

CALL FOR PAPER PROPOSALS

Social Insurance and Lifecycle Events Among Older Americans

With support from AARP, a conference on Social Insurance and Lifecycle Events Among Older Americans will be held on December 5th of 2014 in Washington, DC. The conference will focus specifically on lifecycle events commonly encountered by older Americans, the responsiveness of current policies to those events, and new thinking about policies consistent with a changing political environment. The conference will be organized into three sections dealing with the importance of changing career/job patterns, changes in family structure, and health limitations. Papers should focus on experiences and policies aimed at addressing Americans age 50 and older and highlight the experiences of different socio-economic groups, with a particular emphasis on the disadvantaged.

Funding is available for domestic travel to the conference for one author of each paper to be presented. It is anticipated that either a special issue of a scholarly journal or an edited volume will be produced based on papers delivered at the conference. Papers containing applied empirical analysis should focus on how existing policies address the focal issues of the conference. Authors are also encouraged to submit broader papers that focus on policy reform and recommendations. An outline of the draft conference agenda with suggested topical areas is detailed below. The organizers of the conference are Kenneth Couch (Professor, Department of Economics, University of Connecticut), Mary Daly ([Senior Vice President and Associate Director of Research](#), Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco), and Julie Zissimopoulos (Associate Director, Schaeffer Center for Health Policy and Economics, University of Southern California).

Paper proposals for the conference should be sent to Kenneth.Couch@UConn.edu by March 15, 2014. Authors will be notified of acceptances by April 15, 2014. Drafts of papers to be presented at the conference will be due by the end of October.

Changing Labor Market Realities

Changing Patterns of Job Loss Among Older Americans: Policy Implications

Job Loss, Unemployment Benefits, and Re-employment among Older Americans

Economic Well-being and Late Life Job Loss: The Role of Social Security Administration Programs

Job Retention: Policies to Assist Older Workers

Career and Job Change Later in Life: Policies to Support Lifelong Change

Job Reentry Following an Absence in the Workforce: Policies to Support Reentry

Workforce Adaptability over the Lifecycle: The Role of Education and Training

Changes in Family Structure

The Altered Landscape of the American Family and Its Policy Implications

Late Life Changes in Family Structure and Well-Being: The Role of Social Security Administration Programs

The Relationship of Changes in Employment and Health to Changes in Family Structure and Implications for Policy

Changes in Family Structure and Retirement Preparedness

Wealth Accumulation, Family Uncertainty, and Public Policy

Caregiving Responsibilities and their Implications for Financial Security at Older Ages

Changes in Health

Changing patterns of Functional Limitations, Morbidity and Mortality and Implications for Policy

Increased Longevity and Disability Policy

The Evolution of Physical Health and the Role of Disability Insurance in Supporting the Economic Well-Being of Older Americans with Functional Impairments

Partial Disability Insurance: Its Potential for Covering More Older Americans at Lower Cost

Implications of Aging Policy for Cross-Generational Equity