

47TH ANNUAL MIDWESTERN CONFERENCE

Health Care in the Older Adult Geriatric Mental Health

Designed for primary care physicians, pharmacists, nurses, social workers, and other healthcare professionals, this conference instructs participants in the diagnosis, treatment, and management of conditions common in older adults.

Virtually held via Zoom

Conference will run from 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Pre-registration is required

Registration deadline is January 16, 2026



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JANUARY 30, 2026

TIME	SESSION	SPEAKER
8:00	Welcome & Opening Remarks	Nicholas Butler, MD, MBA, FAAFP
8:05	Keynote: All that Glitters isn't Gold: Exploring the Mental Health Burden in the "Golden Years"	Susan Duffy, MD
8:50	Mental Health in Neurodegenerative Disorders	Natalie Denburg, PhD
9:30	Delirium in Outpatient Settings	Michelle Weckman, MD
10:00	Morning Break	
10:15	Behavioral Issues in Dementia	Kim Bergen-Jackson, PhD, RN GERO-BC, LNHA, FAAN
10:45	Substance Use Disorders in Late Life	Alison Lynch, MD
11:15	Sleep Disorders in Older Adults	Lisa Mertens, ARNP
11:45	Lunch	
12:40	Announcements	
12:45	Cupcakes for Pain Management in the Golden Years	Lee Kral, PharmD, FASHP, NBC-HWC
1:15	Mental Health and Medication Overload: Understanding Polypharmacy in Clinical Practice	Korey Kennelty, PharmD, MS, PhD, BCGP Allison Bernard, PharmD, BCACP
2:00	Understanding Inpatient Mental Health Care	Vicki Kijewski, MD
2:30	Afternoon Break	
2:45	Mental Health in Long-Term Care: Navigating Complexity	Scott Eberly, MD
3:15	Articles of Impact & Q&A: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Geriatric Mental Health	Kevin Schleich, PharmD, BCACP, Jason Wilbur, MD, FAAFP Kim Bergen-Jackson, PhD, RN GERO-BC, LNHA, FAAN
4:30	Closing Remarks & Adjournment	Nicholas Butler, MD, MBA, FAAFP

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