



Network on Life Course Health Dynamics & Disparities in 21st Century America

Welcome!

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Agenda

Welcome (Jennifer Karas Montez)

Network Origins and Plans for Next Five Years (Robert A. Hummer)

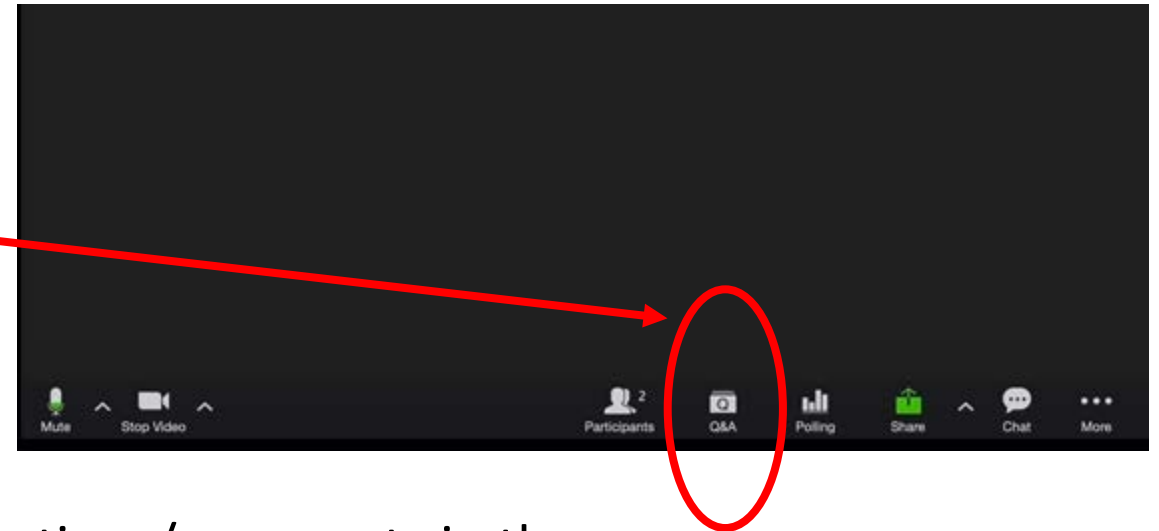
Activities and Accomplishments This Year (Jennifer Ailshire)

Proposal Mentoring Program (Sarah Burgard)

Tentative Schedule of Upcoming Virtual Events (Jennifer Karas Montez)

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Network Origins and Plans for Next Five Years

Jennifer Ailshire, University of Southern California

Sarah Burgard, University of Michigan

Robert A. Hummer, University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill

Jennifer Karas Montez, Syracuse University



Phase 1 of Aging Network: 2014-2019

- Create multi-disciplinary, multi-institution network focused on trends and disparities in U.S. adult health
- Launch research trajectories of junior scholars
- Advance scientific understanding of trends & disparities through pilot grants on specific yearly topics
- Four MPIs: Crimmins, Hayward, House, Hummer

Phase 1 Successes

- Membership increased from 30 to >100; disciplinary breadth
- Five annual thematic meetings (post-PAA)
- 20 Pilot Awards
- >30 grant submissions & at least 14 awards
- >20 peer-reviewed articles

Phase 2 (2019-24): Overall Objective

To strengthen and focus the network of emerging, established, and underrepresented life course and aging researchers to generate new evidence and disseminate data and analytic resources to better understand trends and disparities in U.S. adult health and longevity across the life course and in geographic context.

Context of Project:

- Precipitous fall in U.S. health rankings
- Large & growing disparities
- Life course lens essential; aging as life long process
- Focus on geographic necessary

Phase 2 (2019-24): Four Aims

Aim 1: Direct attention toward targeted scientific questions that will shed light on the multi-layered determinants of the troubling trends and growing disparities in U.S. adult health and longevity.

** How do state and local contexts shape trends and disparities in adult health and longevity by gender, race, and SES across the life course???

- States
- Cities
- Neighborhoods
- Combined levels

Phase 2 (2019-24): Four Aims

Aim 2: Strategically grow the interdisciplinary research network of emerging, established, and underrepresented scientists who will collaborate to investigate the questions in Aim 1.

- Recruit new members, emerging & established
- Aggressively recruit and openly welcome under-represented minority scientists
- Focus the talent on tackling strategic questions

Phase 2 (2019-24): Four Aims

Aim 3: Provide development and training opportunities for Network scientists.

- Pilot grants
- Grant proposal mentoring
- Working groups
- Annual meetings
- Webinars

Phase 2 (2019-24): Four Aims

Aim 4: Develop and disseminate data and analytic resources to foster innovative research on the questions posed in Aim 1 and advance science in this critical area.

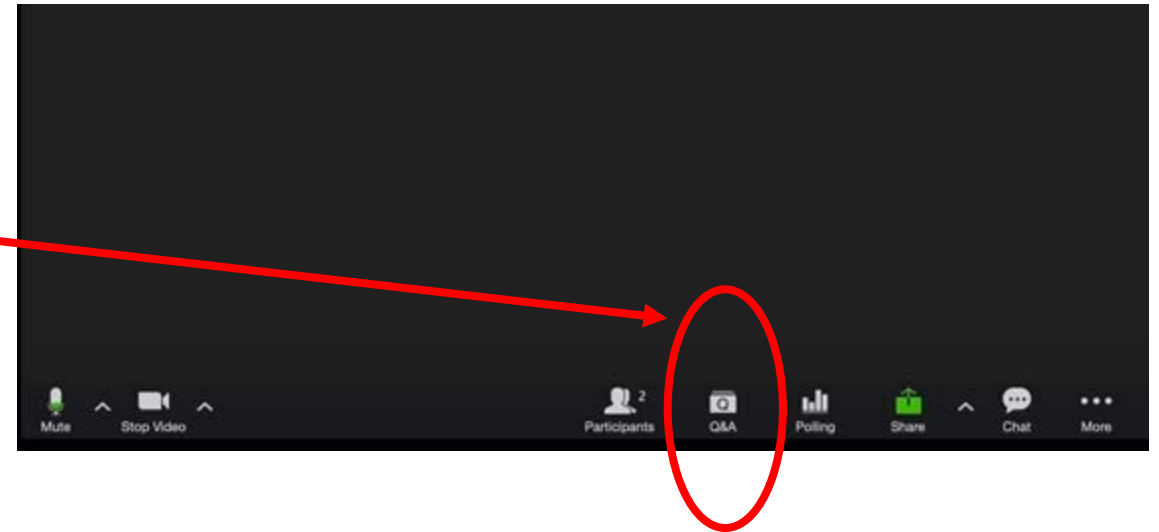
- Catalog of contextual databases for aging research
- Strategies for linking databases
- Analytic approaches for examining contextual effects
- Webinars, briefings, and data visualizations

With Tremendous Thanks To:

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- Kathy Forrest, Network Manager, Syracuse University
 - Co-Investigators: Barbara Entwisle, Shannon Monnat, Julie Zissimopolous
 - External Advisory Board
 - Network Members
 - Original MPIs: Eileen Crimmins, Jim House, Mark Hayward
 - National Institute on Aging (#2 R24 AG045061-06; PO: Georgeanne Patmios)

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Activities and Accomplishments This Year

Jennifer Ailshire



Network Activities

- Year 6 Activities
 - Formed Advisory Board
 - Selected 5 Pilot Grant Awardees
 - Redesigned the Network website
 - Virtual Network Meeting (“annual meeting”)



NLCHDD Advisory Board

- Advisory board members were selected for their expertise in life course health, geographic contexts, and data resource development. They provide input on topical focus for calls for pilot grants, guidance on general network issues as they arise, and participate in proposal development activities.

- Scott Burris
- Kathleen Cagney
- ❖ Eileen Crimmins
- Kyle Crowder
- Matt Grossman

- ❖ Mark Hayward
- ❖ James House
- Maggie Levenstein
- Rob Warren

❖ Former Network PIs

Year 6 Pilot Grants

- **The Roles of State and Local Immigration Policy in Shaping Spatial and Life Course Patterns of Health Inequality**
Courtney Boen (Co-Investigators: Robin Ortiz, Atheendar Venkataramani), University of Pennsylvania
- **State Moderation of Race Disparities in Polygenic Associations**
Jason Boardman, University of Colorado Boulder
- **Implementation of the ACA: Releasing Former Prisoners from a High Risk of Death**
Carmen M. Gutierrez, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- **Exploring the Role of Structural Sexism in Health & Mortality Across U.S. States**
Patricia Homan, Florida State University
- **Unmet Caregiving Need Across State Policy Contexts**
Adriana Reyes, Cornell University

New Website!

agingnetwork.usc.edu

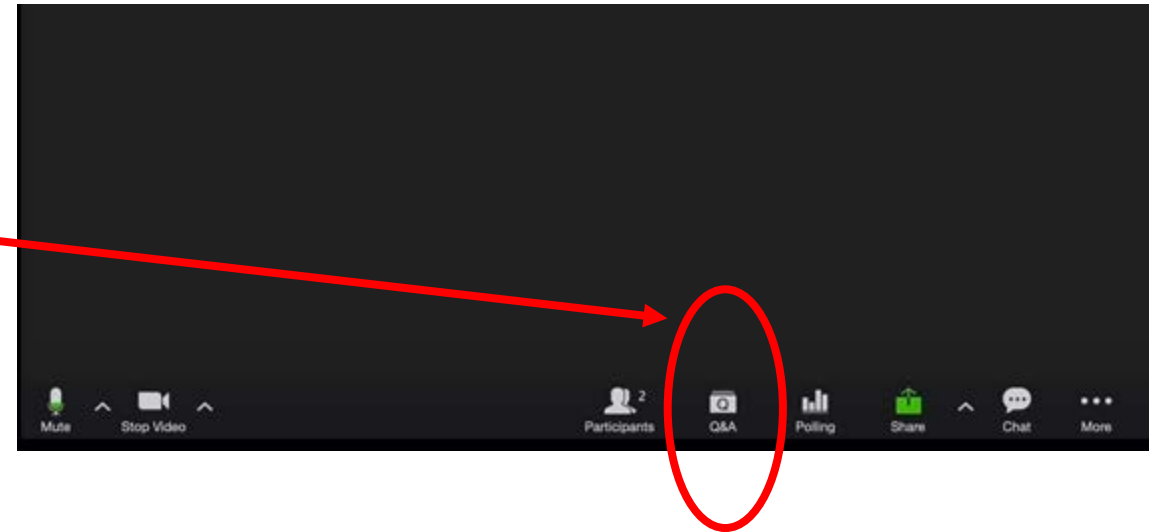
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- Upcoming activities
 - Fall webinars – check website for calendar of events and look for email notifications
 - Proposal development activities - starting this summer

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Proposal Mentoring Program

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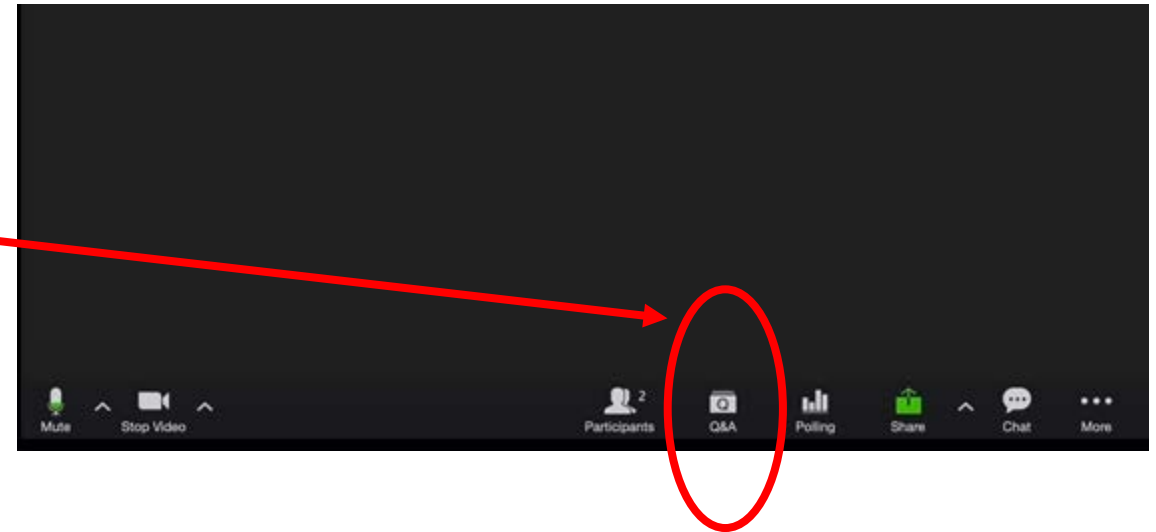


Proposal mentoring program 2020

- Eligibility criteria
 - Network member
 - Should be NIH proposal, prefer NIA-friendly
- Two rounds this year
 - End of May, submission of Aims page+: feedback in June
 - End of July, submission of Aims page+: feedback in August
- Format of feedback meetings June/August
 - PI presents one slide on project
 - Feedback from mentors: two main mentors drawn from PIs to lead feedback, Co-Is and Advisory Board members, others in this group also participate at the meeting
- Later in year, additional grant mentoring via webinar

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Tentative Schedule of Upcoming Events

Jennifer Karas Montez



Fall 2020 Keynotes

September 4, 2020

- **Andrew Fenelon**, Pennsylvania State University
- *Emerging Demographic Divides: US States, Policy, and Geographic Divergences in Life Expectancy*

October 2, 2020

- **Rebecca Kreitzer**, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- Tentative title: *State Policy Contexts and Population Health*

Fall 2020 Pilot Grant Presentations (November 6)

Jason Boardman, University of Colorado at Boulder
State Moderation of Race Disparities in Polygenic Associations.

Courtney Boen, University of Pennsylvania
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Winter/Spring Events

December 4, 2020

- Tips on preparing your first NIH proposal submission

February 6, 2021

- **Scott Landes**, Syracuse University
- Tentative title: *US States and Miscoding Cause of Death for Persons with Developmental Disabilities*

March 5, 2021

- **Scott Burris**, Temple University
- Tentative title: *Legal Epidemiology and the Role of Law in Population Health*

April 2, 2021

- **Taylor Hargrove**, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- **Lauren Gaydosh**, Vanderbilt University
- Tentative title: *Update on Contextual Data Merged with the AddHealth Survey*



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Thank You

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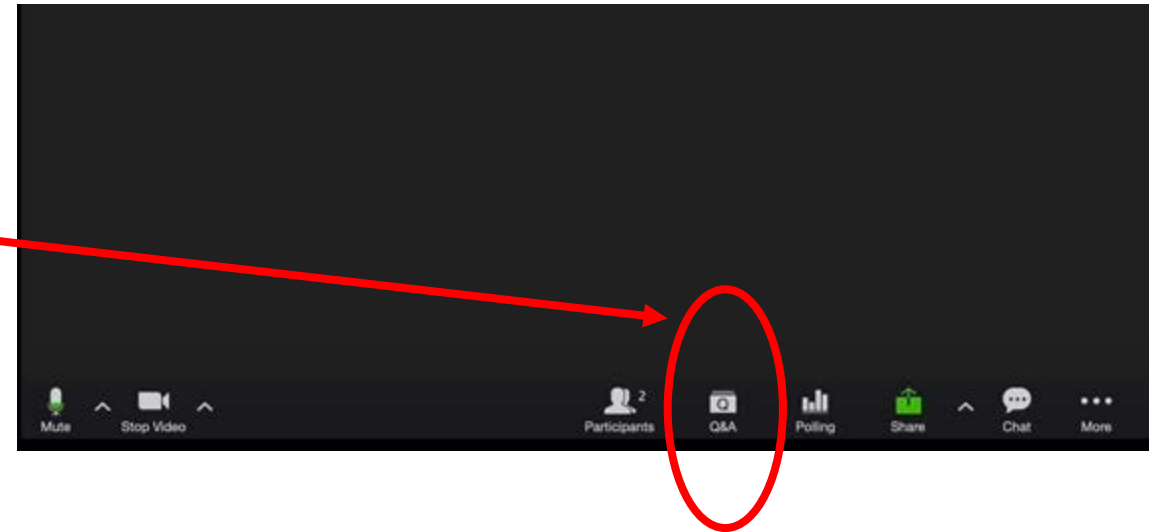
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