

**Conference on Aging and Healthcare in the Macroeconomy**  
**August 12-13, 2022**  
Sponsored by  
**The Laboratory for Aggregate Economics and Finance**  
**University of California, Santa Barbara**

**Conference Schedule**

*\*speakers are highlighted in author listings\**

**Friday, August 12 (morning)**

9:00-9:15      **Welcome Remarks by LAEF Director Finn Kydland**

9:15-10:00    **The Downward Spiral** (with Jeremy Greenwood and Nezih Guner)  
**Karen Kopecky (Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta)**

*10:00-10:15   Break*

10:15-11:00   **Financing Universal Health Care: Premiums or Payroll Taxes?** (with Hans Fehr)  
**Maria Feldman (University of Wuerzburg)**

*11:00-11:15   Break*

11:15-12:00   **Health Risk, Insurance and Optimal Progressive Income Taxation**  
(with Chung Tran)  
**Juergen Jung (Towson University)**

*12:00-1:30    Group Photo followed by Lunch Served at Louie's Bistro*

**Friday, August 12 (afternoon)**

**1:30-2:15      Dynamic Pricing Regulation and Welfare in Insurance Markets (with Naoki Aizawa)**  
**Ami Ko (Georgetown University)**

*2:15-2:30      Break*

**2:30-3:15      The Impact of U.S. Employer-sponsored Insurance in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century**  
**(with Gajendran Raveendranathan)**  
**Vegard Nygaard (University of Houston)**

*3:15-3:30      Break*

**3:30-4:15      Understanding Cross-country Differences in Health Status and Expenditures (with**  
**François Langot, Pierre-Carl Michaud, and Thepthida Sopraseuth)**  
**Raquel Fonseca (ESG, University of Quebec)**

*4:15-4:30      Break*

**4:30-5:15      Aging Versus Market Concentration: Decomposing the Rise in Health Services**  
**Prices (with Maria Feldman)**  
**Nick Pretnar (UCSB)**

*8:00      Dinner at Opal Restaurant & Bar, 1325 State Street*

**Saturday, August 13**

9:45-10:30     **The Fiscal and Welfare Effects of Policy Responses to the Covid-19 School Closures**  
(with Nicola Fuchs-Schündeln, André Kurmann, Etienne Lalé, Alexander Ludwig, and Irina Popova)  
**Dirk Krueger (University of Pennsylvania)**

*10:30-10:45   Break*

10:45-11:30   **Health Shocks and the Evolution of Earnings over the Life-Cycle**  
(with Michael Keane and Shiko Maruyama)  
**Elena Capatina (Australian National University)**

*11:30-11:45   Break*

11:45-12:30   **Revisiting Retirement and Social Security Claiming Decisions**  
(with Kathleen McKiernane)  
**Neha Bairoliya (USC)**

*12:30-1:45   Lunch Served at Louie's Bistro*

1:45-2:30     **Medical Expenses and Saving in Retirement: The Case of U.S. and Sweden**  
(with Irina Telyukova)  
**Makoto Nakajima (Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia)**

*2:30-2:45   Break*

2:45-3:30     **Why Do Couples and Singles Save During Retirement?**  
(with Eric French, John Bailey Jones, and Rory McGee)  
**Mariacristina De Nardi (University of Minnesota)**

*3:30-3:45   Break*

3:45-4:30     **Gender Inequalities in the Dynamics of Health and Employment near Retirement**  
(with Richard Blundell, Jack Britton, and Monica Costa Dias)  
**Eric French (Cambridge University)**

**Conference Organizers:** Tim Kehoe, Vegard Nygaard, and Nick Pretnar