

KEY-NOTE SPEECH

Health and retirement: a structural interpretation

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3:30 – 5:00 PM

In this talk, Prof. French will highlight the simultaneity between health and retirement from a structural perspective, describe the mechanisms through which health affects labor supply, and discuss how they interact with public pensions and public health insurance. He will then discuss recent econometric analyses that have aimed to understand causal mechanisms of actions and effect in these relationships.

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