

Committee Assignments and Administrative Services

I have participated in high impact committees to promote my clinical, research and service agenda. In addition to promoting my professional aspirations, I have put UAMS and the VA on the map and become the voice for many of my patients and colleagues. I have served on international committees to foster the growth of young researchers while making sure that everyone was being judged on a level-playing field. In my national committee roles, I have advanced the cause of geriatric patients, those with dementia and advocated for better treatment of behavioral problems associated with dementia.

I have played a key role in the advancement of research in geriatric psychiatry by chairing the abstract and poster selection committee for the American Association for Geriatric Psychiatry. In this role, I ensured that young investigators are given extra time and are judged somewhat leniently. I have also promoted awareness for dementia by leading the Alzheimer's walks and serving in local free clinics.

International

Chair, New Investigator Awards Committee, ISTAART, Alzheimer's Association	2011-2013
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National

Member, Planning Committee, Recognizing dementia in primary care Department of Veterans Affairs	2017-Present
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Chair, Abstract and Poster Selection Committee American Association for Geriatric Psychiatry	2017-Present
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Member, Annual Conference Program Committee American Association for Geriatric Psychiatry	2016-Present
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Member, Gateway to Healthy Living Pilot Workgroup, VHA National Center for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention	2015-Present
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Chair, Associate Directors of Clinical Programs, GRECC Department of Veterans Affairs	2014-2016
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Member, Veterans Affairs TMS Committee	2014-Present
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Member, Gateway to Healthy Living Pilot Workgroup, VHA National Center for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention	2014-Present
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Member, National GRECC Performance Measures Committee	2013-Present
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Core Principles and Approaches Workstream of the Self-Care Self-Management Task Force (SC SM TF), Office of Patient Care Services	2014-Present
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Member, The American Geriatrics Society Junior Faculty	2007- Present
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Research Career, Special Interest Group

Reviewer, The NIMH Summer Training on Aging Research
Topics-Mental Health (START-MH) 2007- Present

Member, Education Committee,
American Association for Geriatric Psychiatry 2003-2005

Member, Research Committee,
American Association for Geriatric Psychiatry 2003-Present

Regional/Local

Member
Dementia Steering Committee
CAVHS 2015-Present

Geriatric Psychiatry Consultant and Dementia Expert
CAVHS E-consult Interdisciplinary Response Team 2015-Present

Education committee, Whole Health Initiative, CAVHS 2014-Present

Well-Being Advisory Committee, Geriatrics and Extended Care 2013-Present

Clinical Investigators Work Group, Central Arkansas Veterans
Healthcare System 2011-Present

Planning Committee Member, VISN 23 Clinician Leader
Development Program 2011-2014

Member, Appeal's Hearing Committee, Graduate Medical
Education, Creighton University 2010-2011

Chair, Subcommittee of Human Studies/Institutional
Review Board, OVAMC 2009-2011

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Review Board, OVAMC 2007- 2009

Consultant, Committee on Firearm access and
Automobile driving among veterans with Dementia 2005-2011

Consultant, VISN23 Chronic Disease Management
Dementia Collaborative 2005-2011

VA Site Director, Creighton-Nebraska
Psychiatry Residency Program 2005-2009

Veterans Affairs Representative, Residency Training
Committee, Creighton-Nebraska Psychiatry residency 2004-2011

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Harmony clinic Harmony clinic is a free volunteer and medical student driven clinic. I was one of the four psychiatrists that started Psychiatry services at the Harmony Clinic. I cover the clinic on Saturdays on a rotation basis.	2013-Present
Medical scientific panel, Alzheimer's association-Midlands chapter, Omaha, NE	2008-2011
Team Captain, We Care Team, Memory Walk Alzheimer's association-Midlands chapter, Omaha, NE	2008-2011
President, Nebraska Chapter American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin, Omaha, NE	2009-2010

MEMBERSHIPS IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Alzheimer's Association ISTAART	2009-Present
American College of Healthcare Executives	2007-Present
Academy of Psychosomatic Medicine	2006-Present
American Association of Directors of Psychiatric Residency Training	2006-2011
American Geriatrics Society	2003-Present
American Association for Geriatric Psychiatry	2003-Present
Nebraska Psychiatric Society	1999-2011
American Medical Association	1999-Present
American Psychiatric Association	1999-Present

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Editorial Board Appointments

Federal Practitioner	2015-Present
The American Journal of Alzheimer's disease and Other Dementias	2012-Present
PLOS ONE	2012-2014
Journal of Psychiatric Research	2011-Present
American Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry	2008-Present
Journal of Clinical Psychiatry	2008-Present

International Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry	2008-Present
The Journal of Depression and Anxiety	2007-2009
Journal of Traumatic Stress	2006-Present
Primary Care Companion to the Journal of Clinical Psychiatry	2005-2009
Grant Review Panels	
Research Grant Review Panel VISN 16 Pilot Research Grants Program	2017
Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI)	2015-Present
Alzheimer's Association International Research Grant Program	2009-Present
DSMB Panel	
National Institute of Aging Noninvasive Cortical Stimulation to Improve Memory in Mild Cognitive Impairment	2017-Present