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Statement from the Co-Chair Teresa L. Scheid

Dear Division Members:

Summer is here, and will quickly be gone as we attempt to finally get caught up, and even a little ahead with our research. Summer will end with a jolt as we convene in Seattle for the SSSP meetings. The Health, Health Policy, and Health Services Division has a really awesome program this year, beginning with the Roundtables on Friday morning, sessions through Friday and Saturday, and ending with two sessions on Sunday. I want to encourage you to attend the Business meeting on Friday at 12:30 - bring lunch, share information about yourself and meet others with similar interests and help plan for the sessions for next year. It is a great opportunity to meet your Division Chairs, and to have some input in the Division and SSSP.

I look forward to seeing you!

Teresa L. Scheid

News of Note

A warm welcome to Ethel Nicdao who is replacing Teresa Scheid as co-chair in the coming year. Ethel is Associate Professor and Department Chair of Sociology at University of the Pacific. Her research interests include Medical Sociology, Race & Ethnicity, Social Inequalities, Community-Based Participatory Research, and Qualitative and Quantitative Research Methods.



Student Paper Contest

Congratulations to the winner of the student paper contest, Ryann Manning, Ph.D. Candidate at Harvard University, for the paper entitled "Emplacing Anger: Emotional Management in West African Pediatric Wards.

We took a moment to talk to Ryann about her research. Here is what she had to say:

Question 1: What motivated you to study in Sierra Leone?

Ryann: I lived in Sierra Leone for several years prior to starting my PhD, and spent a lot of time working alongside nurses who were trying to deliver care in a very broken system, as well as managers and policy makers tasked with fixing that system. These individuals face tremendous personal and professional challenges, and I became very interested in their lived experiences, and in the social and organizational factors that made it more or less possible for them to succeed. When I considered questions and contexts for this project, I decided to return to the hospital wards of Sierra Leone and try to understand some of those factors.

Question 2: How long did you spend in the field?

Ryann: I have been working in Sierra Leone on and off since 2006, and led large research projects for the World Bank (on how people understand and access local justice and governance systems) and for a Gates Foundation-funded project implemented by Concern Worldwide (on barriers to health service delivery). The core field work for this paper was conducted over three months in 2012, with follow up visits to Sierra Leone in 2014 for additional data collection, and again in 2015 to present findings to a workshop convened by the Ministry of Health and Sanitation.

Question 3: Emotional work is such an interesting topic, what motivated you to look at this particular aspect of nursing in Africa?

Ryann: I actually began this project looking at variation in performance, and trying to understand what factors enabled some nurses at some times to deliver high-quality care, despite considerable performance problems in the system as a whole. Once I was in the field, emotion management and emotional expression emerged as an important and puzzling dimension of the interactions between nurses and patients. I also knew from past research that this was something that mattered a great deal to patients and families: they frequently complained about nurses and other health workers shouting at them, and said that was part of why they avoided going to hospitals or clinics if they or their children fell sick. I realized there was a vicious cycle at work, in which the nurses were angry at patients (in part) for delaying care, but the patients were delaying care

because the nurses were angry and shouted at them. I wanted to understand what was driving those dynamics, and why nurses who aspired to provide a certain kind of professional, compassionate care were so often failing to do so.

Question 4: Is this research part of your dissertation?

Ryann: It is. In other chapters of my dissertation, I examine the mobilization of Sierra Leonean diaspora communities in response to the 2014-2015 Ebola outbreak in West Africa. For that study, I am using a combination of real-time data from organizational archives, autoethnography, and online conversations that took place during the outbreak, along with retrospective interviews and observations, to map the process by which members of the Sierra Leonean diaspora grappled with this unprecedented situation and sought to mobilize resources, political will, and skilled personnel to bolster the fight against Ebola

Question 5: Would you like to do further research on the topic?

Ryann: Absolutely. I have additional data from these pediatric hospital wards that I would like to use in future papers, and am exploring possible collaborations with other scholars on comparative work. I certainly expect to continue to do research on under-resourced health systems in the years to come. I also have a newer project that examines emotion in a very different context: the refugee and asylum review process. Government officials in wealthy host countries are tasked with eliciting and assessing individual applicants' subjective fear of persecution, and I hope to understand how they transform the evaluation of others' emotions into a standardized work task, and what the implications of that task may be for the workers, their organizations, and the vulnerable populations they serve.

Ryann will receive her award at the awards banquet at the 66th Annual Meeting of SSSP. It would be nice to find another time to meet and hear about not only this research, but also what other doctoral students are doing. Maybe Friday happy hour???

66th Annual Meeting

**August 19-21, 2016
Westin Seattle Hotel
Seattle, WA**

Division Sessions

Date: Friday, August 19

Time: 8:30 AM - 10:10 AM

Session 5: ROUNDTABLES: Health, Health Policy, and Health Services

Room: Cascade II

Sponsor: Health, Health Policy, and Health Services

Organizer: Teresa L. Scheid, University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Roundtable Title: Critical Reflections on Health, Health Policy, and Health Services Research

Presider/Discussant: Thomas Mackie, Rutgers University

Papers:

“Transactional to Transformational:’ Reproductive Justice Organizing,” Meghan D. Daniel, University of Illinois at Chicago

“Market Justice versus Social Justice: Maintaining a Profitable Disease Management System,” A. Henry Eliassen, University of Houston-Downtown

“Non-Tenured and Afraid: An Examination of IRB Practices,” Rachel L. Rayburn, Indiana University - Purdue University Fort Wayne

“Social Networks in Tobacco Industry Organizations,” Susan G. Miller, University of California, San Francisco

Roundtable Title: Health Care Behaviors and Beliefs

Presider/Discussant: Marlese Durr, Wright State University

Papers:

“Hope, Fear, and the Battle: Hegemony and Agency in Books for Pediatric Oncology Patients,” Hillary Steinberg, University of Colorado Boulder

“How Does Health of American Veterans Affect Their Readjustment to Civilian Life?” Mehmet Celebi, University of North Texas

“Knowledge of Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) and Post Exposure Prophylaxis (PEP) among at risk groups for HIV infection on Long Island, NY: Results for the National HIV Behavioral Surveillance System Round 3,” Suzan M. Walters, Stony Brook University, SUNY

“STIs Among College Students who do not Rely on Condoms as their Primary Form of Contraception,” Amy Rooker and Chastity Blankenship, Florida Southern College

Roundtable Title: Health Care Organizations, Providers and Structures

Presider/Discussant: LaTonya J. Trotter, Vanderbilt University

Papers:

“Extending medical authority from primary care providers to community based clinicians: Challenges experienced and strategies employed by Early Intervention providers providing autism screenings,” Catherine Tan, Brandeis University, Thomas Mackie, Rutgers University and Radley C. Sheldrick, Tufts Medical Center

“Harassment in Health Care Workplaces: Realistically Evaluating a Theatre-based Intervention,” Elizabeth Quinlan, University of Saskatchewan

“Organizational Construction and Interdisciplinary Identity in a New Health Care Organization,” Carly Elizabeth Schall and Cameron McAlister, Indiana University - Purdue University Indianapolis

“The Status of Geriatric Care in the United States: America’s Need for More Geriatricians,” Erin Van Landingham, Texas State University

Roundtable Title: Health, Mental Health and Well Being

Presider/Discussant: Wallis E. Adams, Northeastern University

Papers:

“Food Insecurity and Adult Well-Being: The Impact of the Great Recession,” Julia F. Waity, University of North Carolina Wilmington

“Gender and Closeness to Parents as Moderators of the Relationship between Adolescent-Parent College Aspiration Discrepancies and Depressive Symptoms,” Mary Gallagher, Kent State University at Stark

“Sustaining Mental Health in the midst of Forced Migration: Insights from the Sociological Theories of Jane Addams and Alfred Schutz,” Patricia M. Lengermann and Gillian Niebrugge-Brantley, The George Washington University

“Whole health, social networks and disrupted lives: Life stories of healthcare seeking by women with diabetes and clinical depression,” Deborah A. Potter, University of Louisville

Roundtable Title: Health: Minority Status, Culture and Identity

Presider/Discussant: Ethel G. Nicdao, University of the Pacific

Papers:

“‘I do have certain signs’: How Canadian residents respond to questions about being a visible minority,” Jessica Braimoh, Greta R. Bauer and Chris Dharma, Western University, Canada

“Latina/os in Mental Health: Issues in Seeking Out Mental Health Services,” Fernando Clark III and Yvonne Chen, University of Houston

“Latinas’ Reasons for and Circumstances of Sexual Assault Disclosure,” Melissa Villarreal, Grand Valley State University

Roundtable Title: Social Resources and Health

Presider/Discussant: Sarah A. St. John, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Papers:

“Access in the Digital Field and Health Outcomes: Impact of Level of Education and Job Satisfaction,” Elizabeth M. Withers, Portland State University

“Fundamental Causes of Disparities in Problem Gambling Treatment Outcomes,” Sarah A. St. John, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

“Self-Efficacy, Neighborhood Effects, and Health Behaviors,” Michaela K. Curran and Dinur Blum, University of California, Riverside

“Syringe Exchange Program Use among Young Opioid Injectors in New York City,” Pedro Mateu-Gelabert and Honoria Guarino, National Development and Research Institutes, Inc., Cassandra Syckes, National Development Research Institutes, Inc., Elizabeth Goodbody and Samuel R. Friedman, National Development and Research Institutes, Inc.

Roundtable Title: Trust in Healthcare Providers and Health Beliefs

Presider/Discussant: Heather E. Dillaway, Wayne State University

Papers:

“Cultural Guides, Cultural Critics: Distrust of Doctors and Social Support During Mental Health Treatment,” William R. McConnell, Indiana University Bloomington

“Dialogue about Ebola: A case study examining the interaction of governmental distrust, race and scientific mistrust as seen through two cities’ newspaper comments,” Kristine Artello and Michele Greep, Virginia Commonwealth University

“HPV Vaccine Decision-Making during College: Health Beliefs, Trust, and HPV Intentions,” Kelly Rhea MacArthur, University of Nebraska Omaha

“Shared Decision Making and Breaking Bad News: Accounting for Patients’ Perspectives and Agency in Cancer Clinics,” Dagoberto Cortez and Douglas Maynard, University of Wisconsin-Madison

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Date: Friday, August 19
Time: 10:30 AM - 12:10 PM

Session 25: Health and Well-Being across the Life Course

Room: Westlake Boardroom

Sponsors: Health, Health Policy, and Health Services
Society and Mental Health
Youth, Aging, and the Life Course

Organizer &

President: Joseph D. Wolfe, University of Alabama at Birmingham

Papers:

“Age Trajectories of Physical Health among Older Adults of Mexican Descent: The Role of Immigrant Status and Gender,” Maria A. Monserud, University of Houston

“Alzheimer’s Disease Disparities: The Impact of the Great Depression and Cumulative Inequality on Cognitive Decline,” Jo Mhairi Hale, University of California, Davis, Winner of the Youth, Aging, and the Life Course Division’s Student Paper Competition

“Early Parental Loss and Cognitive Well-Being in the Oldest Old: Reevaluating the Stress Process Model in the Context of Gender Inequality,” Rong Fu, Purdue University

“Inequalities in Use of Medical Services for Formally Incarcerated Young Adult Men and Women,” Kathryn M. Nowotny, University of Miami

“Social Network Types and Self-Rated Health among Older Adults: Using Latent Transition Analysis to Model Network Effects,” William R. McConnell and Hui Chen, Indiana University Bloomington

Date: Friday, August 19
Time: 2:30 PM - 4:10 PM

Session 46: Drugs, Medicalization, and the Body

Room: Westlake Boardroom

Sponsors: Drinking and Drugs
Health, Health Policy, and Health Services
Sport, Leisure, and the Body

Organizer &

President: Jason Ford, University of Central Florida

Papers:

“An Examination of the Effects of Individual and Neighborhood Characteristics on Smoking and Drinking: A Longitudinal Analysis,” Adrian M. Jones and Richard Adams, Kent State University

“Drug Use as Self-Medication?: An Investigation of Tranquilizer Misuse Among Adult Women,” Cindy Brooks Dollar, University of North Carolina at Greensboro

“Illicit Hormone Acquisition and Use among Transgender Individuals using Internet Forums,” Laura E. Agnich, Bryan Lee Miller and Shanna Felix, Georgia Southern University

“Sports involvement and prescription opioid misuse among college students,” Jason Ford and Corey Pomykacz, University of Central Florida

“The Medicalization of Marijuana: When Health Benefits Outweigh the Risks,” Miriam Boeri, Bentley University and Aukje K. Lamonica, Southern Connecticut State University

Date: Friday, August 19

Time: 4:30 PM - 6:10 PM

Session 55: Multiple Marginalizations and Homeless Youth

Room: Pike

Sponsors: Community Research and Development
Health, Health Policy, and Health Services

Organizer &

Presider: Erin Ruel, Georgia State University

Discussant: Eric R. Wright, Georgia State University

Papers:

“Addressing the Magnet Myth: Transience, Homelessness and Unresolved Motives,” Matthew S. Foy and Arturo Baiocchi, California State University, Sacramento

“Individual, Family and Neighborhood Antecedents of Childhood Homelessness for Low-Income Latino and African American Youth,” Anna Maria Santiago, Michigan State University and Jessica Lucero, Utah State University

“Policy Response to Widespread LGBT Homelessness in the United States,” Caitlin A. Carey, University of Massachusetts Boston

“Understanding Multiple Marginalizations Amongst Homeless Youth,” Amanda Michelle Jones, University of Chicago

Date: Saturday, August 20

Time: 10:30 AM - 12:10 PM

Session 80: Housing, Homelessness, and Health

Room: Denny

Sponsors: Community Research and Development
Health, Health Policy, and Health Services

Organizer &

Presider: Erin Ruel, Georgia State University

Description: This session focused on the provision of housing and services for marginal populations.

Papers:

“Building community capacity across housing and child welfare systems,” Miriam J. Landsman, University of Iowa

“Examining Partnerships in the Service Delivery of Housing First Programs for Chronically Homeless Individuals,” Patricia M. Chen, University of Texas at Dallas

“Sense of community though supportive housing among formerly homeless individuals with serious mental illness,” Brad Forenza, David T. Lardier, Jr., David T. Lardier, Jr. and Kayla Bolen, Montclair State University

“Study of Hope: An Exploration into the Lives of Chronically Homeless Women,” Kelly L. Patterson, Tom Nochajski and Elizabeth Bowen, University at Buffalo, SUNY

“Targeting the Prime Downtrodden,” Curtis Smith and Leon Anderson, Utah State University

Date: Saturday, August 20

Time: 2:30 PM - 4:10 PM

Session 109: Marijuana and Health

Room: Westlake Boardroom

Sponsors: Drinking and Drugs
Health, Health Policy, and Health Services

Organizer &

Presider: Stephen Lankenau, Drexel University

Papers:

“Cannabis use in the context of opioid dependence and treatment: Preliminary findings from a veterans sample,” Luther Elliott and Alex S. Bennett, National Development and Research Institutes, Inc.

“How do Doctors and their Patients talk about Cannabis?” Nicholas Lau, Paloma Sales, Fiona Murphy and Sheigla Murphy, Institute for Scientific Analysis

“Cannabis and Lab Testing: Implications for Health,” Jeffrey Raber, The Werc Shop and Charles Kaplan, University of Southern California

“Density of Medical Marijuana Dispensaries and Marijuana Use among Young Adults,” Stephen Lankenau and Avat Kioumars, Drexel University, Janna Ataiants, Drexel University, National Research and Development Institutes, Inc. and Loni Tabb, Drexel University

“Structural Segregation and Marijuana Legalization,” Burrel J. Vann, University of California, Irvine

Date: Sunday, August 21

Time: 8:30 AM - 10:10 AM

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***Session 124:* Health and Global Social Movements**

Room: Pike

Sponsor: Health, Health Policy, and Health Services

Organizer, Presider &

Discussant: Catherine Tan, Brandeis University

Papers:

“Advocating for global health: from community health workers to rights-based organizing,” Lillian Walkover, University of California, San Francisco

“Attitudes towards female circumcision among Somali diaspora women,” Nasra Abubakar and Virginia Little, Kent State University

Date: Sunday, August 21

Time: 10:30 AM - 12:10 PM

***Session 137:* CRITICAL DIALOGUE: Debating and Defining a Culture of Health**

Room: Pike

Sponsor: Health, Health Policy, and Health Services

Organizer &

Presider: Paul Draus, University of Michigan-Dearborn

Papers:

“Adventures in Hospital Land: An Unorthodox Medical History,” Wendy Simonds, Georgia State University

“Health as a Coercive Value,” Barbara Katz Rothman, City University of New York

“Healthy Multiplicity: A Qualitative Content Analysis of Plural Identities as Expressed in an Online Community,” Carolyn Tix, University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa

“Paradigms of change: How 16 organizations transformed prescriber-industry interactions,” Susan Chimonas and David Rothman, Columbia University

“The Mediation and Moderation Effects of Coping Style on the Relationship between Discrimination and Health among Black Americans,” Calley Fisk, University of South Carolina

Date: Sunday, August 21

Time: 12:30 PM - 2:10 PM

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Session 149:* **Health Across Borders*

Room: Pike

Sponsors: Health, Health Policy, and Health Services

Sociology and Social Welfare

Organizer &

Presider: April M. Schueths, Georgia Southern University

Papers:

“Emplacing Anger: Emotion Management in West African Pediatric Wards,” Ryann Manning, Harvard University

“Immigrant Status, Chinese Immigrants, and Mental Health: An Examination of Gender Variation in the Healthy Immigrant Effect,” Liwen Zeng, University of Arizona

“Civil Surgeons and the Mandatory Medical Screenings of Immigrants to the United States,” Sofya Aptekar, University of Massachusetts Boston

“Deportation Policies and Health: U.S. Citizen Spouses’ Perspectives,” April M. Schueths, Georgia Southern University

“Undocumented Vicariousness: The Spillover Impacts ‘Illegality’ has on Mexican-origin Women’s Stress and Mental Health,” San Juanita E. García, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

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Date: Sunday, August 21
Time: 4:30 PM - 6:10 PM

Session 172: Health and the Environment

Room: Mercer

Sponsors: Environment and Technology
Health, Health Policy, and Health Services

Organizer &

Presider: Paul Draus, University of Michigan-Dearborn

Description:

The papers in this session explore the nexus between the environment and health, broadly construed. In particular, the papers in this session conceptualize an active interaction between people and their surrounding environments, both in everyday life and in the midst of sudden disruptions. This interaction is mediated both by belief systems and by the physical environment itself. The environment, or place, is considered as an active agent in the pursuit and achievement of health.

Papers:

“Does Space Always Matter: Spatial Mismatch on Labor Market Outcomes Beyond Black and White,” Janeria A. Easley, Princeton University

“Environmental Injustice in a Sunbelt Metropolis: Racial Composition and Land-Use Patterns across the Las Vegas Metropolitan Area,” Camila H. Alvarez, University of Oregon

“Making Room for Thought: Contrasting Models of Human-Environment Relations in the Conceptualization and Diagnosis of Hoarding Disorder,” Nathanael Lauster, University of British Columbia, Christiana Bratiotis, Portland State University and Sheila Woody, University of British Columbia

“Reimagining Food Access: The Importance of Social Boundaries in a Segregated City,” Kara A. Young, University of California, Berkeley

“The Spatial Nexus of Technological Disaster: The Case of the West, Texas Fertilizer Plant Explosion,” Michelle A. Meyer, Louisiana State University and Marccus D. Hendricks, Texas A&M University

Other Announcements

2015 Members: [Renew your membership and Recruit a New Member!](#)

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