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**The Carolina Geriatric Education Center
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The Carolina Geriatric Education Center (CGEC) along with the Geriatric Education Center (Great GEC) at Nova Southeastern University and Central Plains GEC at the University of Kansas Medical Center participated in the National Task Group on Intellectual Disabilities and Dementia Practices (NTG) Work Group. The purpose of the group is to develop a curriculum on Alzheimer's Disease (AD) for direct care workers and primary care practitioners who care for persons with intellectual disabilities. The NTG met July 30th and 31st in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. Almost 30 service providers, clinicians and researchers formed curriculum subgroups to develop a workplan to address training needs for different levels of staff. The workplan is built around a tiered approach to staff education, beginning with specific content directed toward new hires, current staff, staff who work in dementia specialty programs, and personnel in supervisory and clinical positions.

The National Task Group on Intellectual Disabilities and Dementia Practices (NTG; www.aadmd.org/ntg) is actively working to complement the efforts of the federal National Plan to Address Alzheimer's Disease. Among its efforts, it has developed and published two sets of practice guidelines for community providers and health care practitioners, developed and issued a dementia screening instrument, and issued an action plan for proactive services development for persons with intellectual disabilities affected by dementia. Patients with developmental disabilities have a much higher rate of dementia and typically experience an earlier onset. The screening, management and treatment needs of this population are unique. Dr. Seth M. Keller, the co-chair of the NTG, has noted that "improving quality in programs serving adults with intellectual disabilities is our main goal." Dr. Keller also noted that increasing staff awareness and competencies with respect to dementia and dementia capable care are the keys to achieving that goal.

The working group is open to anyone interesting in aiding in this task. Persons interested in adding their expertise to this effort are invited to send an email to Kathryn Pears (dementiacare@zwi.net) or Kathie Bishop (bisbur1@earthlink.net), the working group's co-leaders.



Announcement of NAGE/NAGEC Annual Meeting at the Gerontological Society of America (GSA) Conference

The 2013 Annual Meeting of NAGE/NAGEC is currently scheduled for Wednesday November 20, 2013, 4 – 6 PM in conjunction with the Gerontological Society of America (GSA) Conference. The hotel and room for the meeting will be assigned at a later date. Light refreshments will be served. The NAGEC elections will be conducted during the meeting and each qualified GEC will receive one ballot. GECs that are unable to send a representative to the annual meeting may contact jmetcalf@une.edu before November 2 to arrange for an absentee ballot.

Judith A. Metcalf, APRN, BC, MS UNE-Maine GEC Director and Chair, NAGEC Nominations Committee & Arleen Johnson, PhD, OVAR/GEC Co-Chair Nominations Committee

An important part of being a GEC is the opportunity to participate in our united efforts by being involved in our national organizations: the National Association for Geriatric Education (NAGE) and the National Association of Geriatric Education Centers (NAGEC). Members in good standing are eligible to serve on the Board of Directors. This is your opportunity to nominate someone from the network to serve as an officer or member of the Board.

In order to self-nominate, nominate a Board member, be nominated as a Board member, or vote in the elections, you must represent a current or past paid member for 2013 or provide intent to pay the 2014 dues in the form of a proof of check request with your nomination form. A list of GECs that paid their dues in 2013 follows this form.

Before you nominate someone for a position, please contact your nominee to verify their interest in serving as a Board Member/Officer. Board participation involves attending the annual face-to-face meeting (usually in conjunction with GSA), monthly conference call board meetings, and occasional special conference call meetings.

President: The President serves a one-year term (November 2013 to November 2014) and is the principal executive officer of NAGE/NAGEC. S/he is responsible for supervising and controlling all of the business and affairs of the organizations; presiding at all meetings of the members and of the Board of Directors; appointing all Committees; signing contracts; and performing all duties needed for leadership of the Board.

President-Elect. In the absence of the President, or in event of her/his inability or refusal to act, the President-Elect performs the duties of President. S/he is responsible for other duties as assigned by the President or by the Board of Directors. The term of office is for one year (November 2013 to November 2014).

Board Members. Board Members serve a 3-year term (November 2013 to November 2016) and are responsible for actively participating in monthly conference calls and other calls as required by the President; meeting face-to-face once a year, usually in conjunction with GSA; participating on committees; and representing the GEC network and supporting the work of NAGE/NAGEC. When ballots are counted, those nominees with the most votes will be elected to the open positions.

Position Nomination: ___ President ___ President-Elect ___ Board Member

Nominee Name: _____ Credentials: _____

Title: _____ GEC: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____ Cell _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

Please provide a **100 word biographical sketch** that includes name, title, and organization/GEC along with educational background, previous role(s) with NAGEC/NAGE, when the GEC was initially funded, and other points of interest. If your bio-sketch exceeds 100 words, you will be asked to edit it.

Name of Nominator: _____ GEC: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

Thank you!
Please submit your nomination by
October 29, 2013

NOTE: Call 207-221-4460 to alert Judith Metcalf that a nomination is being sent, then email to jmetcalf@une.edu or FAX to 207-523-1922. In the event of technical difficulties, she will contact you.

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Rhode Island GEC
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Upcoming Calendar of Events:

<i>DATE</i>	<i>EVENT</i>	<i>LOCATION</i>	<i>CONTACT</i>
Every Regular Thursday @ 12:15 p.m.	G&G + Pal Med Grand Rounds & Journal Clubs	San Antonio, TX	Marc Johnson, MPA JohnsonM4@uthscsa.edu 210-562-6557 – www.stgec.net
October 10, 2013	Annual Medico-Legal Summit	San Antonio, TX	Jose Zapata, MS ZapataJ@uthscsa.edu (210) 562-6562 – www.stgec.net
October 9, 2013 – October 11, 2013	Donald W. Reynolds FD~AGE Mini-Fellowship Program, Fall	University of California, Los Angeles	Christy Lau, MSSW ChristyLau@mednet.ucla.edu 310-312-0531
October 11, 2013	Annual Aging Summit	San Antonio, TX	Marc Johnson, MPA JohnsonM4@uthscsa.edu (210) 562-6557 – www.stgec.net
October 15, 2013	Pain Management	Billings, MT & videoconferencing sites	Terry Egan Terry.egan@umontan.edu 406-243-2480 http://www.health.umt.edu/mtgec/home
October 16, 2013	Alzheimer's Disease Update 2013	Billings, MT & videoconferencing sites	Terry Egan Terry.egan@umontan.edu 406-243-2480 http://www.health.umt.edu/mtgec/home
February 5, 2014 – February 7, 2014	Donald W. Reynolds FD~AGE Mini-Fellowship Program, Winter	University of California, Los Angeles	Christy Lau, MSSW ChristyLau@mednet.ucla.edu 310-312-0531 http://geronet.ucla.edu/reynolds-apply
March 28, 2014 – March 29, 2014	12th Annual Leadership & Management in Geriatrics	Long Beach	Christy Lau, MSSW ChristyLau@mednet.ucla.edu 310-312-0531 http://www.geronet.ucla.edu/lmg
May 21, 2014 – May 23, 2014	Donald W. Reynolds FD~AGE Mini-Fellowship Program, Spring	University of California, Los Angeles	Christy Lau, MSSW ChristyLau@mednet.ucla.edu 310-312-0531 http://geronet.ucla.edu/reynolds-apply

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