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Prevention of falls in acute care**  
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- 341** **Laurie M. Gunter (March 5,  
1922–June 15, 2015)**  
*Ann Kolanowski*

## FEATURE ARTICLES

- 342** **Patient falls in hospitals: An  
increasing problem**  
*Thomas P. Weil*

Despite six decades of worldwide efforts, there has been an increase (estimated to be 46% per 1,000 patient days from 1954–6 to 2006–10) in the number of patient falls in hospitals and other healthcare facilities.

- 348** **Caregiver distress and associated  
factors in dementia care in the  
community setting in China**  
*Jing Wang, Lily Dongxia Xiao, Xiaomei Li,  
Anita De Bellis, and Shahid Ullah*

The high level of caregiver distress identified in this study suggests that dementia services and caregiver support should be established in the public healthcare system to target the needs of people with dementia and their caregivers.

- 355** **Perceived barriers to infection  
prevention and control for nursing  
home certified nursing assistants:  
A qualitative study**  
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Monika Pogorzelska-Maziarz,  
Eileen Carter, Catherine C. Cohen,  
Patricia K. Semeraro,  
Ragnhildur I. Bjarnadottir, and  
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Five key themes emerged as perceived barriers to effective infection prevention and control for nursing home certified nursing assistants: 1) language/culture; 2) knowledge/training; 3) per-diem/part-time staff; 4) workload; and 5) accountability.

- 361** **Neuromotor training in older women  
living in long-term care setting:  
A pilot study**  
*Paolo R. Brustio, Daniele Magistro,  
Stefano Ivaldi, Marcella M. Caglio,  
Emanuela Rabaglietti, and  
Monica E. Liubicich*

The intervention group showed steady and significant improvements in mobility, ADL and fear of falling after the intervention, but the control group did not exhibit significant changes.

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No standardized protocols to address polypharmacy specific to the primary care setting were identified in this review of the literature.



- 372 The effectiveness of group reminiscence therapy for loneliness, anxiety and depression in older adults in long-term care:**

**A systematic review**

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Notwithstanding the lack of empirical evidence, as there are no reported adverse events to reminiscence therapy, and it can be practically implemented in long term care settings, it should certainly be considered a worthwhile treatment.

- 381 Nutritional profile of older adults with chronic venous leg ulcers: A pilot study**

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A multidisciplinary treatment approach that includes routine dietary assessments followed by tailored dietary interventions may improve wound healing and long-term health outcomes in this older adult population.

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