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Research Overview Calendar Year 2017

Vision

Stronger Communities Healthy People Our Tradition

Mission

The Texas A&M School of Public Health is committed to transforming health through interdisciplinary inquiry, innovative solutions, and development of leaders through the Aggie tradition of service to engage diverse communities worldwide.

Values

Accountability:

Meaningful Impact

Global and diverse:

Our research crosses borders

Generosity:

Through selfless service

Integrity:

In everything we do

Excellence:

In teaching, research, service, and practice

Social Justice

Professionalism:

Leaders paving the way

Honor:

Respect for all

Purpose: Research is an integral part of the Texas A&M School of Public Health mission and activities with the majority of the nearly 70 faculty members engaged in sponsored research and service activities. This report summarizes School of Public Health faculty projects, publications, presentations, and research interests during Calendar Year 2017.

Highlights: Calendar Year 2017 was marked by number of key highlights including growth in research expenditures and number of publications; expansion of programs designed to provide pilot funding support; and establishment of new programs with an emphasis on global health.

Initiatives: In an effort to provide seed funding for innovative and promising research, the School of Public Health awarded the third round of the Delta Omega Research and Development Initiative (REDI) pilot grants in May 2017. Awarded through a competitive application and external review process, four SPH investigators received awards of \$25,000 each to support their respective research projects.

New Funding: A number of large scale highly competitive grants and contracts were secured during the year from diverse funders including the Cancer Prevention Research Institute of Texas (CPRIT), National Science Foundation (NSF), National Institutes of Health (NIH), United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), State of Texas, and private foundations including the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. A few of the many awards received by SPH investigators from across departments are noted below. A full listing of awards is included this report.

Dr. Jane Bolin (Co-PI), David McClellan (PI). Continuation/Expansion of Texas A&M's Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention Program for Underserved Women through a Family Medicine Residency, CPRIT

Dr. Jennifer Horney, Dr. Thomas McDonald (Core Pls) [Ivan Rusyn, Primary Pl].Superfund: Comprehensive Tools and Models for Addressing Exposure to Mixtures during Environmental Emergency-Related Contamination Events Community Engagement Core and Translational Research Core, NIH/NIEHS

Dr. Natalie Johnson. *Mechanisms of Particulate Matter Driven Infant Respiratory Disease,* Outstanding New Environmental Scientist (ONES), NIH/NIEHS

Dr. Hye Chung Kum. Privacy Preserving Interactive Record Linkages (PPIRL), Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI)

Dr. E. Lisako McKyer. Evaluation of the Texas Rape Prevention and Education Program, CDC through the Office of the Attorney General of Texas

Dr. Darcy McMaughan. Developing a Provider Tool to Improve Health Care Transition Outcomes through the Promotion of Medical Homes for CSHCN, Texas Department of State Health Services

Dr. Ranjana Mehta. RAPID: Human-Robotic Interactions during Hurricane Harvey Recovery Operations, National Science Foundation (NSF)

Dr. Barbara Quiram (PI), Dr. David Washburn (Co-PI). Weaving the Tasina Luta: A Community-based Participatory Research Approach to Implementation and Engagement with a Tribal Public Health Plan, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Dr. Joseph Sharkey. Empowering Rural Communities and Families: Prevention Chronic Disease Through Experiential Nutrition and Education in Limited-Resource Children and Their Families in the Rural North Olympic Peninsula of Washington, United States Department of Agriculture National Institute of Food and Agriculture (USDA NIFA)

New Programs: During 2017, a number of new programs were formally established at SPH to enable researchers with similar interests to coalesce research interests, expertise, and projects. *The Program on Public and International Engagement for Health (PIEH)* was approved in Spring 2017. Under the direction of Dr. Bernard Appiah, Department of Environmental and Occupational Health, the program's mission is to facilitate transformative learning and scholarship in public engagement globally. The *Program in Global Health Research* was approved in Fall 2017. Under the direction of Dr. Brian Colwell, Health Promotion and Community Health Sciences, the program advances public health research, dissemination of findings, and translation of research into practice across the world.

Student Awards and Recognition: During 2017, the school selected the winners of the Student Research Excellence Award. This award recognizes outstanding students who have demonstrated excellence in the design, conduct, execution, and impact of research. The 2017 winners were Louise Myatt (master's level winner) and Amber Trueblood (doctoral level winner). Also, in Spring 2017, SPH students participated in SPH's 12th Annual Student Research Poster Contest. The top two winners were invited to compete for slots at the National Delta Omega Sponsored Student Poster Contest held at APHA in Fall 2017.

Research Enhancement & Development Initiative

The Texas A&M School of Public Health strives to support faculty in their research activities, including assistance in the development of new extramurally supported investigator-initiated research. The Delta Omega Research Enhancement and Development Initiative (REDI) program provides small pilot funding awards to SPH investigators in support of innovative, novel, and interdisciplinary ideas with a high probability of leading to significant external funding.

2017 Award Grantees



Pictured Left to Right: Timothy Callaghan, S. Camille Peres, Itza Mendoza, and Nicholas Taylor

Timothy Callaghan, PhD, Health Policy and Management Community Health Workers Experience with Hispanic/Latino Health Access

S. Camille Peres, PhD, Environmental and Occupational Health Expertise Acquisition with Industrial Tasks: How Does Procedure Use Change and When

Itza Mendoza-Sanchez, PhD, Environmental and Occupational Health Bacterial kinetics and antibiotic resistance in soils due to antibiotic contamination

Nicholas Taylor, **PhD**, Epidemiology and Biostatistics

Integrative gene expression profiling of primary colorectal cancer and adjacent extratumoral microenvironment

Research Centers and Programs



Center for Community Health Development established initially as a CDC funded Prevention Research Center Co-Director: Jim Burdine, DrPH Co-Director: Lisako McKyer, PhD





Center for Health Organization Transformation NSF Industry/University Cooperative Research Centers Program Director, PI: Bita Kash, PhD

Program on Disability Research & **Community-Based Care** Director: Darcy McMaughan, PhD



Center for Population Health and Aging funded by multiple external grants Founding Director: Marcia Ory, PhD, MPH Co-Director: Matthew L Smith, PhD, MPH

Program on Global Health Research Director: Brian Colwell, PhD



Program for Health Policy Research Director: Michael Morrissey, PhD





The Ergonomics Center funded by multiple external grants Director, PI: Mark Benden, PhD Co-Director: Adam Pickens, PhD

Program on Public & International Engagement for Health Director: Bernard Appiah, DrPH, MDC, MS, BPharm



Southwest Rural Health Research Center established with funding from the Federal Office of Rural Health Policy Director: Jane Bolin, PhD, JD, RN Co-Director: Alva Ferdinand, PhD

Program for Reproductive Health & Child Health Director: Brandie Taylor, PhD



Program for Research & Outreach Engagement on Nutrition & Health Disparities Solutions Director: Joseph R Sharkey, PhD, MPH

USA Center for Rural Public Health Preparedness funded by multiple external grants Director, PI: Barbara Quiram, PhD

Program for The Environment & Sustainability Director: Virender Sharma, PhD



Appiah, Bernard. Identifying Culturally Relevant Interventions to Increase Medication Adherence among Adults with Diabetes or Hypertension, Delta Omega Research Enhancement and Development Initiative Program (REDI), School of Public Health Pilot Funding Program, \$25,000 (2016-2017).

Appiah, Bernard. Using cellphone caller tunes to promote blood donation in Sub-Saharan Africa: A feasibility study in Ghana, Texas A&M PESCA Grant Program, \$10,000 (2016-2017).

Appiah, Bernard. Children Against Antimicrobial Resistance: An Engagement Project in Ghana, Wellcome Trust, \$43,852 (2016-2017).

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Appiah, Bernard. Children Against Antimicrobial Resistance: An Engagement Project in Ghana, Wellcome Trust, \$43,852 (2016-2018).

Appiah, Bernard. Radio for Integrated Health and Agriculture in Ghana (RIHAG), Texas A&M Agrilife, USAID, \$25,000 (2017 -2018).*

Benden, Mark. Texas A&M University Occupational Safety & Health Training Program (competitive 5 year renewal), NIOSH, \$516,453 (2012-2018) [ERGC].

Benden, Mark. Impact of Varidesk[®] usage and gamification concept on sedentary behavior at Texas A&M University, Varidesk, \$50,000 (2017-2018) [ERGC].*

Benden, Mark. External Safety Support, Texas Transportation Institute, \$75,000 (2010-2017) [ERGC].

Benden, Mark. Use of Stand-Site Workstations: Does the Implementation of Behavioral Interventions Increase the Usage of Site-Stand Desks, Office of Ergonomics Research Committee, \$25,500 (2016-2017) [ERGC].* **Bolin, Jane.** CPRIT Dissemination: Training CHWs for Cancer Education and Navigation, Cancer Prevention & Research Institute of Texas (CPRIT), \$300,000 (2015 -2018) [SRHRC and CCHD].

Bolin, Jane. Addressing Rural Health Challenges and Disparities: An Episcopal Health Foundation & Texas A&M Partnership to Meet the Needs of Underserved Texas Counties, Episcopal Health Foundation, \$129,325 (2016-2018) [SRHRC].

Bolin, Jane and Alva Ferdinand.Southwest Rural Health Research Center: Rural Health Research Grant Program

Cooperative Agreement, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), \$2,800,000 (2016-2020) [SRHRC].

Bolin, Jane. Southwest Rural Health Research Center, Year 1 Project 4, The Burden of Diabetes in Rural America, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), \$122,377 (2016-2017) [SRHRC].

Bolin, Jane. Southwest Rural Health Research Center, Year 2 Project 4, Rural/ Urban Differences in Chronic Diseases and Delay of Needed Care, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), \$122,004 (2017-2018) [SRHRC].*

Bolin, Jane, Co-PI (McClellan, David, PI). Enhanced Breast & Cervical Cancer Prevention for Low-Income and Underserved Using Trans-disciplinary Collaboration in a Family Medicine Setting, Cancer Prevention & Research Institute of Texas (CPRIT), \$1,499,993 (2013-2017) [SRHRC].

Bolin, Jane, Co-PI (McClellan, David, PI). Continuation and Expansion of Texas A&M's Colorectal Cancer Screening, Training, Education, and Prevention Program, Cancer Prevention & Research Institute of Texas (CPRIT), \$1,500,000 (2014-2018) [SRHRC].

Bolin, Jane, Co-PI (McClellan, David, PI). Continuation/Expansion of Texas A&M's Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention Program for Underserved Women through a Family Medicine Residency, Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas, \$1,350,000 (2017-2020) [SRHRC].*

Burdine, James N. Developing a Statewide Health Impact Index for Informing Health-In-All-Policies Decision Making at State and Local Levels, Texas Medical Center Foundation, \$37,500 (2017-2018) [CCHD].* **Burdine, James N.** Brazos Valley Community Health Resource Center: A Case Study, Episcopal Health Foundation, \$71,669 (2017-2018) [CCHD].*

Callaghan, Timothy. Community Health Worker Experiences with Hispanic/Latino Health Access, Delta Omega Research Enhancement and Development Initiative Program (REDI), School of Public Health Pilot Funding Program, \$25,000 (2017-2018).*

Carrillo, Genny. Community-based Pediatric Asthma Education and Intervention, Knapp Community Care Foundation, \$374,042 (2015-2017).

Carrillo, Genny. Asthma Education and Outreach Delivery Model Program, Raul Tijerina Jr. Foundation, \$25,000 (2015-2017).

Carrillo, Genny. Health Outcomes of Water Insecurity in Urban Mexico: A Pilot Project, Texas A&M University CONACYT Program, \$24,000 (2018-2018).*

Cizmas, Leslie. Impact of Nanoparticles on the Formation and Toxicity of Disinfection Byproducts during Water Chlorination, Delta Omega Research Enhancement and Development Initiative Program (REDI), School of Public Health Pilot Funding Program, \$25,000 (2016-2017).

Colwell, **Brian**. *Youth Tobacco Education Project*, Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), \$713,393 (2003-2019).

Colwell, Brian. ConDev, Texas A&M University & USAID/DRC Partnership: Evaluation of the Kinshasa School of Public Health, United States Agency for International Development (USAID), \$293,789 (2015-2018).

Ferdinand, Alva. Examining the Impact of Gun Control Laws on Firearm-Related Morbidity and Mortality, Delta Omega Research Enhancement and Development Initiative Program (REDI), School of Public Health Pilot Funding Program, \$25,000 (2016-2017).

Ferdinand, Alva. Southwest Rural Health Research Center, Year 1 Project 2: Examining the Legal Landscape in Rural America: Implications for the Healthcare Workforce, Access to Care, and Population Health, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), \$130,897 (2016-2018) [SRHRC].

Ferdinand, Alva and Michael Morrisey. Southwest Rural Health Research Center, Year 2 Project 2: Malpractice Claims Among Rural and Urban Providers: Do State Telehealth Laws Make a Difference?, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), \$100,523 (2017-2018) [SRHRC].*

Garcia, Tanya. Innovative Statistical Models for Development of First Huntington's Disease Progression Risk Assessment Tool (K01 award), National Institutes of Health/National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, \$557,406 (2016-2019).

Garcia, Tanya. Identifying High-Dimensional Neuroim- aging Biomarkers Associated with Huntington's Disease Motor-Onset, Delta Omega Research Enhancement and Development Initiative Program (REDI), School of Public Health Pilot Funding Program, \$25,000 (2015-2017).

Gorman, Dennis. External Evaluation of the AFC -Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP), Ambassadors for Christ, Inc, \$132,000 (2012-2017).

Han, Gang. Improved Survival Analysis in Personalized Cancer Therapy Trials, Delta Omega Research Enhancement and Development Initiative Program (REDI), School of Public Health Pilot Funding Program, \$25,000 (2016-2017).

Han, Gang. Biostatistical Research Support Services, Yale, \$9,000 (2017-2018).*

Han, Gang. A Multi-Institutional Analysis of Programmed Cell Death Ligand-1 (PD-L1), National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN), \$4,646 (2017). *

Hong, Alicia. Health-Related Mobile Use Among Older Adults with Chronic Conditions, Delta Omega Research Enhancement and Development Initiative Program (REDI), School of Public Health Pilot Funding Program, \$25,000 (2015-2017).

Hong, Y. Alicia. The trend of digital divide and health disparities in US: A longitudinal study of eHealth behavior and policy in the past decade, Texas A&M University PESCA Program, \$25,000 (2017-2018).*

Horney, Jennifer. Implementing the Disaster Recovery Tracking Tool, subaward from the University of North Carolina (prime is Department of Homeland Security), \$271,889 (2016-2018).

Horney, Jennifer. Utilizing Secondary Data to Assess the Health and Health System Impacts of Natural and Technological Disasters in the Gulf, National Academy of Science, \$181,206 (2015-2017).

Horney, Jennifer. Perceptions of Community Resilience in Texas Coastal Shoreline Counties, subaward from Texas A&M University Sea Grant Program (prime is National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration National Sea Grant Office), \$22,886 (2016-2018).

Horney, Jennifer. Texas OneGulf Strategic Environmental, Human Health and Safety: Disaster Research Response, subaward from Texas A&M University Corpus Christi (prime is Texas Commission on Environmental Quality), \$171,693 (2016 -2017).

Horney, Jennifer. EAGER-Citizen Science for Infrastructure Monitoring at the Neighborhood Level, subaward from TEES (prime is National Science Foundation), \$2,706 (2016-2018).

Horney, Jennifer. NSF REU: Cyber-HealthGIS - Research Experiences at the Intersection of Cyber Infrastructure, GIS Science, Computer Science and Health, subaward from Texas A&M University (prime is National Science Foundation), \$14,611 (2016-2018).

Horney, Jennifer. Pilot Project: Improving research translation via family-based risk communication: Health risks from exposure to recreational areas in Houston contaminated by Hurricane Harvey flooding, Center for Translational Environmental Health Research (CTEHR) [Prime is NIH], \$72,130 (2017-2018).*

Horney, Jennifer. Superfund: Comprehensive Tools and Models for Addressing Exposure to Mixtures During Environmental Emergency-Related Contamination Events (Community Engagement Core), NIEHS, \$573,278 (2017-2022).*

Horney, Jennifer. RESTORE: Centers of Excellence, subaward from Texas A&M University Corpus Christi (prime is Federal Department of Treasury), \$167,036 (2015-2018).

Horney, Jennifer (sub PI). Prioritizing Risks from Oil Spills, National Academy of Sciences, \$14,703 (2017-2018).* Johnson, Natalie. Mechanisms of Particulate Matter Driven Infant Respiratory Disease, NIH/NIEHS R01 Outstanding New Environmental Scientist Award (ONES), \$2,135,924 (2017-2021).*

Johnson, Natalie. Pilot Project: Maternal Benzene Exposure following Hurricane Harvey, Center for Translational Environmental Health Research (CTEHR) [Prime is NIH], \$43,650 (2017-2018).*

Kash, Bita. Innovative Managing Director, National Science Foundation I/UCRC, \$576.815 (2014-2019) [CHOT].

Kash, Bita. Center for Health Organization Transformation (CHOT) Renewal, National Science Foundation I/UCRC, \$367,300 (2014-2019) [CHOT].

Kash, Bita. Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU), National Science Foundation I/UCRC, \$40,000 (2014-2019) [CHOT].

Kash, Bita. CHOT: The Cost of Postoperative Delirium, American Society of Anesthesiologists, \$150,000 (2016-2019) [CHOT].

Kash, Bita. Evaluation of Remote Patient Monitoring in Various Settings, Texas Children's Hospital, \$150,000 (2016-2019) [CHOT].

Kash, Bita. Effectiveness of Population Health Programs and Technology Tools, H.E.B., Inc, \$150,000 (2016-2019) [CHOT].

Kash, Bita. Customer Service at Central Texas Veterans Health Care System's Austin Outpatient Clinic (VA), Central Texas Veterans Health Care System, \$150,000 (2015-2018) [CHOT].

Kash, Bita. The Role of Disparities in 30 - Day Hospital Readmission Rates, Main Line Health, \$150,000 (2015-2018) [CHOT].

Kash, Bita. Future Models of Cancer Care: Implications for Space and Design, HKS, Inc, \$25,000 (2016-2017) [CHOT].

Kash, Bita. Exploring Future Models of Care Delivery in Texas, Texas A&M Health Science Center College of Medicine, \$50,000 (2016-2017) [CHOT].

Kash, Bita. Virtual Care Clinics: What Can We Learn from Early Adopters, Carena Health, \$50,000 (2016-2017) [CHOT].

Kash, Bita. CHOT: Site Contribution, University of Washington, \$20,000 (2017-2018) [CHOT].*

Kash, Bita. CHOT: Site Contribution, Florida Atlantic University, \$20,000 (2017-2018) [CHOT].*

Kash, Bita. Development of Face-To-Face Training Course Curriculum, International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), \$17,258 (2016-2018) [CHOT].

Kash, Bita. The Texas Project: Transitions Explored and Studies: Using Data to Prevention Readmissions in the Texas Medical Center, Texas Medical Foundation, \$48,960 (2016-2017) [CHOT].

Kash, Bita. Translating the Healthy South Texas Vision into a Framework for Action and Research, Coastal Bend Health Education Center, \$150,000 (2015-2018) [CHOT].

Kum, Hye Chung. Virtual Social Genome Data Library: A Secure Data Infrastructure for Population Informatics; Seed Grant for Interdisciplinary Research in Big Data, TEES, Texas A&M University, and Texas A&M Health Science Center, \$50,000 (2016-2017).

Kum, Hye Chung. Leveraging Motor Vehicle Crash, subaward from the Texas Transportation Institute (prime is Centers for Disease Control and Prevention), \$390,331 (2016-2018).

Kum, Hye Chung. Privacy Preserving Interactive Record Linkages (PPIRL), Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI), \$1,019,641 (2017-2021).*

Kum, Hye Chung. EAGER: Collaborative Research: A Benchmark Data Linkage Repository, subaward from TEES (prime is National Science Foundation), \$39,928 (2017-2019).*

McDonald, Thomas. Superfund: Comprehensive Tools and Models for Addressing Exposure to Mixtures During Environmental Emergency-Related Contamination Events (Research Translation Core), NIEHS, \$324,430 (2017-2022).*

McKyer, E. Lisako. Go, Slow, Whoa! Utilizing a Food Labeling System to Make "Healthy" the Easy Choice, Texas Medical Foundation, \$57,464 (2016-2018).

McKyer, E. Lisako. Southwest Rural Health Research Center, Year 1 Project 1: Are Rural Mothers and Infants Benefitting from National Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Policy?, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), \$123,866 (2016-2017) [SRHRC].

McKyer, E. Lisako. DFPS Program Evaluation, subaward from Texas A&M AgriLife Research (prime is DSHS), \$154,851 (2016-2018) [CCHD].

McKyer, E. Lisako. NAATPN and HDEART Workshop of Tobacco & Cancer Disparities, The National African American Tobacco Prevention Network (NAATPN), \$45,000 (2016-2017).

McKyer, E. Lisako. Healthy Texas Babies Coalition Evaluation, Texas Department of State Health Services, \$400,000 (2015-2017) [CCHD].

McKyer, E. Lisako. Texas Rape Prevention and Education Evaluation, Office of the Attorney General of Texas (Prime is Centers for Disease Control and Prevention), \$467,505 (2017-2018) [CCHD].*

McKyer, E. Lisako. Southwest Rural Health Research Center, Year 2 Project 1: Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) 2009 Package Revisions on Participants in Rural Areas with Extreme Poverty Levels: Impact on Infant Breastfeeding, Infant Feeding, and Health Outcomes, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), \$123,797 (2017-2018) [SRHRC].*

McLeroy, Kenneth and Wilson, Kelly. Integrating Teen Pregnancy Prevention Innovative Practices (iTIP), Office of Adolescent Health, \$3,000,000 (2015-2017) [CCHD].

McMaughan, Darcy. STAR KIDS, Texas Health and Human Services Commission (TXHHSC), \$1,214,885 (2014-2017).

McMaughan, Darcy. STAR KIDS: Optimizing the Assessment Instrument, Texas Health and Human Services Commission (TXHHSC), \$524,882 (2014-2017). *

McMaughan, Darcy. Developing a Provider Tool to Improve Health Care Transition Outcomes Through the Promotion of Medical Homes for CSHCN, Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), \$180,000 (2017-2019). *

McMaughan, Darcy. Resident, Site, and Care Coordination Characteristics in Unlicensed Board and Care Homes: A Pilot Study in Houston, Texas, Delta Omega Research Enhancement and Development Initiative Program (REDI), School of Public Health Pilot Funding Program, \$25,000 (2016-2017).

McMaughan, Darcy. Southwest Rural Health Research Center, Year 1 Project 3: Provision of Skilled Nursing in Rural America: Skilled Nursing Facilities and Swing Beds, Health Resources and Services Administration, \$119,387 (2016-2017) [SRHRC].

McMaughan, Darcy. Southwest Rural Health Research Center, Year 2 Project 3: Quality Measures for Skilled Nursing Care in Rural Swing Beds: What Works and What Doesn't?, Health Resources and Services Administration, \$119,561 (2017-2018) [SRHRC].*

Mehta, Ranjana. *Obesity, Stress, and Neuromuscular Function in the Elderly,* NIH National Institute on Aging, \$347,527 (2015 -2018).

Mehta, Ranjana. Factoring in the Human in Offshore Operations: Forces for Scenario Planning, National Academy of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (NAS), \$199,398 (2016-2017).

Mehta, Ranjana. Cognitive Ergonomics Study: Project F Chairs, Herman Miller, \$64,877 (2017-2018).*

Mehta, Ranjana. RAPID: Human-Robotic Interactions During Hurricane Harvey Recovery Operations, National Science Foundation, \$117,579 (2017-2018).*

Mehta, Ranjana and Ashley Shortz. Development of Fatigue Risk Assessment Method for High Risk Environments, Southwest Center for Agriculture Health, Injury Prevention, and Education (SW Ag Center) [Prime is NIOSH], \$9,968 (2017-2018).*

Mendoza, Itza. Influence of contaminant antibiotics on antibiotic resistance in soils, Texas A&M University PESCA Program, \$25,000 (2017-2018).*

Mendoza, Itza. Spread of Contaminant Antibiotics and Antibiotic Resistance in Soils Due to Extreme Weather Events, Texas A&M University CONACYT Program, \$24,000 (2017-2018).*

Mendoza, Itza. Farmworkers Risk of Exposire to Antibiotic-resistant Bacteria in Soils, Southwest Center for Agriculture Health, Injury Prevention, and Education (SW Ag Center) [Prime is NIOSH], \$18,500 (2017-2018).*

Mendoza, Itza. Temporal Occurrence of Antibiotic-Resistant Genes in Public Areas Impacted by Hurricane Harvey, Center for Translational Environmental Health Research (CTEHR) [Prime is NIH], \$36,375 (2017-2018).*

Mendoza, Itza. Bacterial kinetic and antibiotic resistance in soils due to antibiotic contamination, Delta Omega Research Enhancement and Development Initiative Program (REDI), School of Public Health Pilot Funding Program, \$25,000 (2017-2018).*

Miller Nimmons, Katherine. Colonia Integrated Care Program: Valley Interprofessional Development and Services (VIDAS), The University of Texas Rio Grande (prime is United Health Foundation), \$40,576 (2015-2017) [CCHD].

Miller Nimmons, Katherine. Cancer Survivorship Curriculum Development and Implementation, Texas Department of State Health Services, \$91,520 (2016-2017) [CCHD].

Miller Nimmons, Katherine. Texas Tobacco Quite Line Evaluation and Outreach Assistance, Texas Department of State Health Services, \$65,000 (2016-2017) [CCHD].

Miller Nimmons, Katherine. El Civics Integrated Education and Training, Workforce Solutions Brazos Valley Board, \$30,000 (2017-2018) [CCHD].*

Morrisey, Michael. All Kids Proposal for Special Projects, Subaward from The University of Alabama Birmingham (prime is Alabama Department of Health, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services), \$31,500 (2016-2017).

Morrisey, Michael. All Kids Proposal for Special Projects, Subaward from The University of Alabama Birmingham (prime is Alabama Department of Health, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services), \$32,000 (2017-2018).*

Ohsfeldt, Robert. Technology Directed Advanced Radiation Therapy of Lung Cancer, subaward from the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center (prime is Cancer Prevention & Research Institute of Texas CPRIT), \$232,440 (2011-2018).

Ohsfeldt, Robert and Kum, Hye Chung. Evaluation of Texas 1115 Medicaid Transformation Waiver, Texas Health and Human Services Commission (TxHHSC), \$2,550,000 (2013-2017).

Ohsfeldt, Robert and Kum, Hye Chung. Integration of Primary Healthcare into Behavioral Healthcare, Texas Health and Human Services Commission (TxHHSC), \$578,628 (2014-2017).

Ory, Marcia (PI) and Ledric Sherman (Diversity PI). Diversity Supplement: Physical Activity Impacts of a Planned Activity-Friendly Community: The What, Where, When, and Why of Environmental Approaches to Obesity Prevention, National Institutes of Health, \$297,939 (2018-2020) [CPHA].*

Ory, Marcia G. Brazos Valley Area Agency on Aging Evidence Based Programs for Seniors, Brazos Valley Council of Governments Area Agency on Aging, \$76,200 (2013-2018) [CPHA].

Ory, Marcia G. Healthy South Texas, State of Texas, \$5,000,000 (2016-2017) [CPHA].

Ory, Marcia G. Healthy South Texas, State of Texas, \$5,000,000 (2018-2019) [CPHA].

Ory, Marcia G. Physical Activity Impacts of a Planned Activity-Friendly Community: The What, Where, When, and Why of Environmental Approaches to Obesity Prevention, National Institutes of Health, \$2,684,000 (2015-2020) [CPHA].

Ory, Marcia G. Falls Reduction Education and Empowerment (FREE) Partnership, Subaward from United Way Tarrant County (prime is Administration on Aging), \$163,083 (2015-2017) [CPHA].

Ory, Marcia G. SUSTAIN for Better Health and Health Care for Older Adults, DHHS Administration for Community Living (ACL), \$895,189 (2016-2018) [CPHA].

Ory, Marcia G. *Texercise Select: Building the Evidence-Base,* Texas Department of State Health Services, \$405,895 (2015-2017) [CPHA].

Ory, Marcia G. Texas Model for Dementia Capable Communities, Texas Council on Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders (TARCC), \$549,344 (2016-2018) [CPHA].

Ory, Marcia G. (Co-PI) and Jenna Anding (PI). Working on Wellness (WOW), Centers for Disease Control & Prevention, \$2,688,990 (2014-2018) [CPHA].

Peres, S. Camille. NSF Eager: Humans, Teams, and Technologies: Human-Team and Team-Machine Interaction in Emergency Response, National Science Foundation, \$239,870 (2016-2018).

Peres, S. Camille. Advanced Procedures Research Study Phase III, A Human Factored Approach, TEES/Chevron Technology Ventures, \$60,000 (2017-2018). * Peres, S. Camille. Advanced Procedures Research Study Phase III, A Human Factored Approach, TEES/Exxon Mobil Production Company, \$50,000 (2017-2018).*

Peres, S. Camille. Advanced Procedures Research Study Phase III, A Human Factored Approach, TEES/NOVA Chemicals, \$12,623 (2017-2018).*

Peres, S. Camille. Advanced Procedures Research Study Phase III, A Human Factored Approach, TEES/ATR, \$5,198 (2017-2018).*

Peres, S. Camille. *Procedural Warnings,* Wright State University Center for Operator Performance, \$36,807 (2015-2017).

Peres, S. Camille. Expertise Acquisition with Industrial Tasks: How does Procedure Use Change and When, Delta Omega Research Enhancement and Development Initiative Program (REDI), School of Public Health Pilot Funding Program, \$25,000 (2017-2018).*

Pickens, Adam. TTI (DOT): Evaluation of Safety Practices for Short Duration Work Zones (Phase II), subaward from Texas Transportation Institute (prime is Ohio Department of Transportation), \$46,925 (2016-2017).

Quiram, Barbara. *Mass Fatality Training Part 2,* Texas Department of State Health Services, \$105,000 (2017) [USA].*

Quiram, Barbara. Cause of Death On-line Trainings, Texas Department of State Health Services, \$350,150 (2017-2020) [USA].*

Quiram, Barbara. Weaving the Tasina Luta: A Community-based Participatory Research Approach to Implementation and Engagement with a Tribal Public Health Plan, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, \$100,000 (2017-2018) [USA].*

Quiram, Barbara. Proposal to Develop Text IT Messaging. Campaign Targeting Adolescent Mothers and Breastfeeding in a Post-Conflict County (El Salvador), subaward from the Texas A&M Center on Conflict and Development (ConDev), United States Agency for International Development (USAID), \$25,000 (2016-2017) [USA].

Quiram, Barbara. *Technical Assistance,* South Dakota Department of Health, \$30,629 (2017) [USA].*

Radcliff, Tiffany. VEMEC IPA: VA Emergency Management and Evaluation Center Interagency Personnel Agreement, U.S. Department of Veteran's Affairs, \$479,295 (2011-2018).

Radcliff, Tiffany. Rural Lifestyle Eating and Activity Program (Rural LEAP), subaward from the University of Florida (prime is NIH), \$54,307 (2013-2018).

Schmit, Cason. Federal Data Protection Law Summaries, University of Michigan [Prime is Robert Wood Johnson Foundation], \$20,000 (2017-2017).*

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[CHOT] Center for Health Organization Transformation

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- 2)Berke P, Newman G, Cooper JT, Gharaibeh N and **Horney JA**. The Environmental Grand Challenge: How Interdisciplinary Research and Community Engagement Work to Build Resilience. National Council for Science and the Environment, Washington DC. January 2017.
- 3)Bocanegra-Alonso A, Torres-Nava K, Leal-Ugarte E and **Mier N**. Effects of a hypercaloric diet on adiponectin and metabolic levels among young adults with obesity. IX Conferencia Científica Anual sobre Síndrome Metabólico 2017. Ciudad de Mexico. August 19, 2017.
- 4)**Bolin JL**. Cancer Screening, Training, Education and prevention Program (Texas C-STEP) Outcomes from Texas A&M C-STEP Programs. CPRIT State-Wide Oversight Committee Quarterly Meeting, Austin, TX. November 29, 2017.
- 5)**Bolin JL**. Rural Health Disparities and the Health Priorities of Underserved Regions of the United States. Association of Schools and Programs of Public Health National Conference, Washington DC. March 15, 2017.
- 6)**Bolin JL**. Making the case for colorectal cancer screening training in a Family Medicine Residency. National Rural Health Association National Research Conference, San Diego, CA. May 9 12, 2017.
- 7)**Bolin JL**. Screening Mammography Among low-income women: the role of access, attitudes, and place of residence. National Rural Health Association National Research Conference, San Diego CA. May 9 12, 2017.
- 8)**Bolin JL** and Nimmons K*. C-STEP CHW ACTION Program; Implementation and Adaptation: Sharing Lessons Learned. CPRIT Annual Scientific Conference, Austin Texas. November 8, 2017.
- 9)Brown P, Milagros Velez Vega C, **Horney JA**, Miller A and Hughes J. Disaster Preparedness and Public Health Challenges. Research Translation Core and Community Engagement Core Meeting, NIEHS Superfund Research Program Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA. December 2017.

- 10)Callaghan TH and Ferdinand AO. Convincing the 'Young Invincibles': Understanding State Variation in Young Adult Participation in the Affordable Care Act. Annual Meeting Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago IL. April 2017.
- 11) Callaghan TH, Olson A* and Karch A. Contesting Constitutionality: The Enactment of Nullification Legislation in the American States. Annual State Politics and Policy Conference, St Louis MO. June 2017.
- 12) Callaghan TH, Olson A* and Karch A. Contesting Constitutionality: The Enactment of Nullification Legislation in the American States. Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago IL. April 2017.
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- 19) Fairchild AL. Outbreak Anxieties: The Contingent Politics of Fear and Panic.er Crossing and Medicine: Quarantine, Detention, and Containment, Free University of Berlin. February 2nd, 2017.

- 20)**Fairchild AL.** Panic in America: From Yellow Fever to Zika in a Hot Minute. Institute for Bioethics and Health Policy, University of Miami, Zika Forum: State of the Science, Public Health Safety, and Ethics. March 23, 2017.
- 21) Fairchild AL. Panic in America: From Yellow Fever to Zika in a Hot Minute. 22nd Annual Sheila Cohen Lecturer, North York General Hospital, Toronto Canada. June 9th, 2017.
- 22)**Fairchild AL.** Values and the Continuum of Harm Reduction. E-Cigarette Summit, London. November 17, 2017.
- 23) Fairchild AL. Immigration, Health, and History: Inclusion or Exclusion? Ben Gurion University, Beersheba, Israel. 29-30 November 2017.
- 24) Fairchild AL. What's in a Name? The Continuum of Harm Reduction. Global Tobacco and Nicotine Forum., New York City, New York. September 12, 2017.
- 25)Gimm G, Blodgett E and **Zanwar P.**Cancer Screening Access for Community-Dwelling Adults with Physical Limitations.
 American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA. November 7, 2017.
- 26)**Griffith JM.** How Texas A&M Uses QuickBase to Track Student Engagement. QuickBase Empower, Boston, MA. May 2017.
- 27) **Griffith JM.** Lessons Learned from the Implementation of an Integrative Framework for Academic Program Assessment and Evaluation. Undergraduate Public Health and Global Health Education Summit, Arlington, VA. March 2017.
- 28)Hill AV*, **Tekwe C, Perez-Patron MJ** and **Taylor BD.** Chlamydia trachomatis and preterm birth subtypes. Society for Pediatric & Perinatal Epidemiologic Research Meeting, Seattle, WA. June 2017.
- 29)**Hong YA.** Developing, implementing, and evaluation a mHealth intervention program to promote physical activity in cancer survivors: lessons learned. 2017 International Medical Informatics Conference, Hangzhou, China, August 21-25, 2017.
- 30)**Hong YA**, Cho J. American's eHealth behaviors in the past decade: A systematic review of national survey studies. 2017 APHA Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, November 4-9, 2017.

- 31)**Hong YA,** Fang Y, Zou Z. Digital divide and health disparities in China: Data from a national longitudinal survey of CHARLS. 2017 International Medical Informatics Conference, Hangzhou, China, August 21-25, 2017.
- 32)**Hong YA,** Fang Y, Zou Z. eHealth behavior in Chinese general population: evidence from a national representative survey. 2017 APHA Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, November 4-9, 2017.
- 33)Hong YA, Forjuoh SN, Midturi J, Ross J. Comparative research on mHealth behaviors of patients with diabetes and HIV: implications for mobile-based chronic disease self-management. 2017 APHA Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, November 4-9, 2017.
- 34)**Hong YA**, Jiang S, Poudyal A. Mobile-based patient-provider communication in cancer survivors: the roles of health literacy and patient activation. 2017 CDC National Cancer Conference. Atlanta, GA, August 14-16, 2017.
- 35)**Hong YA**, Zhou Zi, Fang Y. Digital divide and health disparities in China: Evidence and policy implications. 2017 APHA Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, November 4-9, 2017.
- 36)**Horney JA.** Environmental Health Security, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation National Health Security Preparedness Index. University of Kentucky. December 14, 2017.
- 37)**Horney JA.** Flash Flood Swift Water Rescues in Texas: 2005-2014, National Weather Service Southern Regional Headquarters, Fort Worth Texas. September 14, 2017.
- 38)**Horney JA,** Stone K, Hare A, Zane D and Haywood T. Using GIS in Disaster Epidemiology. Texas A&M University GIS Day, College Station TX. November 14, 2017.
- 39) Johnson C*, **Sharkey JR**, Lackey MJ, Adair LS, Aiello AE, Bowen SK, Fang W, Flax VL and Ammerman AS. A systematic literature review relating food insecurity to Canadian and US women's dietary outcomes. 2017 International Society of Behavioral Nutrition and Physical Activity, Victoria, BC. June 2017.
- 40)Karch A, **Callaghan TH** and Olson A*. Who is Leading the Charge? Nullification Legislation in the American States. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco CA. September 2017.

- 41)McClendon ME*, Umstattd Meyer MR, Ylitalo KR, **Sharkey JR** and Bridges C. Physical activity of Mexican-heritage children during the summer and schoolyear: The role of parenting strategies. Annual Active Living Research Conference: Active Living across the Life Span, Clearwater Beach, FL. February 2017.
- 42) McCord CE. Innovative Approaches to Reducing Health Disparities in Rural Areas: Telehealth Town and Gown Partnerships. University of Arkansas Department of Psychological Science Graduate professional Education Colloquium Series. 2017.
- 43)**McCord CE.** Ethical Telehealth Practice in Texas. Three-Hour Continuing Education Presentation given to the Dallas Psychological Association. 2017.
- 44)Mehta RK, **Peres SC**, Shortz A* and Hoyle WS*. Relationship Between Operator Situation Awareness and Physiological States During Complex and Critical Offshore Well Control Scenarios. Mary Kay O'Connor Process Safety Center, College Station, Texas. October 2017.
- 45)**Mendoza-Sanchez I.** Contaminant antibiotics in soils and potential influence on resistance. Research Center for Eco-Environmental Science, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing. July 7, 2017.
- 46)**Mendoza-Sanchez I**. Limiting factors that control biological transformations of contaminants in the subsurface environment. School of Environment, Nanjing University, Nanjing. June 27, 2017.
- 47)**Mendoza-Sanchez I.** Simulation of Contaminant Antibiotics Transport through Soil and their Influence on Antibiotic-Resistance Selection in Microbial Communities. 33rd International Conference of the Society for Environmental Geochemistry and Health, Guangzhou, China. July 3, 2017.
- 48) Mier N, Penarrieta M, Gutierrez-Gomez T, Ferre-Diego R, Cortes-Castell E, Ramirez M* and Millard A. Predictors of nutritional status among non-institutionalized older Mexican women. American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA. November 4-8, 2017.
- 49)Millard AV, Moralez J, Graham MA, Mier N and Flores I. A community-based diabetes project: POD2ER at the flea market. Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting, Santa Fe, NM. March 28-April 1, 2017.

- 50)Morrisey MA. Turmoil in the Exchanges: Five-State Study of ACA Marketplace Competition. Invited Seminar, Leonard Davis Institute of Health Economics, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA. May 19, 2017.
- 51)Morrisey MA. Turmoil in the Exchanges: Five-State Study of ACA Marketplace Competition. Invited Seminar, Department of Economics, Emory University, Atlanta, GA. September 5, 2017.
- 52) Morrisey MA. Turmoil in the Exchanges: Five-State Study of ACA Marketplace Competition. Invited Seminar, Department of Agricultural Economics, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX. October 6, 2017.
- 53)Morrisey MA. What Worked and Didn't Work in Obamacare. Delta Omega Honor Society Distinguished Lecture Series, Texas A&M School of Public Health, College Station, TX. April 5, 2017.
- 54)Morrisey MA, Rivlin AM, Nathan RP and Hall MA. Five-State Study of ACA Marketplace Competition. Brookings Institution conference, How Has Obamacare Impacted State Health Care Marketplaces? Washington, DC. February 2017.
- 55)Nickodem C*, Criscitiello M, Bazer F, Abiodun-Ojo A and **Taylor BD**. Evaluation of expression of interferon epsilon across pregnancy in healthy and Herpes Simplex Virus II infected women. Society for Pediatric & Perinatal Epidemiologic Research Meeting, Seattle, WA. June 2017.
- 56)Ohsfeldt RL. A Propensity Scorematched Study of Organ Damage in Patients with Systemic Lupus Erythematosus from the BLISS Long-term Extension Trials Versus the Toronto Lupus Cohort: A Post Hoc Longitudinal Analysis. American College of Rheumatology Annual Meeting, San Diego, California. November 2017.
- 57)**Ohsfeldt RL**. Regional Disease Incidence in Pricing Private Health Insurance Premiums: A Study of Florida Health Insurance Marketplace under the Affordable Care Act. Annual Meeting American Public Health Association, Atlanta GA. November 2017.
- 58)Ohsfeldt RL. Application of Propensity Score-Matching Methods to Compare Data from Long-Term Extension Trials with Data from an Existing Lupus Registry. Annual European Congress of Rheumatology (EULAR), Madrid, Spain. June 2017.

- 59)Park S, Ayala GX, **Sharkey JR** and Blanck HM. Knowledge of Sugar-Sweetened Beverage-Related Health Conditions and Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Intake among US Hispanic Adults. 2017 SNEB Annual Conference, Washington, DC. July 2017.
- 60)**Peres SC**. Ergonomic Impact of Software Design. Office of Ergonomic Research Council, Marconi, Galveston, TX. January 2017.
- 61)Peres SC. Integrating Usability & Ergonomics: Impacts on Safety for Industry. Houston HFES Quarterly Meeting, Houston, TX. February 2017.
- 62)**Peres SC**. The Human Factor & The Oil & Gas Industry: API, Standards, and the Future. National Academy of Science—Workgroup on Bolts, Santa Ana, CA. August 2017.
- 63)**Peres SC**. Procedures and Checklists: Should they be adaptive and if so, how and when? Qatar. November 2017.
- 64)Peres SC. Human Factors and Procedures: Increasing Human Reliability to Drive Operational Excellence. Operational Excellence in Energy, Chemicals, and Resources Conference, Calgary, Canada. June 2017.
- 65)**Peres SC**. Effective procedural designs and practices. Operational Excellence in Oil and Gas Conference, Houston, TX. November 2017.
- 66)**Perez-Patron MJ** and DeSalvo B. Disparities in Nativity and Ethnicity for Cesarean Section Utilization in the United States. Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL. April 27-29, 2017.
- 67)**Perez-Patron MJ**. Sex Preferences and Sex Composition Effects on Fertility. Population Association of America Annual Meeting,, Chicago, IL. April 27-29, 2017.
- 68)**Perez-Patron MJ** and DeSalvo B. The Impact of Nativity on Primary Cesarean Section Rates. Applied Demography Conferences in San Antonio, TX. January 11-13, 2017.
- 69)Qiao J, Zhang H, Xu Z, Zeng C, **Hong YA**. A patient-centered mHealth intervention to improve mental health of people living with HIV/AIDS: study protocol for a randomized controlled trial. The 13th International AIDSIMPACT Conference. Capetown, South Africa, November 13-15, 2017.

- 70)Qiao J, Zhu Y, Xu Z, Zeng C, Zhang H, Hong YA, Cai W, Guo Y. Gender differences in relationships of sexual partnership characteristics and condom use among people living with HIV/AIDS. The 13th International AIDSIMPACT Conference. Capetown, South Africa, November 13-15, 2017.
- 71)Radcliff T.A., Horney JA, Rosenheim N and Zhao. H. The Impacts of Disasters on Medicare Costs in U.S. Gulf Coast States. National Healthcare Coalition Preparedness Conference, San Diego CA. November 2017.
- 72)Radcliff TA. Breakout Session Moderator and Closing Remarks. 8th Annual VEMEC Advancing and Redefining Communities Conference/National Healthcare Coalition Preparedness Conference (MESH), San Diego, CA. November 2017.
- 73)**Radcliff TA**. Emergency Management and Evaluation in VA. Texas Association of Hospital Facilities Managers, Houston, TX. December, 2017.
- 74)**Schmit C**. Social Impact Bonds and Pay-for-Success. Association of State and Territorial Health Officials, 2017 Legislative Liaison Annual Meeting, Arlington, VA. July 20, 2017.
- 75)**Schmit C**. The Intersection of Public Health and Health Care: Health Care Data and the Law in the 21st Century, Part III: Sharing Data: Modern Legal Issues and Trends. Live Webinar American Health Lawyers Association. August 9 2017.
- 76)**Schmit C**. Navigating Privacy Laws in Emergencies. CDC Disaster Epidemiology Community of Practice Quarterly Meeting. April 20, 2017.
- 77)**Schmit C**. Legal Issues Associated with Use and Release of HIV/HCV Personally Identifiable Information. National Alliance for State and Territorial AIDS Directors Health Systems Data Consultation and Workshop. February 2017.
- 78)Seol Y, **Carrillo G** and Bhat A. Predictors of self-perceived health in adults with chronic conditions a decision tree approach. American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, Atlanta. Nov 4 -8, 2017.
- 79) Sharkey JR. Todos en la Familia [All in the Family]: Developing a Family-Centered Program to Improve Nutrition and Increase Physical Activity among Mexican-Heritage Children in Texas Border Colonias. The Nutrition, Physical Activity, and Energy Balance Affinity Group (NPAAG), The Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, Seattle, WA. March 2017.

- 80)**Sharma VK.** High-Valent Iron Species (Ferrates) in Sustainable Water Treatment: Underlying Reaction Mechanisms. Department of Chemistry, University of Texas, Arlington, Texas. November 2017.
- 81) **Sharma VK.** High-Valent Iron Species (Ferrates) in Sustainable Water Treatment: Underlying Reaction Mechanisms. College of Environmental Science, Baylor University, Waco, Texas. November 2017.
- 82)**Sharma VK.** Activation of Ferrate in Treatment of Micropollutants: Current Knowledge and Future Outlook. 2017 International Symposium on Environmental Science and Technology, Beijing, China. September 2017.
- 83)Sharma VK. Collaboration in Environmental Science in China. 2017 International Symposium on Environmental Science and Technology, Beijing, China. September 2017.
- 84)**Sharma VK.** Natural Inorganic Nanoparticles: Formation, Fate, and Toxicity in Environment. 33rd International Conference of the Society for Environmental Geochemistry and Health, Guangzhou, China. July 2017.
- 85)**Sharma VK.** Advances Made in Ferrate Technology to Treat Water and Wastewater. North China Electric Power University, Beijing China. September 2017.
- 86)**Sharma VK.** Ferrate Treatment Technology in Sustainable Water Environment. Invited Presentation, Seoul, South Korea. August 2017.
- 87) **Sharma VK.** Natural Nanoparticles: Formation, Fate, and Toxicity in Environment. Department of Environmental Science & Engineering, Xian Jiaotong University, China. September 2017.
- 88)Sharma VK. Ferrates: Emerging Advanced Materials for Energy, Environment, Biomedical and Industrial Organic Synthesis. College of Environmental Science and Technology, Shaanxi University of Science and Technology, Xian, China. September 2017.
- 89)Sharma VK. Natural Nanoparticles: Formation, Fate, and Toxicity in Environment. Regional Center for Eco-Environmentally Sciences, Chinese Academy of Science, Beijing, China. September 2017.
- 90)**Sharma VK.** Ferrate Treatment Technology in Sustainable Water Environment. Environmental Science and Technology, Dalian University of Technology, Dalian, China. September 2017.

- 91) **Sharma VK.** Natural Nanoparticles: Formation, Fate, and Toxicity in Environment. College of Environmental Science, Zhejiang University, Hangzhou, China. September 2017.
- 92)**Sharma VK.** Ferrates(FeVI, FeV, and FeIV) as Green Materials in Multimodal Action to Treat Water. Chemistry Department, Ewha Women University, Seoul, South Korea. August 2017.
- 93)**Sharma VK.** Ferrate Treatment Technology in Sustainable Water Environment. Department of Environmental Engineering, Nanyang Technical University, Singapore. August 2017.
- 94)**Sharma VK.** Ferrate Treatment Technology: Oxidation and Coagulation of Pollutants and Inactivation of Microorganisms. Department of Environmental Science and Engineering, National University of Singapore, Singapore. August 2017.
- 95)Sharma VK. Ferrate Treatment Technology in Sustainable Water Environment. Department of Environmental Engineering, Zhejiang University, Hangzhou. China. September 2017.
- 96)**Sharma VK.** Ferrates(FeVI, FeV, and FeIV) as Green Materials in Multimodal Action to Treat Water. Dalian Institute of Chemical Physics, Dalian, China. September 2017.
- 97)**Sharma VK.** High-Valent Iron Based Materials in Water Treatment. International Workshop of Advanced Materials, Urumqi China. September 2017.
- 98) **Sharma VK.** Natural Nanoparticles: Formation, Fate, and Toxicity in Environment. Environmental Science, Nanjing University, China. September 2017.
- 99)**Sharma VK.** Ferrate Technology in Water Sustainable Environment. Central South University, Changsha, China. July 2017.
- 100)**Sharma VK.** Ferrate Treatment Technology in Sustainable Water Environment. Chemistry Department, Wuhan University, Wuhan, China. <u>July</u> 2017
- 101)**Sharma VK.** Ferrate Treatment Technology in Sustainable Water Environment. Department of Environmental Engineering, Hanzhong University of Science and Technology, Wuhan, China. July 2017.
- 102)**Sharma VK.** Ferrate Treatment Technology in Sustainable Water Environment. Institute of Urban Environment, Chinese Academy of Science, Xiamen, China. July 2017.

- 103)**Sharma VK.** Nanoparticles in the Environment: Formation, Fate, and Toxicity. Xiamen University, Xiamen, China. July 2017.
- 104)**Sharma VK.** Collaboration in Environmental Science and Technology in China. Sun Yat Sen University, Guangzhou, China. June 2017.
- 105)**Sharma VK.** Iron-, Silver-, and Carbon Based Materials in Environmental and Energy Applications. University of North South Wales, Sydney, Australia. June 2017.
- 106)**Sharma VK.** Purification of Water using Iron Oxides: Green and Sustainable Ferrate Technology in Water Treatment. Western Sydney University, Sydney, Australia. June 2017.
- 107)Smitherman S* and Horney JA. The Feasibility of Using CASPER to Assess Risk Factors for Neglected Tropical Diseases. Texas Public Health Annual Conference, Fort Worth TX. March 2017.
- 108)Stasi SM*, **Spengler JO, Maddock JE** and Baber O. Analysis and geospatial mapping of shared physical activity space within Pasadena, TX. Active Living Research Annual Conference. Clearwater Beach, FL. February 26, 2017.
- 109)Stone K*, McConaughy H, Sierocki A and **Horney JA**. Increasing HPV Vaccination Rates Using a Community Stakeholder Approach. Texas Public Health Annual Conference, Fort Worth TX. March 2017.
- 110)**Taylor BD**, Menon R*, Abiodun-Ojo O and Xu X. The role of danger associated molecular patterns and pentraxin-3 in preeclampsia and gestational diabetes mellitus. Society for Pediatric & Perinatal Epidemiologic Research Meeting, Seattle, WA. June 2017.
- 111) Taylor BD, Ness RB, Olsen J, Hougaard DM, Skogstrand K, Roberts JM and Haggerty CL. Fetal sex differences in soluble fms-like tryrosine kinase 1 (sFLT) among preeclamptic women. Society for Pediatric & Perinatal Epidemiologic Research Meeting, Seattle, WA. June 2017.
- 112)**Taylor BD**, Zheng X, O'Connell CM, Wiesenfeld HC, Hillier SL and Darville T. Mycoplasma genitalium, endometritis and incident infection in high risk women. Society for Epidemiologic Research Meeting, Seattle, WA. June 2017.
- 113)**Taylor NJ**. MELPREDICT. Annual Genes, Environment, and Melanoma Consortium Conference, Brisbane, Australia. October, 2017.

- 114)Tharpe K*, Thomas SE* and **Peres SC**. Signal Words and Symbol Designs: Importance in Hazard Statements for Procedures. Human Factors and Ergonomics Society Annual Meeting, Austin TX. September 2017.
- 115)Tharpe K*, Thomas SE* and **Peres SC**. Signal Words and Symbol Designs: Does Consumer Products Research Inform the Design of These for Procedures? Mary Kay O'Connor Process Safety Center, College Station, Texas. October 2017.
- 116) Towne SD, Bolin J, Ferdinand A0, Nicklett EJ, Smith ML and Ory MG. Foregoing Medical Care among Persons with Diabetes: Disparities facing American Indian/Alaska Native, Black or African American, and Hispanic Adults in the US (2011-2015). American Public Health Association Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA,. Nov 4-8, 2017.
- 117)**Towne SD, Zhu X**, Lee C, Xu M, Lu Z, Griffin G, Kellstedt D*, McKyer L, Sherman L, Lee S* and **Ory MG**. Intersecting health and place: Implications of building connected communities on health and related outcomes. American Public Health Association Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA. Nov 4-8, 2017.
- 118)Yasutake S and **Perez-Patron MJ.**Trends in Migration of Cohabiters and the Married in the United States: Evidence from the Current Population Survey, 1999-2015. Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL. April 27-29, 2017.
- **119)**Zeng, C, Qiao J, **Hong YA**, Zhang J, Cai W, Guo Y. A quantile regression approach to examine the relationship between social economic status and different levels of depression among people living with HIV/AIDS. The 13th International AIDSIMPACT Conference. Capetown, South Africa, November 13-15, 2017.
- 120)**Zhao H.** Analytical Challenges and New Advances in Assessing Time-to-Event Endpoints in Oncology Studies: Improved Survival Analysis in Two Personalized Breast Cancer Studies. Conference on Lifetime Data Science. Storrs, CT. May 27, 2017.
- 121)**Zhao H.** Propensity score methods for observational data analysis. 7th International Symposium on Methods and Applications of Clinical Evaluation and International Symposium on Biostatistics. Renmin University of China, 2017, Beijing, China. July 2017.

- 122)**Zhao H.** Propensity score methods for multiple treatment group comparison -- an example and a simulation study. College of Statistics, Renmin University of China, Beijing, China. July 2017.
- 123)**Zhao H.** Analysis of health costs with censored data using Stata. XIV Italian Stata users group meeting, Florence, Italy. November 2017.
- 124)**Zhao H.** Propensity score methods for observational data analysis. Department of Statistics and Quantitative Methods, University of Milano-Bicocca, Milan, Italy. December 2017.
- 125)**Zheng Q.** R in research on microbial mutation rates. 2017 useR! Conference, Brussels, Belgium. July 4-7, 2017.
- 126)**Zheng Q.** Improving analysis of fluctuation assay data. International Caparica Conference in Antibiotic Resistance, Caparica, Portual. June 11-15, 2017.
- 127)Zhong Y, **Xu X and Carrillo G.** Serum Folate level and arsenic methylation in the US population NHANES 2003-2012. American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, Atlanta GA. Nov 4-8, 2017.

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Faculty Research Interests by Department

Health Promotion and Community Health Sciences

Burdine, James. Professor.

Measurement of Factors Influencing
Community Capacity for Population Health
Improvement; Community Health
Development Strategies; Community
Health Needs Assessment

Campos-Bowers, Monica. *Instructional Assistant Professor.* Nutrition and Agriculture; Global Health in Developing Communities

Colwell, Brian. *Professor*. Adolescent Smoking Cessation; School Health Education; Youth Smoking Prevention; Adolescent Mental Health and Substance Abuse

Dowdy, Diane. Assistant Professor. Childhood Obesity Aimed at Prevention or Reduction; Physical Activity Programs to Community Settings; Physical Activity and Aging

Hong, Y. Alicia. Associate Professor. HIV/AIDS and STI Prevention Intervention; Mental Health of Women and Children Affected by AIDS; Mobile Technologies to Behavioral Interventions

Ma, Ping. Assistant Professor.
Children's Injury Prevention; Smoking
Cessation; Maternal and Child Health;
Women's Health; Social Determinants of
Health/Health Disparities; Health Promotion
of Vulnerable Populations.

McCord, Carly. Research Assistant Professor. Mental Health Needs of Clients of Telehealth Counseling Clinic (TCC); Intervention Approaches; Effectiveness of Interventions; Service Satisfaction Evaluation; Underserved Populations; Training and Supervision; Positive Psychology and Strength-Based Approaches; Telehealth

McLeroy, Kenneth. Regents Professor and Distinguished Professor. Community Capacity; Community-based Approaches to Health Promotion/Disease Prevention; Social Ecology and History of Public Health; Program Evaluation

Mier, Nelda. Associate Professor.
Chronic Disease Prevention; Quality of Life through Behavioral Change in Hispanics living in Border Region; Intervention Research to Enhance Physical Activity Using a Culturally Sensitive Paradigm; Diabetes Prevention Among Children and Adults in the Border Region; Promotoras Model in Border Region

Millard, Ann. Associate Professor.

Obesity Across the Life Course and Its
Economic Implications; Prevention of Type
2 Diabetes; Reproductive Health and Birth
Outcomes; Breastfeeding and Health;
Tuberculosis and Health Policy in the US
and Abroad; Occupational Health and Farm
Workers; Communication of Complex
Health Information to Community Members

Sharkey, Joe. *Professor.* Food Access and Food Choice in Underserved Areas; Food Insecurity and Hunger; Rural Community Empowerment; Engaging Rural Food Systems in Improving Health; Promotora Empowerment; Nutritional Health and Seniors

Spengler, John. Department Head, Professor. Active Living Policy and Obesity Prevention; Legal and Policy Issues around Injury Prevention; Physical Activity and the Built Environment; Risk Management Policy and Implementation in Sport and Recreation

Tai-Seale, Tom. Associate Professor. Local Health Systems Development; Community Empowerment of Chronic Disease Prevention; Program Planning; Evaluation for the Prevention and Control of Chronic Disease; Health Behavior Coaching

Towne, Samuel. Assistant Professor. The Intersection of Health and Place; Health-related Disparities; Health Outcomes; Access to Health Services among Aging, Minority, and Rural Populations

Epidemiology & Biostatics

Clendenin, Angela. Instructional
Assistant Professor. Risk Communication;
Decision Analysis; Emergency
Management and Emergency
Communications; Cultural/Social Influences
on Communication/Decision-Making;
Communications Measurement and
Assessment; Public Health Preparedness
and Response for Refugee Populations;
Teaching as Research

Garcia, Tanya. Assistant Professor. Genetic Mixture Models; High-dimensional Inference; Measurement Error; Mixed Models; Neurodegenerative Diseases; Nonparametric Models; Semiparametric Models; Survival Analysis

Gorman, Dennis. *Professor.* Alcohol and Drug Availability and Violence; Alcohol and Drug Prevention Policies; System Methodologies; Science and Pseudoscience in Public Health Research

Han, Daikwon. Associate Professor. Spatial Epidemiology; GIS & Spatial Analysis Methods; Environmental Health/ Exposure Science; Environmental Justice and Health Disparities; Healthcare Access; Population Studies/Spatial Demography Han, Gang. Associate Professor.
Statistical Methods in Development of Personalized Medicine; Design and Analysis of Phase I/II Clinical Trials and Translational Studies; Survival Analysis Methods in Cancer Research; HIV Viral Load Modeling; Bayesian Analysis; Statistical Computing

Horney, Jennifer. Department Head, Associate Professor. Disaster Epidemiology Methods; Public Health Preparedness; Population-based Sampling; Public Health Systems and Services Research; Public Health Surveillance; Outbreak Investigation; Disaster Recovery; Community Resilience

Maria Perez-Parton. Assistant Professor. Demographic Methods; Reproductive Health; Migration and Family Formation; Immigrant Health; Minority Aging

Ross, Jennifer. Instructional Assistant Professor. Environmental Contaminants and Exposures; Occupational Injury and Diseases; Health Disparities in Underserved Populations

Taylor, Brandie. Assistant Professor. Reproductive and Perinatal Epidemiology Methods; Identifying Genetic Markers and Biomarkers to Predict Risk of Reproductive / Pregnancy Complications; Prevention of Sexually Transmitted Infections

Taylor, Nicholas. Assistant Professor. Molecular Epidemiology of Cancer - Melanoma and Breast Cancer; Study Design and Conduct

Tekwe, Carmen. Assistant Professor.
Cancer Research; Nutritional
Epidemiology; Radiation Epidemiology;
Gerontology; Health Disparities;
Bioinformatics; Proteomics; Measurement
Error Models; Longitudinal Data Analysis;
Survival Analysis; Applications of
Generalized Linear Models; Neurostatistics; Functional Data Analysis; Mixed
Effects Models

Zanwar, Preeti. Instructional Assistant Professor. Economics of End-Stage Renal Disease; Cancer Screening; Aging & Health Disparities; Infections & Vaccines

Zoh, Roger. Assistant Professor.
Biostatistics; Bayesian Inference, Reliability
Modeling and Factor Analysis; Analysis of
Genomic Data; Engineering Statistics;
Bioinformatics; Functional Longitudinal
Data Analysis; Machine Learning;
Statistical Monitoring; Nutrition and Cancer
Epidemiology

Faculty Research Interests by Department

Health Policy & Management

Alexander, James. Associate Professor. Development of Community and Health Networks; Small Rural Hospital Leadership; Effectiveness of Critical Access Hospitals; Nursing Shortages

Bolin, Jane. *Professor.* Health Law and Ethics; Regulatory Compliance; Cancer Screening and Prevention; Diabetes Self-Management; Chronic Disease Management; Interdisciplinary and Translational Research; Rural Health Research; Rural Healthy People 2020

Callaghan, Timothy. Assistant Professor. Health Politics; Medicaid Coverage and Expansion; Health Insurance Marketplace Enrollment and Regulation; Lobbying in the Health Sector; State Politics; Public Opinion; Executive Politics; Survey Design

Carrino, Gerard. Instructional Professor. Evaluation: Program, Process, Outcomes, Economic; Nonprofit Sector in Health Care; Health Care Philanthropy and the Social Sector; Prematurity, Birth Defects, Infant Mortality; Public Health Finance

Côté, Murray. Associate Professor. Health Care Operations; Patient Flow, Capacity Planning and Management; Demand Forecasting; Nurse Staffing and Scheduling

Fairchild, Amy. Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, Professor. Immigrant Health Inspection; Disease Control; Disease Surveillance and Privacy; Public Health Issues; Tobacco Control

Ferdinand, Alva. Assistant Professor.
Impact of Laws and Other Policies Relative to Public Health Outcomes:
Roadway Safety, Obesity, and Access to Care; State and Federal Regulation of Health Care and Community Health Development

Hatala, Jeffrey. Assistant Professor, MPH Program Director. Public Health Systems and Service Research; Rural Health, Health Policy, and Vulnerable Populations; Nutrition, Physical Activity, Obesity and Related Conditions; Educational Pedagogy, Particularly Around Writing Skills in Health Professions

Griffith, Jennifer. Associate Dean for Public Health Practice, Associate Professor. Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Response; Intervention Implementation, Management and Evaluation

Kash, Bita. Associate Professor.
Organizational Capacity for Change and Transformation; Change Implementation in Healthcare; Healthcare Strategic Planning and Marketing; Evaluation of Integrated Primary Care Networks; Quality and Cost of Care; Strategic Management in Nursing Homes

Kum, Hye-Chung. Associate Professor. Data Science for Health Care; Population Informatics; Health Informatics; Health Policy Research; Program Evaluation Using Big Data; Decision Support Systems for Health Policy and Management

Lin, Sherry. *Instructional Assistant Professor.* Preventive Care Services; Disabilities Research; Vulnerable Populations

McMaughan, Darcy. Assistant Professor. Access to Care for Children and Youth with Special health Care Needs; Community Participation, Independent Living and Social Integration for People with Disabilities; Quality of Care in Long Term Supports and Services; Assessment of Functional Ability and Care Needs

Morrisey, Michael. Department Head, Professor. Employer-sponsored Health Insurance; Affordable Care Act; Medicare & Medicaid; Effects of Legislation on Health and Health Care; Hospital Economics; Price Transparency in Health Care

Ohsfeldt, Robert. Regents Professor. Cost-Effectiveness and Cost Models; Economics of Health Behavior; Impact of Health Sector Regulation

Quiram, Barbara. Professor. Public Health Infrastructure; Health System Service Quality; Public Health Workforce Development; Rural Community Health System Planning and Development; Rural Community Disaster Planning

Radcliff, Tiffany. Professor. Health Economics; Health Policy; Health Services Research; Improving Quality of Care in Long-term Care; Access to Care for Rural and Other Underserved Populations; Improving Care Processes and Outcomes; Economic Evaluation

Ramirez, Gilbert. *Professor*. Systematic Review and Meta-Analytic Methodology; Decision Making Sciences; Evidence-Based Practice

Schmidt, Cason. Research Assistant Professor. Law as a Social Determinant of Health; Health Information Technology; Health Information Exchanges; Privacy, Confidentiality, and Security of Health Information; Public Health Reporting and Surveillance; Pharmacists' Vaccination Authorities

Tomaszewski, Lesley. *Instructional Assistant Professor.* Social Learning and Identity Formation; Gender in the Workplace; Andragogy and Curriculum Development

Washburn, David. Assistant Professor. Global Health; Health Policy; Health Systems Analysis; Strategic and Capital Planning; The Diffusion of Innovations; Decision-Making Behavior; Access to Care

Environmental & Occupational Health

Appiah, Bernard. Assistant Professor.
Public Engagement; Communication;
mHealth and Mass Media Interventions for
Behavior Change; Global Health;
Knowledge Dissemination; Design,
Implementation and Evaluation of Sociobehavioral Interventions; Social Network
Analysis; Mixed Methods

Benden, Mark. Department Head, Associate Professor. Office Worker Obesity, Classroom Ergonomics and Childhood Obesity; Medical Device Development and Testing; Rehabilitation Engineering

Bokelmann, Annamarie. Assistant Professor. Environmental Health; Site Assessment; Regulatory Compliance, Health and Safety

Carrillo, Genny. Associate Professor.
Public Health and US-Mexico Border
Health Issues; Interactions of Human
Health and the Environment; Asthma in
School Children; Home Safety and Healthy
Homes

Cizmas, Leslie. Assistant Professor. Environmental Health and Xenobiotic Exposures; Assessment of Pesticide Exposure in Children; Development of Effective Methods for Exposure Reduction; Community Health Education; Environmental Justice and Health Disparities; Global Health

Johnson, Natalie. Assistant Professor. Inhalation and developmental toxicology; maternal air pollution exposure; neonatal respiratory tract infections; childhood asthma; gene-environment interactions

Maddock, Jay. *Dean, Professor.* Social Ecological Approaches to Increasing Physical Activity; Nutrition, Tobacco Use, and Global Health

McDonald, Thomas. *Professor.* Environmental Chemistry; Petroleum Geochemistry; General Organic Chemistry.

Mehta, Ranjana. Assistant Professor. Neuro-ergonomics; Operator Stress and Fatigue; Obesity and the Aging Brain; Falls Prevention

Mendoza-Sanchez, Itza. Research Assistant Professor. Mathematical and Experimental Models for Assessing Transport; Organics Trapped and Absorbed in Soils as a Source Zone of Groundwater Contamination; Water Balance Modeling.

Ory, Marcia. Associate Dean for Research, Regents Professor and Distinguished Professor. Aging and Health Promotion; Evidence-based Disease Prevention Programs; Injury Prevention and Control; Clinical-Community Linkages; Health Disparities; Translational Research

Faculty Research Interests by Department

Peres, S. Camille. Assistant Professor. Biomechanics of Human Computer Interactions; Design Guidelines for Auditory Displays; Usability of Home Health Care Technology

Pickens, Adam. Assistant Professor. Ergonomic Tool Development; Occupational Safety Screening/Tool Development; Upper Extremity Modeling; Manual Materials Handling; Occupational Biomechanics

Rene, Antonio. *Professor.* Occupational/ Environmental; Chronic Disease Epidemiology; Research Training

Sharma, Virender. Professor. Iron-Based Oxidants (Ferrates and Ferrites); Kinetics and Mechanism of High-Valent Transition Metals; Advanced Oxidation Methods; Solar-Based Photoactive Materials in Water Treatments; Green Synthesis of Nanoparticles; Formation, Fate and Toxicity of Nanoparticles in Aquatic Environment

Smith, Matthew. Associate Professor. Health Risk Behaviors Across the Life Course; Evidence-based Programming for Older Adults; Program Evaluation; Measurement; Survey Research and Methodology

Dean's Office/Academic Affairs Kodatt, Stephanie. Assistant Professor. Leadership; Spirituality; Management; Mental Health



2017 Graduate Student Research Winners

L-R: Dr. Marcia Ory, Marvellous Akinlotan 3rd place, Xiao Zhang 2nd place, Ashley Hill 1st place, Dean Maddock

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