



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 November  
2023,  
900+ 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).

## RISE IN THE NEWS AND THE COMMUNITY

*Miss Coco Peru recorded a video [sharing her own caregiving experiences and her support of RISE.](#)*

Members of each of our teams continued our presence in the community for Pride events at each of our sites: Atlanta, Knoxville, and Las Vegas! Team members also attended Pride events in North Carolina and California. This month, we're taking part in webinars and conferences across the country to share information in support of LGBTQIA+ adults living with memory loss and caregivers!



*RISE Principal Investigator Dr. Joel Anderson wrote an article for [The Conversation about the unique stressors LGBTQIA+ caregivers experience.](#)*

## LGBTQIA+ NEWS AND RESEARCH



SAGE and the National Resource Center on LGBTQ+ Aging have created this [brief publication outlining facts about LGBTQIA+ aging.](#)

RISE Principal Investigator Dr. Jason Flatt recently contributed an article to a special issue of the *San Francisco Bay Times* about [ensuring the LGBTQIA+ community is included in Alzheimer's and Parkinson's disease research.](#)

## 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.



Dr. Marcy Adelman serves on our National Advisory Board. She is co-founder of [OpenhouseSF](#), which provides housing to LGBTQIA+ elders in the San Francisco area. Dr. Adelman advocates for affordable LGBTQIA+-friendly senior housing and trains service providers.

Cody Yamada, MPH, is a member of our UNLV Community Advisory Board. Cody is the Education Coordinator for the Dementia, Engagement, Education, and Research (DEER) Program in the School of Public Health at University of Nevada, Reno.



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."

UTK Community Advisory Board Member Angela Bartlett has worked with the older adult population since 2013 in assisted living and nonmedical home care. She is the Aging Services Manager for the Knoxville-Knox County CAC Office on Aging.



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