



Research Inclusion  
Supports Equity

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# RISE REGISTRY QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

*Our vision is to  
establish  
inclusive  
research that  
promotes equity.*

In this issue, you will find the latest news from the RISE team and partners as we continue to serve the LGBTQIA+ community.

## THE RISE REGISTRY

RISE is a research study being conducted by Emory University, the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV), and the University of Tennessee, Knoxville (UTK). RISE stands for Research Inclusion Supports Equity.

The RISE study includes a research registry created to help ensure the LGBTQIA+ community is represented in Alzheimer's research. RISE strives to create a network in research of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias for the LGBTQIA+ community through community-focused, inclusive approaches to research engagement, recruitment, and support of caregivers and people living with memory loss.

By registering with RISE, you'll receive:

- Notice of research opportunities related to aging or caregiving in your area and nationally
- Opportunities to participate in educational and advocacy events online or in-person
- Invites to participate in questionnaires, interviews or focus groups related to aging and the LGBTQIA+ population
- LGBTQIA+ friendly resources for adults with memory concerns and caregivers

*As of March  
2023,  
475 people  
have signed up  
to be part of the  
RISE Registry!*



You can learn more and sign up for RISE today at  
[theriseregistry.org](https://theriseregistry.org).

In February, RISE Principal Investigators Dr. Whitney Wharton and Joel Anderson [spoke about the RISE project on the WUOT program HealthConnections.](#)

## RISE IN THE NEWS AND THE COMMUNITY

During January, February, and March, members of each of our teams at Emory University, UNLV, and UTK have been active across the community! Team members participated in health fairs in Atlanta and Las Vegas. Dr. Joel Anderson presented a session on the ethics of team science, highlighting the RISE project, for Emory University. The Emory team attended the Bayard Rustin/Audre Lorde Breakfast in Atlanta. UTK Project Manager David Jackson attended the Alzheimer's Association Community Leadership Summit in San Diego with community leaders from across the country. Our teams participated in events and marked the importance of Transgender Day of Visibility.

In February, RISE Principal Investigator Dr. Jason Flatt talked to [the Dementia Untangled podcast about LGBTQIA+ experiences with dementia.](#)



## LGBTQIA+ NEWS AND RESEARCH



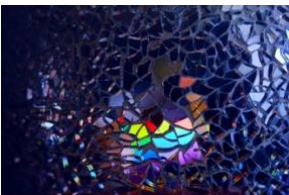
The RISE team has a new collaborative research paper out on [inclusive care practices and policies for LGBTQIA+ older adults.](#)



This opinion [essay from the New York Times](#) explores the lack of a roadmap for aging queer women and the LGBTQIA+ community.



[The challenges of covering LGBTQ+ health and health care](#) from *The Journalist's Resource*.



The 12<sup>th</sup> annual LGBTQ+ Elders in an Ever-changing World Conference is coming up June 15, 2023. [Learn more and register today!](#)

## RISE COMMUNITY PARTNERS

We are so grateful to the members of our National Advisory Board and Community Advisory Boards for helping us make RISE a success! Learn more about some of our advisory board members below.



Jennifer Henius serves as a member of our National Advisory Board. She is a licensed clinical social worker, senior health care consultant, social impact entrepreneur, and a long-distance caregiver. Jennifer is co-founder of the [National LGBTQ Caregiver Center](#).

Kiera Pollock serves as a member of the UNLV Community Advisory Board. She is Director of Senior Services at the Los Angeles LGBT Center. In 2018, Kiera was elected to the Los Angeles County Commission for Older Adults.



Malik Brown as a member of the Community Advisory Board at Emory University. He is an LGBTQIA+ advocate and political strategist, a first-generation American, and a lifelong Atlantan. He has been featured in prestigious outlets like "CNN", "NBC News", and "The Hill."

John Camp serves on the Community Advisory Board at UTK. John serves on several area advisory boards in East Tennessee for LGBTQIA+ rights and advocacy. He is co-founder and director of the [Knox Pride Community Center](#).



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