

CAPS Annual Conference

October 25, 2025, 11 AM - 5 PM EST

Hybrid event at Cornell University & on zoom



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CAPS Visiting Scholar Keynote | 11 AM - 12:30 PM | [Zoom](#) & Mann 102 (with lunch)

Moderator: Kelly Musick (Cornell)

Lisa Berkman, Director of the Harvard Center for Population and Development Studies (HCPDS) and the Thomas D. Cabot Professor of Public Policy and of Epidemiology at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health

*The Impact of Work and Retirement Policies on Population Health:
From Identifying Problems to Finding Solutions*

2024 CAPS Pilot Award Flash Talks | 1 – 1:45 PM | [Zoom](#) & MVR 2250

Moderator and discussant: Pinka Chatterji (Albany)

- ◆ **Catherine García** (Syracuse), *Life Histories and Trajectories of Physiological Functioning of Aging Latinos*
- ◆ **Jenna Wells** (Cornell), *The Way We Were: Examining Dementia Caregivers' Relationship-Defining Narratives and Associations with Health and Well-being*
- ◆ **Feinuo Sun** (University of Texas at Arlington) presenting project with **Kai Zhang** (Albany), *Temperature and Chronic Pain among Older Adults: Evidence from the Health and Retirement Survey*

Spotlights on New Affiliates | 1:45 – 2:30 PM | [Zoom](#) & MVR 2250

Moderator: Janet Wilmoth (Syracuse)

- ◆ **Haowei Wang** (Syracuse), *Child Bereavement and Implications for Chinese Older Parents' Well-Being*
- ◆ **Muntasir Masum** (Albany), *Predictive Modeling of Cognitive Function in Early Midlife: A Comparative Analysis of Machine Learning Techniques*
- ◆ **John Polk** (Albany), *Assessing Fall Risk Using Wearable Sensors and Machine Learning*
- ◆ **Jason Robey** (Albany), *State, Race, Cohort: Inequalities in the Lifetime Risk of Imprisonment*
- ◆ **Bryan Sykes** (Cornell), *Death and Disappearance: Measuring Racial Inequality in Mortality and Life Expectancy Among State Prisoners, United States 2000-2014*

How to Get NIA Grants | 2:45 – 3:45 PM | [Zoom](#) & MVR 2250

Moderator: Erin York Cornwell (Cornell)

- ◆ **Lisa Berkman** (Harvard)
- ◆ **Jennifer Karas Montez** (Syracuse)
- ◆ **Merril Silverstein** (Syracuse)

Closing Reception | 4 – 5 PM | TBD

Please register by October 1st [using this link](#).

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