

Nov. 6 Sponsored Session (5087):

## “Assessing and Addressing the Needs of the Most Vulnerable of Older Adults in California”

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**America is aging. Between 2011 and 2029, we will see the greatest growth** in the 65+ population as the "boomers" turn 65. While many older adults are living longer and healthier lives, the prevalence of chronic disease in the older population remains high. For those of limited economic means, the challenges associated with accessing care and managing complex health conditions are heightened. In California, the elderly population will double to nearly 8 million by 2026. Currently, 1.1 million Californians are "dual-eligible" – those who qualify for both Medicaid and Medicare and are typically the most medically and financially vulnerable. This panel examines how the physical, psychological and social care needs of vulnerable California seniors are being assessed and addressed.

**Moderator:** Charlene Chang, MA

**Location:** BCEC, 052A

**Date:** Wed., Nov. 6, 2013

- 10:30 am:** **Session abstract: Assessing and addressing the needs of the most vulnerable of older adults in California**  
*Steven P. Wallace, PhD, Kathryn G. Kietzman, PhD, MSW, May Aydin, PhD, D. Imelda Padilla-Frausto, MPH and Geoffrey Hoffman, MPH*
- 10:42 am:** **Mental health needs not uniform among older adults in California**  
*May Aydin, PhD, Su Ma, MPH, D. Imelda Padilla-Frausto, MPH and David Grant, PhD*
- 10:54 am:** **Hidden poor among older adults: Health outcomes and barriers to care**  
*D. Imelda Padilla-Frausto, MPH and Steven P. Wallace, PhD*
- 11:06 am:** **Comparing self-reported utilization of physician services among Medicare beneficiaries: How do the 'dually eligible' stack up?**  
*Geoffrey Hoffman, MPH*
- 11:18 am:** **Improving the delivery of health and social care to “dual eligible” older adults in the community: Lessons from the HOME study**  
*Kathryn G. Kietzman, PhD, MSW, Steven P. Wallace, PhD, Jacqueline M. Torres, MPH, MA, Anne Soon Choi, PhD, MPH, MSW, Charlene Chang, MA, Carolyn A. Mendez-Luck, PhD, MPH and A.E. Benjamin, PhD*

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