



THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA  
CENTER ON AGING

## Arizona Geriatrics Workforce Enhancement Program

### AZ-GWEP

The Arizona GWEP, housed in the University of Arizona Center on Aging, strives to educate and train the health and supportive care workforces to care for older adults by collaborating with community partners and maximizing patient and family engagement to address care gaps to improve older adult health outcomes by integrating geriatrics with primary care and other appropriate specialties using the Age-Friendly Health Systems Framework.

| Community Partners                                                                               |                                               |
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| Alzheimer's Association Desert Southwest Chapter                                                 | University of Arizona College of Medicine     |
| Arizona Health Care Association                                                                  | University of Arizona College of Nursing      |
| Arizona State University College of Nursing                                                      | University of Arizona College of Pharmacy     |
| Banner Alzheimer's Institute                                                                     | University of Arizona Center for Rural Health |
| Northern Arizona University Department of Social Work, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences |                                               |

| Clinical Partners                                                                                                                                                             |
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| Statewide Focus: Critical Access Hospitals, Rural Health Clinics, Tribal Healthcare Facilities, Federally Qualified Health Centers, Academic Clinics and Long-Term Care sites |

| Age-Friendly Health System                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
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| Becoming an Age-Friendly Health System entails reliably providing a set of four evidence-based elements of high-quality care, known as the "4Ms," to all older adult patients: What Matters, Medication, Mentation, and Mobility <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Level 1 Participants: 3 CAHs, 2 Rural Clinics, 1 Academic Clinic, 1 LTC site</li></ul> |

| Monthly Newsletter                                                                                                                                        |
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| Launched: September 2024. Current monthly editions = 15<br>Distributed nationally and statewide via Partners, Community Members, Website and Social Media |

| Monthly Advances in Aging Lecture Series                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
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| Virtual lecture series focusing on aging-related topics designed for both academic and community audiences, including physicians, nurses, pharmacists, social workers, public health professionals, and interested community members. Lectures are followed by an interprofessional panel discussion. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Views since July 1, 2024: 566</li></ul> |

| Participants Trained                                      |           |
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| Discipline                                                | # Trained |
| Internal Medicine Residents                               | 79        |
| Nursing Students                                          | 214       |
| Social, Public and Behavioral Health                      | 286       |
| Pharmacy                                                  | 60        |
| Nursing                                                   | 98        |
| Medicine                                                  | 827       |
| Social Work and Behavioral Health                         | 104       |
| Public Service (EMT, Firefighter, Law Enforcement)        | 95        |
| Patient/Caregiver/Community                               | 524       |
| Interprofessional Health Conference Attendees             | 301       |
| Interprofessional & Community Educational Event Attendees | 2510      |