

ESS-ORN (ESS Opportunities in Retirement Network) is a special interest committee of the ESS. We provide a forum for the discussion of issues related to aging and retirement and represent the interests of retired members to the ESS. We are putting out a call for papers on any topics related to retirement or aging for the 2022 meetings in Boston

We are interested in a variety of formats which make our session unique. We will consider a discussion of research in progress or research, research being planned for which presenter wants to discuss research issues or research findings. We also encourage papers which look at more personal issues such as caregiving. We are especially interested in papers that deal with the impact of covid on seniors. Examples of possible topics are:

Housing -- To what extent, if any, is housing for seniors a problem? What if anything is the community doing? Are there alternative living arrangements available such as co-housing or apartment sharing options available?

Transportation -- To what extent, if any is it a problem in your community?

Caregiving - this can include personal experiences or a discussion

Dealing with illness and death of friends and family

Loneliness- any and all of the above can result in loneliness- how are people coping?

Grandparenting -- How is it different from parenting and what are the experiences of grandparents who are the sole caretakers of their grandchildren

IRB As retired faculty do you have problems getting IRB approval for research you want to do? What are some solutions?

Moving Into Retirement Communities/Assisted Living - How are these decisions made? How do people feel about it?

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