia Special Care Units on End-of-Life Care for Individuals with Dementia.
- 2012 (Chair)
Catherine Emmett, Exploring the Advance Care Planning Experiences Among Persons with Mild Cognitive Impairment: Individual and Spousal Perspectives.
- 2015 (Co-Chair)
Amanda Holup, Care Settings of the Last Resort: Care Transitions of Nursing Home Residents Directly Admitted from the Community.
- 2015 (Committee Member)
Melissa Castora-Binkley, The Impact of Veteran's health Administration's Home Based Primary Care on Health Services Use, Expenditures, and Mortality.
- 2017 (Committee Member)
Michelle Pleasant, Improving Dementia Care through Online Training Programs.
- 2017 (Committee Member)
Lindsay Peterson, Family Communication Concerning End-of-Life Care Preferences.
- 2018 (Committee Member)
Rosalyn Roker, Perspectives of Older Blacks and Whites Living with Serious Mental Illness About Outpatient Mental Health Services.
- 2019 (Committee Member)
Nasreen Sadeq, Home-based Cognitive Monitoring: The Role of Personality and Predictors of Adherence and Satisfaction.
- 2020 (Committee Member)
Joseph June, Assisted Living Facilities in Florida: Tracking Entries, Exits, and Policy Changes.
- 2021 (Committee Member)
Dylan Jester, Serious Mental Illness in Nursing Homes and Quality Concerns.
- 2021 (Committee Member)
Maureen Templeman, Stressors, Resources, and Psychological Well-Being Among Working Black and White Caregivers in the United States
- 2022 (Chair)
Carlyn Vogel, Assisted Living Administrators' Perspectives of How COVID-19 Affects Direct Care Staff
- 2019-present, Jessica Yauk, Chair
- 2023-present, Jessica Vanderwerf, Chair

University of South Florida, Communication Sciences and Disorders

2013 (Committee Member)

Rachel Goff, Examining the Effectiveness of Intensive Language Action Treatment on Functional Communication in Individuals with Nonfluent Aphasia

University of South Florida, College of Nursing

2018 (Committee Member)

Suzan Abduljawad, Fatigue-related Symptom Clusters and their Relationship with Depression, and Functional Status in Older Adults Hospice Patients with Cancer.

2022 (Outside Chair)

Nasreen Alghamdi, Emotional Intelligence-Driven End-of-Life Care Simulation for Undergraduate Nursing Students: A Quantitative and Qualitative Study

2022 (Outside Chair)

Katherine Lin, A Theoretical Framework for Understanding Breast Cancer Survivors' Post-Treatment Lived Experiences in An Educational Program: A Qualitative Data Analysis.

University of South Florida, Anthropology

2021 (Committee Member)

Bernice McCoy, "25 years later and I'm still here...still positive": Older Black Males Lived Experiences of Aging with HIV in Hillsborough County, Florida.

GRANT ACTIVITY:

Visually-Assisted Mindful Music Listening Intervention for Persons Living with Dementia and Their Caregivers in Assisted Living Communities:

Florida Department of Health, Ed and Ethel Moore Alzheimer's Disease Research Program

(Grant No.) Meng, Hongdao (PI) 02/01/23 to 05/31/26

Award Amount: \$350,000

Role: Co-Investigator

Disaster Preparedness for Caregivers of Individuals with Dementia

Retirement Research Foundation.

(Grant No. 2020214) Peterson, Lindsay (PI). 01/01/21 to 06/30/22

Award Amount: \$150,000

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We propose to conduct formative research using qualitative interviews to explore the disaster experiences and preparedness and response needs of caregivers of persons with Alzheimer's disease or related dementias. We would then develop specific products that meet caregiver needs and preferences to improve their preparedness and response and therefore their safety and the care recipient's safety in a disaster.

Palliative Care Education in Assisted Living for Care Providers of Residents with Dementia

Florida Department of Health Ed and Ethel Moore Alzheimer's Disease Research Program

(Grant No 9AZ26) Dobbs, Debra (PI). 02/01/19 – 06/28/21

Award Amount: \$250,000

We propose to conduct a two-year cluster randomized trial (CRT) among 12 AL facilities (k=12) and PWD (N=225) with a baseline, 3, and 6 months post-intervention to examine the quality of care outcomes for PWD: 1) appropriate hospice referral and use; 2) increased assessment of pain; and 3) increased documentation of ACP.

Strategic Approach to Facilitating Evacuation by Health Assessment of Vulnerable Elderly in Nursing Homes II (SAFEHAVEN II)

R01AG060581, National Institute on Aging

Hyer, Kathryn (PI)

09/01/18-05/31/22

Vulnerable older adults in residential long-term care are at risk of injury and death in disasters. This study aims to examine the effect of two recent powerful hurricanes in Texas and Florida on the health and safety of residents of nursing homes and assisted living communities. This research will provide evidence to improve critical disaster planning and response to help protect the lives of vulnerable older adults.

Role: Co-Investigator

COVID19 Supplement to SAFEHAVEN II

R01AG060581 03S1, National Institute on Aging Andel, Ross (PI) 9/08/20 – 12/31/22

Building on our current study of hurricane responses in long-term care and using a mixed-methods approach, we will analyze the effect of the COVID-19 emergency, focusing on residents with Alzheimer's disease and/or related dementias. Results will add to our current research to inform disaster planning that more broadly protects vulnerable older adults from harm.

Role: Co-Investigator

Visually-Assisted Mindful Music Listening Intervention for Persons Living with Dementia and Their Caregivers: A Pilot Study

Florida Department of Health, Ed and Ethel Moore Alzheimer's Disease Research Program

(Grant No. 9AZ28) Meng, Hongdao (PI) 04/01/19 to 05/31/21

Award Amount: \$95,000

The goal of this project is to develop and pilot test a brief mindfulness-based music listening intervention to reduce behavioral expressions among persons living with dementia and improve sleep, reduce stress among family caregivers.

Role: Co-Investigator

MODELS AND METHODS FOR AN ACTIVE AGEING WORKFORCE (MAIA)

European Union Horizon 2020

MSCA-RISE-2019: Marie Skłodowska-Curie Research and Innovation Staff Exchange (RISE)

Battini, Daria, PI, University of Padova 12/31/19 to 12/01/25.

The aim of this research was to foster the inclusion of ageing workers in the industrial system as much as possible by enhancing their motivation and expertise. The project is aimed at strengthening research collaboration through active networking, staff exchange and dissemination activities between 7 European universities from Italy, Germany, France and Slovenia as well as 6 non-European universities from USA, Japan, New Zealand, Hong Kong and Canada. The international exchanges of experts in the field of ageing enabled knowledge sharing via international/inter-sectoral mobility, exchanges of research staff to turn creative ideas into age-friendly manufacturing system design and management.

Role: Steering Committee for USF/US Site.

Feasibility of Implementing the Palliative Care Education in Assisted Living (PCEAL) Program.

College of Behavioral and Community Sciences 2016 Faculty Internal Awards Program.

Principal Investigator -- Debra Dobbs 02/01/2016 - 01/31/2017.

Award Amount: \$25,000

This study tested an intervention using the Palliative Care Education in Assisted Living program at baseline, 3 and 6 months and examined quality of care outcomes (pain, hospice use, documentation of advance directives) in a sample of residents (N=30) from 3 ALs in Florida.

Nurse Executive Focus Group Evaluation of Evidence Based Practice Curriculum

James Haley Veteran's Administration

Office of Nursing Services, Partnered Evaluation Center

Tampa, FL Powell-Cope, G. (PI) 05/01/16 – 10/31/16

Contract Amount (\$15,061).

I provided expertise as the Senior Qualitative Researcher on the Nurse Executive Focus Group project funded by the Office of Nursing Services under the Partnered Evaluation Center. Focus groups and interviews were

conducted among executive nurses at VA units nationally to understand the barriers and facilitators to implementation of EBP curriculum for nurses.

Role on Project – Senior Qualitative Researcher

Logistics and Financing of Retirement Communities for Higher Quality of Long-Term Care for Older Persons.

Research Agency of the Republic of Slovenia

Marija Bogataj, PhD , Principal Investigator in Slovenia:

Debra Dobbs, Principal Investigator in Partner Country (US)

Dates: 07/01/15 to 12/31/16

Award Amount: \$3,600.00

The objective of this research is to introduce the model for planning of long-term care services and housing for older adults in Slovenia, based on a multiple decrement model. As consultant on the project, I provide guidance about care transitions throughout the long-term care continuum from a U.S. perspective and consult about resident assessment data and publicly available data used to examine transitions at the state and national level. I have sponsored Drs. Maria and David Bogataj as Visiting International Professors at USF as they conducted site visits.

Direct Care Staff Evaluation of the CARES Online Training Programs

Funded by HealthCare Interactive Hobday, J. (PI) October, 2015 - May, 2016.

Funding Amount -- \$3,500.00

Qualitative evaluation of direct care aides in assisted living and nursing homes about their satisfaction with CARES online modules for dementia care training.

Role on Project - Analyst

Adoptability and Implementation of the Quality Improvement Palliative Care Training Program for Staff in Assisted Living Settings.

Office of Community Engagement and Partnerships, University of South Florida

Dobbs, D. (PI) 07/01/13 to 06/30/14

Award Amount: \$7,500.

In collaboration with community partner Brookdale Senior Living, this project examined the barriers and facilitators of implementing an evidence-based palliative care training program in assisted living (AL) for administrative, nursing and paraprofessional staff in a sample of 30 administrators, nurses, certified nursing assistants and hospice nurses from ten ALs and two hospice organizations in the Tampa, FL area. Methods include focus groups and survey data. An advisory board committee made recommendations for implementation.

Faculty International Travel Grant

USF Research Council, Internal Award

Award Amount: \$1,678.00

Dates: May - June, 2013

To present research at the 13th World Congress for the European Association of Palliative Care.

Advance Care Planning Patterns in Korean American Elders

USF Foundation Funding

Dobbs, D. Principal Investigator

Award Amount: \$2,049.00

Dates: May, 2013 - August, 2013

The purpose of this project was to explore the willingness of older Korean-American elders to engage in advance care planning using data from the Korean American Elders study (Jang, PI).

Autonomy in Assisted Living: A Cultural Analysis.

National Institute on Aging Grant No. 1R01AG032442-01A2

Co-Principal Investigators: Bob Rubinstein, and Ann Christine Frankowski, (University Maryland Baltimore Co.)

Dates: 09/01/10 to 08/31/14

Award Amount: \$537,000

The proposed research has three specific aims: 1) To examine the meaning and context for autonomy as these are worked out in six distinctive assisted living settings; 2) To better understand the on-the-ground process of negotiating autonomy in these settings; 3) To examine in detail, and based on prior research, resident autonomy in relation to the six emergent themes of autonomy that provide the conceptual framework for this research. The proposed research will ethnographically examine in six settings, the meaning and context, and the negotiation of autonomy, through periods of sequential field work combining participant observation and interviewing.
Role on Project: Consultant

Senior Care Needs Assessment (contract - SitterCity)

funding from 10/1/2011 to 12/31/2011

Co-PIs: Meng, H. and Dobbs, D.

Total Amount Funded: \$45,000

The FPECA research team developed a web-based needs assessment for caregivers seeking senior services for community based older adults. The decision support needs assessment was based on empirical evidence of risk factors for the continuum of long-term care services.

Promoting Dignity and Independence in Aging by Linking Individual Voice, Community Engagement, and Technological Innovation.

Grant with Patterson Foundation Black, K. (PI) (USF Sarasota) 07/01/10 to 06/30/11.

Role on Project: Co-PI (Subcontract)

Award Amount: \$200,000

This study used participatory based community action research and mixed methods approaches to explore how community-based older adults define dignity and independence. The study also engaged sectors of community stakeholders to identify issues pertaining to dignity and independence among older adults residing in the Sarasota community. As Co-PI I was responsible for study design, questionnaire development, data collection and analysis and dissemination of study results.

Social Relations of African American and Hispanic Older Adults: Implications for Well-Being in Assisted Living.

College of Behavioral and Community Sciences Internal Award mechanism

Dates: 06/01/2010 to 05/31/2011

Principal Investigator: Nan Park, Ph.D., School of Social Work, USF

Award Amount: \$10,000

Role on project: Co-investigator, analyst

Dobbs' share of amount funded: \$500.00

The study aims are to: 1) describe patterns and processes of social relations of African American and Hispanic residents in AL settings; 2) examine how residents construct and maintain their social relations to other residents and staff; and 3) examine how social relations influence residents' emotional well-being.

Hospice Use and End of Life Care Practices in Florida Assisted Living Facilities.

University of South Florida Internal Award - New Researcher Grant

Principal Investigator: Debra Dobbs, PhD Dates: 06/01/09 to 05/31/10

Award Amount: \$10,000

The overall aims of the project were: 1) to describe hospice use patterns of residents in assisted living; 2) describe end of life practices in assisted living facilities; and 3) examine the relationship between facility characteristics and practices specific to end of life quality of care outcomes.

Stigma and the Cultural Context of Residential Settings for the Elderly

National Institute on Aging Grant No. 1R01AG028469-01A1

Co-Principal Investigators: Kevin Eckert, Bob Rubenstein, Leslie Morgan (University of Maryland, Baltimore County); Sheryl Zimmerman (University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill).

Dates: 07/01/07 to 06/30/11 (currently under a no-cost extension until 06/30/12)

Role on Project: Consultant

Award Amount: \$2,861,396

This project is an ethnographic study of two active adult communities, two independent living communities, two assisted living facilities and two nursing homes to examine processes of stigmatization and ageism in these settings. The specific aims of the study are to examine: 1) how older adults define stigmatizing traits in themselves and others in their everyday routines; 2) how older adults act and react to stigmatizing traits in themselves and others in everyday routines; 3) how stigmatizing interpersonal and inter-group traits influence social dynamics; 4) how stigma is defined or operates differently in various levels of care and environmental configurations; and 5) how the quality of settings and care might be improved with attention to the personal and social dynamics of stigma.

Florida Medicaid Program Analysis.

Contract with Florida Agency for Health Care Administration

Principal Investigator: Glenn Mitchell

Dates: 9/29/2005 to 6/30/2009

Role on Project: Principal Investigator on Subcontract from the State Data Center on Aging

Award Amount: \$736,196

Dobbs' share of amount funded: \$20,000

This project examined individual factors longitudinally that predict discharge from assisted living to nursing home using 2003-2004 Medicaid claims data. The current study is using a sample of Medicaid recipients who resided in assisted living in Florida from 2005-2007.

Assisted Living Trajectories, Nursing Home Admission and Hospice Use

Contract with Administration on Aging

Principal Investigator: Kathy Hyer, Florida Policy Exchange Center on Aging, USF

Dates: 09/01/2005 to 08/31/2008

Role on Project: Principal Investigator on Subcontract from Florida Policy Exchange Center on Aging

Award Amount: \$901,926

Dobbs' share of amount funded: \$38,000

This study used National Nursing Home Minimum Data Set Data, FL Medicaid Utilization Data, and Medicare Hospice Utilization Data from 2003 – 2004 to examine patterns of discharge from AL to NH, a resident's expectation of returning to AL and the profiles of those who did return compared to those who did not, and finally, AL facility characteristics related to discharge from AL to NH with Hospice services in NH.

Comparison of Medicare Fee For Service Beneficiary Hospice and NonHospice Users.

Contract with Humana Health Care

Principal Investigator: Debra Dobbs, Ph.D.

Dates: 01/01/2007 to 12/31/2007

Award Amount: \$5,000

This study used Medicare Claims data to compare Medicare fee-for-service Hospice users and nonusers on a number of variables (demographics, medical and health conditions, functional and cognitive status, income differences, living arrangements, and health care utilization patterns) to determine differences on who uses and who does not so as to target people with particular characteristics who could benefit from Hospice use.

Affordable Assisted Living and The Woodwork Effect

Contract with NCB Development Corporation

Principal Investigator: Debra Dobbs, Ph.D.

Dates: 07/01/05 to 06/30/06.

Award Amount: \$21,397

The primary purpose of this study was to report how many of the current Medicaid residents of the Coming Home Program demonstrations would have gone to a nursing facility (NF) if assisted living (AL) had not been available. Conversely, we determined how many of the current residents would not have gone to a nursing facility if the assisted living had not been available.

Elders' Expectations of Retirement Communities

Contract with Liberty Health Services

Co-Principal Investigators: Victor Marshall, Ph.D. (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill) and Debra Dobbs, Ph.D. Dates: 04/01/2004 to 06/30/2006

Award Amount: \$15,000

This project used participatory action research methodology in collaboration with retirement home residents to longitudinally examine resident's expectations and satisfaction with a newly developed CCRC in Chapel Hill. Baseline (prior to move in) and 12 month data was collected on the first cohort of residents about expectations and concerns and a second cohort of residents (prior to move in) during September, 2005.

Screening for Memory Problems in Assisted Living

Contract with Janssen Medical Affairs, Inc.

Principal Investigators: Sheryl Zimmerman and Phil Sloane (University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill)

Dates: 12/01/2004 to 07/30/2006

Role on Project: Co-Investigator

Award Amount: \$264,271

The primary purpose of this study was to identify and validate in an assisted living setting a cut point by which the Minimum Data Set Cognition Scale (MDS-COGS) best screens for dementia in the assisted living population. Information from the MDS-COGS is collected about 130 residents in eight assisted living facilities in the Triangle, North Carolina. This information is compared to the diagnosis by a neurologist, determined by a battery of neurological memory tests at the facility.

Defining A Good Death for Residents in Long Term Care

Duke Institute for Care at the End of Life

Principal Investigators: Sheryl Zimmerman, Ph.D., Jean Munn, MSW (UNC at Chapel Hill)

Dates: 08/31/2005 to 07/31/2006

Role on Project: Analyst

Total Award amount: \$40,000

The goal of this focus group study was to describe the quality of death experiences for residents in long term care from the point of view of residents, staff and family who live or provide care for someone at the end of life residing in long term care settings. Ten focus groups were conducted of each type of group (residents, family, paraprofessional and licensed staff) to elicit these views about quality of death.

End of Life Care in Residential Care and Nursing Homes.

National Institute on Aging (Grant No. RO1 AG18967-01)

Principal Investigator: Sheryl Zimmerman, Ph.D. (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill)

Dates: 06/01/2001 to 05/31/2006

Role on Project: Co-Investigator

Award Amount: \$1,195,634

The specific aims of this project were to understand the structure and process of end of life care for approximately 800 residents in 233 residential care and nursing homes. Information was collected from family members and staff members who cared for residents who have died in these settings. In addition, facility information was collected from facility administrators.

Transitions in Assisted Living: Sociocultural Aspects.

National Institute on Aging (Grant No. R01 AG19345).

Principal Investigator Kevin Eckert, Ph.D. (University of Maryland Baltimore County)

Dates: 08/01/2002 to 06/30/2006

Role on Project: Co-Investigator

Award Amount: \$1,653,814

The specific aims of this project were: (1) to examine the social and cultural processes of change and decline leading to transfer from assisted living; (2) to understand how residents, their family, and the AL staff read and interpret signs of decline, improvement, normalcy and change in the social and cultural environment of AL

facilities; (3) to examine facility-level characteristics as these might shape the processes of stability, decline and change. The study is a qualitative, ethnographic sequential study of 6 assisted living facilities in Maryland.

End of Life and the Dying Process Initiative: Spiritual Care at the End of Life

Fetzer Institute

Principal Investigator: Tim Daaleman, D.O, MPH (University of North Carolina, School of Medicine)

Dates: 01/01/2004 to 06/30/2006

Role on Project: Co-Investigator

Award Amount: \$195,000

Dobbs' share of amount funded: \$14,400

The goal of this study was to provide the first systematic overview of spiritual care at the end of life by health care providers.

Challenging Life Events in Older Persons

National Institute on Aging 1-K23-AG01033

Principal Investigator: Tim Daaleman, D.O, MPH (University of North Carolina, School of Medicine)

Dates: 09/01/2001 to 06/01/2006

Role on Project: Co-Investigator

Award Amount: \$629,183

Dobbs' share of amount funded: \$14,400

The goal of this study was to describe and understand the determinants of elders' attitudes toward serious illness, death, the dying process, and advance care planning.

Meeting the Mental Health Needs of Elders in Assisted Living Facilities: Facility and Community Factors.

(Retirement Research Foundation),

From 07/01/01 to 06/30/02

Principal Investigator: Rosemary Chapin, Ph.D. (University of Kansas, School of Social Work)

Role on Project: Co-Investigator

The purpose of this study was to conduct a longitudinal analysis of individual and facility level factors that predict length of stay in assisted living prior to discharge to a nursing home in a sample of 236 residents in AL settings in Kansas.

Residents' Perceptions of Mental Health Needs. Kansas Departments on Aging and Social and Rehabilitation Services, from July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002.

Principal Investigator: Rosemary Chapin, Ph.D. (University of Kansas, School of Social Work)

Role on Project: Project Coordinator

This qualitative study interviewed a sample of AL residents in Kansas about their mental health needs and barriers to meeting those needs.

Individual and Facility Factors Associated with Length of Stay in Assisted Living and Residential Health Care Facilities: A Longitudinal Analysis. Kansas Departments on Aging and Social and Rehabilitation Services, from July 1, 1999 through June 30, 2001.

Principal Investigator: Rosemary Chapin, Ph.D. (University of Kansas, School of Social Work)

Role on Project: Project Coordinator

Family Satisfaction with Residential Care Provision: Examples from Britain and the United States. (Pearson Dissertation Fellowship by the Kansas Board of Regents for Dissertation Research Project). February, 1998 - May, 1998 Award amount - \$5,000.00.

Principal Investigator - Debra Dobbs

Staff and Family Satisfaction of Residential Care Settings. (Graduate Scholarship Committee of the Midwest Sociological Society) June, 1997 to May, 1998.

Award amount - \$750.00

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

Publications

1. Yauk, J., Veal, B., & **Dobbs, D.** (2023). Understanding the Link Between Retirement Timing and Cognition: A Scoping Review. *Journal of Applied Gerontology*, <https://doi.org/10.1177/07334648231213745>
2. Dosa, D., Jester, D., Peterson, L., **Dobbs, D.**, Black, K., Brown, L. (2023). Applying the age-friendly-health system 4M paradigm to reframe climate-related disaster preparedness for nursing home populations. *Health Serv Res.* 58(Suppl. 1): 36- 43. doi:[10.1111/1475-6773.14043](https://doi.org/10.1111/1475-6773.14043)
3. **Dobbs, D.**, Yauk, J., Vogel, C. E., Fanfan, D., Buck, H., Haley, W.E. & Meng, H. (2023). Feasibility of the Palliative Care Education in Assisted Living Intervention for Dementia Care Providers: A Cluster Randomized Trial. *The Gerontologist*, 2023;, gnad018, <https://doi.org/10.1093/geront/gnad018>
4. Wang, X., Thomas, K.S., Belanger, E., **Dobbs, D.** & Dosa, D. (2023). Hospice aide visits among nursing home residents during the early months of the COVID-19 pandemic. *Journal of American Medical Directors Association*, 24 (6): 911-16. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jamda.2023.03.028>
5. Bhattacharyya, K. K., **Dobbs, D.**, & Hueluer, G. (2022). Mind-Body Practice, Personality Traits, and Cognitive Performance: A 10-Years Study in US Adults. *Gerontol Geriatr Med*, 8, 23337214221083475. <https://doi.org/10.1177/23337214221083475>
6. **Dobbs, D.**, Skarha, J., Gordon, L., Jester, D. J., Peterson, L. J., & Dosa, D. M. (2022). Mortality among Nursing Home Residents Enrolled in Hospice and Hospice Utilization Post-Hurricane Irma. *J Palliat Med*, 25(9), 1355-1360. <https://doi.org/10.1089/jpm.2021.0475>
7. **Dobbs, D.**, Zimmerman, S., Carder, P., Beeber, A. S., & Palmertree, S. J. (2022). Staff Reports of Behavioral Expressions of Persons With Dementia in 250 Assisted Living Communities. *Gerontologist*, 62(2), 169-180. <https://doi.org/10.1093/geront/gnab059>
8. Jester, D. J., Molinari, V., Bowblis, J. R., **Dobbs, D.**, Zgibor, J. C., & Andel, R. (2022). Abuse and Neglect in Nursing Homes: The Role of Serious Mental Illness. *Gerontologist*, 62(7), 1038-1049. <https://doi.org/10.1093/geront/gnab183>
9. June, J. W., **Dobbs, D.**, Molinari, V., Meng, H., Bowblis, J. R., & Hyer, K. (2022). Factors Associated With Assisted Living Facility Closure. *Gerontologist*, 62(2), 181-189. <https://doi.org/10.1093/geront/gnab105>
10. June, J. W., Peterson, L., Hyer, K., & **Dobbs, D.** (2022). Implementation of an Emergency Power Rule: Compliance of Florida Nursing Homes and Assisted Living Facilities. *Disaster Med Public Health Prep*, 17, e103. <https://doi.org/10.1017/dmp.2022.3>
11. Rouse, H. J., Jin, Y., Hueluer, G., Huo, M., Bugos, J. A., Veal, B., Torres, M., Peterson, L., **Dobbs, D.**, & Meng, H. (2022). Association Between Music Engagement and Episodic Memory Among Middle-Aged and Older Adults: A National Cross-Sectional Analysis. *J Gerontol B Psychol Sci Soc Sci*, 77(3), 558-566. <https://doi.org/10.1093/geronb/gbab044>
12. Sakib, N., Hyer, K., **Dobbs, D.**, Peterson, L., Jester, D. J., Kong, N., & Li, M. (2022). A GIS enhanced data analytics approach for predicting nursing home hurricane evacuation response. *Health Inf Sci Syst*, 10(1), 28. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s13755-022-00190-y>
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- Dobbs, D.,** Zimmerman, S., Miller, S., Carder, P., Beeber, A., Hodgkinson, J. & Thorpe, J. (2020, November). *How Assisted Living Staff Conceive of Dementia Care.* Symposia paper presented at the Virtual Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America.
- Vogel, C. E., **Dobbs, D.,** & Small, B. (2020, November). *Beyond religiosity: A model to explain spirituality among middle-aged and older adults.* Poster presented at the Virtual Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America.
- Dobbs, D.,** Zimmerman, S., Beeber, A., Carder, P., Miller, S., Hodgkinson, J. & Thorpe, J. (2019, November). *Dementia Care for Residents in Assisted Living: Perspectives of Staff Responding to Behavioral Expressions.* Poster presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting, The Gerontological Society of America, Austin, TX.
- Templeman, M., Marino, V., **Dobbs, D.,** & Haley, W. (2019, November). *Advance Care Planning Assignments in Undergraduate Courses: Examining Stress Appraisals, Coping and Responses.* Poster presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Austin, TX.
- Dobbs, D.,** June, J., Peterson, L., Dosa, D., Jester, D., & Hyer, K. (2019, November). *The Role of Community Engagement in Hurricane Preparedness as Perceived by Assisted Living Administrators.* Symposia paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Austin, TX.
- Dobbs, D.,** Peterson, L., Sardina, A., Tan, S.C., Brown-Hughes, T., Sadeq, N. Andel, R. & Gamaldo, A. (2018, November). *Older Blacks' Experiences Completing a Traditional Paper-and-Pencil Cognitive Battery and Two Contrmporary Computerized Cognitive Batteries.* Poster presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Boston, MA.
- Dobbs, D.,** Hyer, K., Meng, H., Haley, W., & Fanfan, D. (2018, November). *A Palliative Care Education in Assisted Living Program to Improve Advance Care Planning Discussions.* Symposia paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Boston, MA.

Peterson, L., Meng, H., **Dobbs, D.**, & Hyer, K. (2016, November). *Gender Differences in Mobility Device Use Among U.S. Older Adults*. Symposia paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA.

Dobbs, D., June, J., Meng, H. & Hyer, K. (2016, November). *Consumers have spoken. Quality as measured by complaint data in Florida assisted living communities*. Symposia paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA.

Dobbs, D. (2016, April). *U.S. exceptionalism and end-of-life care*. Invited keynote speaker, Benedictine University's Ninth Annual Faith and Reason Symposium, Faith and Reason: Perspectives on Aging. Lisle, IL.

Dobbs, D., Sharpe, C., Black, K. and Haley, W. (2015, November). *Independence among widows: Loss and restoration oriented examples of coping*. Symposia paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Orlando, FL.

Dobbs, D., Roker, R. and Black, K. (2015, November). *Barriers to implementation of a palliative care education program in assisted living settings: Stakeholder perspectives*. Symposia paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Orlando, FL.; Florida Assisted Living Association annual conference, Boca Raton, FL.

Dobbs, D., Peterson, L. Hyer, K. and Meng, H. (2015, November). *Advance care planning: How attitudes and behaviors are associated with hospice utilization*. Symposia paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Orlando, FL.

Zimmerman, S., **Dobbs, D.**, Roth, E., Goldman, S., Peebles, A. and Wallace, B. (2014, March). *Promoting and protecting against stigma in residential settings*. Paper presented at American Society on Aging Conference, San Diego, CA.

Black, K. and **Dobbs, D.**, (2014, November). *Community-dwelling older adults perspectives' on what matters most: Findings from an exploratory inquiry*. Poster presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Washington, D.C.

Dobbs, D., Brande, S., Singleton, M., and Black, K. (2014, November). *Barriers and facilitators to implementing a quality improvement palliative care training program*. Poster presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Washington, D.C.

Brande, S., and **Dobbs, D.** (2014, November). *Florida assisted living facility end-of-life direct care staff training: The impact on resident hospice and palliative care utilization*. Paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Washington, D.C.

Dobbs, D., Ellis, M., and Roker, R. (2013, February). *Face to face versus online teaching and learning: Experiences of a Program Evaluation course*. Paper presented at the meeting of the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education meeting, St. Petersburg, FL.

Dobbs, D., Park, N., and Jang., Y. (2013, November). *Advance care planning patterns in older Korean Americans*. Paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA.

Dobbs, D., Holup, A.A., Meng, H. and Kyer, K. (2013, November). *The relationship between organizational characteristics and end-of- life care practices in assisted living*. Paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA.

- Emmett, C., and **Dobbs, D.** (2013, November). *What are the advance care planning experiences of persons with mild cognitive impairment?* Paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA.
- Meng, H., **Dobbs, D.**, and Hyer, K. (2013, November). *Predictors of care transitions among dual-eligible assisted living facility residents.* Paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA.
- Black, K. and **Dobbs, D.** (2013, November). *Aging in community: Mobilizing a new paradigm of older adults as a core social resource.* Paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA.
- Holup, A., **Dobbs, D.**, Meng, H. and Hyer, K. (2012, November). *Predictors of electronic health record use in residential care facilities: Evidence from the 2010 National Survey of Residential Care Facilities.* Paper presented at the Gerontological Society of America, San Diego, CA and (2012, August) Florida Conference on Aging.
- Dobbs, D.**, Frankowski, A.C., Zimmerman, S., Perez, R. and Nemec, M. (2012, November). *Exercising autonomy at the end of life: Decision-making in assisted living.* Poster presented at the Gerontological Society of America, San Diego, CA.
- Black, K., **Dobbs, D.** and Young, T. (2012, November). *Community-dwelling older adults' perceptions of dignity in the course of everyday living: Meaning, supports, challenges, and opportunities.* Poster presented at the Gerontological Society of America, San Diego, CA.
- Meng, H., **Dobbs, D.**, Wang, S. & Hyer, K. (2012, June) *Impact of hospice use on health care expenditures among assisted living residents.* Poster presented at the meeting of the AcademyHealth, Orlando, FL.
- Hrybyk, R. Keimig, L., **Dobbs, D.** & Roth, E.G. (2011, November). *Stanley: Personal differences and exclusion.* Symposium paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Boston, MA.
- Park, N., **Dobbs, D.**, Carrion, I.V., Young, T. & Salmon, J. (2011, November). *Social relationships of African American and Hispanic older assisted living residents: Exploring the role of race/ethnicity.* Poster presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Boston, MA.
- Dobbs, D.**, Meng, H., & Hyer, K. (2011, June). *Impact of hospice use on hospital and nursing home use among older Medicaid assisted living waiver enrollees.* Poster presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the AcademyHealth, Seattle, WA.
- Black, K., **Dobbs, D.**, Dutton, T., Gregory, S., & Jacobs, D. (2011, April). *New realities: Engaging communities to enhance dignity and independence.* Panel conducted at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the American Society on Aging (ASA), San Francisco, CA.
- Black, K., **Dobbs, D.**, Dutton, T., Gregory, S., & Jacobs, D. (2011, November). *New realities: Engaging communities to enhance dignity and independence.* Poster presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Boston, MA.
- Holup, A., **Dobbs, D.**, Temple, A., & Hyer, K. (2011, April). *Going digital: Adoption of electronic information systems in assisted living communities.* Poster presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the American College of Health Care Administrators. New Orleans, LA and

- Holup, A., **Dobbs, D.**, Temple, A., & Hyer, K. (2011, November). *Going digital: Adoption of electronic information systems in assisted living communities*. Poster presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Boston, MA.
- Dobbs, D.**, Schumacher, J., Nemec, M. C., Park, N. S., & Zimmerman, S. (2010, November). *Resident deaths in senior housing settings*. Paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA.
- McCarty, C. E., **Dobbs, D.** & Molinari, V. (2010, November). *Inter-disciplinary team's role in end-of-life care for individuals with dementia*. Paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA.
- Roth, E., Peebles, A. D., Eckert, J. K., & **Dobbs, D.** (2010, November). *"Sweetie" and the sour effect of ageism in long-term care*. Paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA.
- Dobbs, D.** (2010, November). *The role of hospice in maintaining residents in assisted living*. Paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA.
- Dobbs, D.** & Wang, S. (2010, June). Medicaid assisted living trajectory and nursing home admission: the influence of hospice use and facility characteristics. Poster presented at the meeting of the AcademyHealth, Boston, MA.
- McCarty, C., **Dobbs, D.**, & Molinari, V. (2010, April). *Impact of hospice and dementia special care units on end-of-life care for individuals with dementia in nursing homes*. Paper presented at the meeting of the Southern Gerontological Society, Richmond, VA.
- Krok, J., **Dobbs, D.**, Hyer, K., & Polivka-West, L. (2009, November). *Predictors of advance directives in nursing homes: Changes or trends?* Poster presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Atlanta, GA.
- Temple, A., **Dobbs, D.**, & Andel, R. (2009, November). *Nursing home characteristics and the availability of benefits for nursing assistants*. Poster presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Atlanta, GA.
- McCarty, C., **Dobbs, D.**, & Molinari, V. (2009, November). *The impact of hospice and dementia special care units on care for persons with dementia at the end of life*. Paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Atlanta, GA.
- Nemec, M., Frankowski, A. C., & **Dobbs, D.** (2009, November). *Stigma, fear and hiding decline in a senior housing community*. Paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Atlanta, GA.
- Temple, A., **Dobbs, D.**, & Andel, R. (2009, March). *Correlates of turnover of nursing assistants in nursing homes: Results from the National Nursing Home Survey*. Poster presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the American Society on Aging, Las Vegas, NV.
- Dobbs, D.**, Hyer, K., Mitchell, G., & Polivka, L. (2008, November). *Assisted living resident trajectories at the end of life and hospice utilization patterns*. Paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), National Harbor, MD.

- Dobbs, D.,** Eckert, K., Rubinstein, R., Keimig, L., Frankowski, A. C., Clark, L. et al. (2008, November). *Stigma and ageism in assisted living*. Poster presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), National Harbor, MD.
- Emmett, C., **Dobbs, D.,** & Daaleman T. (2008, November). *Peace with my maker*. Paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), National Harbor, MD.
- Temple, A., **Dobbs, D.,** & Andel, R. (2008, November). *Turnover of nursing assistants: An examination of structure, process, and outcome*. Symposium conducted at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), National Harbor, MD.
- Krok, J., **Dobbs, D.,** Hyer, K., & Polivka-West, L. (2008, November). *What structural and process characteristics are related to resident advance care planning in nursing homes?* Paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), National Harbor, MD.
- Daaleman, T. P., Emmett, C., **Dobbs, D.,** & Williams, S. (2008, May). *An exploratory study of advance care planning in seriously ill African American elders*. Poster presented at the meeting of the American Geriatric Society, Washington, DC.
- Dobbs, D.** & Taylor, J. (2007, November). *Cost comparisons of hospice enrollees and nonenrollees in a Medicare health support program*. Symposium conducted at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, San Francisco, CA.
- Slack, A., Andel, R., & **Dobbs, D.** (2007, November). *Risk of Nursing Home Placement in Frail Older Adults in the Community versus Assisted Living*. Symposium conducted at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, San Francisco, CA.
- Dobbs, D.,** Emmett, C., & Daaleman, T. (2007, November). *Let's talk advanced care planning: Influencing factors for older adults*. Poster presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, San Francisco, CA.
- Munn, J., **Dobbs, D.,** Meier, A., Williams, C., Biola, H., & Zimmerman, S. (2007, November). *How family perceptions about end of life in long-term care differ from perceptions of others*. Symposium conducted at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, San Francisco, CA.
- Dobbs, D.** & Daaleman, T. (2007, August). *Death attitudes among older adults with chronic illness*. Poster presented at the meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York, NY.
- Dobbs, D.,** Jenkins, R., & Carder, P. (2007, March). *Affordable assisted living: Does it create a woodwork effect?* Symposium presentation at the meeting of the American Society on Aging, Chicago, IL.
- Williams, S., Zimmerman, S., Williams, C. S., Munn, J., **Dobbs, D.,** & Sloane, P. (2006, November). *Role strain for family caregivers of assisted living and nursing home residents at the end of life*. Symposium presentation at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Dallas, TX.
- Clark, L., Frankowski, A., Morgan, L., **Dobbs, D.,** Roettger, S., Roth, E., Rubinstein, R., & Wright, A. (2006, November). *Aging in place in assisted living: Philosophy and lived experience*. Poster presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Dallas, TX.
- Zimmerman, S., Sloane, P., Williams, C. S., Ellajosyula, R., **Dobbs, D.,** Braaten, A., Rupnow, M., Lehman, M., Crivera, C., & Kauger, D. (2006, November). *Utility of the MDS-COGS to help assisted living staff screen for undiagnosed dementia*. Paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Dallas, TX.

Dobbs, D., Zimmerman, S., Sloane, P., & Mitchell, M. (November, 2006). *Characteristics related to the decision to transfer from RC/AL to the hospital before death*. Symposium conducted at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Dallas, TX.

Dobbs, D., Hanson, L., Williams, C., Zimmerman, & Munn, J. (2006, May). *Hospice attitudes among assisted living and nursing home administrators and the Long-Term Care Hospice Attitudes Scale (LTC-HAS)*. Poster presented at the meeting of the American Geriatric Society, Chicago, IL.

Hanson, L., Williams, C., **Dobbs, D.,** Zimmerman, S., & Sloane, P. (2006, February). *Pain and symptom burden at the end of life*. Paper presented at the meeting of the American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine, Nashville, TN.

Dobbs, D., Rubenstein, B., Clark, L., Keimig, L. & Frankowski, A.C. (2005, November). *Stigma in assisted living*. Symposium conducted at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), Orlando, FL.

Dobbs, D., Zimmerman, S., Williams, C., & Hanson, L. (2004, November). *The decision to use hospice in assisted living and nursing homes*. Symposium conducted at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), Washington, D.C.

Zimmerman, S., **Dobbs, D.,** Williams, C. Sloane, P, Eckert, J. Preisser, J. (2004, November). *To die or not to die in assisted living*. Symposium conducted at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), Washington, D.C.

Morgan, L., Eckert, J., Frankowski, A.C., Rubinstein, R., **Dobbs, D.,** & Hamilton, D. (2004, November). *Expression of autonomy in assisted living: Emerging views from participants*. Symposium conducted at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), Washington, DC.

Dobbs, D. (2003, May). *Medical versus social models of care in assisted living*. Keynote presented at the meeting of the American Geriatrics Society, Baltimore, MD. [Invited keynote speaker].

Dobbs, D. (2003, November). *An examination of U.K. and U.S. long-term care policies and the effects on family expectations for residential care practices*. Poster presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), San Diego, CA.

Dobbs, D. (2004, June). *An examination of U.K. and U.S. long-term care policies and the effects on family expectations for residential care practices*. Poster presented at the meeting of the AcademyHealth Annual meeting, San Diego, CA.

Dobbs, D., Munn, J., Boustani, M., Zimmerman, S., Williams, C., & Sloane, P. (2003, November). *Do long-term care providers offer residents with dementia their preferred choice of activities?* Symposium conducted at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), San Diego, CA.

North, C., Eckert, J., Mead, L., Hamilton, D. & **Dobbs, D.** (2003, November). *Settling In: Acculturation in two small assisted living facilities*. Symposium conducted at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), San Diego, CA.

Dobbs, D., Chapin, R., Hayes, J. & Nelson-Becker, H. (2002, November). *Policy recommendations for increasing access to mental health services for residents in assisted living: Results from statewide workgroup session*. Symposium conducted at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), Boston, MA.

Dobbs, D. (2002, November). *The relationship between staff commitment and family satisfaction in assisted living settings: A multi-level analysis*. Poster presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), Boston, MA.

Dobbs, D. & Chapin, C. (2001, November). *Examination of the capacity to age in place: Individual and facility characteristics*. Paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), Chicago, IL.

Dobbs, D. & Chapin, D. Assisted living policies and practices: Implications for aging in place. (2000, November). Symposium conducted at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), Washington, D.C.

Dobbs, D., Chapin, R., Rachlin, R. & Moore, J. (1999, November). Assisted living and aging in place: Promise versus policy. Symposium conducted at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), San Francisco, CA.

Dobbs, D. (1999, August). Staff and family perceptions of residential care provision in Devon County, England. Paper presented at the meeting of the American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL.

Dobbs, D. (1997, August). *An adjustment to a new home*. Paper presented at the meeting of the American Sociological Association, Toronto, Canada.

Dobbs, D. (1997, August). *Nursing homes versus assisted living: An explanation*. Paper presented at the meeting of the American Sociological Association, Toronto, Canada.

Convener, Session Organizer, or Chair at International Professional Annual Scientific Meeting

Dobbs, D. (2017, July). (Chair and Presenter) *Hospice and End-of-Life Care Practices for Residents in U.S. Nursing Homes*. Symposia presented at the IAGG World Congress of Gerontology and Geriatrics, San Francisco, CA.

Convener, Session Organizer, Discussant or Chair at National Professional Annual Scientific Meeting

Dobbs, D. (2020, November) (Chair) Lessons Learned in Research to Address Wicked Problems Facing the Care of Older Adults Across the Care Continuum. Symposium held at the Virtual Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America.

Dobbs, D. (2020, November) (Chair) The Powell Lawton Award Lecture and Presentation. Symposium held at the Virtual Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America.

Dobbs, D. (2020, November) (Chair) The Kent and Kleemeier Award Lectures and Presentations. Symposium held at the Virtual Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America.

Dobbs, D. (2019, November). (Discussant) The Examination of Determinants and Barriers to End-of-Life Decision Making and Planning. Symposium held at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Austin, TX.

Dobbs, D. (2018, November). (Chair). *Advance Care Planning Tools and Resources for the People Caring for Persons with Serious Illness*. Symposium held at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Boston, MA.

Dobbs, D. (2017, November). (Discussant). *Family Issues Surrounding End-of-Life*. Symposium held at the National Council on Family Relations 79th annual conference, Orlando, FL.

Dobbs, D. (2014, November). (Invited Speaker, Chair) *East Meets West: End of Life Care*. Symposium held at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Washington, D.C.

Dobbs, D. (2015, November). Chair. Interest Group Business Meeting, held at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Orlando, FL.

Dobbs, D. (2014, November). (Chair). Interest Group Committee Business Meeting, held at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Washington, D.C.

Dobbs, D. (2014, November). (Convener). GSA Interest Group Convener's Business Meeting, held at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Washington, D.C.

Dobbs, D. (2014, November). (Co-organizer), Preconference workshop *Palliative Care and Pain: Policy, Interventions, and Environments*, held at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Washington, D.C.

Dobbs, D. (2013, November). (Organizer) Preconference workshop *Transformations in the Field of Palliative Care*, held at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA.

Dobbs, D. (2013, November). (Convener) Interest Group Convener's Business Meeting held at the annual Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA.

Dobbs, D. (2013, November). (Chair) *Organizational structures and processes and resident care in assisted living*. Paper session held at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), New Orleans, LA.

Dobbs, D. (2013, November). (Chair) *Advance care planning and healthcare decisions*. Paper session held at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), New Orleans, LA.

Dobbs, D. (2013, November). (Discussant) *Reasoning exercises in assisted living: A clinical trial to improve problem solving and self-care*. A symposium held at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), New Orleans, LA.

Dobbs, D. (2012, November). (Convener and Organizer) The Palliative, Hospice and End of Life Care Interest Group Annual Scientific Meeting conducted at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, San Diego, CA.

Dobbs, D. (2011, November). (Convener and Organizer) The Palliative, Hospice and End of Life Care Interest Group Annual Scientific Meeting conducted at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Boston, MA.

Dobbs, D. (2010, November). (Convener and Organizer) The Palliative, Hospice and End of Life Care Interest Group meeting conducted at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA.

Dobbs, D. (2010, November). (Co-Organizer) Preconference workshop *Evolving Nature of Long-Term Care Research: A Field in Transition* at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA.

Dobbs, D. (2010, November). (Discussant) *The evolving nature of long-term care research: A field in transition*. Panel conducted at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), New Orleans, LA.

Dobbs, D. (2010, November). (Discussant) *Getting to know you: The social world of assisted living*. Symposium conducted at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), New Orleans, LA.

Dobbs, D. (2010, November). (Chair), *Perceptions of age and aging*. Symposium conducted at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), New Orleans, LA.

Dobbs, D. (2010, November). (Chair) *Hospice utilization*. Symposium conducted at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), New Orleans, LA.

Dobbs, D. (2009, November). (Convener and Organizer) The Palliative, Hospice and End of Life Care Interest Group meeting, at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Atlanta, GA.

Dobbs, D. (2007, April). (Organizer) *Affordable Assisted Living*. Symposium conducted at the meeting of the American Society on Aging, Chicago, IL.

Dobbs, D. (2003, August). (Chair) Cross Cultural Gerontology Research Committee meeting at the meeting of the American Sociological Association in Atlanta, GA.

Dobbs, D. (2002, November) (Organizer) *Mental health issues for residents in assisted living*. Symposium conducted at the meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), Boston, MA.

Dobbs, D. (2001, November). (Organizer, Presenter) *Issues related to aging in place in assisted living*. Symposium conducted at the meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), Chicago, IL, 2001.

- **Regional**

Dobbs, D. (2013, September). *Sociological aspects of aging: What physicians need to know*. Invited Speaker, USF College of Medicine Geriatric Fall Update Continuing Medical Education conference, Clearwater, FL.

Holup, A., **Dobbs, D.**, Temple, A., & Hyer, K. (2011, April). *Going digital: Adoption of electronic information systems in assisted living communities*. Poster presented at the meeting of the Southeastern Student Mentoring Conference, Atlanta, GA.

Temple, A., **Dobbs, D.**, & Hyer, K. (2011, April). *Utilization of electronic information systems in assisted living: initial findings*. Poster presented at the meeting of the Southern Gerontological Society, Raleigh, NC.

Vongxaiburana, L., **Dobbs, D.**, Hyer, K., & Polivka-West, L. (2008, May). Structure and process characteristics related to adequate pain treatment of nursing home residents. Paper presented at the meeting of the Student Mentoring Conference, Tibre Island, GA.

Dobbs, D. (1999, March). Quality of care from the family member's perspective. Poster presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society, Minneapolis, MN.

Dobbs, D. (1996, March). *Formal and informal care for rural elderly: An international comparison*. Paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society in Chicago, IL.

- **State**

Dobbs, D. (August, 2020). *Palliative Care Education in Assisted Living for Providers of Persons with Dementia and Staff PC Knowledge*. Paper presented at the Florida Council on Aging, Virtual Conference.

Dobbs, D., Hyer, K., & Polivka-West, L. (August, 2016). *Trends in end-of-life care practices in long-term care settings in Florida: Director of nurses' perspectives*. Panel presentation presented at the Florida Conference on Aging, Orlando, FL.

Hyer, K., June, J., Meng, H., & **Dobbs, D.** (August, 2016). *Quality in assisted living facilities as measured by publicly available deficiency data*. Panel presentation presented at the Florida Conference on Aging, Orlando, FL.

Hyer, K., **Dobbs, D.** and Meng, H. (August, 2015). Florida Policy Exchange Center's Update on Assisted Living and Nursing Home Research. Panel presentation presented at Florida Conference on Aging, Orlando, FL.

Park, N., **Dobbs, D.,** Carrion, I., Young, T., & Salmon, J. (2011, August). *Social relationships of African American and Hispanic older adults: Implications for well-being in assisted living*. Poster presented at the meeting of the Florida Conference on Aging, Tampa, FL.

Black, K., **Dobbs, D.,** Dutton, T., Gregory, S., & Jacobs, D. (2011, August). New realities: Engaging communities to enhance dignity and independence. Poster presented at the meeting of the Florida Conference on Aging, Tampa, FL.

Dobbs, D., Meng, H., & Hyer, K. (2011, August). *Impact of hospice use on hospital and nursing home use among older Medicaid assisted living waiver enrollees*. Poster presented at the meeting of the Florida Conference on Aging, Tampa, FL.

Dobbs, D., & Wang, S. (2010, August). *Medicaid assisted living trajectory and nursing home admission: The influence of hospice use and facility characteristics*. Panel conducted at the meeting of the Florida Conference on Aging, Orlando, FL.

Dobbs, D., Hyer, K., Mitchell, G., & Polivka, L. (2008, August). *The emerging role of hospice care in assisted living: Recent research and policy implications*. Paper presented at the meeting of the Florida Conference on Aging, Orlando, FL.

Convener, Organizer (August, 2020). Formal and Informal Caregiving Research Across the Continuum. Panel, Florida Council on Aging, Virtual Conference

- **Local**

Dobbs, D. (September, 2013). *Research on Aging at the School of Aging Studies*. Invited Speaker for Active Aging Week Events at University Village, Tampa, FL.

Dobbs, D. (2011, February). *Hurricane Katrina's effects on hospice care in Louisiana: Review of GSA EOL Interest Group meeting*. Paper presented at the meeting of the USF Center for Hospice, Palliative Care and End of Life Studies, Tampa, FL.

Dobbs, D. (2010, March). *Adherence to Veteran's end of life treatment preferences*. Paper presented at the meeting of the USF Center for Hospice, Palliative Care and End of Life Studies, Tampa, FL.

McCarty, C. **Dobbs, D.** and Molinari, V. (2010, April). *Hospice and Dementia Special Care Unit's impact on end of life care for individual with dementia*. Paper presented at the meeting of the USF Center for Hospice, Palliative Care and End of Life Studies, Tampa, FL.

Krok, J., **Dobbs, D.**, Hyer, K. & Polivka-West, L. (2009, November). *What structural and process characteristics are related to resident advance care planning in nursing homes?* Paper presented at the meeting of the USF Center for Hospice, Palliative Care and End of Life Studies, Tampa, FL.

Dobbs, D. & Emmett, C. (2007, December). *Advance care planning and the Health Belief Model.* Paper presented at the meeting of the USF Center for Hospice, Palliative Care and End of Life Studies, Tampa, FL.

Dobbs, D. (2007, January). Quality Improvement at the end of life in assisted living. Paper presented at the meeting of the USF Center for Hospice, Palliative Care and End of Life Studies, Tampa, FL.

Dobbs, D. & Chapin, R. (2001, May). Assisted living and residential health care facilities: What do they offer older adults? Paper presentation at the Kansas Governor's Conference on Aging, Topeka, KS.

Honors

Selected Participant at the National Institute on Aging Technical Assistant Grant Workshop, November, 2002.

Selected Participant at the Social Policy and Aging Institute, Syracuse University, Faculty Workshop, June, 2012

GSA Fellow, SRPP Section, May, 2011

Selected Participant, Palliative Care Research Cooperative Group Clinical Trials Intensive, 2019

Selected Participant, National Institute on Aging, Center for Aging and Serious Illness, Dementia Palliative Care Clinical Trials Scholar Program, 2022-23.

Service Activities

Professional Membership Activities

1993-2009	American Sociological Association (ASA)
1997-present	Gerontological Society of America (GSA)
1997-present	GSA Social Research and Public Policy (SRPP) Section
1999-2000	Secretary for ESPO Section of GSA and Publications Committee Student Rep
2000-present	GSA Assisted Living-Special Interest Group
2006-present	Member, GSA Hospice and Palliative Care Special Interest Group
2007- 2015	Member, American Society on Aging
2008-2012	Convener, GSA Hospice and Palliative Care Special Interest Group
2011-2015	Member, GSA Program Committee
2011-2013	Member, GSA Task Force on Interest Groups
2013-2016	Chair, GSA Committee on Interest Groups
2013-2016	GSA-SRPP Program Organizing Committee
2017-2020	Secretary, GSA SRPP Section.
2016-present	Advisory Board Committee Member, Center for Excellence in Assisted Living
2019 -present	Member, Palliative Care Research Cooperative, National Institute on Aging
2020-2021	Chair, GSA Membership Committee
2020-2024	Vice Chair, GSA SRPP Section
2021 to present	Member, Board of Directors, Suncoast Hospice of Hillsborough County

Editorial Tasks

2007 to present	Reviewer for several journals including Journal of American Medical Directors Association, Journal of Applied Gerontology, Journal of American Geriatrics Society, Journal of Palliative Medicine, The Gerontologist, The American Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry, Journal of Pain and Symptom Management, Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA); Journals of Gerontology: Social Sciences.
2002-present	Adhoc Reviewer, GSA Annual meeting abstracts for SRPP
2011- present	Editorial Board Member, Research on Aging
2015-present	Editorial Board Member, Journal of Aging and Social Policy
2014-2017	Editorial Board Member, Gerontology and Geriatric Medicine Journal

2017- July, 2023	Editor, Gerontology and Geriatric Medicine Journal
Aug, 2023 -	Editor-In-Chief, Journal of Applied Gerontology

Grant Review Activity

2016 to present	Research Grant Reviewer Alzheimer's Association
2016	External Reviewer, Promotion and Tenure, University of Pennsylvania, Dr. Hirschman
2020	Research Grant Reviewer, Retirement Research Foundation
2021-23	Ad hoc Study Section Reviewer, National Institute on Aging <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PAR-20-070 Research Infrastructure Development for Interdisciplinary Aging Studies (R21/R33 - Clinical Trial Optional), November, 2021. • PAR19-374 Complex Integrated Multi-Component Projects in Aging Research (U19 Clinical Trial Optional) • PAR-23-053 Research Infrastructure Development for Interdisciplinary Aging Studies (R61/R33 Clinical Trial Optional)

University

2006-present	Member, USF Center for Hospice, Palliative and End of Life Studies
2013 –present	Exec Committee Member, USF Center for Hospice, Palliative and End of Life Studies
2013-present	Research Committee, USF Center for Hospice, Palliative and End of Life Studies
2013- 2016	USF College of Behavioral and Community Sciences Representative, Graduate Council
2017-2020	Member, Council on Faculty Issues, USF
2020-2022	Member, Sabbatical Committee, USF
2020 to present	Academic Director, USF Center for Hospice, Palliative Care and End-of-Life Studies
2021 to 2022	Member, Faculty Success Finances and Infrastructure Initiative Panel
2021 to presen	School of Aging Studies Faculty Senate Representative

College

2013	CBCS Grievance Committee
2013-2014	CBCS Tenure and Promotion Committee for Instructors
2013-2015	CBCS Curriculum Committee
2014-2015	CBCS Tenure and Promotion Guideline Revisions Committee
2016-2018	CBCS Chair, Curriculum Committee

School of Aging Studies

2007-present	PhD Governance Committee
2009-present	Faculty Advisor, Sigma Phi Omega Gerontology Honor's Society
2009-2011	Faculty Advisor, GSA Student Ambassador Representative
2009-present	Advisory Board Committee Member, Florida Policy Exchange Center on Aging
2016	Chair, Search Committee, Post-Doctoral Fellow, School of Aging Studies
2017-18	Search Committee Member, Tenure-Track Assistant Professor
2017-18	Coordinator, PhD student recruitment, PhD Governance Committee
2018-19	Search Committee Member, Tenure-Track Assistant Professor
2018-2021	Volunteer Coordinator Senior Technology Assistant Group, Sigma Phi Omega
2020 - 21	Committee Member, Mid-Tenure Review, Dr. Soomi Lee
2020-21	Chair, Search Committee – Full Time 12-month Instructor Position
2022-present	Director, PhD Program

Community

2006-10	Volunteer, Hospice of the Florida Suncoast
2008-12	Volunteer, East Pasco County Habitat for Humanity
2009-12	Volunteer, Pasco County Alzheimer's Association Memory Walk and Annual 5K Event
2010-present	Member, Florida Physician Orders for Life Sustaining Treatment Task Force
2011-16	Member and Volunteer, Veteran's Elementary School Parent Teacher Association

2017 – present	Member, Parent Teacher Student Association of Cypress Creek Middle High School, Wesley Chapel, FL
2013-15	Member, Florida Pioneer Network
2013- present	Volunteer, St. Mark Catholic Church (Tampa, FL) SMART (Senior
2016- present	Volunteer, Pasco County Florida Chapter Moms Demand Action