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**COMMITTEE ON POPULATION**

**Workshop on Future Directions for the Demography of Aging**

**National Academies of Sciences Building  
Lecture Room  
2101 Constitution Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20418  
August 17-18, 2017**

The goal of this workshop is for participants to draw on recent developments in social demography, social epidemiology, sociology, and economics and related fields to identify and explore future directions that have significant promise and are expected to have major influences on research on aging. The product of the workshop will be a volume of selected papers that will be published by National Academies Press. These papers are intended to stimulate new research approaches and new collaborations with neighboring disciplines, and to set a research agenda for years to come.

**DAY 1 – Thursday, August 17, 2017**

**9:00 – 9:15 am**

Welcome and Introductions

*Mark Hayward*, University of Texas at Austin

**9:15 – 9:30 am**

National Institute on Aging (NIA) Research Programs in Demography of Aging

*John Haaga*, Office of Behavioral and Social Research, NIA

**9:30 – 10:45 am**

**Looking to the Future: Health Trends and New Approaches in Measurement**

➤ Trends in Health and Mortality in the Older Population  
*Eileen Crimmins*, University of Southern California

➤ New Measures and New Designs in Demography of Aging Research

*Vicki Freedman*, University of Michigan;  
*Linda Waite*, University of Chicago (via WebEx);  
*David Weir*, University of Michigan; and  
*Rebeca Wong*, University of Texas Medical Branch

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10:45 – 11:00 am BREAK

11:00 am – 12:15 pm      **Health Disparities in the Older Population**

- Disparities in the Demography of Health in the Older Population: The Intersection of Gender, Race/Ethnicity, and Nativity

*Robert Hummer*, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

## ➤ Socioeconomic Status and Mortality and Health Status in the Older Population

*Angela O’Rand, Duke University; and  
Scott Lynch, Duke University*

12:15 – 1:30 pm LUNCH

**Social and Environmental Contexts Shaping Aging and Health**

## ➤ Social Life and Health in the Older Population: Moving Beyond Social Relationships

Linda Waite, University of Chicago (via WebEx)

## ➤ Place, Aging, and Health

Kate Cagney, University of Chicago

2:45 – 4:00 pm Families and Intergenerational Transfers

## ➤ Demography of Aging and the Family *Emily Agree, Johns Hopkins University*

- Intergenerational Transfers and the Older Population  
*Andrew Mason*, University of Hawaii; and  
*Ronald Lee*, University of California, Berkeley

4:00 – 4:15 pm **BREAK**

## 4:15 – 5:30 pm Work and Retirement in the Older Population

## ➤ The Demography of Retirement *Courtney Coile, Wellesley College*

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5:30 pm Adjourn

## **DAY 2 – Friday, August 18, 2017**

**9:00 – 10:15 am**

## Disability and Cognitive Health of the Older Population

- Cognitive aging, dementia, and the future of an aging population  
*Kenneth Langa*, University of Michigan
- The Demography of Late-Life Disability  
*Vicki Freedman*, University of Michigan

**10:15 – 11:30 am**

## The Demography of Aging on a Global Scale

- Demography of Aging in Developing Countries  
*David Bloom*, Harvard University; and  
*Nikkil Sudharsanan*, University of Pennsylvania
- Demography of Aging in High Income Countries  
*Jim Smith*, RAND; and  
*Jinkook Lee*, University of Southern California & RAND

11:30 – 12:30 pm

## LUNCH

12:30 – 1:30 pm

## General Discussion: Research Priorities for the Demography of Aging

1:30 – 3:00 pm

## CLOSED SESSION: Steering Committee Discussion of Paper Volume

3:00 pm

## Adjourn