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RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Adopting and evaluating systems and policy interventions to improve pregnancy outcomes
- Understanding and addressing substance use and substance use disorders in pregnancy
- Using implementation science to improve access to evidence-based reproductive health services
- Optimizing equitable healthcare delivery to Medicaid populations

EDUCATION

2014	PhD	Health Policy and Management	Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health
2009	MPH	Health Policy and Administration	Yale School of Public Health
2001	BA	Liberal Arts	Otterbein College

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2021 – present	Vice Chair for Practice, Health Policy and Management University of Pittsburgh School of Public Health
2020 – present	Associate Professor with tenure, Health Policy and Management University of Pittsburgh School of Public Health
2020 – present	Associate Director Center for Women’s Health Research and Innovation, University of Pittsburgh
2014 – 2020	Assistant Professor, Health Policy and Management University of Pittsburgh School of Public Health

OTHER PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

2012	Program Analyst-Intern, Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation (ASPE) US Dept. of Health and Human Services, Washington, DC
2009-2010	Consultant Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, Washington, DC
2004-2007	Legislative Analyst, Congressional Quarterly, Inc, Washington, DC
2002-2004	Staff Writer The Advisory Board Company, Washington, DC
2002	Staff Writer Fairfax County Times, Reston, VA
2001-2002	Staff Writer, Pike & Fischer, Inc/BNA Silver Spring, MD

RESEARCH SUPPORT

#102946	M Jarlenski (PI), D Mendez (PI)	09/01/2021-08/31/2023
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Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
Project title: Implementing and evaluating structural interventions in Medicaid to promote racial equity in pregnancy and child health

The goal of this research project is to evaluate the implementation and early effects of policies to promote racial health in pregnancy and early childhood outcomes in Pennsylvania Medicaid.

Role: Principal Investigator

R01 DA049759 EE Krans (PI), M Jarlenski (PI) 07/01/2020-06/30/2025

NIH/NIDA

Project title: Project STEPuP: A prenatal provider education and training program to improve medication-assisted treatment use during pregnancy and maternal and child health outcomes

The goal of this research project is to implement and test a provider- and system-level intervention to improve opioid use disorder treatment in pregnancy and postpartum to improve maternal and child health.

Role: Principal Investigator

R01 DA045675 M Jarlenski (PI), EE Krans (PI) 09/30/2018-08/31/2023

NIH/NIDA

Project title: Availability, accessibility, and structure of opioid use disorder treatment and maternal and child health outcomes

The goal of this research project is to advance knowledge about how access to and quality of opioid use disorder treatment in pregnancy and postpartum impact maternal and child health.

Role: Principal Investigator

R01 DA045675-S3 M Jarlenski (PI), EE Krans (PI) 09/30/2020-08/31/2023

NIH/NIDA

The goal of this research project grant supplement is to understand the health effects of the COVID19 global pandemic for persons with opioid use disorders in pregnancy and postpartum.

Role: Principal Investigator

75R60219D00016 O'Brien-Strain (PI) 05/22/2020-09/21/2024

Health Resources and Services Administration

Evaluation of the Rural Maternity and Obstetrics Management Strategies (RMOMS) Program

The goal of this research is to provide ongoing assistance on evaluation of a rural obstetric care model, including data collection, defining data elements and outcomes, and resolve data collection challenges.

Role: Consultant

#4000018870 AE James (PI) 01/01/2017-06/30/2022

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Project Title: Research and data analysis to advance maternal and child health

This project provides ongoing research and technical assistance pertaining to quality of maternal and child health utilization and outcomes to the Pennsylvania Medicaid program.

Role: Co-Investigator

Completed Research Support

R01 DA048029 JM Donohue (PI) 4/01/2019 - 9/30/2021

NIH/NIDA

Project Title: Examining the quality of opioid use disorder treatment in a Medicaid research network

The goal is to harness a Medicaid Distributed Research Network to assess OUD treatment performance and examine the impact of recent Medicaid policy changes on performance.

Role: Co-Investigator

2018-40 JM Donohue (PI) 12/1/2018 – 12/31/2020
The Benter Foundation
Project Title: Machine Learning and Opioid Overdoses
This project addresses a critical gap in our understanding of the opioid crisis by estimating the risk of long-term opioid use and its sequelae due to excess prescribing of opioids for acute pain.
Role: Co-Investigator

#713958 D Burke (PI) 11/01/2018 - 3/31/2020
Aetna Foundation
Project Title: Pennsylvania Opioid Data Dashboard
This expansion of the Opioid Data Dashboard will provide stakeholders, policymakers, academics, and the general public with storytelling tools and predictive trends to respond to the epidemic with novel prevention, intervention and treatment activities and services.
Role: Co-Investigator

K12 HD043441 Y Sadovsky (PI), M McNeil (PD) 12/01/2015-05/31/2019
NIH/HD/NICHD
Program title: Building Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women's Health in Pittsburgh
Scholar project title: Effects of state prenatal substance use policies on access to treatment and birth outcomes
The BIRCWH training program is offered to academic faculty in the University of Pittsburgh Schools of Health Sciences and MWRI who seek exceptional interdisciplinary training across a woman's lifespan. The goal of the project is to investigate the effects of state prenatal substance use reporting and treatment policies on prenatal substance use treatment, maternal substance use, and adverse birth outcomes.
Role: Scholar

F31 DA035007 M Jarlenski (PI) 08/01/2013-05/22/2014
NIH/NIDA
Project title: Effects of State Medicaid Policies on Prenatal Smoking and Infant Health Outcomes
The goal of this individual doctoral research fellowship was to study how state Medicaid policies affected smoking status during pregnancy, use of smoking cessation services during pregnancy, and infant health outcomes in the U.S.
Role: Principal Investigator

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

* Indicates publication led by a mentee.

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- 71 *Gao A, Drake C, Chen Q, Krans EE, Jarlenski M. Explaining racial-ethnic disparities in receipt of medication for opioid use disorder in pregnancy. *J Addict Med*. Revise and resubmit.
- 70 *Chin J, Jarlenski M, Orr K, Cuddleback M, Zimo J, Judge-Golden C, Borrero S. Pharmacy availability of emergency contraception in southwestern Pennsylvania: A simulated patient study. *Contraception: X*. 2021; In Press.
- 69 *Cartus A, Himes KP, Bodnar LM, Jarlenski M, Naimi A. Can ensemble machine learning improve the accuracy of severe maternal morbidity screening in a perinatal database? *Epidemiology*. 2021; In press.

- 68 *Gao YA, Jarlenski M, Chen Q, Krans EE. Differences in coronavirus disease 2019 screening, diagnosis, and hospitalization rates among U.S. pregnant women with and without a substance use disorder. *Am J Obstet Gynecol*. 2021; In press.
- 67 *Cartus A, Jarlenski M, Hime KP, James AE III, Naimi A, Bodnar LM. Adverse cardiovascular events following severe maternal morbidity. *Am J Epidemiology*. 2021; In press.
- 66 Medicaid Outcomes Distributed Research Network; Donohue JM, Jarlenski M, Kim JY, Tang L, Ahrens KA, Allen L, Austin A, Barnes AJ, Burns M, Chung-Chou CA, Clark S, Cole E, Crane D, Cunningham P, Idala D, Junker S, Lanier P, Mauk R, McDuffie MJ, Mohamoud S, Pauly N, Sheets L, Talbert J, Zivin K, Gordon AJ, Kennedy S; Medicaid Outcomes Distributed Research Network (MODRN). Use of medications for treatment of opioid use disorder among US Medicaid enrollees in 11 states, 2014-2018. *JAMA*. 2021; In press.
- 65 Krans EE, Kim JY, Chen Q, Rothenberger S, James AE III, Kelley D, Jarlenski M. Outcomes associated with use of medications for opioid use disorder during pregnancy. *Addiction*. 2021; epub ahead of print.
- 64 Jarlenski M. Medicaid policy and pregnancy outcomes: Toward a reproductive autonomy framework. *Am J Epidemiology*. 2021; epub ahead of print.
- 63 *Hollander MAG, Cole ES, Sabik LM, Chang CC, Kahn JM, Jarlenski M, Donohue JM. Emergency department and ambulatory care visits in the first 12 months under Medicaid expansion: A group-based trajectory analysis. *Ann Emerg Med*. 2021; epub ahead of print.
- 62 Jarlenski M, Krans EE. Co-occurring substance use disorders identified among delivery hospitalizations in the United States. *J Addict Med*. 2020;In press.
- 61 Jarlenski M, Kim JY, Ahrens KA, Allen L, Austin A, Barnes AJ, Crane D, Lanier P, Mauk R, Mohamoud S, Pauly N, Talbert J, Zivin K, Donohue JM. Healthcare patterns of pregnant women and children affected by opioid use disorder in 9 state Medicaid populations. *J Addict Med*. 2020;In press.
- 60 Bleich SN, Soto MJ, Jones-Smith JC, Wolfson JA, Jarlenski M, Dunn CG, Frelier JM, Herring BJ. Association of chain restaurant advertising spending with obesity in US adults. *JAMA Netw Open*. 2020;10:e2019519.
- 59 Jarlenski M, Krans EE, Chen Q, Cartus A, Zivin K, Bodnar LM. Substance use disorders and risk of severe maternal morbidity in the United States. *Drug Alcohol Depend*. 2020; epub ahead of print.
- 58 *Eom KY, Jarlenski M, Scheon R, Robertson L, Sabik L. Sex Differences in the Impact of Affordable Care Act Medicaid expansion on Colorectal Cancer Screening. *Prev Med*. 2020; epub ahead of print.
- 57 Jarlenski M, Paul N, Krans EE. Polysubstance use among pregnant women with opioid use disorder in the United States, 2007-2016. *Obstet Gynecol*. 2020;136:556-64.
- 56 Jarlenski M, Krans EE, Donohue JM, Kim JY, Kelley D, Stein BD, James AE, Bogen DL. Five-year outcomes among children with in-utero opioid exposure in Medicaid. *Health Aff(Millwood)*. 2020;39:247-55.
- 55 Drake C, Jarlenski M, Zhang Y, Polsky D. Market Share of US Catholic Hospitals and Associated Geographic and Network Access to Reproductive Health Services. *JAMA Netw Open*. 2020;3:e1922053.
- 54 Bleich SN, Jones-Smith JC, Jarlenski M, Wolfson JA, Frelier JM, Tao H, Hu Y, Zink A, Dunn CG, Soto MJ, Herring BJ. Impact of changes in chain restaurant calories over time on obesity risk. *J Gen Int Med*. 2020; 35:1743-50.
- 53 *Hollander MAG, Krans EE, Stein BD, Donohue JM, Jarlenski M. Association between opioid prescribing in Medicare and pharmaceutical company gifts by physician specialty. *J Gen Int Med*. 2019;35:2451-8.
- 52 *Koma JW, Vercammen KA, Jarlenski M, Frelier JA, Bleich SN. Sugary drink consumption among children by Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program status. *Am J Prev Med*. 2019;58:69-78.
- 51 Krans EE, Kim JY, James AE III, Kelley D, Jarlenski MP. Medication-assisted treatment utilization among pregnant women with opioid use disorder. *Obstet Gynecol*. 2019; 133:943-51.
- 50 Frelier JM, Moran AJ, Vercammen KA, Jarlenski MP, Bleich SN. Trends in calories and nutrients of beverages in US chain restaurants, 2012-2017. *Am J Prev Med*. 2019;57:231-40.

- 49 *Patton P, Kim JY, Krans EE, Jarlenski M. Postpartum preventive healthcare utilization among women with opioid use disorder before and after Medicaid expansion. *Substance Abuse*. 2019;40:371-7.
- 48 *Parekh N, Jarlenski M, Kelley D. Disparities in access to care and emergency department utilization in a large Medicaid program. *J Health Dispar Res Pract*. 2018; epub ahead of print.
- 47 *Hollander MAG, Jarlenski MP, Donohue JM, Cole ES, Kelley D, Krans EE. Medical specialty of buprenorphine prescribers for pregnant women with opioid use disorder. *Am J Obstet Gynecol*. 2019;220:502-3.
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- 18 Bleich SN, Wolfson JA, Jarlenski MP. Calorie changes in large chain restaurants: Declines in new menu items but room for improvement. *Am J Prev Med*. 2016;50:e1-8.
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INVITED TALKS

- “Policy as a tool to achieve equity in maternal and child health.” Metrolina Professor Speaker Series, UNC Charlotte College of Health and Human Services, Charlotte, NC, Nov 2019.
- “Mandatory reporting of prenatal substance use: Implications for practice and policy.” Center for Research on Health Care Seminar Series, Pittsburgh, PA, May 2018.
- “Using real-world data to optimize opioid use disorder treatment for pregnant women in Pennsylvania Medicaid.” AcademyHealth State University Partnership Learning Network Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, December 2017.
- “Cannabis use in pregnancy: Clinical and policy implications.” National Maternal Nutrition Intensive Course. University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, August 2017.
- “Association Between State Prenatal Substance Use Policies and Child Maltreatment Reports and Use of Social Services.” George Washington University, Washington DC, November 2016.

SELECTED PEER-REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS

- “Evidence and the politics of Medicaid,” American Political Science Association annual research meeting, Virtual format, Sept 2020.
- “Duration of medication treatment in pregnancy and postpartum treatment and overdose.” Addiction Health Services Research annual meeting, Park City, UT, Oct 2019.
- “Trends in opioid use disorder treatment for pregnant women in Medicaid, 2009-2015.” Addiction Health Services Research annual meeting, Savannah, GA, Oct 2018.
- “Healthcare utilization in the first five years among children born to women with opioid use disorder.” Addiction Health Services Research annual meeting, Savannah, GA, Oct 2018.
- “Media portrayals of risks and benefits of prenatal marijuana use in an era of scientific uncertainty.” Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Annual Fall Research Conference, Chicago, IL, Nov 4, 2017.
- “Trends in separate and concurrent cigarette smoking and marijuana use among US reproductive-aged women.” Addiction Health Services Research annual meeting, Madison, WI, Oct 19, 2017.
- “Association Between State Prenatal Substance Use Policies and Child Maltreatment Reports and Use of Social Services.” Addiction Health Services Research annual meeting, Seattle, WA, Oct 14, 2016.

- “State laws pertaining to prenatal substance use: Implications for clinical practice and public health.” University of Pittsburgh Medical Ethics Conference, Pittsburgh, PA, Apr 1, 2016.
- “Evaluation Design for Community HealthChoices in Pennsylvania Medicaid.” AcademyHealth State University Partnership Learning Network Meeting, Washington DC, Nov19, 2015.
- “The Children’s Health Insurance Program: History, Evidence, and Politics.” University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine American Medical Student Association meeting, Pittsburgh PA, Feb 25, 2015.
- “Health and Demographic Characteristics of Pregnant Women who Enroll in Medicaid: Do Income and Enrollment Policies Matter?” AcademyHealth Gender and Health Annual Interest Group Meeting, Baltimore, MD, June 22, 2013.
- “Medicaid enrollment and prenatal insurance coverage: An assessment of states’ adoption of the ‘Unborn Child’ option.” Johns Hopkins Women’s Health Research Group Annual Symposium, Baltimore, MD, May 20, 2013.
- “Overweight adults’ perceived helpfulness of wellness benefits for weight loss.” American College of Preventive Medicine Annual Meeting, Phoenix, AZ, Feb 23, 2013.
- “News Media Framing and Childhood Obesity.” Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Annual Fall Research Conference, Washington, DC, Nov 5, 2009.

PEER REVIEW ACTIVITIES

- Ad Hoc* Peer reviewer for National Institutes of Health Organization and Delivery of Health Services Study Section, November 19, 2021.
- Ad Hoc* Peer reviewer for National Institutes of Health Organization and Delivery of Health Services Study Section, March 3-4, 2021.
- Ad Hoc* Peer reviewer for National Institutes of Health HEAL Initiative, PAR Special Emphasis Panel, June 20-21, 2019.
- Ad Hoc* Peer reviewer for National Institutes of Health Risk, Prevention, and Behavior Integrated Review Group, PAR Special Emphasis Panel, March 29, 2019.
- Ad Hoc* RAND Quality Assurance Peer Reviewer, April 2019.
- Ad Hoc* Peer reviewer for National Institutes of Health Special Emphasis Panel: Health Services Research on Minority Health and Health Disparities, ZRG1HDMY-56, July 2018.
- Ad hoc* peer reviewer for the Office of Chief Scientist Intramural Grant Program in Food and Drug Administration (US-FDA).
- Ad hoc* peer reviewer for the following journals:
Annals of Internal Medicine, American Journal of Public Health, American Journal of Preventive Medicine, American Journal of Epidemiology, American Journal of Managed Care, Drug and Alcohol Dependence, Health Affairs, Health Services Research, Inquiry, JAMA, JAMA Health Forum, JAMA Pediatrics, JAMA Network Open, Journal of Addiction Medicine, Journal of Health Politics, Policy, and Law, Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment, Journal of Women’s Health, Maternal and Child Health Journal, Medical Care, Nicotine and Tobacco Research, Substance Abuse

HONORS AND AWARDS

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| 2019 | John D Thompson Prize for Young Investigators, Association of University Programs in Health Administration |
| 2013 | Victor P. Raymond Memorial Fund scholarship, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health |
| 2012 | June Culley Scholarship in Health Policy and Management, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health |
| 2010-2012 | Sir Arthur Newsholme Scholarship, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health |
| 1997-2001 | Trustee Scholar Award scholarship, Otterbein College |

TEACHING

2016 – present	HPM 2063: The Politics of Health Policy
2018 – present	BQIM Health Insurance and Risk Management (Katz Business School)
2016 – 2018	HPM 2216: Health Insurance: Financing Medical Care

STUDENT MENTORSHIP

Primary Mentorship or Committee Chair		
Student	Degree, Year	Research Project
Alice Gao	PhD, exp 2023	Dissertation, “Medical cannabis and chronic pain and mental health outcomes in the United States”
Christian Trent	MHA, 2021	Master’s Essay, “Enhancing quality primary and specialty care: Improving the healthcare experiences of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ+) patients at UPMC Community Medicine, Inc”
Chandler Caulfield	MHA/MBA, 2020	Master’s Essay, “Using Time-Driven Activity-Based Costing to assess total hip arthroplasty bundles: A case study”
Catherine Ricelli	MHA/MBA, 2019	Master’s Essay, “Analysis of sexual violence laws in U.S. states and other countries”
Sushma Narra	MHA, 2018	Master’s Essay, “The role of state family planning policies in the health and social outcomes of women and children”
Natasha Parekh	MS, 2017	Master’s Thesis, “Cervical cancer screening guideline adherence and perinatal care disparities in Pennsylvania Medicaid”
Mario Scarpinato	MHA, 2017	Master’s Essay, “A comparison of risk adjustment and reinsurance in Medicare Part D and the Affordable Care Act”
Emmy Hacksaw	MHA, 2017	Master’s Essay, “Development of a program to improve quality of care for postpartum depression”
Deborah Backman	MPH, 2016	Master’s Essay, “Pennsylvania school health policies relating to physical activity and nutrition, 2002-2012”
Drake Watters	MHA, 2016	Master’s Essay, “What Matters to You? Patient experience in joint replacement”
Sally Caine Leathers	MS, 2016	Master’s Thesis, “Variation in coverage and access to obesity treatment in plans offered on federally facilitated marketplaces”

Mentorship Team Member or Committee Member		
Student	Degree, Year	Research Project
Noelle Spencer	PhD, exp 2023	Dissertation, “Menstrual equity in a public health context”
Jessica Frankeberger	PhD, exp 2022	Dissertation, “Social ecological contexts of opioid overdoses and hospital readmissions in the postpartum period”
Robin Zwier	PhD, 2021	Dissertation, “Making maternal mortality public: Racialized reproduction in medical review, investigative journalism, and birth justice activism”
Kirsten Eom	PhD, 2021	Dissertation, “Reducing disparities in colorectal cancer screening among low-income non-elderly adults”
Deena Blumenfeld	MPH, 2021	Master’s Essay, “Attendance of Group Childbirth Education Classes and the Impact on Cesarean Section and Labor Induction: A Literature Review”
Stephanie Hartos	MPH, 2020	Master’s Thesis, “Early screening for perinatal depression in Pittsburgh: A qualitative research study”

Ritambhara Pathak	MHA, 2020	Master's Essay, "Implicit Bias in Healthcare: Maternal and infant morbidity and mortality in minority patients"
Abbigail Cartus	PhD, 2020	Dissertation, "Severe maternal morbidity: Screening and consequences"
Hannah Makarevich	MPH, 2020	Master's Thesis, "Sexuality education: A comprehensive review and policy recommendation"