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Epidemiology of Aging: The St Louis African American Health Cohort?

ABSTRACT

The African American Health study (AAH) is an NIA-funded cohort study of the predictors of disability now in its 10th year of follow-up. AAH is a multistage probability sample of 998 African Americans aged 59 to 65 years at baseline living in St. Louis, Missouri and in nearby suburbs. There have been three in-person, in-home assessments including interviews and functional measurements. Neighborhood characteristics are a key hypothesized risk factor for decreasing function and increased risk of disability. Dr. Andresen will provide an overview of AAH methods and measures, and key results, specifically functional decline and falling.

Food and beverages will be provided.