



AGING IN THE COMMUNITY INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM

Join us for Aging in the Community, a joint international symposium! Through interdisciplinary talks and field-based site visits, we will explore practical, community-driven approaches to supporting older adults in aging societies.



PUBLIC SYMPOSIUM (REGISTRATION REQUIRED)
MAR 23 & 25 & 26, 2026



NAGOYA UNIVERSITY (HIGASHIYAMA & TSURUMAI)
NATIONAL CENTER FOR GERIATRICS AND GERONTOLOGY

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SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE

Aging & Community Medicine

Symposium Day 1 — Monday, March 23, 2026

Venue: Symposion Conference Room, Toyoda Auditorium, Nagoya University (Higashiyama Campus)

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| 09:00–09:15 | Welcome Coffee | |
| 09:15–09:30 | Welcome Remarks / Welcome Speech | |
| 09:30–09:50 | Introduction | |
| 09:50–10:10 | Itzel Bustos Villalobos (A. Prof., International Medical Education, Nagoya Univ. GSM) | Japanese Insurance System |
| 10:10–10:30 | Break | |
| 10:30–11:00 | Masahisa Katsuno (Dean, Nagoya Univ. GSM; Prof., Neurology) | High-risk cohort of Lewy body disease |
| 11:00–11:30 | Jan Busby-Whitehead (Prof.; Chief, Division of Geriatric Medicine, UNC SOM & UNC Center for Aging & Health) | Interdisciplinary Training |
| 11:30–12:00 | Masaaki Shibayama (Advisor, Bureau of Economy and Industry, Aichi Prefectural Government) | Regional Comprehensive Care and the Digital Health Project in Aichi Prefecture |
| 12:10–13:30 | Networking Lunch (Universal Club) — <u>Invitation Only</u> | |
| 13:30–14:00 | Jun-ichi Uemura (A. Prof., Integrated Health Sciences, Nagoya Univ. GSM) | Daily Activity in Older Adults |
| 14:00–14:30 | Meredith Gilliam (A. Prof., UNC SOM & Eastowne Clinic) | Primary Care for Older Adults in the U.S.: Challenges and the Role of the Geriatrician |
| 14:30–15:00 | Takashi Uematsu (M.D., Dept. of Neurology, Nagoya Univ. Hospital) | Analysis of Visual Attention Characteristics in Parkinson's Disease Using Eye-Tracking Devices |
| 15:00–15:15 | Break | |
| 15:15–15:45 | Yasuhisa Hasegawa (Prof., Nagoya Univ.; Director, Nano-Life Systems Institute) | Assistance for Empowering Human Activities through Robotics |
| 15:45–16:15 | Ryan Lavalley (A. Prof., UNC SOM & Carolina Aging Network) | Multi-sector Partnerships and Planning for Aging |
| 16:15–16:45 | Asuka Nakagawa (Asst. Manager, Kita Ward Office, Nagoya City) | Evaluation of Dementia-Friendly Community Initiatives in Kita Ward, Nagoya City |

Symposium Day 2 — Wednesday, March 25, 2026

Venue: Education and Innovation Center, National Center for Geriatrics and Gerontology (NCGG)

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| 09:30–10:00 | Taiki Sugimoto (Senior Researcher, Dept. of Preventive Gerontology, NCGG) | Japan-Multimodal Intervention Trial for the Prevention of Dementia (J-MINT): Efficacy and strategies for social implementation |
| 10:00–10:30 | Claire Larson (A. Prof., UNC SOM) | Long-Term Care in the US |
| 10:30–11:00 | Daichi Shigemizu (Prof., Medical Genome Center, NCGG) | Genomic research on dementia in the Japanese population |
| 11:00–11:15 | Break | |
| 11:15–11:45 | Rei Otsuka (Prof., Dept. of Epidemiology of Aging, NCGG) | The introduction of NILS-LSA (National Institute for Longevity Sciences – Longitudinal Study of Aging) |
| 11:45–12:15 | Timothy Gee (Medical Student, UNC SOM & UNC Center for Aging & Health) | Caregiving for Older Adults in the U.S. |
| 12:15–12:45 | Kenji Kato (Deputy Director, Assistive Robot Center, NCGG) | Robotics Empowering Physical Activity in Older Adults |
| 12:45–13:15 | Christine Kistler (A. Prof., Dept. of Medicine, University of Pittsburgh) | Advance Care Planning and Goals of Care Communication in the United States |
| 13:15–14:15 | Lunch Networking Event — <u>Registration Required</u> | |
| 14:15–14:45 | Hidehori Arai (President, NCGG) | Overview of the National Center for Geriatrics and Gerontology and the Future Direction of Geriatric Medicine in Japan |
| 14:45– | Facility Tour — <u>Registration Required</u> | |

Symposium Day 3 — Thursday, March 26, 2026

Venue: Kakuyu Hall (2F), Nagoya University Graduate School of Medicine (Tsurumai Campus)

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| 09:00–09:30 | Epifanio Bagarinao (A. Prof., Brain and Mind Research Center, Nagoya Univ. GSM) | Aging and the Brain |
| 09:30–10:00 | John Batsis (A. Prof., UNC SOM & UNC Center for Aging & Health) | Using Technology for Health Promotion |
| 10:00–10:30 | Takayuki Morikawa (Prof. Emeritus / Designated Prof., Nagoya Univ.) | Toward the Society of No Mobility Divide - Social Implementation Projects of Smart Local Mobility at Nagoya University - |
| 10:30–10:50 | Break | |
| 10:50–11:20 | Shintaro Oyama (A. Prof., Nagoya Univ. Institute of Innovation for Future Society) | Fusing Digital Engagement with Community Pharmacy Networks: A Hybrid Model for Frailty Prevention and PHR Utilization |
| 11:20–11:50 | Laura C. Hanson (Prof., UNC School of Medicine) | Palliative Care Models in the United States |
| 11:50–12:20 | Keisuke Maeda (Prof., Aichi Medical University) | Geriatric Nutrition: An Emerging Frontier in Geriatric Medicine |

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