



West Virginia Geriatrics Society Newsletter

Special points of interest:

- * Check out our WVGS Calendar on the web and other additions
- * Be sure to renew your membership with the WVGS for 2012
- * Wednesday, February 22nd, 2012 Board of Directors' Meeting



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“Thriving in the New Health Care Environment”

The September 30th, 2011 WVGS Scientific Assembly “Thriving in the New Health Care Environment” received very favorable feedback and was a great success. A large audience of participants, health care providers and others who are interested in the well being of older adults in West Virginia obtained information on the anticipated impacts of coming changes in the health care environment. This interdisciplinary statewide conference included sessions on: Long-Term Health Care models, a Pro/Con discussion on pain medications for the elderly, a Pro/Con discussion on whether electronic health care records improve health outcomes and additional presentations on quality improvement and/or practice based changes in patient care. This year's event was held in conjunction with the Long Term Care Partnership (WV Partnership for Elder Living) 2011 Summit on September 29th, 2011. We want to also thank the following sponsors of this year’s conference: WVGEC, Blanchette Rockefeller Neurosciences Institute, Amedisys, Alzheimer’s Association—WV Chapter.



The WVGS and the WVGEC were very pleased to have Konrad C. Nau, MD, FAAFP, CPE, Associate Dean, Chair and Professor of the Department of Family Medicine, West Virginia University Health Sciences Center—Eastern Division as this year’s Keynote Speaker.

(See Dr. Konrad C. Nau’s photo above) Dr. Konrad C. Nau’s presentation topic concerned Patient Centered “Medical Homes” for Older Adults.



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"WVGS ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC ASSEMBLY POSTER COMPETITION WINNER"

Congratulations to the 2011 WVGS Poster Competition Winner, Shah Suraj, MD from the Marshall University, Joan C. Edwards School of



Medicine, Huntington, WV. The title of the winning poster is: "A Driving Assessment Clinic: Structure and Statistics."

*Photo: Left to Right:
Guillermo Madero, MD;
Shah Suraj, MD; Shirley M.
Neitch, MD.*

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**Mark your calendars for the
first 2012 Board of
Directors' Meeting
scheduled for Wednesday,
February 22nd at 3:00PM.**





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***Don't forget to renew your
WVGS Membership Dues
for 2012 if you were unable
to attend the 09/30/11
conference.***

***Membership applications
are available online at :***

<http://www.wvgeriatrics.org/>

WVGS MEMBER PUBLICATIONS

***If you have written new articles, etc., please be sure
we have your information so we may reference it on
our website. Publications which have been written
by various esteemed members of the West Virginia
Geriatrics Society can be found on our web site at:
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