

**26th Annual Meeting of the Retirement and Disability Research Consortium
National Press Club, Washington, DC**

Day 1: Wednesday, August 7, 2024

8:30-9:00 Registration and Coffee

9:00-9:15 Welcoming Remarks: Ben F. Belton (SSA)

9:15-10:15 Panel 1: Economic Security for Women of Color
Moderator: Valerie Rawlston Wilson (Economic Policy Institute)

Kate Bahn (Institute for Women's Policy Research)

Lesleigh Ford (Urban Institute)

Megan Rivera (Washington Center for Equitable Growth)

10:15-10:30 Break

**10:30-11:45 Panel 2: Advancing Equity through Structural Barriers
Research**

Moderator: Kilolo Kijakazi (SSA)

“The Re-Entry and Disability Application Experiences of Formerly
Incarcerated Older Adults”

Ruth Finkelstein and christian gonzález-rivera (Hunter College)

“Do Older Sexual and Gender Minority Adults Experience Implicit Bias in
Interactions with the Social Security Administration?”

***Mark Brennan-Ing (Brookdale Center for Healthy Aging), Cicely K.
Johnson (Hunter College), and Jasmine Manalel (City University of New
York)***

“The Perceived Influence of Race and Gender in Work History and Attitudes,
Economic Resources, and Health on Black Women's Retirement”

Danielle Dickens (Spelman College)

“Barriers to SSDI and SSI Program Participation for the Visually Impaired
Community”

***Wendy M. Edmonds (Bowie State University) and LaTanya Brown-
Robertson (Howard University)***

11:45-12:15 Box Lunch

- 12:15-1:00** **Keynote Address: Darrick Hamilton (The New School) and William Emmons (Washington University in St. Louis)**
Introduction: Ben F. Belton (SSA)
Moderator: Kilolo Kijakazi (SSA)
- 1:00-1:30** **Poster Session and Networking Break**
Holeman Lounge
- 1:30-2:45** **Panel 3: Community-Based Participatory Research**
Moderator: Olugbenga Ajilore (U.S. Department of Agriculture)
- Makini Chisolm-Straker (Yale University)*
Vernon Grant (Montana State University)
Suhas Kellampalli (Disability Rights and Resources)
Bárbara J. Robles (Federal Reserve Board, Retired)
- 2:45-3:00** **Break**
- 3:00-4:00** **Panel 4: Disability and Accessibility in Underserved Communities**
Moderator: Diane Brandt (Social Security Advisory Board)
- Lydia Brown (National Disability Institute)*
Nanette Goodman (Syracuse University)
Susan J. Popkin (Urban Institute)
- 4:00-4:15** **Closing Remarks: Cortney Sanders (SSA)**

Day 2: Thursday, August 8, 2024

8:30-8:55 **Registration and Coffee**

8:55-9:00 **Welcoming Remarks: Jan Mutchler (University of Massachusetts Boston)**

9:00-10:15 **Panel 5: Let's Ask Them: Examining Barriers to Accessing Support Programs**

Moderator: Makini Chisolm-Straker (Yale University)

“Improving Reciprocity in U.S. Social Insurance: A Scoping Examination”

Isaac Marcelin (University of Maryland Eastern Shore) and Wei Sun (Saginaw Valley State)

“Challenges in Accessing Supplemental Security Income for People with Disabilities”

Miriam Heyman and Monika Mitra (Brandeis University)

“Developing a Survey to Understand Barriers to Applying for Disability Insurance”

David Powell, Lisa Abraham, and Jessie Coe (RAND) and Derek Ruiz (Southern University and A&M College)

“Which LTSS Caregiver Support Policies Are Preferred by Race/Ethnicity?”

Marc A. Cohen and Christian E. Weller (University of Massachusetts Boston), Brandon G. Wilson (Community Catalyst), and Anqi Chen (Boston College)

10:15-10:30 **Break**

10:30-11:45 **Panel 6: Places Matter**

Moderator: K. Steven Brown (Aspen Institute)

“How Do People Who Reside in Rural Places Prefer to Communicate with SSA?”

Debra L. Brucker, Megan Henly, Stacia Bach, Kelly Nye-Lengerman, Andrew J. Houtenville (University of New Hampshire)

“Assessing Underserved Beneficiaries' Communication Needs, Phase II”

Dayo Oyeleye (Bowie State University)

“The Relationship between Local Characteristics and Disability Applications and Awards”

Stipica Mudrazija (University of Washington and Urban Institute), Barbara Butrica (Urban Institute), and Keisha Solomon (Howard University)

“How Workplace Matters for Health: New Evidence on Disparities in Mortality in Urban and Rural America”

Jessica Hardie (Hunter College) and Frank W. Heiland (Baruch College)

11:45-12:15 **Box Lunch**

12:15-1:00 **Keynote Address: Debra Whitman (AARP)**

Introduction: Robert Weathers (SSA)

Moderator: Andrew D. Eschtruth (Boston College)

1:00-1:30 **Poster Session and Networking Break**

Holeman Lounge

1:30-2:45 **Panel 7: Multigenerational Housing and Caregiving**

Moderator: Stephanie Firestone (AARP)

“How Are Household Living Arrangements Related to Retirement Expectations and Savings Across Race and Ethnicity?”

Jennifer Caputo (Westat)

“Coresident Grandparents’ Mortality Risk by Race/Ethnicity”

Hongwei Xu (Queens College)

“Do Shared Households Reduce or Increase Housing Cost Burden among Older Adults?”

Hope Harvey (University of Kentucky), Kristin L. Perkins (Georgetown University), and Lucas Taulbee (University of Kentucky)

“Who Pays for Elder Care? An Analysis of the Burden on Caregivers and Families”

Teresa Ghilarducci (The New School), Siavash Radpour (Stockton University), Jessica Forden (The New School)

2:45-3:00 **Break**

3:00-4:15

Panel 8: New Perspectives on Poverty

Moderator: H. Luke Shaefer (University of Michigan)

“Poverty among Older Adults According to a Pilot Principal Poverty Measure”

Rosemary T. Hyson and Sanders Korenman (Baruch College) and Ingrid Ellen (New York University)

“The Color of Wealth in Chicago”

Malcolm Williams (RAND), Darrick Hamilton (New School), and Lilian Perez and Susann Rohwedder (RAND)

“Racial Disparities in Older Adults’ Economic Security when Experiencing Chronic Health Conditions: Insights from Electronic Health Records, Wage Earnings, and Credit Data”

Cäzilia Loibl, Stephanie Moulton, Donald Haurin, and Joshua Joseph (Ohio State), Kendall Moody (Howard University), Adam Perzynski and Douglas Einstadter (Case Western), Madison Hyer and Matthew Pesavento (Ohio State), and Stephania Miller-Hughes (Meharry Medical College)

“Why Does Old-Age Poverty Persist?”

Barbara A. Butrica and Richard W. Johnson (Urban Institute) and Christopher Tamborini (U.S. Social Security Administration)

Day 3: Friday, August 9, 2024

8:00-8:25 Registration and Coffee

8:25-8:30 Opening Remarks: Susan Wilschke (SSA)

8:30-9:45 Panel 9: Precarious Work

Moderator: Siavash Radpour (Stockton University)

“Precarious Work and Perceived Workplace Ageism as Structural Barriers in Racial/Ethnic and Gender Disparities in Expected Full-Time Employment Past Age 62”

Duygu Başaran Şahin (RAND Corporation) and Frank W. Heiland and Na Yin (Baruch College)

“What Factors Are Associated with Successful Work among Social Security Disability Insurance Beneficiaries?”

Gina Livermore, Jody Schimmel Hyde, and Bernadette Hicks (Mathematica)

“What Informs SSI Recipients’ Work-Related Decision Making?”
Katie Savin (California State University, Sacramento) and *Nev Jones*
(University of Pittsburgh)

“Has Remote Work Improved Employment Outcomes for Older People with Disabilities?”
Siyan Liu and *Laura D. Quinby* (Boston College)

9:45-10:00 **Break**

10:00-11:15 **Panel 10: Intended and Unintended Consequences of Policy Reform**

Moderator: Phillip Beatty (National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research)

“Will Auto-IRA Savings Disqualify Vulnerable People from Benefit Programs?”
Karolos Arapakis and *Laura D. Quinby* (Boston College)

“The Effects of Medicaid Expansion on the Use of SSI and SSDI by American Indians and Alaska Natives”
Randall Akee (University of California, Los Angeles) and *Emilia Simeonova*
(Johns Hopkins University)

“Barriers to Accessing Healthcare Services Among Denied SSI/DI Applicants”
Jocelyn Marrow (Westat)

“Structural Barriers to Receipt of Income and Health Insurance among Adults with Disabilities”
Ellen Meara, David Cutler, and Marema Gaye (Harvard University) and
Rand Obeidat (Bowie State University)

11:15-11:45 **Box Lunch**

11:45-12:30 **Keynote Address: Maya Rockey Moore Cummings (Global Policy Solutions)**

Introduction: Susan Wilschke (SSA)

Moderator: Jeffrey Hemmeter (SSA)

12:30-1:15 **Poster Session and Networking Break**

1:15-2:30

Panel 11: The Legacy of COVID-19

Moderator: Nicole Maestas (Harvard Medical School)

“Pathways and Persistence of Labor Force Transitions during COVID-19”

***Maria Casanova** (California State University, Fullerton) and David Knapp (University of Southern California)*

“Medium-Term Effects of COVID-19 on Disparities by Race and Income”

*Raj Chetty and Nathan Hendren (Harvard University), John Friedman (Brown University), and **Michael Stepler** (University of Toronto)*

“COVID-19 in Adults with Disabilities: Disparities in Prevalence, Health Care, and Employment”

*Zoë McLaren and **Nancy A. Miller** (University of Maryland, Baltimore County)*

“How Might COVID-19 Affect Future Employment, Earnings, and OASI Claiming by Race/Ethnicity?”

***Gary V. Engelhardt** (Syracuse University)*

2:30-2:35

Closing Remarks: Natalie Lu (SSA)