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The CDC Nursing Home COVID-19 Immunization Initiative: An Amazing Success Story

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Keynote Speaker

Ruth Link-Gelles, PhD, MPH

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Moderator

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Introductions

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Dr. Ruth Link-Gelles will discuss the massive effort and success story of the CDC in immunizing nursing home and long-term care facility residents against COVID-19 following vaccine approval in the United States.

The [HCSRN-OAICs AGING Initiative](#) is an NIA-funded joint endeavor of the Health Care Systems Research Network (HCSRN) and the Claude D. Pepper Older Americans Independence Centers (OAICs) to create a national resource to advance interdisciplinary research focused on older adults with multiple chronic conditions (MCCs). The [American Geriatrics Society \(AGS\)](#) is a nationwide, not-for-profit society of over 6,000 geriatrics healthcare professionals dedicated to improving the health, independence, and quality of life of older people. The [Research Centers Collaborative Network \(RCCN\)](#) is an NIA-funded network that aims to initiate new cross-disciplinary collaborative networks that bring together key thought leaders from each of the six NIA center programs to uncover synergies and insights that lead to novel collaborations.

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