



AGING IN THE COMMUNITY INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM

Join us for Aging in the Community, a joint international symposium! Through interdisciplinary talks and field-based site visits, we will explore practical, community-driven approaches to supporting older adults in aging societies.



PUBLIC SYMPOSIUM (REGISTRATION REQUIRED)
MAR 23 & 25 & 26, 2026



NAGOYA UNIVERSITY (HIGASHIYAMA & TSURUMAI)
NATIONAL CENTER FOR GERIATRICS AND GERONTOLOGY

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SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE

Aging & Community Medicine

Symposium Day 1 — Monday, March 23, 2026

Venue: Symposium Conference Room, Toyoda Auditorium, Nagoya University (Higashiyama Campus)

09:00–09:15	Welcome Coffee
09:15–09:30	Welcome Remarks / Welcome Speech
09:30–09:50	Introduction
09:50–10:10	Itzel Bustos Villalobos (A. Prof., International Medical Education, Nagoya Univ. GSM)
10:10–10:30	Break
10:30–11:00	Masahisa Katsuno (Dean, Nagoya Univ. GSM; Prof., Neurology)
11:00–11:30	Jan Busby-Whitehead (Prof.; Chief, Division of Geriatric Medicine, UNC SOM & UNC Center for Aging & Health)
11:30–12:00	Masaaki Shibayama (Advisor, Bureau of Economy and Industry, Aichi Prefectural Government)
12:10–13:30	Networking Lunch (Universal Club) — <u>Invitation Only</u>
13:30–14:00	Jun-ichi Uemura (A. Prof., Integrated Health Sciences, Nagoya Univ. GSM)
14:00–14:30	Meredith Gilliam (A. Prof., UNC SOM & Eastowne Clinic)
14:30–15:00	Takashi Uematsu (M.D., Dept. of Neurology, Nagoya Univ. Hospital)
15:00–15:15	Break
15:15–15:45	Yasuhide Hasegawa (Prof., Nagoya Univ.; Director, Nano-Life Systems Institute)
15:45–16:15	Ryan Lavalley (A. Prof., UNC SOM & Carolina Aging Network)
16:15–16:45	Asuka Nakagawa (Asst. Manager, Kita Ward Office, Nagoya City)
	Japanese Insurance System
	High-risk cohort of Lewy body disease
	Interdisciplinary Training
	Regional Comprehensive Care and the Digital Health Project in Aichi Prefecture
	Daily Activity in Older Adults
	Primary Care for Older Adults in the U.S.: Challenges and the Role of the Geriatrician
	Analysis of Visual Attention Characteristics in Parkinson's Disease Using Eye-Tracking Devices
	Assistance for Empowering Human Activities through Robotics
	Multi-sector Partnerships and Planning for Aging
	Evaluation of Dementia-Friendly Community Initiatives in Kita Ward, Nagoya City

Symposium Day 2 — Wednesday, March 25, 2026

Venue: Education and Innovation Center, National Center for Geriatrics and Gerontology (NCGG)

09:30–10:00	Taiki Sugimoto (Senior Researcher, Dept. of Preventive Gerontology, NCGG)	Japan-Multimodal Intervention Trial for the Prevention of Dementia (J-MINT): Efficacy and strategies for social implementation
10:00–10:30	Claire Larson (A. Prof., UNC SOM)	Long-Term Care in the US
10:30–11:00	Daichi Shigemizu (Prof., Medical Genome Center, NCGG)	Genomic research on dementia in the Japanese population
11:00–11:15	Break	
11:15–11:45	Rei Otsuka (Prof., Dept. of Epidemiology of Aging, NCGG)	The introduction of NILS-LSA (National Institute for Longevity Sciences – Longitudinal Study of Aging)
11:45–12:15	Timothy Gee (Medical Student, UNC SOM & UNC Center for Aging & Health)	Caregiving for Older Adults in the U.S.
12:15–12:45	Kenji Kato (Deputy Director, Assistive Robot Center, NCGG)	Robotics Empowering Physical Activity in Older Adults
12:45–13:15	Christine Kistler (A. Prof., Dept. of Medicine, University of Pittsburgh)	Advance Care Planning and Goals of Care Communication in the United States
13:15–14:15	Lunch Networking Event — <u>Registration Required</u>	
14:15–14:45	Hidenori Arai (President, NCGG)	Overview of the National Center for Geriatrics and Gerontology and the Future Direction of Geriatric Medicine in Japan
14:45–	Facility Tour — <u>Registration Required</u>	

Symposium Day 3 — Thursday, March 26, 2026

Venue: Kakuyu Hall (2F), Nagoya University Graduate School of Medicine (Tsurumai Campus)

09:00–09:30	Epifanio Bagarinao (A. Prof., Brain and Mind Research Center, Nagoya Univ. GSM)	Aging and the Brain
09:30–10:00	John Batsis (A. Prof., UNC SOM & UNC Center for Aging & Health)	Using Technology for Health Promotion
10:00–10:30	Takayuki Morikawa (Prof. Emeritus / Designated Prof., Nagoya Univ.)	Toward the Society of No Mobility Divide - Social Implementation Projects of Smart Local Mobility at Nagoya University -
10:30–10:50	Break	
10:50–11:20	Shintaro Oyama (A. Prof., Nagoya Univ. Institute of Innovation for Future Society)	Fusing Digital Engagement with Community Pharmacy Networks: A Hybrid Model for Frailty Prevention and PHR Utilization
11:20–11:50	Laura C. Hanson (Prof., UNC School of Medicine)	Palliative Care Models in the United States
11:50–12:20	Keisuke Maeda (Prof., Aichi Medical University)	Geriatric Nutrition: An Emerging Frontier in Geriatric Medicine

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