DEADLINE EXTENDED!!

The Transportation Research Board’s International Conference on Emerging Issues in Safe and Sustainable Mobility for Older Persons

August 30 – September 1, 2011
Mandarin Oriental Hotel, Washington, DC

This conference will bring together scientists from around the world for presentations and discussions on the latest research findings on the mobility and independence of older adults. This 2011 conference will create an opportunity for policy makers, researchers, industry partners and state agencies to openly discuss current issues and possible solutions to barriers surrounding safe and sustainable mobility for older adults. **Selected conference papers will be published in a special issue of Accident Analysis & Prevention.** Travel funds will be available for early career researchers (pending funding).

Paper and poster presentations will highlight four key areas of recent change or breakthrough development:

- **Changing Demographics:** changes in the demographics of licensed drivers, including the exponential increase in older women drivers, where older adults are choosing to live, and community design.
- **Changing Health Care Environment:** how frailty impacts safety and independence, emerging research on brain health and fitness, and how exercise, cognitive training and other interventions impact driving and mobility
- **Changing and Emerging Caregivers:** the role of caregivers in meeting the transportation needs of older adults, transport options, reimbursement for caregivers, and the 2006 lifespan respite bill.
- **Changing Policy:** current national and local infrastructure systems, public transit, incentives and barriers for private solutions, and the older driver licensing debate

For more information, please see [http://crag.uab.edu/safemobility/conference.asp](http://crag.uab.edu/safemobility/conference.asp)

**Call for Abstracts:** Abstract submission date extended to May 23, 2011

Keynote Speakers

Overview Speaker:
Joseph F. Coughlin, PhD is founder of the MIT AgeLab and Director of the USDOT sponsored New England University Transportation Center.

Changing Demographics:
S. Jay Olshansky, PhD is a Professor in the School of Public Health, University of Illinois at Chicago and a Research Associate at the Center on Aging at the University of Chicago.

Changing Health Care Environment:
Marco Pahor, MD, Director of the University of Florida Institute on Aging and Chair of the Department of Aging and Geriatric Research.

Karlene Ball, PhD, University Professor and Chair, Department of Psychology, University of Alabama, Birmingham, Director of the Roybal Center on Translational Research on Aging and Mobility, Director Professor, Center on Aging.

Changing and Emerging Caregivers:
Gail Hunt, President and CEO, National Alliance for Caregiving, Chair of the National Center on Senior Transportation, Member of the Board of Commissioners for the Center for Aging Service Technology, Steering committee member for Long-Term Care Quality Assurance.

Changing Policy:
Katherine Freund, MA, founder of Independent Transportation Network and founder and President of ITNAmerica, member of the Maine Senior Driver Safety Coalition, Chair of the TRB’s Joint Subcommittee on Transportation Options for Seniors.

Loren Staplin, PhD, founder and principal partner of Transanalytics, Chair of the TRB’s Committee on Operator Education and Regulation (ANB30)

We Look Forward to Seeing You There!

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