

Building Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women's Health (BIRCWH)

An Interdisciplinary Research Seminar Working with Vulnerable Populations

The presentation will cover:

- * The role of translational research in vulnerable populations
- * Why particular populations are vulnerable in the context of health care
- * Issues and strategies that can be used in translating research to vulnerable populations

Presenters:

JoEllen Wilbur, PhD, APN, FAAN, Professor & Independence Foundation Chair in Nursing, Rush University. Dr. Wilbur's work has focused on midlife women's symptoms, cardiovascular health, and physical activity. Her research examines physical measures originally developed for men and extended to women's activity and exercise as a natural alternative to hormone replacement therapy in managing menopausal symptoms. She has a program of research that has been funded by the National Institute of Nursing Research, NIH, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Active Living Research to examine determinants of physical activity and test interventions to increase adherence to physical activity in African American women.

Julie Zerwic, PhD, RN, Associate Professor, and Interim Department Head Medical Surgical Nursing, UIC College of Nursing. Dr. Zerwic researches cardiovascular disease, particularly patients' interpretations of cardiovascular symptoms and access to health care during an acute myocardial infarction (AMI) or stroke, examining the factors that contribute to female and minority patient delay in seeking treatment. Her currently funded research involves tailoring a computerized intervention to facilitate recognition of cardiovascular risk factors and symptoms for the purpose of promoting more timely health care access. The intervention will initially be tested with African American men.



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12:00 ~ 1:00 p.m.
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