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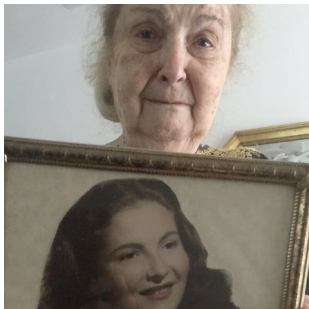
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CLBB Highlights

[Dr. Price & Dr. Edersheim on Dementia and the Law at Harvard Medical School Dementia Workshop \(Past Event\)](#)

May 30, 2019

CLBB Co-Founders and Co-Directors Drs. Edersheim and Price presented on Testamentary Capacity and Undue Influence at Harvard Medical School's *Dementia: A Comprehensive Update*, a cutting edge course attracting hundreds of participants from throughout the U.S. and the world.



[Florida Nursing Assistant Stole Over \\$100,000 From Holocaust Survivor, Cops Say.](#)

Huff Post | August 7, 2019

Abuse and exploitation of the elderly has become an increasing concern in our society. This case exemplifies the mistreatment of the aging population, detailing the nightmare of a trusted healthcare professional defrauding a Holocaust survivor and her husband out of thousands of dollars. The nursing assistant "reportedly earned the elderly Pinecrest couple's trust while working as their certified nursing assistant for seven years --- all while secretly siphoning off over \$100,000 of their life savings."

[Senior Scams Proliferate as Fraudsters Deploy New Tactics and Technologies](#)

The Boston Globe | June 6, 2019

The aging population is especially vulnerable to online and phone scams: "many [seniors] are trusting, uncertain about new technologies, and part of a generation accustomed to answering phone calls rather than letting them go to voicemail." Fraudsters take advantage of this susceptibility by aiming robocalls, "spoofing," and pop-up computer messages at this vulnerable population. This article discusses the ever-increasing threat and detrimental impact of elder fraud.

Spotlight on Faculty Research



[Making End-of-Life Care Decisions for Older Adults Subject to Guardianship](#) | Jennifer Moye, PhD | May 6, 2019

Highlight: "Making health care decisions for such adults, particularly end-of-life care decisions, can be challenging. Little to nothing may be known about the person's values prior to guardianship and the patient may be unable to convey his or her wishes and goals to the guardian."



[Putting the New Alzheimer Disease Amyloid, Tau, Neurodegeneration \(AT\[N\]\) Diagnostic System to the Test](#) | Brad Dickerson, MD | June 18, 2019

Highlight: "While it is clear that these varied tests improve diagnostic accuracy and treatment planning now, their full potential to affect patient outcomes will likely increase with the emergence of more effective therapies."

In the News

[Executing Someone With Dementia Might Violate Constitution, Justices Say](#) | National Public Radio | February 28, 2019

[Why Are Older Adults Victims of Fraud? Current Knowledge and Prospects Regarding Older Adults' Vulnerability to Fraud](#) | Journal of Elder Abuse and Neglect | June 3, 2019

[Prevalence of Biologically vs Clinically Defined Alzheimer Spectrum Entities Using the National Institute on Aging-Alzheimer's Association Research Framework](#) | JAMA Neurology | July 15, 2019

[Scam Awareness Related to Incident Alzheimer Dementia and Mild Cognitive Impairment: A Prospective Cohort Study](#) | Annals of Internal Medicine | May 21, 2019

[The Interview for Decisional Abilities \(IDA\): a Tool to Assess the Decisional Capacity of Abused and Neglected Older Adults](#) | Journal of Elder Abuse and Neglect | February 27, 2019

[If You're Diagnosed with Dementia, Should You Lose Your Second Amendment Rights?](#) | Pacific Standard | May 10, 2019

[Age of Fraud: Are Seniors More Vulnerable to Financial Scams?](#) | Marketplace | May 17, 2019

[New National Data Shows 'Crisis' Of Elder Abuse](#) | WGBH | May 7, 2018

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