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Lead the design and implementation of public health, social service, and health services evaluations in collaboration with community partners, provide evaluation technical assistance and capacity building, support program development and quality improvement, and coordinate service learning and field placement of undergraduate and graduate students.

POSITION

Researcher, November 2019 - present

Associate Researcher, September 2016 – October 2019

Assistant Researcher, August 2013 – August 2016

SELECT PROJECTS

Lead Evaluator – Advancing Milwaukee Health Literacy, PI: Corbett

This collaborative partnership led by the City of Milwaukee Office of African American Affairs aims to reduce disparities associated with the COVID-19 pandemic through improving health literacy within Milwaukee's racial and ethnic minority communities. Partners include UniteWI, Ubuntu Research & Evaluation, and Milwaukee County Office of Emergency Management. Funded by the federal Office of Minority Health July 2021 to June 2023.

Lead Evaluator - Improving Health Outcomes by Integrating Social Determinants into Primary Care, PI: Corbett

This project aims to create a collaborative model for health care and social services to reduce gaps in service and improve health outcomes for Sixteenth Street Community Health Center's primary Latino patients. The model will focus on patient-centered screening and interventions and relationship building and data sharing across agencies to ensure sustainable, systematic change. Funded by the Wisconsin Partnership Program January 2019 to December 2023.

Lead Evaluator – WI WISEWOMAN Program, PI: Corbett

This WI DHS administered program seeks to increase healthy behaviors and positive outcomes among women at high risk for cardiovascular disease and diabetes through screening, enrollment in lifestyle prevention programs, and community-clinical linkages. Funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention January 2014 to September 2023.

Lead Evaluator - Wisconsin's Collaborative Approach to Colorectal Cancer Screening, PI: LoConte

This project seeks to decrease disparities in CRC screening, CRC incidence and mortality through an increase in partnerships that support improved access to and use of CRC and the adoption of evidence-based interventions within Federally Qualified Health Centers. Funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention July 2015 to June 2020.

Lead Evaluator – Dementia Wellness Project for Underserved African American Elders, PI: Sager

In partnership with the Wisconsin Alzheimer's Institute, this project expands the services provided through the Milwaukee Health Services, Inc. Memory Clinic and includes community screening and a culturally-appropriate group education intervention. Funded by the Wisconsin Partnership Program April 2014 to March 2017.

Evaluation Specialist – Lifecourse Initiative for Healthy Families (LIHF) Program Office, PI: Green-Harris

The Center for Urban Population Health provides services including coordination, consultation, assessment and program planning, data collection and evaluation, cross-sector engagement, communications, and grant review and monitoring for this large, multi-level, multi-sector, PSE change initiative aimed at improving African American birth outcomes in SE Wisconsin. Funded by the Wisconsin Partnership Program July 2013 to March 2022.

Lead Evaluator – Healthy Families, Healthy Next Babies, PI: Cisler

This project seeks to improve future birth outcomes through the application of an integrative interconception care delivery and coordination model with African American mothers and fathers. Funded by the Wisconsin Partnership Program Lifecourse Initiative for Healthy Families) July 2013 to June 2016.

Lead Evaluator – Normalizing Breastfeeding: Building Social Support and Community Capacity, PI: Corbett

This project seeks to promote breastfeeding for new and expectant African American mothers in Milwaukee through educational and supportive breastfeeding gatherings. Funded by the Wisconsin Partnership Program Lifecourse Initiative for Healthy Families) July 2013 to June 2015.

NON-RESEARCHER**Service-Learning Coordinator** May 2017 – Present

Identify opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students, field requests for placements, refer students to other organizations as appropriate, communicate with colleges/universities about opportunities, advise/mentor students, formalize service-learning program processes.

PREVIOUS POSITIONS

Graduate Research Assistant, Center for AIDS Intervention Research, Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI, January 2012 – March 2013. Assisted in the development of study protocols for participant recruitment, data collection, and data management. Participated in survey development and ACASI programming. Conducted in-depth and survey interviews with recent Latino immigrant men regarding HIV risk, prevention, and testing. Managed and coded qualitative data using Atlas.ti. Participated in ongoing training of community partner staff.

Program Coordinator III, Center for AIDS Intervention Research, Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI, July 2008 – August 2010. Served as liaison and facilitated communication between research study partners. Established and maintained timelines for meeting study objectives. Coordinated and supervised collection and analysis of qualitative and quantitative data. Designed and facilitated community-level HIV prevention intervention development process with community and organizational representatives in San Salvador, El Salvador. Manualized and co-facilitated training of a pilot peer-led HIV prevention intervention in El Salvador.

Study Coordinator, Institute for Community Research, Hartford, CT, September 2006 – June 2008. Served as liaison and facilitated communication between research study partners. Established and maintained timelines for meeting study objectives. Provided training in qualitative data management and coding. Participated in qualitative and quantitative data collection instrument development. Coordinated and supervised data collection and analysis.

Research Associate, Institute for Community Research, Hartford, CT, August 2002 – August 2006. Collected primary data using qualitative and quantitative methods. Participated in qualitative and quantitative data collection instrument development. Managed, coded, and analyzed qualitative data.

Prevention Research Educator, Institute for Community Research, Hartford, CT, January 2002 – August 2002. Prepared and facilitated in and after-school and summer participatory action research sessions. Trained urban youth of color to develop research models, collect, analyze, and interpret qualitative and quantitative data for policy change.

Research Associate, The Hartford Dispensary, Hartford, CT, November 2000 – January 2002. Conducted intake interviews with opioid users and presented cases to admissions committee. Assisted consultant with QI data collection, analysis, and dissemination. Drafted local SOPs for a NIDA Clinical Trial Network buprenorphine drug trial.

EDUCATION

Master of Public Health, Southern Connecticut State University, New Haven CT, 2006

Concentration: Community Health Education

2004-2005 SCSU Graduate Research Fellow

Bachelor of Arts, Central Connecticut State University, New Britain CT, 1997
Concentration: Cultural Anthropology

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Program Evaluation: Graduate Education Diversity Internship program scholar, American Evaluation Association, August 2012- July 2013; Internship site: Planning Council for Health and Human Services, Milwaukee, WI

CERTIFICATIONS

Certified Health Education Specialist #11762, April 2005 – Present, NCHEC

CURRENT PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Evaluation Association, 2012 to present

SELECT COMMUNITY SERVICE

Milwaukee Latino Health Coalition – Steering Committee member from October 2013 to March 2018. Led strategic planning process resulting in the formation of two new action teams. Developed and implemented a member survey to assess coalition functioning, member engagement and satisfaction, and outcomes. Co-drafted the 2017 coalition and board development plan.

SELECT PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Glasman, L., Dickson-Gomez, J., **Corbett, A.M.**, Rosado, A.N., Galletly, C., & Salazar, J. (2021). Contextual influences on Latino men's sexual and substance use behaviors following immigration to the Midwestern US. *26(6):827-844*.

Dickson-Gomez, J., **Corbett, A.M.**, Bodnar, G., Zuniga, M.O., Guevara, C., Rodriguez, K., & Navas, V. (2014). Context and group dynamics in a CBPR-developed HIV prevention intervention. *Health Promotion International*.

Dickson-Gomez, J., **Corbett, A.M.**, Bodnar, G., Rodriguez, K. & Guevara, C. (2010). Resources and obstacles to developing and implementing a structural intervention to prevent HIV in San Salvador, El Salvador. *Social Science and Medicine*, 70(3):351-359.

Corbett A.M., Dickson-Gomez J., Hilario H., Weeks M.R. (2009). A little thing called love: Condom use in high-risk primary heterosexual relationships. *Perspectives on Sexual and Reproductive Health*, 41(4):218-224.

Dickson-Gomez, J., Convey, M., Hilario, H., **Corbett, A.M.**, & Weeks, M. (2008). Structural and personal factors related to access to housing and housing stability among urban drug users in Hartford, Connecticut. *Contemporary Drug Problems*, 35, 115-152.

Dickson-Gomez, J., Convey, M., Hilario, H., **Corbett, A.M.**, & Weeks, M. (2007). Unofficial policy: Access to housing, housing information and social services among homeless drug users in Hartford Connecticut. *Substance Abuse Treatment, Prevention, & Policy*, 2(8).

SELECT CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Godecker, A., **Corbett, A.M.**, Smulian, L., McWilliams, C.A., & Ehrenthal, D. (2017). Evaluation of a multi-level initiative to improve healthy birth outcomes among African American women in Wisconsin. Association of Maternal and Child Health Programs Annual Conference, Kansas City, MO. (Poster)

Antoine, A., Conlon, A., **Corbett, A.M.**, Frazer, D., Stehman, C, & LoConte, N. (2017). Wisconsin's Collaborative Approach to Increase Colorectal Cancer (CRC) Screening. National Cancer Conference, Atlanta, GA.

Blackwell, D., **Corbett, A.M.**, Nealy, N., Davidson, D., & Stehman, C. (2015). Normalizing breastfeeding among African Americans by building social support and community capacity. CityMatCH Urban MCH Leadership Conference, Salt Lake City, UT.

Corbett, A.M., Eberle, N., Kessler, C., Stehman, C., & Moberg, D.P. (2014) Evaluating a complex, multi-level, multi-community initiative to address Wisconsin's racial disparities in infant mortality: Integrating data, tools, and conceptual frameworks across ground floor, mid-level, and 30,000 foot perspectives. American Evaluation Association Annual Conference, Denver, CO. (Poster)

Corbett, A.M. (2013). Beyond black, brown and white: Evaluation in diverse communities in the 21st Century. American Evaluation Association Annual Conference, Washington, DC.

- Corbett, A.M.** & Dickson-Gómez, J. (March 2010). Dynamics of community participation in the development of a multi-level HIV intervention in El Salvador. Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting, Merida, Mexico.
- Corbett, A.M.** & Dickson-Gómez, J. (March 2008). To serve and protect? Policing as a structural barrier to healthy communities in San Salvador. Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting, Memphis, TN.
- Corbett, A.M.** (April 2005). Facilitators and barriers to the use of effective family planning among young women in Nicaragua. Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting, Santa Fe, NM.
- Corbett, A.M.**, de Moura Castro, H., Mosack, K.E., & Weeks, M.R. (July 2003). Adoption and rejection of the female condom among women at high risk for HIV. National HIV Prevention Conference, Atlanta, GA.
- Corbett, A.M.** & Cruz, T. (June 2002). Engaging urban youth in participatory research for change. Community Research Network/LOKA Conference, Chicago, IL.