CCHA has completed in this past 5 years a process of renovation, from leadership to the expansion of its core mission, and finally its name — soon to become the Integrative Center for Aging Research (ICAR)*.

This process of renovation has culminated with a new partnership between three UAB centers dedicated to aging research — the CCHA, the Nathan Shock Center, and the Alzheimer’s Disease Center.

**NEW PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES**

### Intégrated Aging Symposium

**Partnering for Growth & Visibility**

The ICAR initiative has brought together multiple centers across campus to create a 2-day Aging Symposium with national visibility. The aim of this new Symposium is twofold — provide UAB researchers with the opportunity to attend a high-level scientific symposium at UAB, and to increase visibility of all UAB’s aging research programs and researchers at the national level.

**Free Registration!! - Registration is required (limited space available)**

- **UAB Alumni House**
  (Morning & afternoon sessions)
  UAB National Alumni Society House
  1801 10th Ave S, Birmingham, AL 35205

- **The Florentine Building**
  (Evening poster session, hors d’oeuvres & awards)
  2101 2nd Ave N, Birmingham, AL 35220

### ICAR-Lead Grants

The newly named ICAR will increase efforts to pursue external funding. CCHA was key in the initial steps to build the team that will be submitting this fall an NIH P30 application to make UAB a hub to train the next generation of scientist and clinician scientists working on Aging.

**AMC21 Multi-Investigator - Planning grant 2018-2020 (Funded by UAB SOM)**

UAB Claude D. Pepper Center Older Americans Independence Centers
Hospital Associated Disability
Grant Submission – October 2019. This P30 will provide resources for development of aging researchers, including mentoring, pilot funding, core resources, and network support

### ICAR-Pilot Funding and Vouchers Program

ICAR will provide multiple initiatives to promote the growth of aging research at UAB, foster collaboration, support new project development, and create a true pipeline for future growth.

- **Integrative aging pilot awards** — a central mechanism for submission to the specific themes of the Center (clinical/epidemiology, basic biology, Alzheimer’s disease), and provide specific support to multi-disciplinary projects within aging research.

- **Research Voucher Program** — offered year-round to provide goal-oriented limited support for specific services, such as UAB lab cores and other central services focused on the development of pilot data for extramural grant applications

**Interested in becoming a Member?**

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