



## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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#### **Education:**

Louisiana Tech University	BS	1983	Biomedical Engineering
Louisiana Tech University	MS	1985	Industrial Engineering
Tulane University	MPH	1991	Health Systems Management
Tulane University	DrPH	2009	Community Health Sciences

#### **ACADEMIC, PROFESSIONAL, AND RESEARCH APPOINTMENTS:**

1986 – 1988	Research Technician Department of Anesthesiology Tulane University School of Medicine
1988 – 1989	Clinics Coordinator Tulane-LSU AIDS Clinical Trials Unit Tulane University School of Medicine
1989 – 1991	Project Coordinator Louisiana Community AIDS Research Program (CPCRA) Tulane University School of Medicine
1991 – 1994	Administrative Director Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals HIV Program Office

1994 – 1999	Administrative Coordinator Lower Mississippi River Interagency Cancer Study Stanley S. Scott Cancer Center LSU Health Sciences Center
Jan 1999 – Jan 2003	Cancer Control Officer Louisiana Cancer and Lung Trust Fund Board LSU Health Sciences Center
Jan 2001 – June 2003	Instructor Department of Public Health and Preventive Medicine LSU Health Sciences Center
October 2002 – present	Director Louisiana Breast and Cervical Early Detection Program Louisiana Comprehensive Cancer Control Program
July 2003 – June 2010	Instructor Epidemiology Program Behavioral and Community Health Program LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health
July 2010 – June 2014	Assistant Professor Behavioral and Community Health Program LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health
July 2010 – present	Graduate Faculty- Associate Member School of Graduate Studies Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center
July 2014 – June 2020	Associate Professor with Tenure Behavioral and Community Health Sciences Program LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health
November 2016 – present	Associate Dean for Public Health Practice and Community Engagement LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health
July 2020 – present	Professor, Tenure Behavioral and Community Health Sciences Program LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health

### **Membership in Professional Organizations**

American Public Health Association, member  
Society of Public Health Education, member  
Society of Behavioral Medicine, member  
American Association for the Advancement of Science, member

## **Awards and Honors**

New Orleans City Business Women of the Year 2022

New Orleans City Council, Proclamation of Thanks, October 2014

LSU Health Care Services Division Cancer Screening Clinical Lead Award – 2012  
International Association of Cancer Registries 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting, 3<sup>rd</sup> place, poster presentations, 2009

Delta Omega honorary public health society, President, Alpha Psi Chapter, 2006 – present

American Cancer Society Spirit Award – 2006

Pfizer Award for Excellence in Research, Education, Patient Care, and Community Outreach – 2004

Louisiana Association for Counseling and Development, Research Award, 1987-88

Tau Beta Pi engineering honor fraternity

Alpha Pi Mu industrial engineering honor fraternity

Gamma Beta Phi general honor fraternity

Sigma Tau Delta English honor fraternity

Omicron Delta Kappa leadership honor fraternity

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE/RESPONSIBILITIES:**

I have been involved with teaching since becoming an instructor at the LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health in 2001. I was integrally involved with the development of courses for the MPH program. In 2004, I developed and taught the first offering of the Monitoring and Evaluation course for the school.

The Louisiana Comprehensive Cancer Control Program, which I direct, has had a continuing education program for healthcare professionals since 2006. My work includes developing the content and learning objectives for the continuing education program.

In 2006, I began coordinating the practice experience for the Behavioral and Community Health Sciences program and participated with the interdisciplinary group that oversaw the course. My contributions include working with students and preceptors on course objectives and evaluating student performance. In 2008, this responsibility expanded to include the practice experience for the Epidemiology program. In 2010, the Practice Experience (PUBH 6800) became a school-wide offering and I assumed leadership as the course director. I further refined the requirements for and objectives of the course until relinquishing duties at the end of 2013. In 2017, I resumed responsibility for PUBH 6800 and refined the course requirements to meet competency-based accreditation requirements introduced by the Council on Education for Public Health.

In 2009, I co-taught the course on community-based participatory projects for the Behavioral and Community Health Sciences Program.

In 2010, I began teaching Behavioral Health Theories in Public Health (BCHS 6212), a core course for all public health master's degree students. I currently teach BCHS 6212 in the Fall semester. I work closely with the instructor for the Summer offering to ensure all students are exposed to the same material and come away with the same competencies. It is my intent to teach students the required behavioral health materials associated with the National Board of Public Health Examiners' public health certification exam. This course is also a useful venue for doctoral students completing their teaching practicum; I assist them in developing and delivering lectures in the course.

In 2021, began preparing the BSPH 4100, Public Health in Action Course. This will be an online course for the Bachelors in Public Health program. The course is offered summer and spring beginning 2022.

### **Course/Clerkship/Residency or Fellowship/CME Directorships**

Continuing Education Provider Series Planning Committee Director, Louisiana Cancer Prevention and Control:

Feb 2006	Managing Breast Abnormalities in the Primary Practice One hour CME, CNE
May 2006	Prostate Cancer: Diagnosis and Treatment One hour CME, CNE
Nov 2006	Quality of Life and Gynecologic Cancers One hour CME, CNE
June 2007	Prostate Cancer- What Does the Literature Say? One hour CME, CNE
Sept 2007	Controversies in Prostate Cancer Screening One hour CME, CNE
Oct 2007	Current Perspectives on the Treatment of Colon Cancer One hour CME, CNE
March 2008	Colorectal Cancer: A Closer Look Into a Rising Health Disparity One hour CME, CNE, CHES
May 2008	Nutrition & Cancer Prevention: Putting Recommendations into Practice One hour CME, CNE, CHES
Feb 2009	Colon Cancer Screening Update 2009 One hour CME, CNE, CHES
May, 2009	Surgical Management of Breast Disease One hour CME, CNE, CHES

June, 2009	An Inside Look into Mohs Surgery for Non-Melanoma Skin Cancer One hour CME, CNE, CHES
March 2010	Colorectal Screening- The Essential Role of Primary Care One hour CME, CNE, CHES
April 2010	Progress & Future Directions in Head and Neck Cancer One hour CME, CNE, CHES
May 2010	Controversies over Current Recommendations for Breast Screening One hour CME, CNE, CHES
May 2010	Update on Prostate Cancer and PSA One hour CME, CNE, CHES
June 2010	Prostate Cancer: Practical Applications of Informed Decision Making One hour CME, CNE, CHES
Sept 2010	Prostate Cancer Screening: Why Can't We All Just Get Along? One hour CME, CNE, CHES
April 2012	HPV Disease and Prevention in Gynecology One hour CME, CNE, CHES
May 2012	Colorectal Cancer: Evidence, Tips and Tools to Increase Screening One hour CME, CNE, CHES
May 2012	Integrating Palliative Care into the Oncology Setting One hour CME, CNE, CHES
Jan 2015	Cervical Screening and HPV One hour CME, CNE, CHES, and Social Work
March 2015	Colorectal Cancer in Louisiana One hour CME, CNE, CHES, and Social Work
Jan 29, 2016 May 2016	Cancer Prevention in Louisiana: Women's Health Webinar Series
Oct 26, 2016	Genetics & Breast Cancer (Alix D'Angelo). 90 participants (34 nurses; 10 SW; 7 CHES)
Nov 30, 2016	Adolescent Vaccines (Dr. Melina Wharton). 35 online + 5 onsite = 40 participants (10 CNE; 7 CHES; 5 SW)
Jan 20, 2017	Someone You Love: The HPV Epidemic documentary. 32 participants. Viewed at LSU Human Development Center
Jan 25, 2017	Cervical cancer and its relationship with HPV webinar. 66 participants. (26 CNE; 4 CHES; 3 SW)

April 12, 2017 Oral Cancer & HPV webinar. 66 participants.

Jul/Aug, 2023 Trauma Informed Care. 6 hours, 37 participants.

July 2023 – June 2024 Support Group Training for Cancer Caregivers. In progress.

### **Other Continuing Education**

Sept 9, 2017 Moderator, Louisiana HPV Summit, Baton Rouge. 220 participants.

Feb 2014 Williams, Donna L. Feasibility of Community-based Tampon Self-Sampling to Prevent Cervical Cancer: Lessons Learned. LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Nursing Brown Bag Research Series. One hour CNE.

### **Creation of Enduring Teaching Materials**

Jan - May 22 BSPH 4100, Public Health in Action online course.

July 2010 - Dec 2013; Jan 2017-Present Developed and annually updated the manual for the LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health practice experience. This was the first manual developed for the course as a step-by-step guide for faculty, students, and preceptors.

### **Formal Course Responsibilities**

2021 – 2022 Public Health in Action (BSPH 4100), course co-instructor, 3 credit hours. This bachelor level course applies basic public health concepts in the classroom and the field in a service learning format. Spring and summer semesters.

2019 Applied Social Network Theory Independent Study (BCHS 6400), course director, 3 credit hours. This doctoral level course applies social network theory to a public health issue and design a research project to assess aspects of social network theory as it relates to a public health issue. Spring and summer semesters

2016 Conducting a Needs Assessment Independent Study (BCHS 6400), course director, 2 credit hours. This graduate level course takes the student through the steps of developing and conducting a community needs assessment.

Infographics in Public Health Independent Study (BCHS 6400), course director, 1 credit hour. This graduate level course teaches the student how to develop and use infographics to convey public health information to a general audience. It includes knowing the audience, design and layout, and using data.

2010 – pres Behavioral Science Theories in Public Health (BCHS 6212), course director, 3 credit hours, Fall and Summer semesters. This graduate level course exposes students to the origin and use of behavioral and psychosocial theories in public health research and practice. Specifically,

- this course explores how theoretical concepts, constructs, frameworks and models are utilized in developing, implementing and evaluating public health interventions.
- 2017 – pres Fall semester only.
- 2010 – 2013 Practice Placement, School of Public Health (PUBH 6800), course director, 3 credit hours, Fall, Spring, and Summer semesters. The  
and  
2017 – pres Practice Experience is a fieldwork project or activity that immerses the student in one or more aspects of public health operations under the guidance of a preceptor. I developed the first handbook for faculty, students, and preceptors. In Fall 2017, a didactic component and a portfolio requirement were added to further develop student skills within a classroom environment. Beginning 2022, offered in fall and summer only.
- 2009 Community Based Participatory Programming (BCHS 6217), course instructor, 3 credit hours. This graduate level course introduces the student to the concepts of community-based participatory research and interventional programming in public health. This course presents concepts, models, techniques, and practices useful in developing a collaborative program.
- 2004 – 2005 Monitoring and Evaluation (EPID 6215), course instructor, 3 credit hours. The purpose of this graduate level course is to introduce the student to the concepts of monitoring and evaluation of community, health promotion, and other public health programs. This course presents models, techniques, and practices of designing and implementing program evaluation plans.

### **Guest Lectures**

- 2024 Applying SEM to Research  
Biobehavioral Basis of Health (NURS 7055), School of Nursing PhD
- 2021 *Cancer Control*  
Cancer Epidemiology (EPI 6222)
- Using Cancer Data*  
Big Data and Data Science in Nursing and the Health Sciences  
(NURS 7057)
- 2019 *Global Health Experiences*  
Determinants of Global Public Health (PUBH 6300)
- 2016 *HPV and Cancer: A Century of Discovery and Decisions*  
Behavioral and Community Health Sciences Seminar (BCHS 6700)
- 2013 *Models of Behavioral Health*  
LSUHSC – NO School of Medicine Schweitzer Fellows
- 2012 *Cancer Control in Louisiana*  
Behavioral and Community Health Sciences Seminar (BCHS 6700)

2011, 2012 *Behavioral and Community Health Sciences*  
Essentials of Public Health (PUBH 6500)

2011 *Cancer Control*  
Cancer Epidemiology (EPID 6222)

### **Other**

2006 – 2009 Practice Placement Coordinator (PUBH 6800)  
Behavioral and Community Health Sciences Program

2008 – 2009 Practice Placement Coordinator (PUBH 6800)  
Epidemiology Program

### **Graduate Students Trained**

2024 – pres. Maren Levin, DrPH student, Tulane University School of Public Health  
and Tropical Medicine.  
Project advisor

2014 – pres. Mitchell Lawrence, PhD student, LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public  
Health  
Roles: Academic advisor through 2016. Advising on the evaluation  
component of the PhD Graduate Assistantship, advising on components  
of prospectus, dissertation committee chair, independent study advisor for  
prospectus preparation  
Honors: First Place poster award, LSUHSC-New Orleans School of  
Public Health Honors Day

Malesa Pereira, PhD student, LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public  
Health  
Role: academic advisor, dissertation advisor and committee chair

2014 – 2023 Lisa Smith, PhD student, LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health  
Roles: academic advisor, independent study advisor for prospectus  
preparation, dissertation committee chair.  
The relationship between social support and quality of life in young  
women diagnosed with breast cancer.  
Honors: Delta Omega Public Health Honor Society

2019 – 2020 Ting Luo, PhD student, LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health  
Role: dissertation committee  
Examining a WeChat-Based Smoking Cessation Program for Chinese  
Smokers

2016 – 2019 Laura Cahill, PhD student, LSUHSC- New Orleans School of Public  
Health  
Role: dissertation committee



- The role of attachment style on the relationship between body image and reproductive health and sexual risk among women
- 2015 - 2017 Amelia Robert, MPH Student, LSUHSC-New Orleans  
Role: Academic advisory and advisor for Schweitzer Fellowship  
Honors: Selected as Schweitzer Fellow and first place poster award, LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health Honors Day
- 2014-2017 Samantha Karlin, Hunter Hopkins, Kathryn DiLosa, and Katherine Davidson, MD Students, LSUHSC-New Orleans  
Role: Academic advisor for Schweitzer Fellowship
- 2013-2015 Kate Howe, MD/MPH student LSUHSC-New Orleans  
Role: Academic advisor and culminating experience advisor  
Evaluation of SMART CAFÉ: A student-directed nutrition education program in schools  
Honors: Selected as Schweitzer Fellow, Chancellor's Award, Community Service Award
- 2013 ChrisAnn McKinney, BCHS student LSUHSC-New Orleans  
Role: Academic advisor and culminating experience advisor  
Social Ecological Influences on Mothers' Behaviors for Early Childhood Obesity Prevention  
Honors: Delta Omega Honorary Public Health Society
- Tat Yau, ENHS student LSUHSC-New Orleans  
Role: culminating experience committee  
Use of the Health Belief Model to Evaluate the Sudden Impact Intervention Program
- 2012 – 2014 Ryan Lirette, MD/MPH BCHS student LSUHSC-New Orleans  
Role: Academic advisor and culminating experience advisor  
Understanding the Social Determinants of Health in Low Income African Americans in Two Communities in New Orleans
- Nicholas Bartel, MD/MPH BCHS student LSUHSC-New Orleans  
Role: Academic advisor and culminating experience advisor  
A Multimodal Approach to Improving Doctor-Patient Communication by Dually Targeting Patients and Their Medical Providers
- 2011 – 2013 Ariyon Bryant, BCHS student LSUHSC-New Orleans  
Role: Academic advisor and capstone committee  
Patient and Provider Perceptions of Assisting Smokers in Obtaining Cessation Treatment
- 2010 - 2012 Kaitlan Guthrie, BCHS student LSUHSC-New Orleans  
Role: Academic advisor and capstone advisor  
HPV Knowledge and Attitudes Survey in Men and Women

### **Thesis/Dissertation Committees**

Pereira, Malesa, PhD Candidate, Community Health Sciences, LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health. Understanding financial toxicity and posttraumatic growth among Adolescents and Young Adult (AYA) cancer survivors and their caregivers. In progress.

Moses, Lisa, PhD, Community Health Sciences, LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health. The Relationship between Perceived Social Support and Quality of Life in Young Women with Breast Cancer. Successfully defended March 2023.

Bidwell, Michelle Lawrence, Community Health Sciences, LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health. An Exploratory Study of the Nation's First Intentional Community for Veterans and Families: Examining the Associations between Social Support, Social Connectedness, and Health. In progress.

Luo, Ting, PhD, July, 2019, Community Health Sciences, LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health, "Examining a WeChat-Based Smoking Cessation Program for Chinese Smokers."

Cahill, Laura, PhD, May 2019, Community Health Sciences, LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health, "The Role of Attachment Style on the Relationship between Body Image and Reproductive Health and Sexual Risk among Women."

Gao, Ruijuan, MS, May 2016, Biostatistics, LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health, "Exploring the Racial Disparity in Health-related Quality of Life among Young Breast Cancer Survivors in Louisiana".

Kaufman, Randi, DrPH, 2013, University of North Carolina Gillings School of Public Health, "Managing Public Health Programs Subject to the Policies of Multiple Organizations".

Nelson, Nia, MS, May 2013, Department of Microbiology, Immunology, and Parasitology, LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Medicine, "Ability of self-sampling techniques: urine, self-vaginal swabs and tampons to detect Human Papillomavirus Infections".

Denise Johnson, DNP, 2010, School of Nursing, Chatham University, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, "The outcomes of educating women in New Orleans on breast cancer and early detection post Katrina".

Thierry, Amy, MPH, 2010, LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health, "Acceptance of a home HPV test".

Walch, Amelia, MPH, 2010, LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health, "Mammography rescreening barriers in the Louisiana Breast and Cervical Health Program".

### **Other Mentoring**

2020 Summer Research Program for Undergraduates  
Manal Malik, Tulane University

## Louisiana COVID-19 Risk Factor Analysis

Shauna Potts, Spelman College

Impact of Chemical Exposure on Preterm Pregnancies and Low Birth Weight Outcomes

2019 Summer Research Program for Undergraduates

Alina Mohiuddin, Loyola University

2018 Summer Research Program for Undergraduates

Meija Caldwell, Xavier University

Integrating referrals for lung cancer screening and primary care into quit line counseling

2017 Summer Research Program for Undergraduates

Jessica Anderson, Xavier University

Mapping of mammography services for low-income women

Summer Research Program for High School Students

Caroline Hera, Mount Carmel graduate

Gaps in cancer screening services for undocumented women

2016 Summer Research Program for Undergraduates

Tyra Ivory, Xavier University

A Spatial Analysis of Colorectal Cancer Screening Capacity under Medicaid Expansion

Summer Research Program for High School Students

Tie'rra Foley, Benjamin Franklin High School

2<sup>nd</sup> place winner

Assessing GI Capacity for Increased CRC Screening for Newly Insured Medicaid Patients

## **RESEARCH AND SCHOLARSHIP**

### **Grants & Contracts**

#### **Funded**

R825548-01-0

Lower Mississippi River Interagency Cancer Study

PI: Elizabeth Fonham

Agency: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

6/1/97-9/30/2001

\$1,150,618

100% effort

Coordinator

The purpose of this project is to study the relationship between proximity to industrial sites, emissions, and cancer in the Industrial Corridor in Louisiana.

Pilot Project to Overcome the Digital Divide

PI: Wayne Wilbright

Agency: National Institutes of Health National Cancer Institute

9/1/2000-1/14/2002

20% effort

\$244,033

Coordinator

The purpose of this project is to develop cancer educational tools designed to decrease the digital divide in underserved populations.

National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program

PI: Donna L. Williams

Agency: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Period: 10/1/02 - 6/30/07

20% effort

\$5,650,526

The purpose of this project is to develop comprehensive breast and cervical cancer early detection services for under and uninsured women in Louisiana.

National Comprehensive Cancer Control Planning

PI: Donna L. Williams

Agency: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Period: 10/1/02 - 6/30/07

20% effort

\$1,944,110

The purpose of this project is to develop and implement a state plan to reduce the burden of cancer in Louisiana.

NCI Cancer Information Services

PI: Thomas Tucher, M.H.A.

Agency: National Cancer Institute

Period: 1/1/05 - 12/30/09

Co-Investigator

2.5% effort gratis

\$230,748

The purpose of this project is to provide cancer information to Louisiana citizens.

Katrina Relief

PI: Donna L. Williams

Agency: Lance Armstrong Foundation

Period: 11/1/05 – 9/15/06

2% effort gratis

\$46,250

The purpose of this project is to rebuild breast and cervical cancer early detection services in the greater New Orleans area post-Katrina.

Katrina Relief

PI: Donna L. Williams

Agency: National Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation (4 grants)

Period: varies 05-07

2.5% effort gratis

\$176,178

The purpose of this project is to rebuild breast and cervical cancer early detection services in the greater New Orleans area post-Katrina.

#### Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection

PI: Donna L. Williams

Agency: Carol Jacobsohn Foundation

Period: 6/6/06

1% gratis

\$35,000

The purpose of this project is to rebuild breast and cervical cancer early detection services in the greater New Orleans area post-Katrina.

#### Mammography

PI: Donna L. Williams

Agency: AVON Foundation

Type: Equipment and Services

Period: 8/2006 – 1/2008

2.5% gratis

\$500,000

The purpose of this project is to rebuild breast cancer early detection services in the greater New Orleans area post-Katrina.

#### Breast Cancer Early Detection

PI: Donna L. Williams

Agency: Susan G. Komen for the Cure Local Affiliate

Period: April 1, 2007 – March 31, 2009

2.5% gratis

\$390,106

The purpose of this project is to provide breast cancer early detection services at and in partnership with the Interim LSU Hospital. Services include screening, education, diagnosis, navigation, and access to treatment services.

#### Johnson & Johnson Crystal Award

PI: Donna L Williams

Agency: Johnson & Johnson Foundation

Period: July 1, 2007 – June 30, 2009

2.5% gratis

\$150,000

The purpose of this project is to rebuild breast and cervical cancer early detection services in the greater New Orleans area post-Katrina.

#### National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program

PI: Donna L. Williams

Agency: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Period: June 29, 2007 – June 30, 2012

20% effort

\$6,873,653

The purpose of this project is to develop comprehensive breast and cervical cancer early detection services for under and uninsured women in Louisiana.

National Comprehensive Cancer Control Planning  
PI: Donna L. Williams  
Agency: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
Period: June 29, 2007 – June 30 – 2012  
20% effort  
\$1,861,185

The purpose of this project is to develop and implement a state plan to reduce the burden of cancer in Louisiana.

Louisiana FITCo Program  
PI: Donna L. Williams  
Agency: State of Louisiana  
Period: July 1, 2008 – June 30, 2010  
12.5% effort  
\$1,850,000

The purpose of this project is to develop Louisiana's capacity to screen for colorectal cancer with particular emphasis on the uninsured.

LSUHSC Minority-Based Community Clinical Oncology Program  
PI: Robert Veith

Agency: National Cancer Institute  
Period: July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2014  
Co-Investigator  
4% effort  
\$5,798,048

The purpose of this program is to support, as a national resource, research activities of physicians involved in the care of minorities who are eligible to participate in NCI-sponsored cancer prevention, control, and treatment clinical trials.

1CPIMP091054  
Delta Regional Institute  
PI: Warren Jones, University of Mississippi  
Agency: HHS Office of Minority Health  
Period: August 1, 2009 – September 31, 2013  
Subrecipient PI  
5% effort gratis  
\$399,298 for subrecipient

The purpose of this project is to decrease cancer related disparities in the New Orleans area through the activities of the regional cancer control officer and by providing navigation services for cancer patients at the Interim LSU Hospital.

Breast Center at the Interim LSU Hospital  
PI: Donna L. Williams  
Agency: Susan G. Komen for the Cure Local Affiliate  
Period: April 1, 2010 – March 31, 2011  
2.5% effort gratis  
\$156,547

The purpose of this project is to provide breast cancer early detection services at and in partnership with the Interim LSU Hospital. Services include screening, education, diagnosis, navigation, and access to treatment services.

5U55DP003042

Demonstrating the Capacity of Comprehensive Cancer Control Programs to Implement Policy and Environmental Cancer Control Interventions

PI: Donna L. Williams

Agency: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Period: September 29, 2010 – September 28, 2015

\$519,003

10% effort

The primary objective of this project is to demonstrate the capability of the state Comprehensive Cancer Control Program to implement policy, environmental, and systems changes that will impact cancer. The project is to utilize the cancer coalition and other statewide partners and the identified priorities of the state cancer plan to target appropriate changes.

Breast Center at the Interim LSU Hospital

PI: Donna L. Williams

Agency: Susan G. Komen for the Cure Local Affiliate

Period: April 1, 2011 – March 31, 2012

2.5% effort gratis

\$167,270

The purpose of this project is to provide breast cancer early detection services at and in partnership with the Interim LSU Hospital. Services include screening, education, diagnosis, navigation, and access to treatment services.

1U58DP003399

Survivorship Support in Young Women with Breast Cancer in South Louisiana

PI: Donna L. Williams

Agency: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Period: September 29, 2011 – September 28, 2014

15% effort

\$995,986

The primary objective of this project is to address the support services needs of young women under 45 years of age diagnoses with breast cancer in South Louisiana.

Breast Center at the Interim LSU Hospital

PI: Donna L. Williams

Agency: Susan G. Komen for the Cure Local Affiliate

Period: April 1, 2012 – March 31, 2013

2.5% effort gratis

\$165,322

The purpose of this project is to provide breast cancer early detection services at and in partnership with the Interim LSU Hospital. Services include screening, education, diagnosis, navigation, and access to treatment services.

1U58DP003915

Cancer Prevention & Control Programs for State, Territorial & Tribal Organizations

PI: Donna L. Williams

Agency: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Period: July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2017

42% effort

\$14,515,950

The primary objective of this project is to reduce the burden of cancer in Louisiana. This project includes the Louisiana Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program, the Louisiana Tumor Registry, and the Louisiana Comprehensive Cancer Control Program.

1R211CA157263

Feasibility of Community Based Tampon Self-Sampling to Prevent Cervical Cancer

PI: Donna Williams

Agency: NIH National Cancer Institute

Period: September 1, 2012 – August 31, 2015

\$297,460

8% effort

The purpose of this project is to test the feasibility of using tampons in a home setting to self-sample for HPV. Compliance is compared to standard of care clinic-based Pap testing for cervical cancer.

R24MD008121

Community-Academic Partnership to Address Health Disparities in New Orleans (LSU, L9W, Daughters of Charity Services of New Orleans)

PI: John Estrada

Agency: NIH/NIMHD

Period: January 1, 2013 – March 30, 2015

Scientific Research Partner (Co-Investigator)

4% effort

\$763,926

The primary objective of the Community-Based Participatory Research project is to address specific social determinants of health identified in the Lower Ninth Ward community in New Orleans.

Breast Center at the Interim LSU Hospital

PI: Donna Williams

Agency: Susan G. Komen for the Cure Local Affiliate

Period: April 1, 2013 – March 31, 2014

2.5% effort gratis

\$160,508

The purpose of this project is to provide breast cancer early detection services at and in partnership with the Interim LSU Hospital. Services include screening, education, diagnosis, navigation, and access to treatment services.

Breast Center at the Interim LSU Hospital

PI: Donna Williams

Agency: Susan G. Komen for the Cure Local Affiliate

Period: April 1, 2014 – March 31, 2015

2.5% effort gratis

\$170,556

The purpose of this project is to provide breast cancer early detection services at and in partnership with the Interim LSU Hospital. Services include screening, education, diagnosis, navigation, and access to treatment services.

UG1CA189854

Gulf South Minority-based NCORP

PI: Augusto Ochoa, MD



Agency: National Cancer Institute  
Period: September 1, 2014 – August 31, 2019  
5% effort  
\$5,844,162

The purpose of this program is to support, as a national resource, research activities of physicians involved in the care of minorities who are eligible to participate in NCI-sponsored cancer prevention, control, and treatment clinical trials.

Cervical Cancer Prevention in Louisiana  
PI: Michael Hagensee  
Role: Co-PI  
Agency: Louisiana Clinical and Translational Science Center  
Period: January 2016 – May 2017  
5% effort gratis  
\$100,000

Innovative cervical cancer prevention programs that are sensitive to the unique challenges of limited-resource, health-disparate communities is hypothesized to greatly reduce cervical cancer morbidity and mortality in Louisiana. Four research projects will address this hypothesis by identifying cultural, socioeconomic and treatment factors that promote use of HPV vaccines; evaluating self-sampling with HPV testing as a primary screening alternative; identification of nutritional risk factors that promote regression of low-grade cervical intraepithelial lesions and discovery of novel molecular biomarkers that predict progression of low-grade lesions to high-grade lesions.

6 NU58DP005412-03-01  
Increasing Awareness of and Support for Young Women with Breast Cancer in the Gulf South  
PI: Donna Williams  
Agency: CDC  
Period: September 30, 2014 – Sept 29, 2019  
15% effort  
\$2,000,000

The primary objective of this project is to address the needs of young women under 45 years of age diagnoses with breast cancer in Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama. This project uses an internet-based approach to disseminating information and increasing access to services specific to the needs of young women with breast cancer.

Breast Center at the Interim LSU Hospital  
PI: Donna Williams  
Agency: Susan G. Komen for the Cure Local Affiliate  
Period: April 1, 2015 – March 31, 2016  
2.5% effort gratis  
\$170,556

The purpose of this project is to provide breast cancer early detection services at and in partnership with the Interim LSU Hospital. Services include screening, education, diagnosis, navigation, and access to treatment services.

5 NU58DP006087-02-00  
Organized Approaches to Increase Colorectal Cancer Screening  
PI: Randi Kaufman  
Role: Co-PI  
Agency: CDC

Period: June 30, 2015 – June 29, 2020

10% effort

\$3,644,505

The purpose of this project is to build capacity and initiate policy and environmental change for colorectal cancer screening in Louisiana.

5 NU58DP006111-02-00

Increasing the Implementation of Evidence-Based Cancer Survivorship Interview to Increase Quality & Duration of Life among Cancer Patients.

PI: Donna Williams

Agency: CDC

Period: September 30, 2015 – September 29, 2018

15% effort

\$1,024,416

The purpose of this project is to utilize tumor registry data to prepopulate survivorship care plans for physicians to utilize with oncology patients who have completed their treatment and to train providers on survivorship care and care plans.

1 NU58DP006332-01-00

Cancer Prevention & Control Programs for State, Territorial & Tribal Organizations

PI: Donna L. Williams

Agency: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Period: June 30, 2017 – June 29, 2022

42% effort

\$14,972,765

The primary objective of this project is to reduce the burden of cancer in Louisiana. This project includes the Louisiana Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program, the Louisiana Tumor Registry, and the Louisiana Comprehensive Cancer Control Program.

UL1TR003096

UAB Center for Clinical and Translational Science

Agency: National Cancer Institute

Site PI: Lucio Miele

Period: May 6, 2019 – March 30, 2024

5% effort

Role: Site Lead, Community Engagement

\$137,483 site annual

We will enhance the translation of fundamental and clinical research into improvements for human health and health care delivery. By further developing a diverse, well-trained workforce in translational science, by promoting an efficient scientific infrastructure, by engaging our communities in partnership to identify challenges and create approaches to solutions, and by assuring effective use of available resources, the CCTS Partner Network will accelerate the pace of discovery to delivery across the translational spectrum.

5UG1CA189854-08

Gulf South Minority-based NCORP

PI: Augusto Ochoa, MD

Agency: National Cancer Institute

Period: September 1, 2014 – July 31, 2025

4% effort

Role: Lead, Cancer Prevention Program

Current year direct funding: \$1,990,921

The purpose of this program is to support, as a national resource, research activities of physicians involved in the care of minorities who are eligible to participate in NCI-sponsored cancer prevention, control, and treatment clinical trials.

Cancer Surveillance in St. John Parish

PI: Donna L. Williams, DrPH

Agency: Louisiana Department of Health

Period: September 1, 2019 – September 30, 2021

5% effort

\$288,587

The purpose is to address the concerns people have about missing cancer cases and ensure that all cases that must be reported are used when talking about the risk of cancer around the Denka plant.

1 NU58DP006759-01-00, CDC

PI: Reni Elewonibi

Organized Approaches to Increase Colorectal Cancer Screening

Agency: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Period: 06/30/2020 – 06/29/2025

10% effort

\$3,000,000

The purpose of this project is to build capacity and initiate policy and environmental change for colorectal cancer screening in Louisiana.

Role: Co-PI

Cancer Prevention & Control Programs for State, Territorial & Tribal Organizations

PI: Donna L. Williams

Agency: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Period: June 30, 2022 – June 29, 2027

\$16,974,600

The primary objective of this project is to reduce the burden of cancer in Louisiana. This project includes the Louisiana Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program, the Louisiana Tumor Registry, and the Louisiana Comprehensive Cancer Control Program.

PASD-Team-23-1076339-01-PASD

Improving Cervical Cancer Prevention in Louisiana

PI: Michael Hagensee

Agency: American Cancer Society

Period: January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2028

\$1,200,000

Role: Investigator

1/6 - CTSA UM1 at the University of Alabama at Birmingham (Center for Clinical and Translational Science)

Project Number: UM1TR004771

PI: Gutierrez, Orlando; Kimberly, Robert P, Delafontaine, Patrice (MPIs); Miele, Lucio (Site Lead)

Agency: NIH / NCATS

Primary Place of Performance: University of Alabama at Birmingham

Period: 05/01/2024 – 04/30/2031

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Role: Investigator

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Luo, T., Ariail, M., Meyer, J., Daniel, Z., Lee, J., Bartley, T., Martinez, R., Kaufman, R., and **Williams, D**. The Association between Smoking Status and Prior Breast Cancer Screening Completion: LBCHP 2015-2019. Louisiana Cancer Research Consortium Scientific Retreat, April 2020, New Orleans, LA. (Abstract was selected for poster presentation; however, the conference was postponed due to the COVID-19 outbreak.)

Luo, T., Li, M.S., **Williams, D.**, Phillippi, S., Yu, Q., Kantrow, S., Kao, Y.H., Lin, W.T. and Tseng, T.S. Urban and Rural Smoking Cessation Disparities in China. Xavier University 13th Health Disparities Conference, April 2020, New Orleans, LA. (Abstract was selected for poster presentation; however, the conference was postponed due to the COVID-19 outbreak.)

Luo, T., Li, M.S., **Williams, D.**, Phillippi, S., Yu, Q., Kantrow, S., Kao, Y.H., Lin, W.T. and Tseng, T.S. A WeChat-Based Smoking Cessation Intervention for Chinese Smokers: A Randomized Controlled Trial. Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center (LSUHSC), Public Health Week, Delta Omega Honor Day, April 2020, New Orleans, LA. (Poster and 3 minutes Zoom recorded oral presentation due to the Covid-19 outbreak.)

Luo, T., Meyer, J., Hendrix, L., Doctor, B., Kaufman, R., and **Williams, D.** A Holistic Approach to Treating Cancers by Addressing the Social Determinants of Health: Implementing a Hospital-based Therapeutic Food Pantry for UMC Cancer Patients. Future of Health Speaks Symposium. February 2020, New Orleans, LA. (10 minute oral presentation)

Luo, T., Meyer, J., Kaufman, R., and **Williams, D.** Preliminary Examination of a Therapeutic Food Pantry Study for UMC Cancer Patients. Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center (LSUHSC). School of Medicine annual research day, January 2020, New Orleans, LA. (Poster)

Elewonibi B, Pereira M, Zou Y, and **Williams D.** Impact of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act on the Colorectal Cancer Landscape in Louisiana. American Association for Cancer Research Conference on the Science of Cancer Health Disparities in Racial/Ethnic Minorities and the Medically Underserved, September 2023, Orlando, Florida.

Katner A, Edwards M, Stelly A, Brisolaro K, **Williams D**, Trapido E, Pieper K. Climate hazards faced by underserved communities and recommendations for fostering disaster resilience and environmental justice. 2024 Annual Conference of the American Chemical Society (ACS). New Orleans, LA (March 17-24, 2024).

Katner A, Stelly A, Brisolaro K, **Williams D**, Trapido E, Pieper K. Louisiana Lessons Learned on the Cumulative and Cascading Effects of Climate Change in Underserved Communities and Strategies to Foster Disaster Resilience and Environmental Justice. National Network of Public Health Institutes (NNPHI) 2024 Annual Conference. Mar 21-23, 2024. New Orleans, LA. [Breakout session]

## **Other Materials**

**Williams D**, Majdoch R, Ryan D, and Stagg A. ASK US: Implementation Guide and Toolkit for Increasing Cancer Screening Rates. New Orleans: Louisiana Cancer Prevention and Control Program, 2014. Considered a best practice by the American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer, May 2014.

## **Research Review Committees**

National Institutes of Health  
Special Emphasis Panel  
Transformative Research to Address Health Disparities and Advance Health Equity  
2024/08 ZRG1 BP-H (50)  
July 2024

National Institutes of Health  
NCI Cancer Screening Research Network: Clinical Research Cooperative Agreements  
2023/10 ZCA1 SRB-P (O1) R  
June 2023

National Institutes of Health  
NIH/NCI 440  
Cancer Prevention and Diagnosis Technologies for Low-Resource Settings

SBIR PHS 2022-1  
February 2022

National Institutes of Health  
Center for Scientific Review  
Special Emphasis Panel  
ZRG1 MOSS-T 50 R, RFA-RM-21-021  
UNITE Transformative Research to Address Health Disparities and Advance Health  
Equity (U01)  
July 2021

MD Anderson Cancer Center  
HPV Initiative  
External Review Committee  
May 2021, November 2021, November 2022

National Cancer Institute  
National Cancer Institute Initial Review Group  
Subcommittee A - Cancer Centers  
NCI-A RTRB-Y (K1)  
May 2021

Center for Clinical and Translational Sciences  
Interdisciplinary Network Pilot Program  
University of Alabama, Birmingham  
Grant review  
January 2021

National Cancer Institute  
PAR 19-356 "NCI Clinical and Translational Exploratory/ Developmental Studies (R21)"  
and PAR 20-052 "NCI Small Grants Program for Cancer Research (Omnibus R03)"  
November 2020

National Cancer Institute  
2019/08 ZCA1 RPRB-L (A1) P  
Implementation Science for Cancer Control P50  
June 2019

National Cancer Institute  
2015/05 ZCA1 TCRB-B (M2) S  
NCI Exploratory/Developmental Research Grant Program (NCI Omnibus R21) and  
PAR14-007, NCI Small Grants Program for Cancer Research (NCI Omnibus R03)  
March 2015

National Cancer Institute  
2015/01 ZCA1 TCRB-B (J1) S  
Cancer Management and Health Behavior  
October 2014

National Cancer Institute  
2014/08 ZCA1 SRLB-B (O1) S

Cancer Health Equity and Comprehensive Partnerships  
Stand-In Chair  
May 2014

Louisiana Clinical & Translational Science Center  
Pilot Grants Program  
May 2014

National Cancer Institute  
Special Emphasis Panel ZCA1 SRLB-Y O2 S,  
Feasibility Studies to Build Collaborative Partnerships in Cancer Research (P20s)  
July 2013

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Research Centers: Special Interest Project  
Competitive Supplements (SIPS) Special Emphasis Panel (Panel C – Ovarian Cancer)  
June 2011

National Cancer Institute  
Comprehensive Partnerships to Reduce Cancer Health Disparities (U54)  
June 2011

National Cancer Institute  
Community Networks Program  
Centers for Reducing Disparities through Outreach, Research and Training  
2010

National Cancer Institute  
Community Networks Program  
Pilot Projects to Reduce Cancer Health Disparities  
2006 – 2008

### **Invited Presentations and Seminars**

Helping Communities Access (and use) Research Results. 2024 Promising Practices Conference on Community Health. Louisiana Cancer Research Consortium. Grambling, LA. June 7, 2024.

Identifying Social Determinants of Health in the Community. Health Equity in Action Webinar Series, Louisiana Department of Health. December 7, 2023

Addressing Rural Health Disparities in Louisiana. National Rural Health Day. Louisiana Department of Health and Louisiana Rural Health Association Webinar. November 16, 2023.

Navigation as a Promising Practice. National Roundtable on Cervical Cancer, American Cancer Society. October 18, 2023.

Lung Cancer Screenings 101. The Louisiana Campaign for Tobacco-Free Living Empowering People and Community Series. August 17, 2023.



Addressing HPV Vaccination Gaps in the Southeastern U.S. St. Jude Children's Research Hospital Webinar. February 27, 2023

What Makes for a Successful Practice. Putting the Pieces Together for a Brighter Future: Conversations about HPV and Influenza, Annual Louisiana Shots for Tots Coalition meeting. New Orleans, December 5, 2022.

A Conversation about Cancer: Awareness, Resources, Research, & Survival. The Louisiana Campaign for Tobacco-Free Living, Empowering People and Communities Series. November 4, 2021

Health Disparities and Breast Cancer. Aledade national leadership. October 2021.

Community Coalitions Addressing Modifiable Risk Factors. Pennington Biomedical Research Center Nutrition Obesity Research Center Obesity Day, January 24, 2020.

Breast Cancer in Young Women. Louisiana Primary Care Association annual meeting, Baton Rouge, LA, October 24, 2019

Public Health Policy in a Dental School: Integrating Immunization Initiatives. LSUHSC-NO School of Dentistry Faculty Meeting. December 19, 2018.

Financial Toxicity. 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Joining FORCES against Hereditary Cancer Conference. San Diego, California, October 18 – 20, 2018.

ALICE's Adventures: Cancer Control and the Working Poor. University of Arkansas Cancer Institute. Little Rock, Arkansas, September 24, 2018

ALICE's Adventures: Colorectal Cancer Control and the Working Poor. Southeastern Colorectal Cancer Consortium Annual Meeting. New Orleans, June 27 – 29, 2018.

HPV 101. NOELA Community Health Center, New Orleans, October 20, 2017.

Moderator, HPV Summit. Baton Rouge, September 8, 2017.

Cancer Screening and Early Detection in Louisiana. Stanley Scott Cancer Center NCORP Scientific Advisory Committee meeting, New Orleans, May 31, 2017.

ACS Breast Cancer Screening Guidelines Update. Louisiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Center Breast Health and Cancer Symposium, Baton Rouge, March 22, 2017.

Feeding the Future of New Orleans Panelist, Community Listening Meeting, Second Harvesters Food Bank of Greater New Orleans, January 11, 2017.

HPV and Cancer: A Century of Discovery and Decisions. Infectious Diseases Research Seminar, LSUHSC-New Orleans, December 1, 2016.

Smoke-free NOLA. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Town Hall, November 15, 2016.

Breast Cancer Early Detection. Urban League Jazz Brunch, New Orleans, October 30, 2016.

Louisiana Breast and Cervical Health Program. UMC Breast Cancer Symposium, New Orleans, October 1, 2016.

Moonshot Summit Panel Member. LSU Health New Orleans Cancer Moonshot Summit. June 29, 2016.

Be a Superhero: Preventing HPV Related Cancers. Big ideas in the Big Easy: Uniting Rural and Urban Providers, Louisiana Primary Care Association Annual Clinical Summit, New Orleans, June 4, 2016.

Prevention & Health Disparities Panel. Progress and Promise against Cancer, American Association for Cancer Research, April 16, 2016, New Orleans, LA.

Community Outreach: Strategies and Successes Panel. LSU Health New Orleans Teaching Academy, March 31, 2016.

Success Stories: Smoke-free NOLA. National Comprehensive Cancer Control Program Directors Conference Call. January 12, 2016.

When Being Deviant is a Good Thing. Louisiana Shots for Tots Annual Conference, October 22, 2015, New Orleans, LA.

The State of the Research: a Review of Navigation Literature. Finding Your Way Patient Navigation Seminar, September 23, 2014, New Orleans, LA.

Health Care Reform Activities in a Non-expansion State: Louisiana. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Division of Cancer Prevention and Control 2014 Business Meeting, Atlanta, August, 2014.

Survive Dat! Louisiana's Young Breast Cancer Survivor Network. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Advisory Committee on Breast Cancer in Young Women, Atlanta, March 2014.

Feasibility of Community-based Tampon Self-Sampling to Prevent Cervical Cancer: Lessons Learned. LSUHSC School of Nursing Brown Bag Research Series, February 2014.

Models of Behavioral Health. LSUHSC – NO Schweitzer Fellows, July 2013.

Louisiana Breast and Cervical Health Program. Louisiana Senate Select Committee on Women and Children, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, April 2013.

Breast Cancer in Louisiana. Louisiana Primary Care Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, January 2013.

Introduction to the Louisiana Cancer Prevention and Control Programs. Louisiana Cancer Prevention and Control Program Providers Meeting, New Orleans, January, 2013.

Breast Cancer in Louisiana. Louisiana House Health and Welfare Committee, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, April 2012

Cancer Disparities Post-Katrina. Fontham E, **Williams DL**, Robinson M, Corbitt A, Abell M. Panel Discussion. Bridging the Healthcare Divide: Research and Programs to Eliminate Health Care Disparities, American Cancer Society Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana, April 19, 2007.

It's Time to Lift Up Louisiana: A Team Approach to Cancer. Louisiana Cancer Control Partnership Update. Louisiana State Cancer Control Conference, Baton Rouge, June 23, 2006.

Battling Breast Cancer in the Eye of the Storm. Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation National Affiliate Meeting, Little Rock, Arkansas, February 4, 2006.

Anatomy of Legislation. Food for Thought Seminar. LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health, March 21, 2005.

Using Comprehensive Strategies to Deliver Healthcare. LeSage D, and **Williams DL**. National Youth Leadership Forum. New Orleans, Louisiana, July 5 and July 19, 2004.

Integrated Cancer Programs in Louisiana. CDC BCCEDP Federal Advisory Group, Atlanta, Georgia, December 9, 2004.

Breast, Cervical, Colorectal and Prostate Cancer Early Detection. Presented to the Corporate Black Employees Network Annual Conference, New Orleans, July 11, 2003

Cancer Early Detection and Treatment Disease Management Program. Brammer M, Abell, M, **Williams DL**. Tulane University School of Public Health Epidemiology Seminar Series, April 4, 2003.

Breast and Cervical Cancer Disease Management. Abell M, Brammer M, **Williams DL**. LSU Health Sciences Center Medicine Grand Rounds, August 15, 2002.

The LUCI Project. Hayden J, **Williams DL**. Presented to the Communications Opportunities Leadership Team of the National Cancer Institute, Bethesda, Maryland, January 24, 2002.

President's Commission on Cancer, Albuquerque, New Mexico, March 8-9, 2001.

## **Editorial Activities**

Health Promotion Practice – reviewer

Journal of Health Care of the Poor and Underserved – reviewer, 2010 – present

Public Health Reports – reviewer

Women's Health – reviewer, 2009 – present

Social Work in Health Care – reviewer, 2012 – present

Journal of Cancer Epidemiology – reviewer, September 2012 – present

Saudi Medical Journal - reviewer, May 2014 – present

Health Education and Behavior - reviewer, May 2014 – present

Cancer Causes & Control – reviewer, September 2016 – present

Preventing Chronic Disease – reviewer, October 2016 – present  
Annals of Epidemiology – reviewer, December 2016 – present  
Journal of Health Disparities Research and Practice – reviewer, July 2019 – present  
Journal of the Louisiana Public Health Associate – Editor in Chief, July 2019 – present

## Media Interviews

*Louisiana's Struggle with Cancer Mortality.* Thanh Truong, FOX 8 News, August 13, 2024.

<https://www.fox8live.com/2024/08/13/louisianas-struggle-with-cancer-mortality-focus-during-biden-visit/>

*Cancer Types Rising Among Gen Xers, Millennials.* Liz Reyes, FOX 8 News, August 7, 2024. <http://my.tvey.es/i8CJq>

*Cancer risks, the importance of catching cancer early, and how we go about treating it.* Tommy Tucker, WWL radio AM. August 5, 2024. <https://www.audacy.com/podcast/wwl-first-news-with-tommy-tucker-34f17/episodes/tommy-hour-3-louisiana-charter-schools-and-avoiding-cancer-61d0c>

*Colorectal Cancer Day at the Capitol.* Talk 107.3 with Brian Haldane, Baton Rouge, March 28, 2024. <https://talk1073.com/2024/03/28/mornings-with-brian-haldane-dr-donna-williams-03-28-24/>

*Barriers and Access to Clinical Trials.* PBS Newshour. Interviewed February 2, 2024

*LSU LCMC Health Cancer Center.* WVUE Fox News, January 31, 2024. <https://www.fox8live.com/video/2024/01/31/lisu-health-cervical-cancer-research-grant/>

*HPV Vaccination.* WVUE Fox News, September 1, 2023. <https://www.fox8live.com/video/2023/09/01/lcmc-hpv-awareness/>

*Doctors Express Concern about Colorectal Cancer Death in La., Urge Early Detection.* WAFB9 News Baton Rouge. March 29, 2023

*Erin Andrews' misdirected cervical cancer screening promo overlooks harms of frequent testing.* Mary Chris Jaklevic. HealthNewsReview.org, March 21, 2018.

*HPV Prevention.* WVUE Fox News, December 4, 2017.

*Rep. Stokes on cancer diagnosis: 'something very productive and good will come from this journey.'* The Advocate, July 22, 2017.

*LSU Health New Orleans releases plan to reduce cancer deaths in Louisiana.* Louisiana Radio Network, June 29, 2017.

*Saturday is World Cancer Day,* Louisiana Radio Network, February 3, 2017.

*Screening Rate Lags Behind Advances*, the Advocate, October 2, 2016.

*World Cancer Day*, WWL News, February 4, 2014.

*SurviveDAT!* Barbara McConnell. Louisiana Medical News, June 26, 2013.

*Breast Cancer Early Detection*. WVUE Fox News, October 2012.

*Agency says budget cuts to program may cost women's lives*. Marsha Shuler. The Advocate, March 14, 2012.

*Breast Cancer Early Detection*. WVUE Fox News, October 2011.

*Statewide Plan Seeks to Slash Cancer Death*. Louisiana Medical News, July 2011.

## **Blog Articles**

*Promises of MRNA in Cancer, COVID, and Beyond*. Louisianacancer.org. 10/10/21

*SurviveDAT is now part of the Gulf States Young Breast Cancer Survivor Network*.  
Survivedat.org. 7/14/15.

*HPV Vaccine*. Survivedat.org. 1/5/16.

*HPV causes cancer: make sure it doesn't for you*. Survivedat.org. 1/8/18.

*Telling a teenager a parent has cancer: one woman's experience*. Survivedat.org.  
6/6/18.

*Louisiana parents: congratulate yourselves!* Louisianacancer.org. 1/7/19

## **SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

### **University/Institutional Service**

#### **Departmental Committees**

LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health Environmental Health Sciences Ad Hoc Promotions and Tenure Committee, 2021.

LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health Biostatistics Ad Hoc Promotions and Tenure Committee, 2017.

LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health, Behavioral and Community Health Sciences Promotions and Tenure Committee, 2016 to present.

LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health, Behavioral and Community Health Sciences Program MPH Admissions Committee, Chair, 2011- July, 2016.

LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health Epidemiology Student Admissions Committee, 2005 – 2009

### **LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health Committees**

School Website Committee, August 2019 – present.

School Research Committee, June 2017 – present.

NOWS Outreach, Faculty Advisor, October 2015 – present.

Students for Sustainability, Faculty Advisor, May 2015 – present.

CEPH Self-Study Committee, Practice, Workforce Development, and Service Sections Writer, 2011 – 2013, 2017 – 2019.

Evaluation Committee, August 2010 – June 2023.

Multicultural/Diversity Committee, July 2010 – present.

Strategic Planning Steering Committee, Chair, April 2009 – 2013. Member and Co-Chair of Community Engagement and Workforce Development Workgroup, 2014 – 2016 and 2021.

Administrative Council, 2005 – 2007, 2016 – present.

Faculty Assembly Bylaws Committee, 2004.

### **LSUHSC-New Orleans (campus) Committees**

LSU/LCMC Health Cancer Center Member, 2023 – present

Associate Director of Community Outreach and Engagement, July 2023 – present

LSU/LCMC Health Cancer Center Research Activities Team, September 2022 – June 2023

LSU/LCMC Health Cancer Center Population Sciences Committee Co-Chair, September 2022 – June 2023

Search Committee, Cancer Center Director, September 2020 – June 2021

Wellness Committee, 2020 – present. Hunger Free Campus subcommittee, February 2023 – present.

Search Committee, Vice-Chancellor for Diversity and Inclusion, 2020

Cancer Council, 2019 - present

Team Up IPE Facilitator, 2018 – 2019

Gender Equity Committee, founding member, 2018 – present

Interprofessional Student Alliance, Mentor, 2013 – 2022.

Health Care Services Division Disease Management Initiative, 2005 – 2013

Walk to Wellness Committee, 2003

Stanley S. Scott Cancer Center, Population Science Program Member, 2010 - present

### **Hospital Committees**

Interim LSU Hospital Cancer Committee, 2006 – 2015, Community Outreach Committee Coordinator, 2013 – 2015.

MCLNO Cancer Committee, 2002 – 2005

MCLNO Breast Collaborative, 2002 – 2005

### **State/Regional Committees**

Pennington Biomedical Research Center External Promotion and Tenure Committee. March 2023 – present.

Louisiana Cancer Research Center, Associate Director of Population Science and Outreach and Engagement. March 2023 – present.

Louisiana Healthy Community Coalitions, Grant Review Committee. January 2021.

State Committee to study cancer incidence in Colfax. Louisiana pursuant to House Resolution No. 226. 2018.

State Committee to evaluate the policy gap of the Louisiana Smokefree Air Act pursuant to House Concurrent Resolution No. 76. 2018.

Southeast CRC Consortium Annual meeting, planning committee, 2018.

HPV Summit, planning committee, 2017.

Louisiana Colorectal Cancer Roundtable, 2015 – present.

Louisiana Vaccine Coalition, founding member, 2016 – present.

### **Professional Service**

Promising Practices Conference on Community Health 2024 Planning Committee, Louisiana Cancer Research Center.

External Advisory Board Member, Translational Research Program in Cancer Disparities (TRPCD), Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center, October 2023 – present.

American Cancer Society Cervical Cancer Roundtable, Access Workgroup Chair, May 2023 – present.

HPV Vaccine Roundtable of the Southeast, member, January – June 2023. Planning Committee, December 2022 – June 2023.

Colorectal Cancer Advisory Board, National Minority Quality Forum  
Center for Sustainable Health Care Quality and Equity, January 2023 – present

Symposium Planning Committee, Center for Clinical and Translational Science,  
University of Alabama at Birmingham, June – October 2022.

Expert Panel, Cervical Cancer Prevention in Underserved Communities, Community Links Project Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, University of Massachusetts  
June 15, 2021 – Dec, 2021

Louisiana Department of Health, Implicit Bias Training in Medical Care Curriculum  
Workgroup. 2020 - 2021

Taking Aim at Cancer in Louisiana Executive Committee, June 2018 – present, Vice-Chair, 2020 – 2022, Chair, 2023 - present

Young Survival Coalition Council of Advisors, September 2016 – 2022

FORCE (Facing Our Risk of Cancer Empowered)  
eXamining the Relevance of Articles for Young Survivors, [www.facingourrisk.org](http://www.facingourrisk.org),  
X-RAYS Steering Committee, December 2015 – September 2019  
EXTRA Steering Committee, October 2019 - present

### **Professional Society Committees**

ASPPH Teaching Excellence Award Selection Committee, 2019, 2022, 2023.

ASPPH Academic Public Health Practice Section, 2017 – present.

APHA Annual Meeting and Expo, Public Academic and Practice Linkages in Public Health Caucus abstract reviewer, 2019.

APHA Annual Meeting and Expo, Public Health Education and Health Promotion abstract reviewer, 2017, 2018.

APHA Annual Meeting and Expo, Cancer Forum, abstract reviewer, 2011, 2012, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2023.

APHA 142<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting and Expo Student Assembly abstract reviewer, 2014

Southern Plains AIAN Cancer Conference Planning Committee Meeting, 2013

American Public Health Association Cancer Forum, Member, 2011 – present.



Association of Schools of Public Health Student Practica Workgroup, 2011- 2015 and 2017 – present.

Society of Behavioral Medicine, 2012 annual meeting local planning committee  
American Public Health Association, Cancer Section, abstract reviewer, 2011 meeting

Intercultural Cancer Council, Regional Planning Committee, Regional Symposium on Minorities, the Medically Underserved & Cancer, 2010

Association of Schools of Public Health, DrPH Competency Project 2008-2009

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention National Breast and Cervical Early Detection Program Council Member and Research, Evaluation and Publications Committee, 2003 – 2012, Chair, 2007 – 2011

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Comprehensive Cancer Control Program Evaluation Task Order Advisory Committee, 2002 – 2004

### **Special Assignments**

Cancer Center Associate Director of Population Science search committee. LSUH New Orleans. September 2022 – present

Cancer Center Director search committee. LSUH New Orleans. July – Dec, 2020

Vice-Chancellor for Diversity and Inclusion search committee. LSUH New Orleans. July – Dec, 2020.

Demonstrating Excellence in Practice-Based Service for Public Health Small Group. Council of Public Health Practice, Association of Schools and Programs of Public Health. December 2016 – 2017.

LSUHSC-New Orleans Interprofessional Education, advisor and group moderator for IPE Day, 2017.

Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals' Environmental Public Health Tracking Program Community Outreach Workgroup, March 2015 – present.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention DP14-1408 Evaluation Stakeholder Workgroup, March 2015 – present.

LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health Culminating Experience Committee, BCHS representative, 2014 – 2015.

LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health, Delta Omega Honors Day, judge, 2014.

LSUHSC-New Orleans Alpha Psi Chapter abstract reviewer, APHA 142<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting and Expo - Delta Omega Poster Session Call for Abstracts, 2014.

e-Learning Workgroup Co-chair, LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health, March 2014 – 2016.

LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health Search Committee, Director of Public Health Practice, 2013.

LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health Honors Awards Committee, Chair, 2013.

LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health Project Director Search Committee, Delta AIDS Education and Training Center, 2013.

LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health Chancellor's Award Selection Committee, 2012.

LSUHSC-New Orleans Project to Create a Model for Establishing Academic Residency and Clinical Rotations in Community Health Centers Work Group, March 2009 – 2010.

LSUHSC-New Orleans Foundation Pfizer Awards for Excellence Committee, 2006.

Louisiana Interagency Task Force on Health Literacy.

Louisiana Task Force on Women's Health.

Research! America Liaison, 2003 – 2005.

### **Administrative Responsibilities**

Director, Louisiana Cancer Control Programs, 2002 – 2012

Includes and number of state programs to decrease the burden of cancer: Louisiana Breast and Cervical Health Program, Louisiana Comprehensive Cancer Control Program, Louisiana Cancer Information Services, and LAFITCo.

LSUHSC-New Orleans School of Public Health, Behavioral and Community Health Sciences Program

MPH Coordinator, 2011 – June 2016.

Director, Louisiana Cancer Prevention and Control Programs, 2012 – present

Includes the Centers for Disease and Prevention state programs to decrease the burden of cancer: Louisiana Breast and Cervical Health Program, Louisiana Comprehensive Cancer Control Program, SurviveDat network for young breast cancer survivors, cancer policy program, Louisiana Colorectal Health Program, Louisiana Colorectal Cancer Round Table, and others.

Associate Dean for Public Health Practice and Community Engagement, LSUHSC- New Orleans School of Public Health, November 2016 – present

Responsible for public health practice aspects of curriculum including the MPH practice experience. Course instructor for PUBH 6700. Develops community connections and responds to community needs as they pertain to the School. Responsible for accreditation criteria related to public health practice, workforce development, and community engagement.

Associate Director for Community Outreach and Engagement, LSU LCMC Health Cancer Center (and Louisiana Cancer Research Center). January 1, 2023 – present.

### **Community Service Activities**

Annual Asian Pacific American Heritage Festival, New Orleans, May 2023, 2024.

Speaker, Louisiana is United in Blue to Prevent Colorectal Cancer. State Capitol, March 28, 2024.

Cervical Cancer Screening Webinar Moderator. American Cancer Society. November 9, 2023.

Speaker, Getting Rid of the Blues of Colorectal Cancer event at State capitol. March 29, 2023.

Louisiana Cancer Research Consortium, Full Member, Associate Director of Population Science and Community Outreach and Engagement, January 2023 – present.

Founder, Student Pantry, LSUH-NO School of Public Health, fall 2022.

Albert Schweitzer Fellowship New Orleans Academic Mentor, Shakira Harding, April 1, 2022 – March 31, 2023.

Albert Schweitzer Fellowship New Orleans Academic Mentor, Lisa Kam, April 1, 2021 – March 31, 2022.

Albert Schweitzer Fellowship selection, New Orleans, February 2021.

American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network 2018 Louisiana Policy Forum on Clinical Trials, Panel Moderator, November 8, 2018.

Healing Peru volunteer and faculty mentor. February 2018.

Girl Scouts, New Orleans, STEM merit badge workshop, May, 2017.

Boy Scouts of Southeast Louisiana, public health merit badge workshop, April 2017, 2018, 2019, 2023.

Young Survival Coalition (National), Council of Advisors, February 2017 – 2022.

LA Tobacco Coalition Tobacco Disparities Taskforce, 2016 – present.

NOLA4WOMEN Volunteer, 2015 – 2019.

New Orleans Visiting Pet Program, Member, September 2015 – present.  
Nursing home team, 2015 – present, Children's Hospital team, 2018 – present,  
Mentor, January 2019 – present, Airport K-9 Krewe, April 2019 – 2020.

Albert Schweitzer Fellowship Academic Mentor, 2015 – 2017, 2022

Greater New Orleans Science and Engineering Fair, Judge, 2016 – present  
Lead Judge, Senior Behavioral and Social Sciences, February 2021

Albert Schweitzer Fellowship – New Orleans, Advisory Board, 2014 – September 2020

Louisiana Public Health Institute, Board of Directors, 2014 – 2022  
CEO Search Committee, 2019

Coalition for a Tobacco Free Louisiana, 2011 - present

Programme of Action for Cancer Therapy, International Atomic Energy Agency (Vienna, Austria), Co-Director of Evaluation, 2010 – 2014

American Cancer Society, New Orleans, Executive Leadership Council, January 2010 – 2016.

Board of Directors, St. Thomas Community Health Center 2005-2006

Community Advisory Board, Tulane Prevention Research Center 2005 - 2016

Member and Volunteer, Louisiana Breast Cancer Task Force 2002 - 2012

Volunteer, American Cancer Society, 2002 - present