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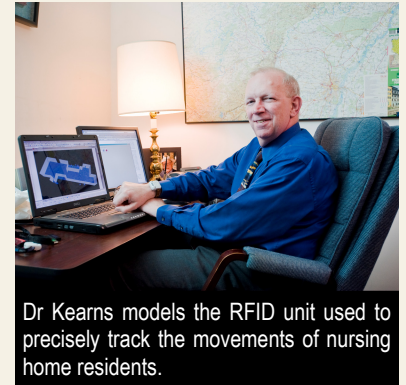


William Kearns Receives Excellence in Innovation Award

William Kearns, PhD, was recently notified by the USF Office of Research & Innovation that he has been selected to receive the 2011 Excellence in Innovation Award. The selection committee stated that they were very impressed by his research, innovative activities and accomplishments.

Dr. Kearns' research involves use of advanced tracking technologies and fractal mathematics to detect variations in human movement which may be indicative of cognitive and/or physical decline. He, along with James Fozard (School of Aging Studies) and Eleftherios Kostis (Comp Data, Inc.) invented a device entitled "Human and Physical Asset Movement Pattern Analyzer" that received a US Patent in July of this year.

Kearns will receive his award at the 3rd Annual USF Chapter of the National Academy of Inventors Luncheon to be held on October 21, 2011.



Dr Kearns models the RFID unit used to precisely track the movements of nursing home residents.