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PERSONAL DATA

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EDUCATION

B.S. 1994 University of Connecticut, Department of Biological Sciences. Honors

M.H.S. 1995 Johns Hopkins University Bloomberg School of Public Health, Demography

Ph.D. 2001 Johns Hopkins University Bloomberg School of Public Health, Department of
Population and Family Health Sciences, Minor in Epidemiology
Dissertation Advisor: Dr. Laurie Schwab Zabin

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Associate Professor (tenured), Department of Prevention and Community Health, George Washington University, School of Public Health 2013 - Present

Assistant Professor, 2004 – 2013

Director, Maternal and Child Health MPH Program, 2008 –

Faculty Member, Jacobs Institute of Women's Health, 2010 –

Editor-in-Chief, Women's Health Issues, 2017 – 2022

Co-Director, GW Campus COVID Support Team, 2020 - 2022

Nonresident Fellow, Atlantic Council, South Asia Center, 2020 – 2023

Director, Center of Excellence in Maternal and Child Health, 2020 - 2025

Research Associate, Center for Adolescent Health and Development, Department of Population and Family Health Sciences, Johns Hopkins University, Bloomberg School of Public Health, 2001 – 2004

Research Assistant, Research and Evaluation Division, Center for Communication Programs, Johns Hopkins University, Bloomberg School of Public Health, 1995 – 1997

ASPH Fellow, Division of Adolescent and School Health, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1995

Family Planning Counselor, Planned Parenthood of Connecticut, 1993 – 1994

Research Assistant, Department of Molecular and Cell Biology, University of Connecticut, 1991

Counselor and Chief Volunteer Coordinator, Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity, Center for Dying and Destitute, Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity, Calcutta, India, 1992

HONORS AND AWARDS

Awarded GW Supervisor of the Year, 2019 (supervising/mentoring student employees)
Awarded 2019 Northeast Region Supervisor of the Year, Northeast Association/Student Employment Academy Member, Varkey Foundation Global Teacher Prize (2017 -)
Member, GW Academy for Distinguished Teachers (2014 -)
Awarded Morton Bender Teaching Award, George Washington University (2012)
Nominee RWJ Young Leader Under 40 Award (Nominated by Sara Rosenbaum)
Awarded Delta-Omega Honor Society National Innovative Curriculum Award (2011)
Awarded Impact Center Women's Leadership Fellowship (2011-2012)
Nominee Pfizer Early Career Teaching Award (Nominated by Department Chair)
Member Aspen Institute/Socrates Society (2008)
Inducted Delta Omega Honorary Society for Public Health
Awarded Fulbright Award to the Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai India (2008)
Awarded YouthAIDS Award for HIV Prevention in India,(2007)
Honored South Asian Public Health Association (2004)
Awarded Kann-Trowbridge Award, Johns Hopkins University (2000)
Awarded University of Connecticut Humanitarian Achievement Award (1994)
Awarded University of Connecticut Minority Leadership Award (1994)

RESEARCH GRANTS/CONTRACTS

Maternal Health Study Vyas, Amita (PI) 1/1/2022 – 12/31/22
\$100,000
Funder: Developing Families Center
A mixed-methods study examining barriers and facilitators related to maternal health services and programs in Washington D.C.

Adolescent Empowerment Program in Bangladesh Vyas, Amita (PI) 1/1/2021-6/30/2022
\$45,000
Funder: The World Bank
To adapt and implement the Girl Rising gender sensitization program across 90 schools in Bangladesh as part of a larger RCT examining low cost adolescent interventions.

GW-MCH Center of Excellence Vyas, Amita (PI) 6/1/2020 – 5/31/2025
\$1,750,000
Funder: Health Resources and Services Administration/Maternal and Child Health Bureau
One of thirteen centers across the U.S. committed to improving the health and well-being of women, children, adolescents and families through education, science, practice and policy.

Completed Grants/Contracts

Girl Rising Impact Framework Vyas, Amita (PI) 2/1/20 – 7/30/20
\$27,592
Funder: Nielsen Foundation
Developed a monitoring and evaluation toolkit for Girl Rising campaigns, including a theory of change model and framework for how media and campaigns yield social impact.

Gender and Adolescence Global Evidence Vyas, Amita (sub-award) 5/1/19 – 1/30/21
\$65,000

Funder: GAGE/UK AID

Mixed methods study that developed and tested measures on gender attitudes, voice and agency for adolescents in India and Nepal.

Sex and Gender Differences in VA Clinical Trial Outcomes Borkowski 7/1/18 – 7/1/19
\$100,000

Sponsor: U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs/Durham VAMC

An open call for papers for a journal supplement for Women's Health Issues.

Military Women's Health Research Borkowski 9/1/18 – 7/1/19
\$100,000

Sponsor: TriService Nursing Research Program of the US Department of Defense

Invited submissions for a journal supplement for Women's Health Issues.

Conceptual-Contextual Therapy: An Innovative Model for Suicide Prevention
\$15,000 Vyas, Amita (PI) 4/1/19 – 12/31/19

Funder: Donnelly Family Foundation

Conducted a qualitative study to examine the components of the CCT program and to design a randomized controlled trial.

Girl Rising/VMM Evaluation Vyas, Amita (PI) 10/1/18 – 1/31/19
\$8600

Funder: U.S. Department of State, Hyderabad Consulate

Supported three graduate students to assist with implementation and qualitative evaluation of the GR/GW gender-based violence prevention workshop for 30 colleges in Bhubaneswar, Vishakapatnam, and Hyderabad in India.

Girl Rising Videos for Empowerment Vyas, Amita (sub-award) 4/1/18 – 12/31/18
\$44,000

Funder: U.S. Department of State

Produced 12 girls/women's empowerment videos for a social media campaign in India.

Perceptions of Happiness Measurement Study Vyas, Amita (PI) 7/1/18 – 12/31/18
\$6,000

Funder: MyBliss Inc.

Supported a graduate research assistant to conduct a quantitative survey (n=1500) on perceptions of happiness and health.

Gender-Based Violence Prevention and Treatment Vyas, Amita 9/1/17 – 8/31/18
\$125,000

Funder: U.S. Department of State, New Delhi Embassy

Led, developed and implemented 5 workshops in Tier 2 cities of India on effective communication strategies for GBV prevention.

D.C. Family Planning Assessment Vyas, Amita (Co-PI) 7/1/17 – 6/30/18
\$175,000

Funder: Washington Area Women's Foundation (WAWF)

A mixed-methods study that examined the family planning needs of adolescents and young women in the District of Columbia. Research study included a clinic survey, provider interviews, focus groups, and a quantitative adolescent/women's health survey (n=1200).

Girl Rising Pilot Evaluation of U.S. Educator's Program Vyas, Amita (PI) 9/1/17 – 6/1/18
 \$30,000
 Funder: Citi Corporation
 Led a team of graduate students who conducted pilot evaluations of four Girl Rising U.S. Educator Programs in Quincy Mass (n=350); Houston (n=600); Tampa (n=50); and New York City (n=350). Evaluation included qualitative interviews and pre/post surveys with students. The GW School of Business developed financial literacy modules for the Girl Rising curriculum.

Girl Rising India Campaign: Evaluation Study Vyas, Amita (PI) 9/1/16 – 8/31/18
 \$123,000
 Funder: Paperseed Foundation
 Pilot evaluation of the Girl Rising India Dreamers Media Campaign and the Schools Gender Curriculum, including social media analytics, teacher and student interviews, and pre/post surveys of students.

Girl Rising Latin America Formative Research Vyas, Amita (PI) 11/1/16 – 3/31/17
 \$42,312
 Funder: Girl Rising & Summit Foundation
 Formative research to develop the Latin America Girl Rising Campaign focused on Guatemala, including stakeholder interviews, media assessment, and identifying topics for a new Girl Rising story.

Empowering Latino Youth Project (ELYP) Vyas, Amita (PI) 9/1/10 – 11/30/15
 \$5,000,000
 Funder: Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Adolescent Health
 A regional, community collaboration between The George Washington University, Identity, Inc (Identity), Mary's Center (MC), and Teen and Young Adult Connection (TAYA), to implement and test (using an RCT design) an innovative after school positive youth development program to delay sexual onset, decrease pregnancy wantedness and ambivalence, increase condom and contraceptive use, and decrease teen pregnancy among Latino youth.

Diabetes Prevention Study (DPS) Vyas, Amita (PI) 2/1/2011 – 6/30/2012
 \$50,000
 Funder: National Institutes of Health National Center for Research Resources
 Small pilot study utilizing mixed-methods research to examine physical activity and nutrition among South Asian American (SAA) families in the Washington D.C. region.

Clinical and Translational Science Institute Guay-Woodford, Lisa (PI) 6/2010 – 6/2015
 Funder: National Institutes of Health National Center for Research Resources, \$20,000,000
 Role: **Co-Director**, Community Engagement Core

SmAART: A Novel mHealth Approach to Promote HIV Management with Substance Abusing
 LaGrange, Ricardo (PI) 2012 - 2013
 \$50,000
 Funder: DC D-Center for AIDS Research
 A collaborative project with Children's National Medical Center to conduct a feasibility study of an mhealth texting application aimed at increasing medication adherence among urban HIV positive adolescents.

Adolescent Latino Sexual Behavior: More Reactive or Reasoned
 Gonzales, Felisa 8/2011-7/2013
 \$71,836
 Funder: NIH/The Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Development (F31),

Role: Co-Sponsor/Advisor

Etiological Frameworks to Prevent Gender Based Violence Among Immigrant Latinos
McDonnell, Karen (PI) 9/1/08 – 9/30/12

Funder: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (R01), NCIPC, \$900,000

Role: Co-Investigator

To develop a better understanding of the community and neighborhood contextual factors related to gender-based violence amongst the Latino immigrant community.

Pathway to Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention: Neighborhood Influences on Adolescent & Young Adult Health
Vyas, Amita (PI) 10/1/02 – 9/30/07
\$569,727

Funder: Centers for Disease Control and Association of Schools of Public Health

This five-year longitudinal cohort study explored multi-level influences on pregnancy ambivalence, contraceptive use, and unintended pregnancy among adolescent boys and girls 15-19 residing in Baltimore city.

Prevention Research Center: Center for Adolescent Health Promotion and Disease Prevention
Alexander, Cheryl (PI) 9/30/98 – 9/29/04

Funder: Centers for Disease Control Prevention Research Centers Program, \$2,400,000

Role: Investigator

The CDC Prevention Research Center is aimed at improving the health of urban adolescents. The Center has undertaken research that focuses on the development and evaluation of programs and policies that promote health and prevent disease among adolescents.

Research Contract with the Center Alexander, Cheryl (PI) 2/03 – 9/03

Police Athletic League Demonstration Project

Funder: Baltimore Police Athletic League, \$20,000

Role: Investigator/Evaluation

This project assessed the impact of the Police Athletic League after school program. The evaluation study utilized both quantitative and qualitative methods to assess process and outcome data in 8 PAL centers in Baltimore City, and with 255 youth attending the program.

Research Contract with the Center Vyas, Amita (PI) 2/03 – 9/30/03

Research Latino Youth Wellness

Funder: Montgomery County Maryland Health Department, \$45,000

Role: Principal Investigator

Designed and developed developmentally and culturally appropriate health assessments for Latino youth and their parents.

Pilot Award for Junior Researchers Vyas, Amita (PI) 10/02 – 10/03

Adolescent Latino Health and Development

Funder: Hopkins Population Center Pilot Award, \$15,000

Pilot study that quantitatively and qualitatively assessed the health and development of Latino youth.

Dissertation Research Grant Vyas, Amita (PI) 1/97 – 1/00

Teen Incentive Program

\$410,880

Funder: Abell Foundation and Straus Foundation

This four-year study evaluated the impact of three adolescent reproductive health programs in Baltimore city.

PUBLICATIONS

Under Review

Bolatito O. Ogunbiyi, Jeffrey B. Bingenheimer, Sarah Baird, **Amita Vyas** (2022). Measuring Adolescent Girls' Agency in Ethiopia. *International Journal of Youth and Adolescence*, Under Review.

Ruth Dickey-Chasins; Katelyn F. Romm; **Amita N. Vyas**; Karen McDonnell; Yan Wang; Yan Ma; Carla Berg (2022). Social distancing and related factors during the COVID-19 pandemic in relation to COVID-19 symptoms and diagnosis and mental health. *Health Education and Behavior*, Under Review

Publications

Dickey-Chasins, R., Romm, K.F., **Vyas, A.**, McDonnell, K.A., Wang, Y., Ma, Y., & Berg, C.J. (In press). Social distancing in relation to COVID-19 outcomes and mental health in US young adults. *Journal of Public Health*.

Klinkhammer, K.E., Romm, K.F., Kerrigan, D., McDonnell, K.A., **Vyas, A.**, Wang, Y., Ma, Y., & Berg, C.J. (In press). Sociopolitical, mental health, and sociodemographic correlates of COVID-19 vaccine hesitancy among young adults in 6 US metropolitan areas. *Preventive Medicine Reports*.

Karen A McDonnell, Amanda D Castel, Amita B **Vyas**, Nitasha C Nagaraj, Megan Landry (2022). Keeping it close: The role of a Campus COVID Support Team (CCST) in sustaining a safe and healthy university campus during COVID-19. medRxiv <https://doi.org/10.1101/2022.05.01.22274540>

Amita N. Vyas, Nitasha C. Nagaraj, Sabrina McCormick, Demeri Seis, Sadie Hagburg. The Power of Storytelling and Media Interventions to Advance Health and Gender Equity: The Girl Rising Case Study. *Journal of Humanities and Social Science*, Volume 27, Issue 3, Series 1 (March. 2022) 46-56 e-ISSN: 2279-0837, p-ISSN: 2279-0845. doi: 10.9790/0837-2703014656

Manisha Shah, Sarah Baird, Benjamin Avuwadah, Joan Hamory, Jennifer Seager, Shwetlena Sabarwal, **Amita Vyas**. Improving Mental Health of Adolescent Girls: Causal Evidence from Four Low- and Middle-Income Countries. *Journal of Human Resources*, Accepted. December 2022.

Amita N. Vyas, Jodie G. Katon, Tracy A. Battaglia, Priya Batra, Liz Borkowski, Kevin D. Frick, Alison Hamilton, Madina Agénor, Ndidiamaka Amutah-Onukagha, Chloe E. Bird, Katy Backes Kozhimannil, Sandraluz Lara-Cinisomo (2022), Advancing Health Equity through Inclusive and Equitable Publication Practices at Women's Health Issues, *Women's Health Issues*. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.whi.2022.04.002>

Vyas, A.N., Nagaraj, N.C., Teklay, W., Hingorani, R., Luintel, J., Landry, M.M. (2022). Measuring Agency, Voice, and Gender Attitudes Among Adolescents in South Asia. *Indian Journal of Youth and Adolescent Health*, 8(4): 8-21

Towers, S.A., Gemechu, N.B., Nagaraj, N.C., Landry, M. M., Beane, P.C., Sardon, G.A., Weiss, E.C. Lui, C.M., Park, D.E., Aziz, M., Goldman, L.R., **Vyas, A.N.**, McDonnell, K.A., Castel, A.D., and The George Washington University Campus COVID-19 Support Team. (2022). SARS-CoV-2 Surveillance and Outbreak Response on an Urban American College Campus. *Journal of American College of Health* (2022).

Nagaraj, N. Landry, M., Hingorani, R., Luintel, J., and **Vyas, A.** (2022). Adolescents in the time of COVID: Findings from India and Nepal. *Adolescents*, 2(1): 1-10. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.3390/adolescents2010001>

Amita Vyas, Hannah Low, Nitasha Nagaraj (2021) Adolescent Girls in Guatemala: Can an Empowerment Program Change Perceptions of Gender Equity, Aspirations, and Communication?. *Journal of Public Health International* - 4(2):24-33.

Cindy Liu, **Amita Vyas**, Amanda D. Castel, Karen A. McDonnell, Lynn R Goldman. Implementing Mandatory Testing and a Public Health Commitment to Control COVID-19 on a College Campus, medRxiv 2021.05.30.21258071; doi: <https://doi.org/10.1101/2021.05.30.21258071>

Vyas AN, Borkowski L, Bird CE, Frick KD, Markus AR, Salganicoff A, Weisman CS. 30 Years of Women's Health Issues. *Women's Health Issues*. 2021 Jan-Feb;31(1):1-3. doi: 10.1016/j.whi.2020.11.009. 2020 Dec 9. PMID: 33309192.

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Amita N. Vyas, G. Malhotra, N. C. Nagaraj & M. Landry (2019) Gender Attitudes in Adolescence: Evaluating the *Girl Rising* Gender-Sensitization program in India, *International Journal of Adolescence and Youth*, DOI: 10.1080/02673843.2019.1598450

Nagaraj, N., **Vyas, A.**, Landry, M. (2019). Adolescents' Perceptions of Gender Discrimination in India: Do Perceptions Differ for Boys and Girls? *Journal of Public Health International*, 2(1): 1-12. DOI: 10.14302/issn.2641-4538.jphi-19-2995

Vyas A, Nagaraj N, Genovese J, Malhotra G, Dubey N, Hingorani R, Manning L. (2020) The Girl Rising 'We Dream, We Rise' Social Media Campaign in India: Reach, Engagement and Impact, *Journal of Creative Communications*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0973258619878354>

Amita Vyas, Breahna Saunders, Nitasha Nagaraj (2020). A Qualitative Assessment of an Innovative Suicide Prevention and Treatment Approach: Contextual-Conceptual Therapy. *Journal of Public Health International*, 2(2): 28-41.

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Nagaraj N.C., **Vyas, A.N.**, McDonnell, K.A., DiPietro, L. (2017). Understanding Health, Violence, and Acculturation Among South Asian Women in the US. *Journal of Community Health*, 1-9. DOI. 10.1007/s10900-017-0450-4.

Ellsberg, M., **A. Vyas**, B. Madrid, M. Quintanilla, J. Zelaya and H. Stöckl. 2017. Violence Against Adolescent Girls: Falling Through the Cracks? Ending Violence in Childhood Global Report 2017. Know Violence in Childhood. New Delhi, India.

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Invited Articles & Blogs

The COVID-19 Crisis Could Trigger a Rise in Deadly Domestic Violence, Medium Blog, April 2020

One Girl With Courage Is A Revolution, Black and White Oman, January 2019

Brave Girl Rising: 17 Million Refugee Girls, Black and White Oman, February 2019

Book Chapters

Andrew Rainey; Jitendra Vyas; A. Jay Khanna, MD, MBA; Kashif Firozvi, MD; Rajesh Rajpal, MD; **Amita Vyas**, PhD; Bryan Ross (2014). Social Intelligence About The Patient Experience. In Christina Beach Thielst, Applying Social Media Technologies on Healthcare Environments. Chicago, Illinois.

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Technical Reports, Policy Briefs, and Toolkits

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Bramble S, Thompson K, Vyas A. Evaluation of the Houston and Tampa Girl Rising Program, April 2018.

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Balan A, Thompson K, **Vyas A**. Evaluation of the Girl Rising Quincy Program, November 2017.

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SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

Keynotes/Presentations/Webinars/Podcasts

The Future of Women and Work in South Asia, U.S. Department of State and Atlantic Council Private Roundtable, March 9, 2022.

Anemia's Role in Preventing the Economic Advancement of Women and India, Prevention and Management of Anemia in Aspirational Districts, Government of India and Sukarya, February 26, 2022

Abortion at the Supreme Court: Dobbs v Jackson Women's Health Organization, Panel Discussion, October 8, 2021

India@75: Panel on COVID-19 Relief Efforts, July 17, 2021, <https://youtu.be/v3C7d2Unn7Y>

Reviving India's Informal Workforce and Entrepreneurs, June 23, 2021, Atlantic Council South Asia Center, <https://www.atlanticcouncil.org/blogs/southasiasource/webinar-reviving-indias-informal-workforce-and-entrepreneurs/>

India: Uncovering and Transcending Catastrophe, Panel Discussion, *Creative Visions*, *The Peace Studio*, and *New York Times*, May 25, 2021, https://www.facebook.com/watch/live/?ref=watch_permalink&v=832295644352650

Battling COVID-19 In India, Wayfair Panel Discussion, March 11, 2021.

8 Billion Angels, Panel Discussion for EarthDay.org, April 2021, <https://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/three-days-of-global-climate-action-events-begin-tomorrow-301271797.html>

Women, Gender Equality and Water. Panel Discussion for DC Water for People World Water Day Event, March 22, 2021 via zoom.

The Power of HER Story: Shaping Gender Attitudes among Adolescents. Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation Global Meeting, March 17, 2021 via zoom.

Why is Maternal and Infant Mortality Still a Public Health Problem in the U.S.?, Dean's Seminar, George Washington University Milken Institute School of Public Health, December 14, 2020, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EhnHgXx4S2U>

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Changing the Game by Changing the Story, Bali Effect Podcast, Episode 6, November 2020. <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/changing-the-game-by-changing-the-story-dr-amita-vyas/id1488629457?i=1000500711669>

Surviving a Pandemic: Dr. Amita Vyas, HealthyYou Podcast, Episode 19, October 2020. <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/surviving-a-pandemic-dr-amita-vyas/id1436343074?i=1000494734610>

COVID Campus Screening, Data Metrics and Support Science Symposium, July 17, 2020

COVID-19 Ethical Concerns: Maternal and Child Health, Panel Discussion for the GW SPH Ethics and COVID-19 Webinar with Dr. Leana Wen, May 26, 2020.

Power of Storytelling Through Digital Media. Plenary Panel on Digital Media Issues for Children and Adolescents, Digital Health Promotion Executive Leadership Summit, June 1-3, 2020.

Critical Public Health Training in India, A Panel Discussion for the International Nonprofit and University Research Event, Hosted by Sannam S4 and USIKE, and partnering with USISPF, Taj Hotels and the Consulate General of India in New York, October 2019, Washington D.C.

Transforming Maternal and Child Health Outcomes: Is Adolescent Nutrition the Key? (2018), Keynote Speaker, Public Health & Nutrition Conference of India, Hosted by the Government of India and Sukarya, New Delhi India.

Social Determinants of Unintended Pregnancies in the U.S.: What Does the Data Tell Us? (2018), Planned Parenthood Federation of America National Conference, Washington D.C.

Investing in Adolescent Girls: Our Hidden Treasure (2018), GW Milken Institute School of Public Health & Milken Institute Public Health Summit, Washington D.C.

The Power of Film: Girl Rising (2018), Keynote Speaker, Women's Day at the 2018 Muscat International Film Festival, Oman.

Adolescent Girls: The Greatest Investment Opportunity of Our Time (2018), Keynote Speaker, International Women's Day Event, Leidos Corporate Headquarters, Northern Virginia.

Adolescent Girls: The Greatest Investment Opportunity of Our Time (2018), Keynote Speaker, International Women's Day Event, E&Y Headquarters, Washington D.C.

Investing in Girls and Women: Economic and Social Impact (2017), Keynote Speaker, Global Entrepreneurship Summit and U.S. India Business Council, Hyderabad India.

Effective Communication Strategies for Prevention and Treatment of Gender-Based Violence in India (2017/2018), Vijayawada, Trivandrum, Bhopal, Ranchi, Jodhpur India.

Storytelling and Public Health (2017), Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health Invited Speaker for Alumni Day, Baltimore Maryland.

Inspirational Storytelling to Advance the Well-being of Adolescent Girls (2017), GW Milken Institute School of Public Health Pre-Milken Global Conference Los Angeles CA.

Investing in TB in India (2017), Road to GES Event Hosted by USAID and the Georgetown India Initiative.

Storytelling and Media Campaigns to Build a Movement for Adolescent Girls (2016), DASRA Philanthropy Conference, Houston TX.

Girl Rising 2.0 (2016) CENSEO Social Impact Event

Girl Rising & I Am Mala Educator's Program (2016) Global Girl's Education Conference, New York

Power of Philanthropy and Girl Rising, Keynote Speaker, Global India Fund Gala, Washington D.C. 2015

Why Investments in Girls Matter? Senate Oversight and Steering Committee (2015)
<http://publichealth.gwu.edu/content/professor-amita-vyas-speaks-senate-democratic-caucus-global-empowerment-women-girls>

Girl Rising: Investing in Girls through Country Campaigns (2015), Varkey Global Conference, Dubai, UAE

Gender & Organizational Leadership (2015) Department of Service, Leadership and Management, SIT Graduate Institute, Washington D.C.

Girl Rising & Power of Partnerships (2015), United General Assembly Panel with U.S Department of State, New York.

Teen Pregnancy in Latin America and the Caribbean - Findings from a World Bank Study (2014) Global Women's Institute & World Bank

New Technology and New Ideas: Public Health & Philanthropy (2012), U.S. Department of State International TechGirls Program.

New Technologies to Address Maternal and Child Health: International Trends & Evidence (2012), N. Africa Community Health Initiative, Morocco

The Future of Global Health: A Pragmatic Optic (2012), Plenary Session at the USAID Mini-University,

Global Philanthropy: New Solutions for People-to-People Diplomacy (2011), U.S. Department of State, Central and South Asia Bureau, Washington D.C.

Global Philanthropy and New Technology: People to People Connections (2011), U.S.- India Philanthropy Roundtable, U.S. Consulate, Mumbai India.

Teen Pregnancy Prevention Among Latino Youth: Be Yourself Se Tu Mismo (2010), D.C. Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy, American Public Health Association.

Women, Courage, Hope: Feminization of HIV/AIDS in India (2009), American Medical Women's Association, Washington D.C.

Adolescent Pregnancy: New Trends and Possible Solutions (2008), D.C. Department of Health.

Sexuality, Power and Culture (2008), Aspen Institute, Aspen Colorado.

Needs Assessment: Why It is Important and How to Do It? (2007) National Safe Kids Conference, Washington D.C.

Using the People and Places Framework to Educate a New Generation of Prevention and Community Health Professionals, *Karen A. McDonnell, PhD, A. Seiji Hayashi, MD, MPH, Caroline H. Sparks, PhD, Lorien Abrams, ScD, Amita Vyas, PhD, Ed Maibach, PhD, MPH and Ayman El-Mohandes, MD, MBBCh, MPH, APHA Panel, 2007*

Health Status of Immigrant Adolescents (2005) Children's National Medical Center, Washington D.C

Reproductive Health Disparities Among Immigrant Women: Why do they Exist? (2005), Capitol Hill Briefing, US House of Representatives, Sponsored by the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues. Washington D.C.

Health Status of Immigrant Adolescents (2005) *Children's National Medical Center*, Washington D.C.

Latino Adolescent Health (2004), National Prevention Coalition meeting sponsored by the *National Mental Health Association*, Washington D.C.

The State of South Asian American Public Health (2002), *Keynote Speaker*, *American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin (AAPI)*, *Annual Legislative Conference*, Capitol Hill Washington D.C.

The Health and Well-being of South Asian American Women (2002), *Keynote Presentation* for the Women's Forum, *American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin (AAPI)*, *Annual National Conference*, Chicago 2002.

Pioneering Women in Public Health: The Next Generation (2002), *Johns Hopkins University*, Baltimore MD.

Indian Americans Condemn Terrorism & Request Tolerance (2001), *National Press Club*, Washington D.C.

Teen Incentive Projects (TIPs): A Case-management Intervention (2000), *Abell Foundation*, Baltimore MD

Adolescent Reproductive Health Interventions (1999), *Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Visiting Committee for Population and Reproductive Health*, *Johns Hopkins University*, Baltimore MD

Public Health Challenges for the New Millennium (1999), *Entrepreneurship Conference*, Washington D.C.

National/International Poster Presentations

Landry, M., Vyas, A., Malhotra, G., and Nagaraj, N. (2018, October). Gender attitudes and perceptions among adolescents in India: a critical time for change. Poster presented at RTI International Ending Gender Inequalities 2018, Johannesburg, South Africa.

Gonzales, F.A., Vyas, A., Zea, M.C., & Poppen, P.J. "FABulous Latino youth: Ensuring fairness, autonomy, and beneficence when working with Latino adolescent research participants". Poster session presented at the *National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse*, San Diego, California. September 2012

Proser M, Tobin J, Payne P, Vyas A. "The DC Collaborative: Building Community-Engaged Research Capacity in Local Communities in Washington, DC through Supportive Partnerships." *5th Annual Clinical and Translational Science Award (CTSA) National Conference, Bethesda MD, August 2012*

Gonzales, F.A., Garrison, A., & Vyas, A. "Impact of pregnancy and condom attitudes on youths' condom use." Poster session presented at the *Society of Behavioral Medicine Conference*, New Orleans, LA. April 2012

Gonzales, F.A., Jennings, J.M., Ellen, J.M., Trent, M., Vyas, A. "Person, partner, and place: A multilevel analysis of pregnancy attitudes and contraceptive use." Poster session presented at the *Society for Research on Adolescent Conference*, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. March 2012

K Krupincza, R. LaGrange, **A. Vyas**, Pregnancy Wantedness Among HIV Positive Adolescents and Young Adults, APHA Poster Presentation, 2011.

Parrish EB, **Vyas A.** “Introduction to Social Entrepreneurship in Public Health: A Case Study of India”, Poster presentation at the *139th Annual American Public Health Association Meeting & Expo*, Washington D.C. October 2011.

La Grange R, **Vyas A.** "Violence Exposure Among Urban Young People Living With HIV: Implications for their Health Risk Behaviors and Care." Poster presentation at the *5th International Conference on HIV Treatment Adherence*, Miami Florida. May 2010.

Chaudhary, N, **Vyas A**, Ramiah K. “Perceptions of Health Needs & Priorities: A Sample of National Community Based Organizations and A Sample of South Asians Living in the Washington DC Metropolitan Area,” Poster presentation at the *138th Annual American Public Health Association Meeting & Expo*, Denver CO. November 9, 2010.

McDonnell K, Andrade E, Afanador Z, Edberg M, **Vyas A**, Cleary S. “Balancing the unbalanced: Changing gender roles among immigrant Latinos and their effect on gender based violence,” Poster presentation at the *138th Annual American Public Health Association Meeting & Expo*, Denver CO. November 7, 2010.

Philpott S, Reutener Hanes B, Slevin KW, Ruiz M, **Vyas A.** "Contraception and Family Planning in HIV Prevention Trials: Current Practice and Stakeholder Perspectives. " Poster presentation at the *Microbicides 2010 Conference*, Pittsburgh PA. May 2010.

Chaudhary, N, **Vyas, A.** “Review and Analysis of Community-Based Organizations Impacting South Asian Americans”, Poster presentation at the *New York University Center Studies Asian and American Health*, New York NY. October 2009.

Bishai DM, Mercer D, and **Bhatt [Vyas] A.** “How state policies can control teenage drinking, smoking, and unsafe sex.” Presented at the *128th Meeting of the American Public Health Association (APHA)*, Boston, MA, November 14, 2000.

Brener N and Bhatt [Vyas]A. “Parent-child Communication and Knowledge of HIV/AIDS.” Presented at the *125th meeting of the American Public Health Association (APHA)*, Indianapolis, IN, November 1997.

GW Research Day Poster Presentations

Scarlyn Gutierrez Nunez, **Amita Vyas**, Megan Landry, and Susan Wood, *What do Adolescents and Women in D.C. Know About Abortion?*, 2019

*****2nd Prize Winner of the Gender Equality Prize**

Kayla Thompson, **Amita Vyas**, Megan Landry, Susan Wood, *Preventing Unintended Pregnancies in Washington D.C.: What Factors are Related to Effective Contraceptive Use*, 2019

Vyas, A., Nagaraj, N., Landry, M., and Malhotra, G. (2018). Pilot Evaluation of the Girl Rising Gender-sensitization Curriculum in India. Poster presented at The George Washington University Diversity and Inclusion Summit 2018, Washington, DC.

Genovese, B. J, **Vyas, A.** (2016). *Investing in Girls: Do Gender Perceptions and Attitudes Matter?*

Nagaraj, C. N., Vyas, A & McDonnell, A.K. (2016). *Childhood Family Violence and Adult Health: Is there a Link?*

*****Awarded GW People's Choice Award**

Chumble, P. P. & Vyas, A (2016). *Media Utilization and Perceptions of Gender Inequality & Girls' Education in India.*

Bartlett C, Vyas A (2012) *Provider Awareness, Knowledge, and Perceptions of Text4baby.*

London-Gross A, Vyas A. (2012) *Cultural Adaptations of the Diabetes Prevention Program for South Asian Americans.*

Ghoneim R, Vyas A (2012) *A Health Needs Assessment of Arab-Americans in the Washington, DC.*

Hager C, Vyas A, Miller BR. (2012) *The Forgotten Youth: Facilitating dialogue about love, sex, values, and relationships to prevent teen pregnancy for adolescents in the DC juvenile justice system*

Kapoor R, Vyas A, Soger L (2012) *Text4baby Message Content and Promotional Material Perception Among Latina Women in Washington, DC.*

Rockwern B, Vyas A, LaGrange R, Lewis, M. (2012) *Co-morbid Mental Illness, Social Support and HAART Medication Adherence in Youth Living with HIV/AIDS.*

Crum Caroline, Vyas A. (2010) *Reproductive Healthcare Needs of Women in Combat.*

Abbasi, S, Vyas, A. (2010) *Health Risk Behaviors Among South Asians Living in the Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Region.*

Barone, J, Vyas, A (2010) *Health-Risk Behaviors Among Young People Living With HIV in Washington, D.C*

Patel R, Vyas A (2009) *Culturally Sensitive Reproductive Healthcare for South Asian-American Women*

Schwartz A, Vyas A (2009) *A Review of Post-Abortion Mental Health Services in the United States*

Parthasarathi P, Vyas A, Parrish EB (2009) *Capacity Building: Program Evaluation and Management Needs Among NGOs in India*

UNIVERSITY SERVICE (George Washington University)

Department of Prevention and Community Health

Member, Departmental Academic Training Committee, 2021 –

Member, Appointment Promotion Tenure Committee 2013 -

Member, Departmental Executive Committee 2012 - 2021

Member, Departmental Curriculum Committee 2008 – 2013; 2014 -2021

Co-Chair for Practice, Department Self Study Committee, 2020-2021

Member, Research Committee, 2018 - 2019

Member, Doctoral Advisory Committee, 2015

Chair, Departmental Admissions Committee 2006 – 2008

Chair, Departmental Award Review Committee 2012, 2008
Member, Search committee for Tenure Track Professor of Maternal and Child Health 2012
Member, Search committee for Tenured Professor and Department Chair 2010 – 2011, 2019 -
Co-Chair, Search committee for Tenured Professor Public Health Communications, 2007
Member, Search committee for Tenure Track Professor/Director of PHCM, 2004 - 2005
Member, Search committee for Tenure Track Professor of MCH, (2004 – 2005)

School of Public Health

Co-Chair, COVID-19 Volunteer Task Force, 2020
Member, Search Committee, Department of Health Policy/Jacobs Institute, 2019 - 2020
Member, Search Committee for PCH Department Chair, 2019-2020
Member, Search Committee for Assistant/Associate Deans (4 positions), 2018 -2019
Member, 950 Award Committee, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021
Member, Curriculum Committee, 2014 – 2017, 2019
Member, Lab Scientist Faculty Search (3 positions), 2014 - 2015
Chair, Core Curriculum Review Committee, 2012
Member, Community Health Workgroup SPHHS Strategic Planning, 2012
Member, Faculty Senate, GWU Medical Center, 2006 – 2011
Member, Appointment Promotion Tenure Advisory Committee, 2010
Chair, Research Committee, 2005, Chair 2006 – 2010, 2018-2019
Member, Admissions Committee, 2006 – 2008

University

Senator, GW Faculty Senate, 2021 –
Member, Appointments, Salaries & Promotion Policies Senate Committee, 2022 -
Member, COVID-19 Medical Advisory Group, 2021 -
Member, Community Health and Well-Being Committee for GW Reopen, 2020-2021
Member of Steering Committee, Academy of Distinguished Teachers, 2017-2018
Member, Trachtenberg & Bender Teaching Award Committee, 2018
Judge, GW Business Plan Competition Social Venture Track, January 2014 - 2021
Member, Internal Review Committee, Center for Alcohol & Drug Education/Health Promotion Prevention Services, December 2014 – 2015
Chair, Trachtenberg & Bender Teaching Award Committee, 2014
Member, SPHHS Decanal Review Committee, 2009
Lead Faculty, University's Text 4 Baby Service Campaign, 2011-2012
Member, Bright Horizons Policy Board, 2012-2013

Community Service

The Body Agency, Board of Advisors, 2021 –
Sukarya India, Board of Advisors, 2021 -
Virginia & Maryland Medical Reserve Corps, 2020 -
Intuition, Board of Advisors, 2020 –
Board of Advisors, Legacy International, 2012 –
Board of Directors, DC Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy, 2008-2011
Trustee, Bansal Foundation, 2010 –
Co-Founder & Board of Directors, South Asian Public Health Association, 1999 - 2002
Board of Directors, Indian American Leadership Initiative, 2002-2003
President, Network of South Asian Professionals, 2001

EDITORIAL PEER REVIEW ACTIVITIES

Grant Reviewer (remunerated)

Grant Reviewer, Grand Challenges Canada, Sexual and Reproductive Health, 2019
Grant Reviewer, Maternal & Child Health RFP, CareFirst Blue Cross Blue Shield, October 2014
Grant Reviewer, HRSA-14-037: MCH Autism Intervention Research Program, June 2014
Grant Reviewer, NIH/ National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Disease, Loan Repayment Program (2012/08 ZAI1 RWM-M (S1), 2012
Grant Reviewer, NIH/ National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Disease, U.S. India Collaborative Research Partnership for Prevention of HIV/AIDS and Co-Morbidities (2AI1-EB-A-J1), 2010
Grant Reviewer, HRSA/Maternal and Child Health Bureau, 2005, 2006, 2009, 2010, 2012
Grant Reviewer, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Special Emphasis Panel on Reproductive Health, January 2005

Grant Reviewer (volunteer)

Grant Reviewer, CTSI pilot projects, November 2011, March 2011, July 2011, March 2020
Grant Reviewer, American Association of University Women International Fellowship, 2009
Grant Reviewer - Baltimore City Health Department, Title X Proposals, 2002
Grant Reviewer, Center for Adolescent Health Development Award Review Group, 2001 & 2002

Editorial (remunerated)

Editor-in-Chief, *Women's Health Issues*, 2017 - 2022

Editorial (volunteer)

Reviewer, Journal of Community Health
Reviewer, Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health
Reviewer, Journal of Medical Internet Research
Reviewer, Women's Health Issues
Reviewer, Journal of American Medical Association
Reviewer, Demography
Reviewer, Perspectives in Sexual and Reproductive Health

EXTERNAL ACTIVITIES (remunerated)

Research Workgroup, Coalition to Expand Contraceptive Access, 2021
Consultant, Binary Fountain Measuring Patient Satisfaction Measures, 2014-2015
Consultant, Geneva Global, Prevention of Human Trafficking in India, 2014
Consultant, Integrating HIV and Family Planning Services, 2008-2009
Consultant, Children's National Medical Center Teen Life Clubs Evaluation, 2008-2010
Consultant, Children's National Medical Center Division of Adolescent Medicine, 2007 – 2008
Evaluation Consultant, Population Services International, 2005
Evaluation Consultant, Pathfinder International, FOCUS on Young Adults Program, 2001

TEACHING/LEARNING PORTFOLIO

Courses

PhD Dissertation Proposal Development Course (2 credits), Dissertation Proposal Development for Social and Behavioral Sciences, Fall 2020

Fundamentals of Program Evaluation (2 credits, 60-100 students), Spring 2020

Maternal & Child Health II: Advanced MCH Research (3 credits, ~20-25 students), 2012 – Present

Program Evaluation (3 credits, ~25-45 students), 2013 – Present

Reproductive Health: U.S. & Global Perspectives (2 credits, ~25-30 students), 2004 – 2014, 2017, 2018 - 2020

Introduction to Social Entrepreneurship Short Term Abroad Course, (2 credits, 15-25 students)
India 2011 & 2012
South Africa 2013 & 2014
Peru 2015

Researching Gender Based Violence (MPH@GW), Spring 1 & 2 2016

Social and Behavioral Approaches to Public Health (2 credits, ~75–100 students), 2006 – 2011

2U PubH 6007 (2013), Course Architect and Director (2014)

Adolescent Health (2 credits, ~25–35 students), 2004 -2008

Management Approaches to Public Health (3 credits, ~75-100 students), 2006 – 2007

Johns Hopkins University, *Evaluation Research II: Intermediate Methods And Case Studies*. Co-Instructor. 2002, 2003

Johns Hopkins University, *Evaluation of Family Planning Programs*:. Teaching Assistant, 1996

Johns Hopkins University, *Population Change and Public Health*. Teaching Assistant. 1995 - 1998

STUDENTS AND TRAINEES: ADVISING/MENTORING

Capstone Advisor (MPH students 2006 -), **denotes student CE awards

Ruth I. Hoffman (2006) Childhood Cancer: A Media Advocacy Campaign to Build Awareness and Public Funding for a Target Therapeutic Research Initiative. A Final Report on Activities Conducted at Candlelighters Childhood Cancer Foundation between November 2005 and May 2006.

Zina V. Peters (2007) Childhood Obesity: A Content Analysis of Food Advertisements and Public Service Announcements that Air on Nickelodeon.

Daniela Resh (2008) Pregnancy Ambivalence and Partner Influences.

****GWUMC Research Day Best Presentation Award**

Farah Mawla (2008) Quality of Care for Family Planning Services in Jordan.

Andrea Schwartz (2008) A Review of post-abortion mental health services in the United States.

Bridget Reutener Hanes (2008) Pregnancy Management and Contraceptive Care Issues in Biomedical HIV Prevention Trials.

Nitasha Chaudhary (2008) Review & Analysis of Community-based Organizations Impacting South Asian Americans.

Julia Rollison (2008) Does Race/Ethnicity Matter? African Americans and HIV Vaccine Trial Participation

Emily Wilson (2009) A Needs Assessment of Mental Health Services for Adolescent Latino Immigrants in Washington D.C.”

****PCH Research Fellowship Awardee**

Aziza Hull (2009), Back to Basics: A Needs Assessment on Reproductive Health Services Available to Adolescents in D.C.

Carrie Crum (2009) Reproductive Health Care Needs of Women in Combat.

****PCH Research Fellowship Awardee**

Sonia Fienbig (2009) The Perspectives of Cervical Cancer, Human Papillomavirus, and Human Papillomavirus Vaccine.

Rakhi Patel (2009) Assessment of Culturally Sensitive Reproductive Healthcare for South Asian-American Women

****PCH CE Award Winner**

Sarwat Abbasi (2010) Health Risk Behaviors among South Asians living in Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Area.

Jennifer Barone (2010) Health-Risk Behaviors Among Young People living with HIV in Washington, D.C.

****PCH CE Award Winner**

Ashley Chadwick (2011) Assessing the Reproductive Health Status of Women Through the Lens of Abortion Access and Insurance Status. Falls Church Healthcare center, 2010.

Rachel Feinberg (2011) Discovering the Psychological Support Needs of Women living with Ovarian Cancer.

Kristina Krupincza (2011) Pregnancy Wantedness Among HIV Positive Adolescents and Young Adults.

****1st Prize Student Awards, Children's National Medical Center Research Day**

Priya Mishra (2011) Understanding Gestational Diabetes Among South Asian Women in the United States.

Marissa Schnider (2011) Formative Research to Develop A Social Media Component for the TPP Program, Be Yourself/Se tu Mismo.

Hanna Hromulak (2012) Examining Health Behaviors of Latino Youth: Needs Assessment for Youth Enrolled in the Empowering Latino Youth Program

Alexandra London-Gross (2012) Cultural Adaptations of the Diabetes Prevention Program for South Asian Americans

Lauren Anvari (2012) Process Evaluation of Healthy Living/Vida Sana Program

Allie O'Leary (2012) Expectant and Pregnant Mothers Knowledge of Text4baby
****PCH CE Awardee**

Brooke Stein (2012) A Quantitative Look at Gaps in Information Attainment for Pregnant Women and New Mothers in the US
****PCH CE Awardee**

Rashi Kapoor (2012) Assessing Text4Baby Spanish Message Content Within Latina in Washington DC.

Courtney Bartlett (2012) Provider Awareness, Knowledge, and Perceptions of Text4baby in Washington DC.
****PCH CE Awardee**

Nadja Strucker (2012) Needs assessment measuring the knowledge, attitudes, and beliefs of young women toward preconception care at an OB/GYN practice
**** PCH CE Awardee**

Reem Gonheim (2012) A Health Needs Assessment of Arab-Americans in the Washington, DC Area
****PCH CE Awardee**

Charlotte Hager (2012) The Forgotten Youth: Facilitating Dialogue to Prevent Teen Pregnancy for Adolescents in the DC Juvenile Justice System.

Angela Rojas (2012) Use and perceptions of a social media component for the Empowering Latino Youth Program.

Elizabeth Barnett (2013) Smoke-Free GW: Smoking Prevalence and Behaviors of a Random Sample of Undergraduate Students at The George Washington University.

Erin M. Kennedy (2013) Evaluating Staff and Participant Perceptions of the At-Risk After School Supper Program in D.C Department of Parks and Recreation Facilities

Amna Vahidy (2013) South Asian family-level behaviors in the US: Can we develop a web-based diabetes prevention intervention?

Isabella Lessa (2013) Breastfeeding Beliefs and Attitudes at GW

Hilary Robertson (2013) An Examination of Child Sexual Abuse in a Sample of South Asian Americans.
****PCH CE Awardee**

Shahina Akter (2014) Associations of Assisted Reproductive Technology Utilizations with Lifestyle Factors and State Insurance Mandates in the United States.

Sarah M. Oravec (2014) Predisposing, Enabling, and Reinforcing Factors of Breastfeeding Support at GW GSEHD: Challenges and Opportunities.

****PCH CE Awardee**

Alexandra Hyman (2015) Knowledge, Attitudes, and Self-Efficacy of Physical Activity and Nutrition among Participants in the ACHIEVE Triathlon Program.

Emily Albert (2015) Analysis of Sexual and Reproductive Health indicators in Mali before and after a Humanitarian Crisis.

Hannah Kobbett (2015) Community Health Needs Assessment.

Michael Matheke-Fischer (2017) An Assessment of the Effects of Interpersonal Communication and Social Mobilization on Severe and Moderate Acute Malnutrition in Madhya Pradesh, India.

****PCH CE Awardee**

Jordan Genovese (2017) Stones and Sticks to Bars and Bricks: The Relationship Between Bullying, Violence, and Health Among Women in Washington DC.

Kelsey Spear (2017) Assessment of Gender Attitudes Toward Women & Girls in India.

Anita Balan, Health Promotion (2017) Girl Rising Pilot Evaluation in Quincy Mass Schools.

Vincent Salazar (2017), Global Health, Development of a Philippines Girl Rising Campaign.

Mary Ismail (2018), Provider Perceptions of Family Planning Needs in D.C.

Oghogho Oghogho (2018) A qualitative analysis of the factors that influence contraceptive decision-making among adolescent girls and women in Washington, DC.

Julia Hillard (2018) Connecting Subjective Well-being, Violence and Health among South Asian Women in the U.S.

Shiva Salehian (2018) Correlation between social media and internet activities and texting in one hand and Positive Youth Development(PYD) in the other hand among Latino adolescents.

Namita Kansal (2018) Analysis of Girl Rising India Baseline Interviews.

Gayatri Malhotra, Global Health (2018) Gender Perceptions Among Middle School Adolescents in Rural India.

Kayla Thompson (2019) Preventing Unintended Pregnancies in Washington, D.C.: What Factors are Related to Effective Contraceptive Use.

Nina Khona (2019) Assessing Safe Kids Worldwide Coalitions' Bicycle Safety Activities: What's Working and What's Not.

Stephanie Asher (Global Health Epi, 2019) Gender Attitudes and Violence among College Students in India.

Scarlyn Gutierrez Nunez (2019) What do Adolescents and Women in D.C. Know About Abortion?

Selene Brambl (2019) Subjective Well-Being among New Mothers.
****PCH CE Awardee**

Aimanoshi Arogundade (2019) A Secondary Analysis Examining the Effect of Socio-Cultural Factors on Abortion Experience and Perception of the Risk of Abortion among Nigerian Women Aged 15-50.

Vicha Annisa Adri (2020) Adolescent Male Knowledge of Contraception Methods in SE Washington, DC.

Courtney Gonzalez, CHES (2020) Parents Perceptions of Gun Violence and School Shootings in the U.S.

Grace Mikus (2020) Parents Perceptions of Gun Violence and School Shootings in the U.S.

Hannah Low (2020) Gender Equitable Attitudes in Young Girls and Adolescents: Analysis of Girl Rising Pilot Program in Guatemala.

Morgan Kramer (2020) Perceptions of Emergency Contraception among Students at the George Washington University.

Tiffany Wise (2020) Cultural Barriers and Social Perceptions of Accessing Emergency Contraception.

Stela Pitadar (2020) A virtual ecological assessment to determine the level of difficulty of accessing emergency contraception in Washington D.C.

Brandee D Roberts (2020) Breastfeeding prevalence of preterm and term infants: a secondary analysis of the National Survey of Children's Health.

Patience Mhlanga (2020) Case Studies: Assessing the Contributions of Faith-Based Organizations (FBOs) in Healthcare Service Delivery and Health Systems Strengthening in Bangladesh, Ghana, Malawi, Nigeria, Uganda, and Zambia.

Leah Keller (2020) Prevalence of Maternal Health Interventions throughout Pregnancy and Government Health Expenditures: A Quantitative Analysis of Global Patterns.

Isabella Lawandy (2021) Systematic Review on the Association Between Poverty, Maternal Depression, and Adverse Childhood Experiences.

Teja Vyavahare (2021) The Link Between Domestic Violence and HIV Perceptions in Nigeria.

Delphine Kamara (2021) Role of HIV Perception and Knowledge on IPV in Mali.

Baglan Baizakova (2021) Impact of COVID-19 on Cancer Patients Globally.

Alyssa Willis (2021) Systematic Observation of Mask Adherence and Distancing in a Northern Virginia Fitness Gym.

Aminat Balogun (2021) Mental Health Screening in the Perinatal Period.

Mercedes McMahon (2021) Midwifery Practice and Public Health: Knowledge, Attitudes, and Beliefs of Midwifery Students.

****PCH CE Awardee**

Audrey Walbridge (2021) Examining the Utilization of Preventive Health services and Healthcare Experiences of Women in D.C. during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Susie Johnson (2021) Evaluating Women's Prenatal Care Experiences During the COVID-19 Pandemic

Doctoral Dissertation/Research Committee

Dissertation Chair, Bolatito Ogunbiyi (expected graduation 2022), Dr.PH student, Health Behavior, School of Public Health, George Washington University

Doctoral Research Mentor/Adviser, Sarah Axelson, Dr.PH student, Health Behavior, School of Public Health, George Washington University, 2019 -

Dissertation Chair, Nitasha Chaudhary, Dr.PH Candidate, Health Behavior, School of Public Health, George Washington University, 2016

Dissertation Chair, Megan Landry, Dr.PH Candidate, Health Behavior, School of Public Health, George Washington University, 2015

Committee Member, Felisa Gonzales, Ph.D. Candidate, Department of Psychology, George Washington University, 2013

Reader, Tamarah Moss, Ph.D., Department of Social Work, Howard University Graduate School, 2010 (Graduated)

Mentored Research

Faculty Mentor, Kayla Thompson, CCF Award, \$500; Schiffer Fellowship, \$5,000

Faculty Mentor, Gayatri Malhotra, Knapp Fellowship, \$10,000; KACIF Grant \$3500; CCF Award \$1,000

Co-sponsor for Felisa Gonzales' NIH-funded National Research Service Award Fellowship, *Adolescent Latino Sexual Behavior: More Reactive or Reasoned?* F31 HD070765, August 2011-July 2013.

Research Mentor for Lindsay Gordon, Gamow Undergraduate Research Fellowship, 2010-2011

PUBLIC HEALTH PRACTICE

U.S.-India Alliance for Women's Economic Empowerment, Executive Committee, 2019 -

<https://www.state.gov/biographies-u-s-india-alliance-for-womens-economic-empowerment>

The U.S.-India Alliance for Women's Economic Empowerment (Alliance) is a public-private partnership of the U.S. Department of State, U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), George Washington University (GW), and the U.S.-India Strategic Partnership Forum (USISPF) to accelerate the growth of women-owned or -operated businesses and women's workforce participation in India, through a comprehensive approach that will increase women's access education, health services, finance,

mentoring, and technical assistance. Between 2022-2024, a GW team will implement and evaluate several interventions aimed at increasing women's labor force participation, including programs aimed at investing in adolescent girls.

Girl Rising, Producer, Vice Chair, Chair, 2014 - 2020

Girl Rising is a global campaign for girls' education and empowerment. In 2013, the film, *Girl Rising*, launched showcasing the lives of nine young girls from nine different countries around the world who overcame barriers to their education. The film's narration encourages viewers to understand that the solution to poverty, childhood marriage, war and conflict, and natural disasters is to educate a girl. Since its inception, the film has been transformed into a campaign, utilizing the power of storytelling to inspire, shift attitudes, and change behavior amongst girls and communities. Girl Rising has launched numerous campaigns to bring visibility to the issues girls face and inspire people to make change and break these barriers. By uniting celebrities, global leaders, and media influences to act as a collective effort/voice of positive change for girls. In 2014, Dr. Vyas, in partnership with Priyanka Chopra and Freida Pinto a national Girl Rising media campaign in partnership with the Government of India, reaching 400M+ viewers via television, theaters, and social media.

Global India Fund (GIF), Founder and President/Board of Directors, 2007 –

<https://globalindiafund.org/about-us/>

Global India Fund (GIF) was founded in 2007 to give people around the world an opportunity to make a difference in India. The idea to develop the Global India Fund evolved in March 2007, as GIF founder Dr. Amita Vyas joined Ashley Judd, Kate Roberts, and YouthAIDS to India to film a documentary about the calamitous health situation in India in collaboration with the National Geographic Channel. The mission of Global India Fund is to inspire global philanthropy and service by supporting innovative game-changing non-profit organizations and programs. We change the way people give by providing secure and transparent giving options to both individual and corporate donors. GIF showcases the work of credible non-profit organizations in India and empowers donors to choose which organizations to support—it is simple, smart, and powerful. Over the last decade, Global India Fund has raised millions of dollars to support programs for girls' education, women's empowerment, prevention of violence against girls and women, public health, and nutrition. In 2021 during the COVID-19 surge in India, GIF raised 1.5M in three weeks, and designed and launched vaccination programs to ensure the equitable distribution of vaccines, particularly among smaller cities and rural communities who are less likely to have access to vaccines and accurate vaccine/COVID-19 information.

Samhita Social Ventures, Mumbai India, Board of Advisors, 2008 –

<https://samhita.org/leadership/>

Samhita means “collective good” and its mission is to help people and organizations “do good better” by creating symbiotic relationships between those who are bringing about change on the ground and those who have the means and resources to enable that change. Through the “Samhita ecosystem,” a credible platform and thought leadership, they enable NGOs, companies, donor agencies, individuals, philanthropists, foundations and researchers to achieve their specific goals and make informed decisions that translate into purposeful action and large-scale social impact.

Creative Endeavors

Campaign Producer, Co-Produced 12 short videos with themes of girls and women's empowerment to raise awareness and inspire action. These videos were disseminated across digital media channels such as Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube complete with concise and specific Call to Actions, and in collaboration with celebrity ambassadors/ influencers. The campaign reached over 5 million people in three months.

Film Producer, Co-Produced the film *Girl Rising India* with Freida Pinto, Priyanka Chopra, and Tess Joseph. The film launched on Star TV on August 15, 2015 in India.

Film, Advised YouthAIDS India, a documentary film with Ashley Judd and the National Geographic Channel on HIV/AIDS in India, 2008