



NIA/ADEAR Update

AD Genetics Study

- **Recruitment status:** 661 approved pedigrees/families; 442 pedigrees with at least one sample at NCRAD; 1,885 total samples to NCRAD.
- **NAPS article:** Short article on the Genetics Study to be distributed via the North American Precis Syndicat – nationwide network of 10,000 newspapers (primarily small community daily or weekly newspapers) and 1,000+ African American and Hispanic community newspapers. Estimated to generate about 100-400 local article placements.
- **Newsletter:** NIA/ADEAR staff are working on a second issue of the Genetics Study newsletter, which goes twice a year to participating families. Should be ready for distribution by early November.
- **Award:** The Washington DC Chapter of the International Association of Business Communicators awarded the AD Genetics Study Tool Kit a "Silver Inkwell" award for high quality communications work.

New Publications

- ***Working with Your Older Patient: A Clinician's Handbook***
- **Speaker's Kit: Unraveling the Mystery** (on CD-ROM)

See ADEAR display table to pick up your copies, or call 1-800-438-4380.

Coming Soon....

- ***Progress Report '03*** – available in November.
- **Plain language/low literacy materials** – can you help with field testing?
- **NIA/ADEAR Spanish Web site** - slated to go live by end of 2004.

Web Site Updates

- ADEAR Web Site www.alzheimers.org
 - Downloadable Speaker's Kit www.alzheimers.org/unraveling/speak_kit.html
 - Clinical trials database upgrade - coming soon.

- NIA Web Site www.nia.nih.gov
 - Redesigned site launched in mid-September.
 - Online quiz: "What's Your Aging IQ?" www.niapublications.org/quiz/index.php
- NIA/National Library of Medicine Site www.NIHSeniorHealth.gov
 - 17 upcoming new topics: Diabetes, osteoporosis, taking medicines, sleep and aging, falls and fractures, problems with taste, problems with smell, stroke, shingles, dry mouth, congestive heart failure, Paget's disease of bone, low vision, aging-related macular degeneration, diabetic retinopathy, cataract, glaucoma.
 - Tell A Senior Exercise Story* - interactive feature with real stories from older adults describing the exercise they do and how it helps them.
 - Internet Training Guide* based on NIHSeniorHealth and MedlinePlus that teaches older adults how to use the Internet and search for credible health information online.

Announcements/Reminders

- **Ed Core Special Populations Projects Chart**

Thanks for your quick responses! For additional copies of the chart, stop by the ADEAR table or contact Jennifer Watson (jwatson@jbs1.com).

- **Published Papers and Media**

Don't forget to give the NIA Communications office a heads up about papers **before they are published**. Call Vicky Cahan at 301/496-1752.

- **Clinical Trials Registration**

Send us your studies and trials for the AD clinical trials database and ADEAR staff will also input your study into ClinicalTrials.gov. For more information, contact Pat Lynch or ADEAR Librarian Jill Chance (jchance@jbs1.com).

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