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#### **EDUCATION**

1984-1988	<b>Loyola Marymount University</b> , Los Angeles, California  Bachelor of Arts in Psychology (major field of study) and English (minor field of study)
1988-1995	<b>University of Southern California School of Medicine</b> , Los Angeles, California Doctor of Philosophy in Preventive Medicine, emphasis in Health Behavior Research
1995-1996	University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, California Master of Public Health, emphasis in Epidemiology

#### **ADVANCED TRAINING**

## **NIAID/DAIDS Clinical Research Training**

February-March 2003

NIAID Division of AIDS, Bethesda, MD

Satisfactory completion of a three-session workshop detailing FDA approval process for drugs and biologics, the clinical research process using ICH GCPs, and responsibilities specific to the clinical research process.

#### **Research Methods Workshop**

**August-September 1995** 

University of California, San Francisco, School of Medicine,

Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics

Satisfactory completion of 9-week workshop detailing research methodology, with emphasis in grant writing.

#### PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

# Associate Professor, Department of Prevention and

June 28, 2017 - present

**Community Health** 

Milken Institute School of Public Health at The George Washington University

#### Associate Research Professor, Department of

July 16, 2016 - June 27, 2017

**Prevention and Community Health** 

Milken Institute School of Public Health at The George Washington University

## Assistant Research Professor, Department of

July 28, 2012 – July 16, 2016

**Prevention and Community Health** 

Milken Institute School of Public Health at The George Washington University

## Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of

July 28, 2010 - July 27, 2012

**Prevention and Community Health** 

Milken Institute School of Public Health at The George Washington University

#### **Assistant Research Professor, Department of**

July 28, 2008 – July 27, 2010

**Prevention and Community Health** 

Milken Institute School of Public Health at The George Washington University

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#### **Director, HIV Prevention Research Program**

Forum for Collaborative HIV Research

July 28, 2008 - May 31, 2010

## **Acting Director, Public Policy**

amfAR, The Foundation for AIDS Research

## August 24, 2006 - July 18, 2008

#### **Deputy Director, Public Policy**

amfAR, The Foundation for AIDS Research

## May 8, 2006 - August 23, 2006

# Health Scientist Administrator, Program Officer, &

**Acting Branch Chief** 

National Institutes of Health, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Division of AIDS, Prevention Sciences Branch

# Health Scientist Administrator, Program Officer, &

July 1, 2002 – June 6, 2005

June 6, 2005 - May 5, 2006

## **Deputy Branch Chief**

National Institutes of Health, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Division of AIDS, Prevention Sciences Branch

## **Senior Program Officer**

November 15, 1999 – June 30, 2002

National Academy of Sciences, Institute of Medicine

Study Director, Committee on HIV Prevention Strategies (11/15/99-12/31/00)

Study Director, Committee on Assuring the Health of the Public in the 21st Century (10/01/00-6/30/02)

## **Research Associate**

January 1, 1999 - October 29, 1999

Center for HIV Intervention and Prevention

University of Connecticut Department of Psychology, Storrs, CT

#### **Counseling and Psychosocial Support Adviser**

January 1 - November 22, 1998

Joint United Nations Programme on AIDS (UNAIDS) Department of Policy, Strategy, and Research Geneva, Switzerland

## **Postdoctoral Fellow**

August 1995 - December 31, 1997

Center for AIDS Prevention Studies (CAPS)

University of California, San Francisco, Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics San Francisco, CA

#### Consultant

**August 20 - November 3, 1997** 

Joint United Nations Programme on AIDS (UNAIDS)

Department of Policy, Strategy, and Research, Geneva, Switzerland

Duty Travel to Lvov, Ukraine and Saratov, Russia to conduct three trainings in HIV Voluntary Counseling and Testing

Consultant

July 28 - August 1, 1997

Joint United Nations Programme on AIDS (UNAIDS)

Department of Policy, Strategy, and Research, Geneva, Switzerland

Organized and facilitated the meeting, "HIV Counseling and Testing in Latin America and the Caribbean", Santiago, Chile

Consultant June 14 - 29, 1997

Joint United Nations Programme on AIDS (UNAIDS)

Department of Policy, Strategy, and Research, Geneva, Switzerland

Consultant April 27 - May 1, 1997

Joint United Nations Programme on AIDS (UNAIDS)

Department of Policy, Strategy, and Research, Geneva, Switzerland

#### **GRADUATE-LEVEL EMPLOYMENT**

### **Research Assistant and Project Manager**

September 1994 - March 1995

University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA.

Department of Social Work

Provided project management to the study, "Stress and well-being in Latina family AIDS caregivers" (R93-USC-106, University Wide AIDS Research Program grant).

## **Research Assistant and Project Manager**

June 1989 - July 1994

University of Southern California School of Medicine, Los Angeles, CA.

Department of Preventive Medicine

Provided project management and general research assistance to the study, "Self-disclosure of diagnosis among patients with HIV" (RO1 MH42023, National Institute of Mental Health grant).

Research Assistant September - December 1989

University of Southern California School of Medicine, Los Angeles, CA.

Department of Preventive Medicine

Provided research assistance for "The Finland Advertising Study".

#### **Research Assistant and Health Educator**

June 1989 - March 1990

Los Angeles County Department of Health Services

Worked as a research assistant and health educator in two publicly funded sexually transmitted disease (STD) clinics in Los Angeles for "The STD & AIDS Prevention/ Condom Promotion Project".

Research Assistant January - May 1989

University of Southern California School of Medicine, Los Angeles, CA.

Department of Preventive Medicine

Performed data analyses for "The Adolescent Alcohol Prevention Training" study (Project AAPT).

Research Assistant September - December 1988

University of Southern California School of Medicine, Los Angeles, CA.

Department of Preventive Medicine

Performed data analyses for "The Student Health and Risk Prevention" study (Project SHARP).

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

- Award for Excellence in Teaching at the Undergraduate Level, Spring 2020, Milken Institute School of Public Health, George Washington University
- PCH Faculty Mentor Award, Masters Level, Spring 2018, Department of Prevention and Community Health, Milken Institute School of Public Health, George Washington University

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- Nominee, 2013-2014 Morton A. Bender Teaching Award, George Washington University
- Nominee, 2011-2012 Morton A. Bender Teaching Award, George Washington University
- Nominee, 2009 Excellence in Teaching Award, George Washington University School of Public Health and **Health Services**
- Winner of the Clinical Infectious Diseases Award for Outstanding review of the manuscript, "Sex-related Knowledge, Attitudes, and Behaviors of U.S. Medical Students", 2008
- National Institutes of Health, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Act or Service Award, September 24, 2004.
- National Institutes of Health, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Act or Service Award, April 29, 2004.
- National Institutes of Health, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Quality Step Increase, April 29, 2003.
- National Institutes of Health, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Act or Service Award, July 25, 2003.
- National Institutes of Health, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Act or Service Award, May 28, 2003.
- Psi Chi National Psychology Honor Society (1988)

## **EXTRAMURAL RESEARCH FUNDING**

**Grants and Contracts Awarded** 

New Jersey Prevention Network (NJPN) Ruiz (PI) 09/30/21-09/29/22 **Evaluation of the Addiction Training and Workforce** (NCE: 10/1/22-9/30/23) Development (ATWD) program. Award amount: \$250,000

The primary goal of this project is to conduct an evaluation of the Addiction Training and Workforce Development (ATWD) program, which has been implemented by the New Jersey Prevention Network for 16 years to date. This evaluation will examine the training program using the theoretical framework of the Workforce Development Pyramid to examine the effectiveness of training (content, modality, assessment, etc.) while also considering the organizational context in which the workforce operates.

Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB) GW Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Leadership, Education, and Advancement in Undergraduate Pathways (LEAP) Training Program (GW-LEAP into MCH). Award amount: \$775,000

The primary goals of GW-LEAP into MCH are: (1) Recruit and support undergraduate trainees from diverse, underserved, and/or underrepresented backgrounds to: Increase the number of undergraduate students from underrepresented backgrounds exposed to learning opportunities in MCH; Promote development and interest in careers in MCH; and Increase their cultural responsiveness and skills in addressing health disparities in underserved communities. (2) Foster development of interdisciplinary leadership and research skills training at the undergraduate level in MCH public health and MCH-related health professions in preparation for careers in MCH. (3) Provide mentorship and internship opportunities to undergraduate students through preceptorships with MCH professionals, graduate students, and MCH/Title V organizations in preparation for graduate/postgraduate education/training in MCH. (4) Increase access to MCH undergraduate education and training.

Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB), Centers of Excellence for Maternal and Child Health

Ruiz (Co-Director)

Ruiz (Co-I)

05/01/2020-04/30/2025

06/01/2021-05/30/2026

Award amount: \$1.75 M (\$350,000/year)

The goal of this project is to establish the George Washington University Center of Excellence in Maternal and Child Health Education, Science, Practice, and Policy. This Center of Excellence will build upon existing programs and partnerships to address unmet Maternal and Child Health (MCH) workforce needs, with the objective of addressing the compelling need in the District of Columbia which exceeds national health disparities in MCH.

Ruiz (PI)

Milken Institute School of Public Health. George Washington University Research Enhancement Award Award amount: \$1,500 10/30/2019-10/30/2020 (extension being sought due to COVID-19 shutdown)

This intramural award was provided for the work being done on *Holistic Impact of Gentrification and Housing:* Reasons to Influence Structural Equity (HIGH RISE), a pilot study aimed at examining how environmental and structural factors such as urban gentrification affect access to relevant health and social services among marginalized individuals, many of whom are unstably housed or homeless and who are unable to travel long distances to access care. These funds will be used to support the collection of qualitative data that will further explain/add depth to the quantitative data collected to date, as well as help to generate ideas for potential interventions for this population.

## **Grants Concluded**

1 R01 DA031649-01 Ruiz (PI) 07/01/11 - 04/30/15

Impact Evaluation of a Policy Intervention for HIV Prevention
in Washington, DC

Award amount: \$1,539,317

Ruiz (PI) 07/01/11 - 04/30/15

(5/1/15-4/30/16: NCE#1

5/1/16-4/30/17: NCE#2

5/1/17-4/30/18: NCE#3)

This project: (1) conducted an impact evaluation to determine whether or not the change in syringe exchange funding policy in Washington, DC, is associated with increased access to syringe exchange services, and increased linkage to other relevant HIV prevention services for IDU; (2) examined the impact of these changes on new cases of HIV infection associated with IDU reported in the District of Columbia; and (3) conducted a comparative policy analysis of the Washington, DC, experience and the experience of two other cities where policy changes were necessary for municipal support of syringe exchange programs to determine how these changes in policy affected HIV prevention efforts targeting injection drug using populations.

3R01DA031649-03S1 Ruiz (PI) 05/01/13 - 04/30/14

Capture-Recapture Study of IDU in the District of Columbia (5/1/15-4/30/16: NCE#1

Award amount: \$50,820 5/1/16-4/30/17: NCE#2

5/1/17-4/30/18: NCE#3)

This award was an administrative supplement to 1R01DA031649-01A1, "Impact evaluation of a policy intervention for HIV prevention in Washington, DC" (a.k.a., DC POINTE). The goal of the project was to calculate an accurate estimate of the population size of injection drug users (IDUs) in the District of Columbia using a capture-recapture study methodology. There is currently no valid estimate of the IDU population size in the District of Columbia and no sound data source has been found that would the calculation of a reliable estimate. Without a reliable estimate, it is difficult to evaluate the efficacy of the current needle exchange services available and their effectiveness in decreasing the spread of HIV in this population. A strong and reliable estimate of the IDU population is critical for the accuracy and validity of the intervention impact modeling that was proposed as part of the grant.

1R21DA033888 - 01A1 Ruiz (Co-I) 12/01/14 - 1/31/16

Epidemiology of drug use, HIV/AIDS and high risk behaviors in Egypt

(2/1/16-1/31/17: NCE)

(PI: Amira Roess, PhD, MPH)

Award amount: \$264,725

This study: (1) determined the prevalence and co-infection rates of sexually transmitted infections, HCV, and HIV, among 200 current and 400 recovering injection drug users (IDU) accessing addiction treatment facilities, and (2)

assessed knowledge, attitudes, and behaviors (KABs) related to sexual and injection-associated transmission of STI, HCV and HIV among Egyptian IDU, including understanding the social and contextual factors that led to their addiction.

1P20MD006898-01 Ruiz 06/01/12 - 12/31/14

Research Center on Latino Immigrant/Refugee Health Disparities (Investigator)

(PI: Mark Edberg, PhD) **Award amount: \$5,000,000** 

The overall mission of the Research Center on Latino Immigrant/Refugee Health is to build on an academic-community collaboration with the Latino immigrant population in the Washington, DC, metropolitan area in order to better understand factors contributing to racial/ethnic minority health disparities specific to this critical population, to increase both community and academic capacity to address these factors, and to test a multi-level community intervention addressing substance abuse and co-occurring conditions.

## Mid-Atlantic Public Health Training Center

Ruiz (PI for

09/01/10 - 08/30/13

Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) via subcontract subcontract

through Johns Hopkins University Award amount: \$30,000 per year

The Mid-Atlantic Public Health Training Center (MAPHTC) is a collaborative project of the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health and the George Washington University School of Public Health and Health Services. The mission of MAPHTC is to develop the existing public health workforce as a foundation for improving the infrastructure of the public health system in Maryland, Delaware and Washington, D.C.

1 RO3 MH54334-01 Ruiz (PI) 1994-1995

#### **HIV Risk among STD Clinic Attenders**

**Award amount: \$25,000** 

National Institute of Mental Health Minority Dissertation Research Grant. The purpose of this dissertation research project was to examine the predictors of continued sexual HIV-risk behaviors among men and women who were attending Los Angeles public health clinics for treatment of sexually transmitted diseases (STDs).

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

## **Manuscripts in Preparation**

**Ruiz MS**, Zhang C, Woelk G, Rodriguez-Diaz CE, and The ACCLAIM Study Group. Examining the relationship between inequitable gender norms and HIV stigma in Eswatini, Uganda, and Zimbabwe.

**Ruiz MS**, O'Rourke A, Deutsch S, Wright B, Noad R. Impact of the removal of sobriety restrictions for HCV treatment among PWID in Washington and Oregon (working title).

**Ruiz MS**, O'Rourke A, Cephas R, Robinson D, Schmutz D, DiPietro L. Practice-Based Evidence in Public Health: A Potential Role for Sport in Helping Low-income Children Accumulate Human and Social Capital?

**Ruiz MS**, Yellin H, Roess A, Bakhoum A, El-Kharrat E. Correlates of substance use in injection drug users in Egypt: understanding trajectories of addiction (working title).

Roess A, Martinez S, Bakhoum A, **Ruiz MS**, El Kharrat E. Increases in HIV prevalence among injection drug users in Egypt (working title).

## **Articles in Refereed Journals**

Austin EJ, O'Brien QE, **Ruiz MS**, Ratzliff AD, Williams EC, Koch U. Patient and provider perspectives on processes of engagement in outpatient care for opioid use disorder: A scoping review. In press, *Community Mental Health Journal*. 2023.

Fuss C, Romm KF, Crawford ND, Harrington KR, Wang Y, Ma Y, Taggart T, **Ruiz MS**, Berg CJ. Psychosocial correlates of opioid use profiles among young adults in a longitudinal study across 6 US metropolitan areas. *Substance Use & Misuse*. 2023 Apr 20:1-8. doi: 10.1080/10826084.2023.2201839. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 37082785.

**Ruiz MS**, McMahon MV, Latif H, Vyas AN. Maintaining Adherence to COVID-19 Preventive Practices and Policies: A Systematic Observational Study of Masking and Distancing in the District of Columbia and Other US States. *JMIR Public Health Surveill*. 2023 Mar 7. doi: 10.2196/40138. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 36888910.

**Ruiz MS,** Williams A, O'Rourke A, MacIntosh E, Moné S, Clay C. The impact of gentrification of drug users' access to care and services in Washington, DC. *Int J Environ Res Public Health*. 2022; 19(7561). https://doi.org/10.3390/ijerph19137561

Puttock E, Marquez J, Young D, Shirley A, Han B, McKenzie T, Smith N, Manuel K, Hoelsher D, Spear S, **Ruiz MS**, Smith C, Krytus K, Martinez I, So H, Levy. M, Nolan V, Bagley E, Mehmood A, Thomas J, Apedaile L, Ison S, Barr-Anderson D, Heller J, Cohen DA. Association of Masking Policies with Mask Adherence and Distancing during the SARS-COV-2 Pandemic. *Am J Infect Control*. 2022; Sep; 50(9):969-974. doi: 10.1016/j.ajic.2022.04.010. Epub 2022 May 8.

**Ruiz MS**, O'Rourke A, Allen AT, Holtgrave DR, Metzger D, Benitez J, Brady KA, Chaulk CP, Wen LS. Using interrupted time series analysis to measure the impact of legalized syringe exchange on HIV diagnoses in Baltimore and Philadelphia. *JAIDS*. 2019 Dec 1;82 Suppl 2:S148-S154. doi: 10.1097/QAI.000000000002176.

**Ruiz MS**, Heimer R, Levina O, Badosova NV, Rassokhin V, Belyakov A, Belyakov NA. HIV-care access among people with incarceration experience in St. Petersburg, Russia. *European Journal of Public Health*. 2018 Feb 1; 28(1):145-149. PMID: 29020277. DOI: 10.1093/eurpub/ckx122.

Allen ST, **Ruiz MS**, Sherman SG, Park JN. Access to Harm Reduction Services and Retention of Persons Who Inject Drugs at a Syringe Exchange Program in Washington, DC. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*. 2017; 171: e6. DOI: https://doi.org/10.1016/j.drugalcdep.2016.08.033

Allen ST, **Ruiz MS**, Jones J, Turner M. Legal Space for Syringe Exchange Programs in Hot Spots of IDU-related Crime in Washington, DC. *Harm Reduction Journal*. 2016; 13:16. DOI 10.1186/s12954-016-0104-3

Allen ST, **Ruiz MS**, Jones J. Quantifying Syringe Exchange Program Operational Space in the District of Columbia. *AIDS and Behavior*. 2016; 20(12): 2933–2940. DOI 10.1007/s10461-016-1405-y

Allen ST, **Ruiz MS**, O'Rourke A. Differences in the Prevalence of High-Risk Behaviors between Heterosexual and Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Questioning (GLBQ) Female Adolescents in the Juvenile Justice System. *Journal of Gay & Lesbian Social Services*. 2016; 28(2): 171-175. DOI: 10.1080/10538720.2016.1158137

Allen ST, **Ruiz MS**, Roess A, Jones J. Assessing seasonality of travel distance to harm reduction service providers among persons who inject drugs. *Harm Reduction Journal*. 2015;12(45). DOI: 10.1186/s12954-015-0081-y

Allen ST, **Ruiz MS**, Jones J. Assessing Syringe Exchange Program Access among Persons who Inject Drugs (PWID) in the District of Columbia. *J Urban Health*. 2015; 93(1): 131-140. DOI: 10.1007/s11524-015-0018-5

Heimer R, Levina OS, Osipenko V, **Ruiz MS**, Sergeyev B, Sirotkin AV, Vyshemirskaya I. Impact of Incarceration Experiences on Reported HIV, Hepatitis, and Tuberculosis Status and Associated Risk Behaviours. *European Journal of Public Health*. 2015 Sep 16. pii: ckv157. DOI: http://dx.doi.org/10.1093/eurpub/ckv157

**Ruiz MS**, O'Rourke A, Allen ST. Impact evaluation of a policy intervention for HIV prevention in Washington, DC. *AIDS and Behavior*. 2015 Sep 04. DOI: 10.1007/s10461-015-1143-6.

**Ruiz MS**, O'Rourke A, Allen ST. Using capture-recapture methods to estimate the population of injection drug users in Washington, DC. *AIDS and Behavior*. 2015 May 20. DOI:10.1007/s10461-015-1085-z.

O'Rourke A, **Ruiz MS**, Allen ST. Client-identified needs and provider-administered services at a harm reduction community-based organization in Washington, DC. *Harm Reduction Journal*. 2015; 12: 17. DOI:10.1186/s12954-015-0051-4

Allen ST, **Ruiz MS**, O'Rourke A. How far will they go?: Assessing the travel distance of current and former drug users to access harm reduction services. *Harm Reduction Journal*. 2015; 12(3). DOI: 10.1186/s12954-015-0043-4

Allen ST, **Ruiz MS**, O'Rourke A. The evidence does not speak for itself: The role of research evidence in shaping policy change for the implementation of publicly funded syringe exchange programs in three US cities. *International Journal of Drug Policy*. 2015. DOI: http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.drugpo.2015.04.008

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Kapogiannis BG, **Ruiz MS**, Handelsman E, Lee S. Introduction: Paving the Way for Biomedical HIV Prevention Interventions in Youth. *Journal of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndromes*. 2010; 54 (Supplement 1): S1-S4.

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Bryan A, **Ruiz MS**, O'Neill D. HIV-related behaviors among prison inmates: A Theory of Planned Behavior analysis. *Journal of Applied Social Psychology*. 2003; 33: 2565-2586.

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### **Invited Articles**

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Ruiz MS. Public response to risk: HIV and H1N1. Virtual Mentor 2009; 11: 993-997.

**Ruiz MS**. Are You Experienced? Using the Latest Lessons Learned From Marketing Research on Consumer Experience to Improve the Research and Development of New HIV Prevention Technologies. Commissioned for the aids2031 Science and Technology Working Group.

Ruiz MS. Voluntary Counseling and Testing: The Time is Now. SidAfrique 1998; 14: 23-25.

## **Books and Reports Written and/or Edited**

Barnett A, **Ruiz MS**, Zea MC. Transgender adolescents and transactional sex. In: Vaughn S, *ed. Transgender Youth: Perceptions, media influences and social challenges, 1<sup>st</sup> edition*. New York, NY: Nova Science Publishers, Inc; 2016

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Institute of Medicine. The Future of the Public's Health in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (written by the Committee on Assuring the Health of the Public in the 21st Century, **MS Ruiz**, Study Director and co-writer). Washington, DC: National Academy Press: 2002.

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## **MEDIA PRESENTATIONS**

**Ruiz MS**. Rage, Research, and Reduction of Harm. TEDx Foggy Bottom, April 22, 2017. Available at: <a href="https://youtu.be/qxlnojX7jck">https://youtu.be/qxlnojX7jck</a>.

#### SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

### Regional

**Ruiz MS**. It takes more than just a village: the importance of multisectoral collaboration in the fight against AIDS. University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine Center for AIDS Research (CFAR) Community Advisory Board Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, June 16, 2006.

**Ruiz MS** (on behalf of the Institute of Medicine's Committee on HIV Prevention Strategies in the United States). A New Strategy for HIV Prevention in the United States. Presentation given at the Environmental Protection Agency World AIDS Day Awareness Event, Washington, DC, December 5, 2000.

**Ruiz MS** (on behalf of the Institute of Medicine's Committee on HIV Prevention Strategies in the United States). A New Strategy for HIV Prevention in the United States. Presentation given at the Congressional Black Caucus Crisis Response Team National Meeting, Washington, DC, December 1, 2000.

**Ruiz MS** (on behalf of the Institute of Medicine's Committee on HIV Prevention Strategies in the United States). A New Strategy for HIV Prevention in the United States. Presentation given at the meeting of the Department of Defense STD Prevention Committee, Washington, DC, November 30, 2000.

**Ruiz MS**. HIV/AIDS counseling training for the UN Joint Medical Services Staff. Presented at the meeting of the United Nations Medical Directors' Standing Committee Meeting, WHO Regional Offices, Santiago, Chile, June 3, 1998.

**Ruiz MS**, Marks G, Johnson CJ, Mason HRC, and Simoni JM. Sexually Transmitted Disease Infection among HIV Seropositive Men. Paper presented at the conference, "Managing desire: HIV prevention strategies for the 21st century," University of California, Berkeley, Clark Kerr Campus, April 9-10, 1996.

Simoni JM, Mason HRC, Marks G, **Ruiz MS**. Latino and White men's disclosure of HIV positive serostatus. Paper presented at the conference, "Undocumented knowledge, documented need: Immigrants and HIV/AIDS," Loyola Marymount University, 1994. Sponsored by the Universitywide AIDS Research Program, University of California.

**Ruiz MS**, Marks G. Cultural and psychological factors influencing screening behavior in Hispanic women. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Western Psychological Association, Los Angeles, CA, April 1990.

#### **National**

**Ruiz MS.** Harm Reduction is Prevention. Presentation delivered at the Field Views on Harm Reduction: A National Summit, (virtual conference), December 13, 2021.

**Ruiz MS**. Impact Evaluation of a Policy Intervention for HIV Prevention in the Washington, DC. Paper presented at the National Harm Reduction Conference, Baltimore, MD, Oct. 24, 2014.

Bress JM, **Ruiz MS**. Child & Adolescent Medical Marijuana Use: An Acceptability Study. Poster presented at the American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana, November 18, 2014.

**Ruiz MS.** Stakeholder Perceptions of Family Planning Services and Practices in HIV Prevention Trials. Presentation given at the Women's Research Initiative meeting, Phoenix, AZ, April 25, 2009.

**Ruiz MS**, Dubé K, and Dunn-Georgiou E. HIV in Correctional Settings: Implications for Prevention and Treatment Policy. Presentation given at the Second Academic and Health Policy Conference on Correctional Health Care, Quincy, MA, March 27-28, 2008.

**Ruiz MS**. The continuing challenge of HIV prevention: Applying prevention interventions in diverse populations. Presentation given at the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), Denver, CO, February 15, 2003.

**Ruiz MS** (on behalf of the Institute of Medicine's Committee on HIV Prevention Strategies in the United States). Helping Kids Stay HIV-free: Recommendations for youth prevention planning from the IOM report, "No Time to Lose: Getting More from HIV Prevention". Plenary presentation given at the annual meeting of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Division of Adolescent and School Health National Conference, Washington, DC, January 23, 2001.

**Ruiz MS** (on behalf of the Institute of Medicine's Committee on HIV Prevention Strategies in the United States). A New Strategy for HIV Prevention in the United States. Presentation given at the annual meeting of the American Public Health Association, Boston, MA, November 16, 2000.

Mason HRC, Marks G, Simoni JM, **Ruiz MS**. Social support and HIV self-disclosure among Latino, African-American and White men. Paper presented at the meeting of the American Public Health Association, Washington, DC, 1994.

Simoni JM, Mason HRC, Marks G, **Ruiz MS**, Richardson JL, Reed DL. Self-disclosure of HIV infection among Latina and non-Latina women. Paper presented at the meeting of the American Psychological Association, Los Angeles, CA, 1994.

Simoni JM, Mason HRC, Marks G, **Ruiz MS**, Richardson JL, Reed DL. Women's self-disclosure of HIV infection: Rates, reasons, and reactions. Paper presented at the meeting of the American Psychological Association, Los Angeles, CA, 1994.

Mason HRC, Marks G, **Ruiz MS**, Richardson JL, Reed DL, Sotelo M, Maldonado N. HIV status self-disclosure among a multiethnic population. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Public Health Association, San Francisco, CA, October 1993.

**Ruiz MS**, Marks G, Mason HRC, Richardson JL, Reed DL, Sotelo M, Maldonado N. Self-disclosure, sexual behavior, and drug use among HIV-positive men. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Public Health Association, San Francisco, CA, October 1993.

#### International

Allen ST, **Ruiz MS**, O'Rourke A. The evidence does not speak for itself: The role of research evidence in shaping policy change for the implementation of publicly funded syringe exchange programs in three US cities. Oral presentation at the International AIDS Conference 2014, Melbourne, Australia, July 23, 2014.

**Ruiz MS**, O'Rourke A, Allen ST. Impact evaluation of a policy intervention for HIV prevention in Washington, DC. Poster presentation at the International AIDS Conference 2014, Melbourne, Australia, July 24, 2014.

O'Rourke A, **Ruiz MS**, Allen ST. Using interrupted time series analysis to evaluate the impact of syringe exchange service provision on HIV cases in Washington, DC. Poster presentation at the International AIDS Conference 2014, Melbourne, Australia, July 24, 2014.

**Ruiz MS**, Lumby EC, Allen ST, O'Rourke A. Cultivate the Messenger, Change the Message: The use of research evidence in shaping public health policy for HIV prevention and harm reduction. Poster presented at the International Harm Reduction Conference 2013, Vilnius, Lithuania, June 9-12, 2013.

O'Rourke A, **Ruiz MS**, Lumby EC, Allen ST. Client-Identified Barriers and Provider-Administered Services at a Harm Reduction Non-Profit in the District of Columbia. Poster presented at the International Harm Reduction Conference 2013, Vilnius, Lithuania, June 9-12, 2013.

Lumby EC, **Ruiz MS**, Morrow KM, Galea J, Pickett J, LeBlanc MA. Common problems with lubricants for anal sex: challenges for rectal microbicide developers. Poster presented at the International Microbicides Conference 2012, Sydney, Australia, April 15-18, 2012.

Philpott S, Reutener Hanes B, West Slevin K, **Ruiz MS**, Vyas A. Contraception and Family Planning in HIV Prevention Trials: Current Practice and Stakeholder Perspectives. Poster presented at International Microbicides Conference 2010, Pittsburgh, PA, May 22-25, 2010.

**Ruiz MS**. Policies and Politics of HIV Prevention for Women. Plenary presentation given at the Women and HIV International Clinical Conference, Dallas, TX, April 29, 2008

**Ruiz MS**. Social and policy factors that influence substance use and HIV risk among MSM. Presentation given at the pre-conference satellite, "MSM and HIV: Advancing a Global Agenda for Gay Men and Other MSM", XVI International AIDS Conference, Toronto, Canada, August 10-11, 2006.

**Ruiz MS**. Standards of care for participants in microbicide clinical trials: a sponsor perspective. Presented at International Microbicides Conference 2006, April 23-26, 2006, Cape Town, South Africa.

Morrow KM and **Ruiz MS**. Measuring Microbicide Acceptability in Preclinical and Clinical Trials. Poster presented at International Microbicides Conference 2006, Cape Town, South Africa, April 23-26, 2006.

Mutsambe JM and **Ruiz MS**. Defining Best Practices for Community Representative Involvement in HIV Clinical Research Networks. Presentation delivered at the HIV Prevention Trials Network (HPTN) Annual Meeting, Bethesda, MD, February 23, 2006.

**Ruiz MS.** HIV prevention opportunities for Russia and the former Soviet Union. Presentation given as part of the panel entitled, "Understanding U.S. and European International AIDS Policy" at the meeting of the US-Russia Working Group Against HIV/AIDS, Washington, DC, May 19-20, 2003.

**Ruiz MS.** Prevention Strategies for those living with HIV: Addressing issues of risk behavior among HIV+ people. Presented at AIDS Impact: the Fourth International Conference on the Biopsychosocial Aspects of HIV Infection, Ottawa, Canada, July 17, 1999.

**Ruiz MS**. Prospects for Implementation of Voluntary Counseling and Testing in Developing Countries. Presented at the "Meeting on Tuberculosis Preventive Therapy in People Living with HIV/AIDS," World Health Organization, Geneva, Switzerland, February 18-20, 1998.

#### **UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

- **Departmental Representative**, Milken Institute School of Public Health Curriculum Committee, The George Washington University, May 2023-April 2026.
- Interim Chair, Public Health Practice Committee, Department of Prevention and Community Health, Milken Institute School of Public Health, The George Washington University, January-September 2023.
- Academic Co-Leader, Drug User Health Scientific Interest Group, DC Center for AIDS Research (DC CFAR),
   George Washington University, 2018-present
- Interim Director, Doctoral Programs, Department of Prevention and Community Health, Milken Institute School of Public Health, The George Washington University, July 2020 Dec 31, 2020.
- **Chair**, Research Committee, Department of Prevention and Community Health, Milken Institute School of Public Health, The George Washington University, June 2017 June 2020.
- **Member**, Faculty Search Committee, Department of Prevention and Community Health, Milken Institute School of Public Health, The George Washington University, Spring 2018-Spring 2019
- **Founding Member**, DC Policy Lab University Seminar Initiative (with Prof. Donald Braman, GWU School of Law; www.dcpolicylabs.org)
- **Member**, DrPH Admissions Committee, Department of Prevention and Community Health, Milken Institute School of Public Health, The George Washington University, 2012 and 2014 admissions cycles.
- **Member**, Curriculum Committee, Department of Prevention and Community Health, Milken Institute School of Public Health, The George Washington University, July 2013 August 2014.
- **Member**, MPH Admissions Committee, Department of Prevention and Community Health, Milken Institute School of Public Health, The George Washington University, July 2010 August 2012.
- **Member**, Advisory Council on Research, Faculty Senate Research Committee, George Washington University, November 2010 August 2012.
- **Member**, Faculty Search Committee, Department of Prevention and Community Health, Milken Institute School of Public Health, The George Washington University, Spring 2009
- Organizer and Team Leader, GWSPH Running Club, September 2011-present.

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

January 2019-present Volunteer/R.E.V.I.V.E. Trainer, Chris Atwood Foundation

(www.chrisatwoodfoundation.org)

April 22-July 10,2020	Maryland Responds Medical Reserve Corps (MRC), Prince George's County
	Health Department COVID-19 response team
May 2015-present	Team member and volunteer, Team RWB (teamRWB.org)
Nov. 2012-present	Volunteer/Boarder, Dogs on Deployment (www.dogsondeployment.org)
October 2010	Participant, AIDS Walk DC, Washington, DC
September 2007	Rider, "Harbor to the Bay" (www.harbortothebay.org)
September 2008	Rider, "Harbor to the Bay" (www.harbortothebay.org)
May 19, 2001	Volunteer, DC Cares Serve-a-thon, Washington, DC
September 2, 2000	Volunteer, Alexandria Animal Welfare League, Canine Games 2000, Alexandria,
	VA
Summer 1999	Faculty mentor, University of Connecticut Mentorship Program, Storrs, CT
May 12, 1999	Guest speaker, Plainfield Middle School Teen Awareness Day, Plainfield, CT.
April 11, 1999	Guest speaker and participant in the "Run for Hope", a 3.5 mile run to benefit
	the Willimantic AIDS Program, Willimantic, CT.
April 5, 1999	Guest speaker, The Rainbow Center, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT
June 1995	Participant, AIDS Walk LA, Los Angeles, CA
Dec. 5-9, 1992	Volunteer, The NAMES Project, Los Angeles, CA.

#### PROFESSIONAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP

<ul> <li>2007 - present</li> </ul>	Member, American Public Health Association
• 2009 - 2012	Member, Women's Research Initiative on HIV/AIDS
<ul> <li>1994 - 2000</li> </ul>	Member, American Public Health Association
<ul> <li>1996 - 1998</li> </ul>	Member. Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality

#### **EDITORIAL PEER REVIEW ACTIVITIES**

## **Grant Review**

- Review Committee Member, Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Public Health and Science, HIV/AIDS Prevention and Support Services for Women Partners of Incarcerated/Recently Released Men Program, September 10-11, 2009.
- **Review Committee Member,** National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Special Emphasis Panel, Gender and HIV/AIDS Risk, October 23-24, 2008.
- **Member and Co-Chair**, Scientific Advisory Board, Center for AIDS Prevention Studies, University of California, San Francisco, San Francisco, CA, 2006 present.
- **Review Committee Member,** John E. Fogarty International Center, World AIDS Foundation Scientific Review meeting, June 4, 2003.
- Review Committee Member, National Institute of Mental Health Special Emphasis Panel, Comorbid Mental Disorders and HIV/STD Prevention, August 9-10, 1999
- **Review Committee Member,** National Institute of Mental Health Special Emphasis Panel, Abstinence and HIV/STD Prevention for Youth, August 12-13, 1999.

## Scientific Journals

- AIDS
- AIDS Care
- AIDS and Behavior
- AIDS Patient Care and STDs

- American Journal of Health Promotion
- American Journal of Public Health
- Annals of Behavioral Medicine
- Biomed Central Public Health
- Clinical Infectious Diseases
- Emerging Infectious Diseases
- Global Public Health
- International Journal of STD & AIDS
- Journal of HIV/AIDS Surveillance and Epidemiology
- Journal of Urban Health
- Women's Health Issues

#### **EXTERNAL ACTIVITIES AND PARTNERSHIPS**

#### Conferences

- Member, Scientific Planning Committee, Microbicides 2012, Sydney, Australia
- Member, Scientific Planning Committee, Microbicides 2010, Pittsburgh, PA, USA
- Member, Conference Planning Committee, National HIV Prevention Conference 2007, Atlanta, GA, USA
- Conference Co-Chair, National HIV Prevention Conference 2005, Atlanta, GA, USA
- Co-Chair for Track A, Basic Prevention Research, National HIV Prevention Conference 2003, Atlanta, GA, USA

## Service to the Scientific Community

- **Mentor**, National Institute on Drug Abuse International AIDS Society International Research Fellowship Program.
- Reviewer, Global Health Equity Scholars (GHES) Fellowship Program, 2013-present.
- Instructor, Workshop on "Writing Policy Briefs from Research", developed for and taught to the Human Sciences Research Council (HSRC), Pretoria, South Africa. Workshops were given on March 1-4, 2010, March 22-25, 2011, and March 28-31, 2011.
- **Guest Editor**, Inclusion of Adolescents and Young Adults in Biomedical HIV Prevention Research. *Journal of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndromes*. 2010; 54 (Supplement 1).

## UNIVERSITY TEACHING PORTFOLIO

Courses Taught	
Fall 2018 - present	Faculty/Section Leader for PubH 6060/6061: Culminating Experience, Parts 1 and 2 (online)  Milken Institute School of Public Health at The George Washington  University, Washington, DC
Fall 2021 present	<b>Faculty/Instructor</b> for PubH 2112: Principles of Health Education and Health Promotion, <i>Milken Institute School of Public Health at The George Washington University, Washington, DC</i>
Fall 2018 - present	<b>Faculty/Instructor</b> for PubH 6500: Program Planning and Implementation Milken Institute School of Public Health at The George Washington University, Washington, DC
Spring 2015-present	Faculty/Instructor for PubH 1102: History of Public Health

	Milken Institute School of Public Health at The George Washington University, Washington, DC
Fall 2009 - present	Faculty/Instructor for PubH 6553: "Adolescent Health and Development" Milken Institute School of Public Health at The George Washington University, Washington, DC
Spring 2011 - present	Faculty/Instructor for PubH 6007: Social and Behavioral Approaches to Public Health Milken Institute School of Public Health at The George Washington University, Washington, DC
Fall 2008 – 2012	Faculty/Instructor for PubH 6559: "Approaches to HIV Prevention: An Interdisciplinary Overview" Milken Institute School of Public Health at The George Washington University, Washington, DC
May 12, 2009	<b>Guest Lecturer.</b> Lecture entitled "The Application of Theoretical Models of Behavior to HIV Prevention" delivered to graduate students and faculty in the Departments of Psychology and Public Health.  St. Petersburg State University, St. Petersburg, Russia
Fall 2007	<b>Guest Lecturer</b> for PH 209.35 "HIV Prevention" George Washington University, School of Public Health and Health Services, Washington, DC
Fall 2003 - 2005	<b>Co-Instructor</b> for the course, "Microbiology 527: Introduction to HIV/AIDS" (HIV Prevention and Research Ethics modules)  NIH Graduate School, Bethesda, MD
March 9, 2005	Guest Lecturer for the course, "Overview of HIV/AIDS"  University of Southern California School of Public Health, Los Angeles, CA
Sept - Dec 1994	<b>Teaching Assistant</b> for the course, "Theories in Health Behavior Research" <i>University of Southern California School of Medicine, Los Angeles, CA</i>
Summer 1990 – 1994	Faculty/Instructor, for the courses, "Medical Ethics", "Workshop in Current Events", and "Writing for the MCAT Essay" Health Preprofessional Preparation Program (HePP), University of Southern California School of Medicine, Office of Minority Affairs, Los Angeles, CA
January - May 1990	<b>Teaching Assistant</b> for the course entitled "Advanced Research Methodology" <i>University of Southern California School of Medicine, Los Angeles, CA</i>

# **Students and Trainees**

# <u>Undergraduate</u>

• Anne Laterra, BA (Elliot School of International Studies): Senior thesis advisor for the project, "The HIV Epidemic in Russia and Ukraine: A Comparative Analysis of Context, Policy, and Solutions", Spring 2011.

#### Graduate/MPH Culminating Experience

- Bridget Reutener Hanes, MPH: co-advisor (with Dr. Amita Vyas), "Stakeholder Perceptions of Family Planning Services and Practices in HIV Prevention Trials", Fall 2008.
- Shiromi Perera, MPH (Dept. of Global Health): co-advisor (with Dr. Kimberly Mills), "Impact of Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) on Female Participation in HIV Clinical Trials", Spring 2009.
- Freshta Mohammed, MPH: "Gender-Based Violence in Afghanistan", Fall 2010.
- Hoda Sana, MPH: "Evaluation of High Risk Patient Referral Outcomes in Afghanistan", Spring 2011.
- Angela Drumm, MPH: "Drug Use and Psychological Well-Being among Adolescents in Saint Petersburg, Russia", Spring 2011.
- Karen Johnson, MPH: "Improving Parenting Skills Among Teen Parents", Summer 2011.
- LaShontae Norman, MPH: "Analyzing Injection-Related Wounds and Health Care Access in Injection-Drug Users within the District of Columbia", Summer 2011.
- Lindsey Toler, MPH: "Determining Attitudes, Knowledge, and Self-Efficacy about Depression Screening at the Adolescent Health Center at Children's National Medical Center", Spring 2012
- Sadie Healy, MSW, MPH: "DC Personal Responsibility Education Program (DC-PREP)", Spring 2012
- Kimberly Harris, MPH: "123HPV-Free: Feasibility study to evaluate the effectiveness of SMS text messaging in increasing adherence of women aged 18-26 to receive the Gardasil vaccine series over the 6 month period", Spring 2012.
- Lindsy Godair, MPH: "Group Prenatal Care and Education at the Family Health and Birth Center: Its Effect on Birth Outcomes in 2011", Summer 2012.
- Elisa Epstein, MPH: "Analysis of Nutrition Education to Children in Community Settings", Summer 2012.
- Katherine Howe, MPH: "123HPV-Free: Feasibility study to evaluate the effectiveness of SMS text messaging in increasing adherence of women aged 18-26 to receive the Gardasil vaccine series over the 6 month period", Spring 2013.
- Jessica Bress, MPH: "Child &Adolescent Medical Marijuana Use: An Acceptability Study", Spring 2013.
- Rebecca Freeman, PA, MPH: "123HPV-Free: Impact of a text-message reminder program on adherence to the HPV vaccine", Spring 2014.
- Ricca Prasad, MPH: "Investigation through Intervention: Using Drawing Prompts as a Child-Centered Method of Data Collection and Trauma-Sensitive Activity for Under-Resourced Children in a Violent Community", Spring 2015.
- Sashamara Perez, MPH: Masters Thesis in Public Health Science with Health Economics, The Sahlgrenska Academy, University of Gothenburg, Sweden. "Cultivate the Messenger, Change the Message: The Use of Research Evidence in Shaping Health Policy for HIV Prevention and Harm Reduction", Spring 2016.
- Renee Lavigne, MPH: "When a provider shuts down: Assessing continuity of syringe exchange services among injection drug users in Washington, DC", Spring 2016.
- Brittany Monks, MPH: "Maternal Mortality in South Asia: Identifying Key Areas for Investment", Fall
   2016
- Marika Klein, MPH: "Menstrual Hygiene Products: An assessment of need among social service agencies in the Washington, DC area", Spring 2017.
- Iana Clarence, MPH: "Assessment of the Relationship Between Adverse Childhood Experiences and Student Engagement in Adolescents", Spring 2018.
- Payton Sciaratta, MPH: "Birth Outcomes in Relation to Maternal and Neonatal Demographic and Clinical Variables", Spring 2018.
- Kayla Renicker, MPH: "Influence of Family Structure on Youth Mental Health", Spring 2018.
- Chantal Berry, MPH: "Postpartum Priorities: An Assessment of new mothers' health concerns and perceptions of care", Spring 2018.
- Jessica Atlas Roscoe, MPH: "The Teen Promise Project in Washington, DC a pilot process evaluation plan", Summer 2018.
- Colleen Packard, MPH: "Parent & Student Knowledge, Attitudes, and Perceptions of Sports Injuries & the

Feasibility of Expanding Athletics Activities Diversity in a Community Non-Profit Organization", Spring 2019. Winner, Nashman Prize for Community-Based Participatory Research, GW Research Days, 2019

- Alyssa Ryan, MPH: "Health Priorities of College Students in the United States", Spring 2019
- Sultana Begum, MPH: "The Health and Service Needs of a Latinx community in Atlanta: A Needs Assessment", Spring 2019.
- Shaakira Parker, MPH: "A Systematic Review Evaluating Community Re-Entry Programs for Justice Involved Youth", Spring 2019
- Emily Young, MPH: "Community Schools Model: Characteristics of Effectiveness in Baltimore City Public Schools", Spring 2019.
- Kalpana Vissa, MPH: "An examination of the "sport protection hypothesis" in a national sample of female college students", Spring 2020
- Ranjit Bhangu, MPH, "Effectiveness of Active Case Finding on TB Case Identification in India", Spring 2020
- Allison Williams, MPH, "Assessing the Impact of Gentrification on the Accessibility of Health, Housing, and Harm Reduction-Related Services in the District of Columbia: A Thematic Analysis of HIGH RISE Pilot Data", Spring 2020
- Arin Swerlick, MPH, "Risk and Protective Factors for High School Youth of Color in the District of Columbia", Spring 2020
- Tiffany Wise, MPH, "Cultural Barriers and Social Perceptions of Accessing Emergency Contraception",
   Spring 2020 (co-advising with Amita Vyas)
- Stela Patidar, MPH, "A Virtual Ecological Assessment To Determine The Reality Of Accessing Plan B In Washington D.C.", Spring 2020 (co-advising with Amita Vyas)
- Morgan Kramer, MPH, "Perceptions of Emergency Contraception at the George Washington University",
   Spring 2020 (co-advising with Amita Vyas)
- Zahra Amiji, MPH, "The Association Between Health Literacy and Contraception Usage Among U.S. Female Adolescents: A Systematic Review", Spring 2020
- Christian Miguel Flores, MPH, "Gestational Diabetes Mellitus in Asian American and Pacific Islander Women: A Systematic Review", Fall 2020.
- Taya McMillan, MPH, "Prenatal Doula Support and Preterm/Low Birth Weight Outcomes in African American Women: A Systematic Review", Summer 2021
- Chinwendu Ngwadom, MPH, "Exploring the acceptability and feasibility of youth engaging in community service as a protective factor against mental health conditions in community-based settings", Summer 2021.
- Nasu Conteh, MPH, "Examining Perceptions of Positive Developmental Mental Health Practices of Youth in the Ward 5 of Washington D.C.", Summer 2021.
- Campbell Dopke, MPH, and Lavinia Sims, MPH, "BRYCE Online Mental Health Directory: Evaluation of Website Acceptability and Feasibility", Fall 2022.

#### **DISSERTATION COMMITTEE SERVICE**

- Memi Miscally, MPH: A Path Model of Discrimination, Social Integration, Social Support, and Substance
  Use for Asian American Adults. Dissertation defense conducted successfully on March 25, 2009, for the
  degree of Doctor of Public Health (DrPH). (MS Ruiz, Reader)
- Aldrenna Williams, MPH: Reentry of Substance Abusing Female Ex-Offenders from Prison to an Urban Community. Dissertation defense conducted successfully on March 11, 2011, for the degree of Doctor of Public Health (DrPH). (MS Ruiz, Dissertation Committee member)
- Sean T. Allen, MPH: The Effect of the 1000 Foot Rule on Syringe Exchange Program Operating Space in the District of Columbia: A Descriptive Analysis. Dissertation defense conducted successfully on March 16, 2015, for the degree of Doctor of Public Health (DrPH). (MS Ruiz, Dissertation Committee Chair)
- Christopher L. Zubiate, MSW: Healing Community Enclave: Developing a Comprehensive Planning and

- Monitoring Model for Sustaining a Workforce to Treat Chronic Mental Illness. Dissertation defense conducted successfully on April 12, 2018, for the degree of Doctor of Health Administration, Medical University of South Carolina, College of Health Professions. (MS Ruiz, Dissertation Committee Member)
- Kathleen Clark, MSPH, PhD: The Buprenorphine Positive Deviants: Findings from a Qualitative Study of
  Connecticut Healthcare Practitioners Who Have Integrated Buprenorphine Prescribing in Primary Care
  Settings. Dissertation defense conducted successfully on October 9, 2020, for the degree of Doctor of
  Philosophy (PhD), George Washington University Translational Health Sciences Program. (MS Ruiz,
  Dissertation Committee Member)
- Elizabeth Austin, PhD(c): Engaging Patients in Opioid Use Disorder Treatment: A Mixed Methods Study Investigating Primary Care Team Perspectives on Approaches, Barriers and Facilitators. Dissertation in progress, George Washington University Translational Health Sciences Program. (MS Ruiz, Dissertation Committee Member)
- Hannah Yellin, MPH, PhD: Psychosocial Health Problems, Multilevel Stigma, and HIV Pre-Exposure
   Prophylaxis Uptake among Adolescent Sexual Minority Males. (MS Ruiz, Dissertation Committee Chair)

#### **PUBLIC HEALTH PRACTICE PORTFOLIO**

#### Consultancies

**Trainer**, HealthHIV Workforce Development Program. Developed and taught seminars in Policy and HIV Program Implementation (March 2020), Program Implementation and Improvement (March 2020), and Nonprofit Leadership (February 2021). These training seminars were funded through a grant to HealthHIV from the Effi Barry Training Institute (EBTI).

**Evaluator** for grant to HIPS from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSHA), Grants for the Benefit of Homeless Individuals, 11/29/21-present.

## Pro Bono Work with Community-Based Organizations

Lecturer, "All about the evidence for harm reduction" online course, partnersintheworks.com

**Faculty Co-Lead, GW Volunteer Task Force for COVID Response:** Faculty co-lead and trainer for the volunteer workforce assisting the Prince George's County Health Department with COVID-19 response activities, including case investigation and contact tracing (April -July 2020).

**Principal Investigator**, Evaluation of Beacon House Youth Sports Program. This was an evaluation pilot study conducted at the request of Beacon House DC (www.beaconhousedc.org) from 2013-2016.

**Evaluator**, Beacon House Education Program. Currently serving as the lead evaluator of the education program, conducting analyses of educational outcomes data obtained from DCPS schools and assisting with the development of reports to Beacon House's tutoring program funders. 2017-present.

**Developer**, evaluation pilot study of "Through My Eyes" youth photojournalism program. Evaluation model and instruments developed in partnership with Center for Self-Discovery, Washington, DC.

#### Participation in Community-Level Leadership Groups

**Member**, District of Columbia Syringe Access Working Group, 2016-present. **Board Member**, Chris Atwood Foundation, September 2022-present

**Member**, National Advisory Council, Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP), Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), April 1, 2020 - November 30, 2024

**Consultant**, Antiviral Drugs Advisory Committee, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER), Food and Drug Administration. Meeting held on May 10, 2012, Silver Spring, MD.

**Member and Co-Chair**, Ad Hoc Racial and Ethnic Minority Committee, Office of AIDS Research, National Institutes of Health, February 2006 – 2016.

**Member**, Office of the Global AIDS Coordinator Technical Working Group on HIV Prevention among the General Population and Youth, November 2005 to May 2006. Working with PEPFAR Country Operation Plans, this Technical Working Group examines the characteristics of high-quality HIV prevention programming, guides the development of possible guidance and assessment tools, develops plans for targeted evaluation of centrally-funded youth prevention programming, and discusses priorities for the provision of technical assistance to country teams.

**Member**, Federal Working Group to provide technical review of ABCY (Abstinence, Be Faithful, Condoms for Youth) components of Country Strategies and Country Operational Plans submitted to the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR), November 1- December 7, 2004. (Reviewed Strategies and Country Operational Plans for Kenya, South Africa, and Vietnam.)

**Member**, DHHS Scientific Committee convened on June 16, 2004, to brief Ambassador Randall Tobias, U.S. Global AIDS Coordinator, on a review of the data pertaining to the role of condoms in preventing HIV/AIDS transmission and the appropriate use of condoms in the context of the ABC (Abstinence, Be Faithful, Condoms) approach to HIV prevention. Briefing topics included condom efficacy, factors influencing effectiveness, linkage of condom distribution to behavior change messages, barriers to condom use success, and target audiences for condom messaging in the context of HIV/AIDS prevention.