

New Grant Funds the Active Aging Research Center

AHRQ awarded a 5 year \$10 million grant for community-based participatory research on the use of communication and information technologies (IT) to improve the health and health care services for older adults. The grant aims to create a center of excellence that brings together strong research teams from various institutions and entities of the aging network. The research will focus on three broad themes:

- 1) The use of IT to extend independence and functioning of older adults and reduce unnecessary health care utilization.
- 2) The expansion of service networks that place individuals and their families at the center.
- 3) The development of innovative approaches to translate evidence into practice.

The grant was awarded to David Gustafson PhD and his team from the University of Wisconsin. The project is designed to serve as a model for other states.

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