


Yale Workshop and Journal of Aging & Social Policy (JASP) Special Issue on Aging and End of Life Care: Global Perspectives on Care Provision, Quality, Costs, and Technology

 Venue: Seminar Room A002, 77 Prospect St
Yale University Institution for Social and Policy Studies

 10–11 November 2025

Day 1 – Monday, 10 November 2025

09:00 – 09:15

Welcome and introduction: **Xi Chen (Yale University)**

Opening Remarks: **Terri Fried (Yale University)**
Bei Wu (New York University)

Session 1: Advance Directives and End-of-Life Planning

Chair: **Wei Yang (King's College London)**

09:15 – 09:45 **Yifan Lou (Virginia Commonwealth University)**, Zhuoer Lin, Bei Wu, Zoljargalan Gantumur, Xi Chen – Does Cognitive Misperception Impact the Timing of Advance Directive Completion?

09:45 – 10:15 **Kaipeng Wang (University of Denver)**, Anao Zhang, and Bei Wu – Advance Directive Completion among Older Southeast Asian Americans: The Case of Vietnamese and Filipino Populations

10:15 – 10:45 **Yuting Qian (Yale University)**, Jonathan Skinner, Jason Hockenberry, and Xi Chen – The Impact of Timely Dementia Diagnosis on End-of-Life Planning: Evidence from HRS–Medicare Linked Data

10:45 – 11:00 Coffee Break

Session 2: Cognition, Frailty, and End-of-Life Care Utilization

Chair: **Huiwen Xu (Emory University)**

11:00 – 11:30 **Mengyao Wang (Yale University)** and Chenkai Wu – Frailty and End-of-Life Care Utilization and Costs: Comparative Evidence from China and Mexico

11:30 – 12:00 Xin Feng, Chengxu Long, and **Wei Yang (King's College London)** – Place of Death and End-of-Life Expenditures Among Older Adults in China

12:00 – 12:30 **Ming Gu (Kunshan Duke University)**, Xian Zhang, Jiayin Bian, Kate Bundorf, and Lijing Yan – Beyond Autonomy: The Role of Cognitive Impairment in Shaping End-of-Life Care Intensity

12:30 – 13:30 Lunch Break

Session 3: Dementia, Family Decision-Making, and Cultural Contexts

Chair: **Xi Chen (Yale University)**

13:30 – 14:00 **Jing Wang (University of New Hampshire)**, Jiang Huang, Bei Wu, Laura Hanson, Dena Schulman-Green, Yaolin Pei – Family Communication and Decision-Making in Feeding Options for Chinese American Persons with Advanced Dementia

14:00 – 14:30 **Annabel Farnood (King's College London)**, Ankita Bhojwani, Bridget Johnston, Nathan Davies, Charles Reilly, Catherine Evans– Co-Designing a Virtual Platform to Support Family Carers for People with Dementia

14:30 – 15:00 **Yixuan Wang (Colorado State University)**, Xiaoyi Zeng, and Jennifer Currin-McCulloch – The Prospect of Assisted Dying Policy in Mainland China: Implications for Culturally Responsive End-of-Life Care

15:00 – 15:20 Coffee Break, Group Photo

Session 4: Early Career “Egg Timer” Presentations (10 minutes each)

Chair: **Hanzhang Xu (Duke University)**

15:20 – 15:30 **Xian Zhang (University of Rochester)** – Cognitive Frailty and Socioeconomic Disparities in End-of-Life Care: Evidence from Three Countries

15:30 – 15:40 Xiaoyi Zeng, Peiyuan Zhang, Jing Wang, Dena Schulman-Green, Bei Wu, Laura Hanson, **Yaolin Pei (The University of Texas at Austin)** – Culturally Responsive Practices Supporting Chinese American Family Caregivers’ Feeding Decisions in Advanced Dementia: A Qualitative Study

15:40 – 15:50 **Peiyuan Zhang (University of Alabama)**, Xiaoyi Zeng, Jing Wang, Bei Wu, Dena Schulman-Green, Laura Hanson, Yaolin Pei – Sociocultural Considerations in Decision-Making on Feeding Options among Chinese Americans with Advanced Dementia

15:50 – 16:00 Discussion, Q&A

16:00 – 18:00 Campus Tour

18:00 Dinner, by Invitation

Day 2 – Tuesday, 11 November 2025

Session 5: Policy, Systems, and Technology in End-of-Life Care

Chair: **Fei Sun (Michigan State University)**

9:00 – 9:30 **Jiameng Yuan (Duke University)**, Marcus Eng Hock, and Hanzhang Xu
– Early Identification of End-of-Life Patients in Emergency Care: A Retrospective Machine Learning Study from Singapore

9:30 – 10:00 **Ellis Dillon (University of Connecticut)**, Doreek Charles, Germin Soliman, Julie Robison– Nursing Home, Hospice Agency, and Healthcare Policy Influences on Hospice Care for Individuals with Nursing Home Stays Near the End of Life

10:00 – 10:30 Fei Sun, Jin Ke, and **Jun Chu (University of Maryland)** – Preliminary Effects of China's 2017 Hospice Care Policy on End-of-Life Patient Outcomes, Caregiver Burden, and Healthcare Expenditures

10:30 – 11:00 **Anna Bone (King's College London)**, P May, M Dabbous, T Khatun, D Yi, CJ Evans, J Bayly, N Gough, M Ogden, C Ewart, C Ellis-Smith, IJ Higginson– Integrated Palliative Care for Older Adults with Advanced Disease in Care Homes: A Multi-Method Study with Early Economic Analysis

Session 6: Reflections and Next Steps for the JASP Special Issue

11:00 – 11:30 Discussions: Guest Editors, Authors, Reviewers

11:30 – 11:40 Closing Remarks: **Wei Yang (King's College London)**

11:40 – Boxed Lunch, Departure