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Education and Training

PhD Student in Epidemiology

University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health | January 2020 -

Master of Public Health in Infectious Diseases and Microbiology

University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health | December 2019

Thesis Title: Factors influencing undervaccination in the United Kingdom prior to measles outbreaks from 2010 to 2019

Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology with Spanish minor, magna cum laude

University of Pittsburgh School of Arts and Sciences | August 2016

Thesis Title: *Mountain Dew and the tooth fairy: health beliefs surrounding dental caries in rural Appalachia*

Public Health Training

- Clinic on Meaningful Modeling of Epidemiological Data | Stellenbosch University | Cape Town, South Africa | May-June 2019
- Public Health in Colombia | Pontificia Universidad Javeriana | Bogotá, Colombia | June-July 2018
- Jonas Salk Fellowship | Jewish Healthcare Foundation | Pittsburgh, PA | September-November 2017

Field School Experience

- Mortuary Archaeology Field School | Slavia Foundation | Drawsko, Poland | July-August 2016
- Amazon and Andes Field School | University of Pittsburgh | Tena, Ecuador | June-July 2016
- CAPA Global Education Network | Australian Catholic University | Sydney, Australia | January-April 2015

Project Coordinator

University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health, Public Health Dynamics Lab | May 2019 -Present

- Models of Infectious Disease Agents Study Coordination Center (MIDAS CC) | PI: Wilbert Van Panhuis, MD, PhD
 - Coordinate data sharing between study sites and create metadata from these datasets
 - Develop and oversee community resources and outreach programs
 - Correspond with key agencies in the event of pandemic to organize public health response
 - Supervise graduate student research assistants through data curation process

Research Specialist

University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, Department of Emergency Medicine | October 2016-Present

- Trauma Care in a Rucksack (TRACIR) | PI: Michael Pinsky, MD, David Salcido, PhD, Frank Guyette, MD, Lenny Weiss, MD: May 2018-Present
 - Clean and organize data from a large prehospital database using MySQL and STATA
 - Annotate signal files to indicate when patients required a life-saving intervention (LSI) using MATLAB
- Resuscitation Logistics and Informatics Venture (ReLIVe) | PI: David Salcido, PhD: October 2016-Present
 - Collect, organize, and manage data for a layperson cardiac arrest alert system in Allegheny County
 - Perform geospatial and statistical analyses and simulations using QGIS, MATLAB, and STATA to achieve our research goals
 - Communicate with community members, health professionals, and government officials about layperson emergency response strategies for various health conditions
- EMS Sleep Health Study | PI: Daniel Patterson, PhD: September 2018-May 2019
 - Help develop methodology for and coordinate a multi-centered research study
 - Construct comprehensive database for survey and text message data using Microsoft Access
- Ambulatory Blood Pressure in EMS Shift Workers | PI: Daniel Patterson, PhD: September 2018-May 2019

- Manage RedCAP database of blood pressure study data
- Perform descriptive and regression analyses of data using SAS and STATA
- Ensure that code for data management and analyses are transcribed to both SAS and STATA

Graduate Student Research Assistant

University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health, Public Health Dynamics Lab | January 2017-Present | PI: Wilhem Van Panhuis, MD, PhD

- Project Tycho
 - Collect and map qualitative data of measles outbreaks and vaccine hesitancy in Europe
 - Analyze vaccine sentiment and vaccine coverage data to determine presence and strength of associations between factors influencing vaccine hesitancy and measles outbreaks
 - Assist in social media outreach for Project Tycho 2.0

Lab Manager

University of Pittsburgh School of Education, Department of Psychology in Education | May 2015-October 2016 | PI: Tom Akiva, PhD

- Simple Interactions
 - Collect, organize, and clean video and survey data observing interactions between after-school program workers and students
 - Assist in Quality Assurance measures to maintain accuracy of qualitative scoring
 - Train new research assistants in how to collect data, score videos, and lead professional development courses for after-school program workers

Research Intern

University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health | May 2015-May 2016 | PI: John Shaffer, PhD

- Center for Oral Health Research in Appalachia (COHRA)
 - Test regression models using R
 - Analyze associations between certain SNPs and frequency of dental caries

- Poster | Clinic on Meaningful Modeling of Infectious Diseases | Cape Town, South Africa | May 2018 | Factors Influencing Measles Undervaccination in the European Union: Preliminary Data & Future Directions. Salerno, JE. Van Panhuis, W.
- Poster | American Heart Association's Resuscitation Science Symposium | Chicago, IL | November 2018 | Simulating the Effects of Sudden Cardiac Arrest Responders Embedded in a Marathon Cohort. Salerno, JE, Willson, C, Weiss, LS, Salcido, DD.
- Oral Presentation | Future Health Summit | Washington, DC | October 2018 | Recommendations for the Born This Way Foundation and Drug Enforcement Agency by the University of Pittsburgh Future Public Health Leaders. Salerno, JE, Simenson, A, Saal-Ridpath, K, Burke, J.
- Poster | Global Health Open House | Pittsburgh, PA | October 2018 | How the Health of Colombians Has Been Impacted by Past Conflict and the Current Peace Process. Salerno, JE.
- Poster | Infectious Disease and Microbiology Research Day | Pittsburgh, PA | September 2018 | Preliminary Characterization of Reasons behind Measles Undervaccination in Europe and the United States. Salerno, JE, Van Panhuis, W.
- Poster | Safar Symposium | Pittsburgh, PA | May 2018 | Can AEDs Help Us Stop the Bleed? Salerno, JE, Weiss, LS, Salcido, DD.
- Oral Presentation | Resuscitation in Motion Conference | Toronto, ON, CAN | May 2018 | Can AEDs Help Us Stop the Bleed? Salerno, JE, Weiss, LS, Salcido, DD.
- Poster | American Heart Association Research Fellows Day | Pittsburgh, PA | January 2018 | Associations Between Historical Rates of Bystander CPR and Future PulsePoint Participation. Salerno, JE, Weiss, LS, Salcido, DD.
- Poster | American Heart Association's Resuscitation Science Symposium | Anaheim, CA | November 2017 | Simulation of the Effects of Co-Locating Naloxone with Automated External Defibrillators. Salerno, JE, Weiss, LS, Salcido, DD.
- Poster | American Heart Association's Resuscitation Science Symposium | Anaheim, CA | November 2017 | System Characteristics of PulsePoint in Allegheny County. Salerno, JE, Weiss, LS, Salcido, DD.
- Speaker | National Association of City and County Health Officials Conference | Pittsburgh, PA | July 2017 | *Innovations in Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest Care.* Weiss, LS, Salerno, JE, Salcido, DD.
- 12. **Poster** | American Heart Association Research Fellows Day | Pittsburgh, PA | January 2017 | *Preliminary System Characteristics of PulsePoint*. Salerno, JE, Weiss, LS, Salcido, DD.

Publications

- Hajari, H, Salerno, JE, Weiss, LS. Menegazzi, J, Karimi, H, Salcido, DD. Simulating Public Buses as a Mobile Platform for Deployment of Publicly Accessible Automated External Defibrillators. Prehospital Emergency Care. 2019 May 24. doi: 10.1080/10903127.2019.1623353.
- Salerno, JE, Willson, CJ, Weiss, LS, Salcido DD. *Myth of the Stolen AED*. Resuscitation. 2019 May 1. Doi: https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resuscitation.2019.04.036.
- Salerno JE, Weiss LS, Salcido DD. Simulation of the Effects of Co-Locating Naloxone with Automated External Defibrillators. Prehospital Emergency Care. 2018 Mar 1:1-6. Doi: 10.1080/10903127.2018.1439128.
- Salcido, DD, Salerno, JE, Weiss, LS. Development of a free, smartphone-based gaming platform for training laypeople to respond to medical emergencies. Resuscitation. 2017 Sept; 118:101. Doi: https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resuscitation.2017.11.025
- Srinivasan S, Salerno J, Hajari H, Weiss LS, Salcido DD. Modeling a novel hypothetical use of postal collection boxes as automated external defibrillator access points. Resuscitation. 2017 Nov;120:26-30. Doi: 10.1016/j.resuscitation.2017.08.220.

Honors and Awards

- Third Place MPH-MIC Poster Award, Infectious Diseases and Microbiology | September 2018
- American Heart Association's Young Investigator Award | November 2017
- Infectious Diseases and Microbiology Bob Yee Scholarship | September 2017
- CAPA Achievement Award | April 2015

Leadership Experience

- President | Student Public Health Epidemic Response Effort | University of Pittsburgh | April 2019 Present
- Vice President | Association of Women in Public Health | University of Pittsburgh | April 2019 -Present

- Public Relations Officer | Association of Women in Public Health | University of Pittsburgh | May 2018-April 2019
- Future Health Leader | George Washington University's Milken Institute | April 2018-May 2019

Professional Memberships

- American Public Health Association | September 2017-Present
- American Heart Association | August 2017-Present
- Phi Beta Kappa | April 2017-Present
- National Society of Collegiate Scholars | October 2015 Present

Service

- Peer Reviewer | Resuscitation | 2019
- Peer Reviewer | Prehospital Emergency Care | 2018
- Formal Mentorships
 - Vanessa Mejia, Florida International University | Undergraduate Student
 - Gaelle Tchuem, BS, University of Pittsburgh
 - Connor Willson, University of Pittsburgh | Undergraduate Student
 - Paige Meskers, BS, NREMT-P, University of Pittsburgh
 - Tanner Smida, University of Pittsburgh | Undergraduate Student
 - Chinwe Osigwe, University of Pittsburgh | Medical Student
 - Laura Dytyrt, BS, University of Pittsburgh | MPH Candidate
 - Kelsey Simon, BS, University of Pittsburgh | MPH Candidate
 - Katherine Lyden, BS, University of Pittsburgh | MPH Candidate