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**RESEARCH CORE**

Biostatistics; Design; Methodology;  
Research support and assistance; Data  
collection; Survey research; Qualitative  
research; Research administration;  
Budget management; IRB assistance.

**PILOT PROJECTS**

**Pilot #1: Pilot Study #1: Intervening to improve medication safety during transition from hospital to skilled nursing facility: Evaluation of a medication reconciliation program.**

Investigators: Kathleen H. Miller (Nursing), Alice Bonner (Nursing), Jennifer Tjia (Geriatric Medicine), Becky Briesacher (Economics/Health Services Research), Sarah McGee (Geriatric Medicine).

**Pilot #2: Patient education about anticoagulation medication: Are anecdotes or evidence more effective?**

Investigators: Kathy Mazor (Psychology), Joann Baril (Psychology), Elizabeth Dugan (Geriatric Medicine), Fred Spencer (Cardiovascular Medicine), Pamela Burgwinkle (Nursing), Jerry Gurwitz (Geriatric Medicine).

**Pilot #3: Among breast cancer survivors who gets follow-up mammograms and why?**

Investigators: Jan Mutchler (Social Gerontology), Terry Field (Epidemiology), Elizabeth Dugan (Geriatric Medicine), Katie Dodd (Geriatrics).

**Pilot #4: Patterns of care and medication use of older patients with diabetes.** Investigators: Jennifer Tjia (Geriatric Medicine) and others.

**BUILD INTERDISCIPLINARY COMMUNITY**

Quarterly Seminars

Promote interdisciplinary interaction  
Raise institutional profile, infrastructure  
Website, Center ListServ, Newsletter  
Attract and train junior investigators  
Publicize existing available databases

**CAREER DEVELOPMENT**

RAND Career Development Institute  
Mentorship Program  
Mock NIH review  
NIH Career Development Awards  
How to Lead interdisciplinary Research Teams