

**Meeting Minutes**  
Associate Deans for Research

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Friday, October 16, 2015, 9:00-10:00 a.m.  
SEB 2251

\*Items in Blue are Action Items

1. General Announcements/Updates – Stan Smith
  - a. Research@UNLV and Technology Expo
2. Follow-Up: Request for Volunteers Regarding Top Tier Initiative – Stan Smith
  - a. Tom would like the associate deans to be more involved in several of the Top Tier groups addressing specific action items.
  - b. *If you haven't already done so, please indicate which activity you would like to be involved in as a representative from the Associate Deans for Research by Oct. 30th.*

1-1	Centers/Institutes and Strategic Areas	Connie Mobley Billy Bai
2-1	Development of research infrastructure master plan	
2-2	Evaluate appropriate research staffing plan	
2-3	Develop plans for increasing competitive grants	
3-1	Reevaluate F&A distribution	
3-2 & 3-3	Establish incentive program for faculty and research seed grant program	Jay Shen Connie Mobley
4-3	Evaluate T&P and workload policies	Sajjad Ahmad Stacey Tovino Brad Donohue Connie Mobley
4-4	Identify barriers & develop plan for top tier faculty recruitment/retention & diversity	

3. 1st Quarter Research Reports
  - a. Research Integrity – Lori Olafson (handout)
    - i. IRB approvals have increased since last year and turn-around time is below national average.
  - b. Sponsored Programs – David Paul
    - i. Mixed number. Proposal dollars are down; more grants are being applied for with lower award amounts. College/School breakdowns will be provided later.
  - c. Economic Development – Zach Miles
    - i. Tech Transfer numbers (invention disclosure and agreements) are down slightly from last year.
4. Spotlight on Research Presentation – Jay Shen
  - a. Community Health Sciences (presentation attached)

5. Volunteers for Spotlight on Research
  - a. Nov. 13 – Joint Meeting with Research Council – Jackie Hess
    - i. Workday @ UNLV Presentation
  - b. Dec. 18 – Jennifer Keene: Liberal Arts
  - c. Jan. 15 – Billy Bai: Hotel Administration
  - d. Future Volunteer: Ramona Denby-Brinson

**Next Associate Deans for Research Meeting:**

Friday, November 13, 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., LLB: Tiberti Conference Room  
Joint Meeting with Research Council

# MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Tom Piechota and Stan Smith  
**FROM:** Lori Olafson  
**DATE:** 10/12/2015  
**SUBJECT:** FY16 1st Quarter Office of Research Integrity Data

<b><i>SOCIAL BEHAVIORAL IRBs APPROVED FOR QUARTER</i></b>	
	<u>No.</u>
07/01/14 - 09/30/14	44
07/01/15 - 09/30/15	53
Total Change	9
Percent Change	20%

<b><i>CUMULATIVE SOCIAL BEHAVIORAL IRBs</i></b>	
	<u>No.</u>
07/01/14 - 09/30/14	44
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<b><i>BIOMEDICAL IRBs APPROVED FOR QUARTER</i></b>	
	<u>No.</u>
07/01/14 - 09/30/14	25
07/01/15 - 09/30/15	39
Total Change	14
Percent Change	56%

<b><i>CUMULATIVE BIOMEDICAL IRBs</i></b>	
	<u>No.</u>
07/01/14 - 09/30/14	25
07/01/15 - 09/30/15	39
Total Change	14
Percent Change	56%

<b><i>SOCIAL BEHAVIORAL AND BIOMEDICAL IRBs APPROVED FOR QUARTER</i></b>	
	<u>No.</u>
07/01/14 - 09/30/14	69
07/01/15 - 09/30/15	92
Total Change	23
Percent Change	33%

<b><i>CUMULATIVE SOCIAL BEHAVIORAL AND BIOMEDICAL IRBs</i></b>	
	<u>No.</u>
07/01/14 - 09/30/14	69
07/01/15 - 09/30/15	92
Total Change	23
Percent Change	33%

<b>SOCIAL BEHAVIORAL IRBs SUBMITTED FOR QUARTER</b>	
	<u>No.</u>
07/01/14 - 09/30/14	59
07/01/15 - 09/30/15	73
Total Change	14
Percent Change	24%

<b>BIOMEDICAL IRBs SUBMITTED FOR QUARTER</b>	
	<u>No.</u>
07/01/14 - 09/30/14	25
07/01/15 - 09/30/15	45
Total Change	20
Percent Change	80%

<b>SOCIAL BEHAVIORAL AND BIOMEDICAL IRBs SUBMITTED FOR QUARTER</b>	
	<u>No.</u>
07/01/14 - 09/30/14	84
07/01/15 - 09/30/15	118
Total Change	34
Percent Change	40%

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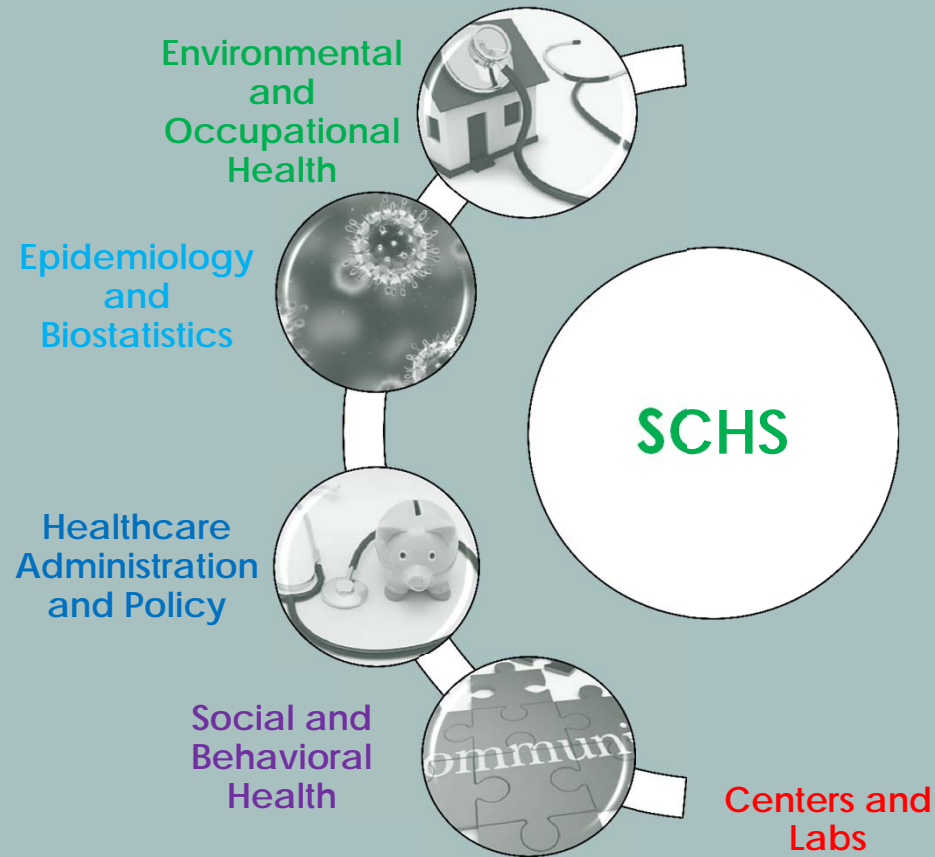
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# Research Activities in the School of Community Health Sciences

Jay Shen, Ph.D.  
Associate Dean

October 16, 2015

# School of Community Health Sciences



# Summary of Recent Research Activities

- SCHS
  - Formed in 2004
  - 1 PhD program, 2 master degree programs, and 2 undergraduate degree programs.
  - Fulltime faculty: 30
  - Staff: 50 (most supported by grants and contracts)
- Research highlights
  - External funding
    - 5.1m in 2014; indirect \$283,000
    - 5.7m in 2015; indirect \$268,000
  - Peer reviewed publications
    - 100 in 2014

# Factors associated with research achievements

- Faculty support from the university leadership
- Academic collaborations
  - On campus with
    - Health sciences: nursing, allied health, dental
    - Other colleges/schools: liberal arts, urban affairs, science, business, hotel
  - Regional
  - National
  - international
- Student involvement
- Community engagement
  - Local
  - Regional
  - National

BRANCH I.  
Environmental and  
Occupational Health

# Mark Buttner, Ph.D. Patricia Cruz, Ph.D.

- Professors
- Co-directors of the Emerging Diseases Laboratory
- Research areas:
  - Enhanced detection of microorganisms of public health significance and potential human health risks
  - Sampling and analysis of fungi of indoor air quality concern
  - Antibiotic-resistant microorganisms and antibiotic stewardship
  - Global public health
  - Sampling and analysis of airborne microorganisms
  - Healthcare-associated infection prevention
  - Antibiotic-resistant microorganisms of public health concern
- Recent external Funding:
  - Las Vegas Environmental Sampling - \$1.2 million
  - Airborne Pollen Monitoring - \$75,000
- Number of Publications: 3 in the past 2 years



# Lung-Wen Antony Chen, Ph.D.

- Assistant professor & Advisor for the Institute of Earth Environment, Chinese Academy of Sciences
- Research areas:
  - Atmospheric aerosol and co-pollutants from natural and anthropogenic sources
  - Development of monitoring and modeling methods for assessing public exposure to the pollutants and associated health risks
  - Environmental health issues in developing countries and their global implications
- PI/co-PI for several federal or state funded research projects, a grant reviewer for NSF, NASA, JFSP, and DOE
- Number of Publications: 11 between 2007-2015



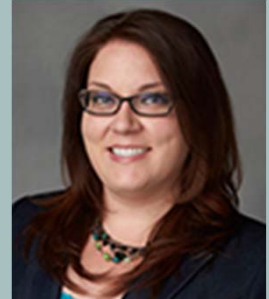
# Shawn Gerstenberger, Ph.D.

- Dean and Professor
- Research areas:
  - Environmental toxicology
  - Childhood lead poisoning prevention and the impact of the built environment on human health
- Founder of the Nevada Healthy Homes Partnership
- Collaborative grants with key community partners such as the Southern Nevada Health District, City of Henderson and the Nevada State Health Division
- Received extensive grants from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and the Environmental Protection Agency
- Number of Publications: 10 past 2 years



# Shwan's Group: Mackenzie Burns, Ph.D., Melissa Breunig, MPH, MPH, Erika Marquez, MPH

- Part-time Instructor (Burns)
- Program Manager: Clark County Landlord-Tenant Hotline Study (Burns)
- Research Assistant: Clark County Landlord-Tenant Hotline Study (Breunig)
- Healthy Home Specialist/ Lead Risk Assessor (Marquez and Burns)
- Research Projects:
  - Clark County Landlord-Tenant Hotline Study
  - Henderson Lead Hazard Control & Healthy Homes Program
- Number of Publications: 1 in 2014 (Burns)



# Jennifer Pharr, Ph.D.

- Assistant Professor and board member of the Nevada Commission on Services for Persons with Disabilities
- Research areas:
  - Barriers that impede healthy behaviors such as preventive care and disease prevention
  - Interventions to reduce barriers to healthy behaviors
  - Intersection of sport, physical activity and health
- Current Projects:
  - Healthy Beginning Initiative
  - School garden evaluation - CCSD
  - Health through sport
- External Funding:
  - The PEW Charitable Trust & Robert Wood Johnson Foundation – Health Impact Assessment Grant
- Current collaborations:
  - UNLV - College of Education
  - Community – Green Our Planet, CCSD, and Sunrise Health Foundation
- Number of Publications: 20 during 2014-2015



# Courtney Coughenour, Ph.D.

- Assistant Professor
- Research areas:
  - Health & Place, specifically the influence of community design on health behaviors
- Ongoing Research Projects:
  - The role of built environment characteristics on active transport to school rates, walkability, bikeability, and other health behaviors
  - Racial bias in driver yielding behavior to pedestrians in Clark County, NV
  - Evaluation of the urban food environment
- Current collaborations:
  - College of engineering
  - City of Henderson- Henderson Strong
  - University of Nevada Cooperative Extension
  - Southern Nevada Health District
- Number of Publications: 10 between 2014-2015



# Marya L. Shegog, Ph.D., MPH, CHES

- Assistant professor & Director of health programs at the Lincy Institute at UNLV (joint appointment with Lincy)
- Research areas:
  - Community engagement and capacity building
  - Cultural competency
  - Health disparities and Sexual and reproductive health
- Received awards, commendations and recognitions for
  - HIV/AIDS prevention
  - Health equity and community development
- Co-editor of the Journal of Health Disparities Research and Practice
- Number of Publications: 6 during 2005-2010



# Sheila Clark, Ph.D.

- Assistant Professor (Faculty in Residence)
- Research areas:
  - Active transportation to school
  - Community-based physical activity
  - Health Impact Assessment
  - Other policy-based approaches for reducing obesity and increasing physical activity
- Current Research Projects:
  - Active transportation to school in Clark County
    - Walking, school buses
    - Social media tools
    - Built environment interventions
  - Distracted driving in undergraduates
- External Funding: \$18,000
- Number of Publications: 4 in the past 2 years



BRANCH II.  
Epidemiology and Biostatistics

# Timothy Bungum, Ph.D.

- Associate Professor
- Research areas
  - Physical activity behavior
- Project Collaborations:
  - Clark County School District
  - Southern Nevada Health District
  - City of Las Vegas and community organizations
- Current External Funding:
  - Distracted Driving
  - CCSD School Gardens - \$37,000
- Number of Publications: 9 during 2011-2013



# Echezona Ezeanolue, MD, MPH, FAAP, FIDSA

- Professor of Pediatrics and Public Health and Director of the Global Health and Implementation Research Initiatives
- Research areas
  - Implementation science
  - Maternal-Child Health
  - Community-Based Participatory Research
  - Health Disparity Research
  - Population/Global Health
- Current Projects and External Funding
  - Ryan White Title IV Women, Infants, Children, Youth and Affected Family Members AIDS Healthcare, NIH \$881,170
  - Mobile Health: Technology and Outcomes in Low and Middle Income Countries, NIH \$322,369
- Number of Publications: 16 between 2014-2015



# Ge Lin Kan, Ph.D.



- Professor
- Research areas
  - Public health data science
  - Infrastructure approach to develop integrated data marts, data analysis utilities, and training modules for public health data specialists
  - Geographic information system applications
  - Spatial epidemiology and spatial statistics
  - Big data in public health
  - Health disparity assessment
- Number of Publications: 4 in 2014

## Sheniz Moonie, Ph.D

- Associate Professor and MPH and Ph.D. Graduate Coordinator
- Research areas: Pediatric Asthma
- Research Projects:
  - Investigating the relationship between asthma and obesity among children with University of Nevada School of Medicine
- External funding:
  - Southern Nevada Director for the CDC Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System survey
- Number of Publications: 2 in 2013



## Paulo Pinheiro, M.D., Ph.D.

- Associate Professor and Nevada Cancer Epidemiologist
- Research areas
  - Cancer epidemiology, especially the validity of epidemiological indicators for ethnic and racial minorities
- Number of Publications: 10 between 2008-2013



## Guogen Shan, Ph.D.

- Assistant Professor of Biostatistics
- Research areas
  - Developing adaptive clinical trials
  - Efficient parametric and non-parametric statistical inferences
  - Exact testing procedures
- External funding
  - Biostatistician for CTR, COBRE, HUD grants
- PI a grant from the UNLV Faculty Opportunity Awards program
- Number of Publications: 17 SCI papers since 2014



# Qing Wu M.D., Sc.D.

- Associate Professor of Biostatistics (joint-appointment with NIPM)
- Research Areas
  - Meta-analysis, genome-wide meta-analysis and mega-analysis
  - Statistical modeling and model validation for clinical application
  - Research design and methodology in clinical trials and epidemiological studies
  - Methodology development for personalized diagnosis
  - Osteoporosis and cardiovascular disease
  - Statistical consulting in biomedical research
- Grant Activities
  - NIH CORBRE grant
  - NIH R15 grant
  - SOAPS study
  - Meta-analysis
- Collaborative Research
  - Nora (R01, School of life Sciences, UNLV)
  - Martin (Foundation grants, School of life Sciences, UNLV)
  - Nick (Local legal settlement Grant, University Medical Center)
  - Kling ( Meta-analysis, Mayo)
- Recent Number of Publications: 15 since 2013



BRANCH III.

Healthcare Administration and  
Policy

# Chris Cochran Ph.D.

- Professor and Chair of Department of Healthcare Administration and Policy
- Research areas
  - Use of electronic medical records for improving patient safety and reducing cost
  - Using real time data collection for bio-surveillance and early identification of disease outbreaks
  - Economic and health effects of the Nevada Clean Indoor Air Act
  - Health disparities for Hispanic women in Nevada
  - Access to treatment for the severely mentally ill
- Authored and co-authored numerous articles on access to care for underserved populations and safety net resources, including management issues and quality improvement public and private health care organizations
- Recent Publications: 2 in 2014



# Josue Epane, Ph.D., MBA

- Assistant Professor
- Area of Research
  - Research strategies that can help enhance organizational performance (financial and clinical) in the health care field, such as the use of hospitalists, community orientation, and diversity
- Research Projects:
  - Organizational and Market Characteristics of Hospitals Using Hospitalists
  - Hospitalists Contractual Arrangements and Pneumonia Process of Care Measures Direct to Consumer Advertising and Asthma Diagnosis of Medicaid-insured Children
  - Privatization of Public Hospitals and its Impact on Community Orientation
  - Diversity Leadership: Key Findings from the NCHL National Diversity Demonstration Project
  - Blueprint for Sustainable Change in Diversity Management and Cultural Competence
  - Country of birth and Variations in Asthma Prevalence and Emergency Department Utilization in Children
  - The Impact of Privatization on Efficiency and Productivity
  - Comparative and Trend Analysis of Quality of Care Provided by US Hospitals (Nevada INBRE)
  - The Impact of Hospitalists on Quality and Process of Care in US Hospitals (AHRQ)
- Number of Publications: 7 between 2014-2015



## Darren Liu, Dr. P.H.

- Assistant Professor
- Research areas
  - Consumer health information seeking on the internet
  - Nursing Home Study
  - Quality of Care
  - Long-term Care
- Current Research:
  - The impact of Internet technology on long-term care planning among different generations
- Number of Publications: 5 in 2015



# Jay Shen, Ph.D.

- Associate Dean and Professor
- Research areas
  - Health services research
  - Comparative effectiveness research
  - Clinical outcome/quality of care and patient safety
  - Healthcare disparities
  - EHR implementation
  - International health systems and policy
- Current research projects
  - Factors associated with medication errors
  - Impact of ACA on health care in Nevada
  - Effects of HER on process, outcome, cost of care and patient satisfaction
  - Palliative care versus hospital care
  - Rehabilitation models for patients with ischemic stroke
- External funding
  - Reducing Medication Errors among Southern Nevada Hospitals, NCSBN
  - Engaging Patients with Life-Limiting Illnesses on Receiving Palliative Care, PCORI
- Number of Publications: 12 between 2014-2015



# Michelle Sotero, Ph.D., MPH

- Assistant Professor
- Research areas
  - Adolescent health
  - Racial and ethnic health disparities
  - Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)
  - Historical trauma and Workforce cultural competency
- Work in the development of hospital interpreter services and cultural competency programs have been nationally recognized by the National Association of Public Hospitals and the Joint Commission
- Number of Publications: 3 in 2006



BRANCH IV.  
Social and Behavioral Health

# Carolee Dodge-Francis, Ed.D.

- Associate Professor, Public Health Undergraduate & Internship Coordinator, and Executive Director of the American Indian Research and Education Center (AIREC)
- Research areas
  - Program development and evaluation work in chronic disease within Tribal communities
- Collaborating projects with
  - UNLV/Anthropology & Nursing, CDC, NIDDK/NIH, Moapa & Las Vegas Paiutes, Tribal Colleges, University of Hawaii, Stanford, and Charles Drew University
- External Funding
  - Science & Health: Ascertaining Research Education (SHARE) Consortium, NIH \$142,534
  - Journey: NIDDK STEP-UP, NIH/NIDDK \$850,066
- Number of Publications: 4 during 2013-2014



## Max Gakh, J.D., MPH

- Assistant Professor (joint appointment with Law School)
- Research areas
  - Public health law and policy
  - Health in All Policies and health impact assessments
  - Health equity and the impact of social factors on health
  - Public health preparedness
- Current Collaborations
  - Associate Director, UNLV Health Law Program
  - Community Health Improvement Plan
  - Full-Day Kindergarten Health Impact Assessment Steering Committee
  - American Public Health Association
- External Funding
  - Full-Day Kindergarten Health Impact Assessment (co-PI)
  - Health in All Policies Report (PI)
- Number of Publications: 7 during 2014-2015



# Melva Thompson-Robinson, Ph.D.

- Professor and Director of the Center for Health Disparities Research
- Research Areas
  - Health disparities, particularly among African Americans
  - Sexual health, particularly related to HIV prevention
- External funding:
  - Southern Nevada Teen Pregnancy Prevention Project, NIH \$2.8 million
- Recent Number of Publications: 11 between 2004-2012



# Activities from Centers and Laboratories

# Environmental and Occupational Health

- **Clark County Landlord-Tenant Hotline Study**
  - PI: Shawn Gerstenberger, PhD
  - Funding Source: US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) *Healthy Homes Technical Studies Grant Program*
  - Award amount: \$650,000
  - Sub-grantee: Southern Nevada Health District (SNHD)
  - Purpose: Determine whether a landlord-tenant hotline is an efficient and cost-beneficial method to address home-based health hazards, specifically in renter-occupied units
- Current Study Progress (as of September 30, 2015):
  - 3,126 original calls received
  - 1,255 eligible and consented study participants
  - 200 site inspections conducted by SNHD
- On-Going Related Activities:
  - Year 1 data to be presented at the American Public Health Association Annual Meeting and Expo (November 2015)
  - Draft manuscripts in progress
  - Invited to submit a Full Proposal for the *FY2015 Health Homes Technical Studies Grant Program* (proposal currently under review)

# Environmental and Occupational Health (cont.)

- **Henderson Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes Program**

- Lead Based Paint Inspection & Risk Assessment (LIRA)
- If lead hazards are identified:
  - Lead hazard control work
  - Healthy homes rehabilitation work
- Inspections:
  - 114 LIRAs
  - 90 Healthy Homes Assessments
- Removing Lead Hazards
  - Damaged/Non-Repairable Components
  - Deteriorated Substrate
  - Nonfunctioning windows or doors
  - Friction Surfaces

- **Lead Hazard Control**

- Abatement only = 11 cases
- Interim Controls only= 9 cases
- Abatement and Interim Controls= 26 cases
- Average Cost/project= **\$5,500**
  - Range= **\$7450 to \$18,000**
- Rebuilding Together (CDBG)= **\$40,000**
  - Total invested in community= **\$246,000**

- **Healthy Homes**

- Average Cost/project=**\$3,700**
- Range=**\$720 to \$17,500**
- Total Hazards Identified=631
- Total Hazards Addressed=416 (66%)
  - Total invested in community=**\$171, 000**
  - (Remediation and Consumables)

# Emerging Disease Laboratory (EDL)

- Co-Directors: Drs. Mark Buttner and Patricia Cruz
- Ongoing Projects
  - Las Vegas Environmental Sampling
    - Sponsor: Department of Homeland Security through Nevada State Health Division
    - Amount Awarded: **\$1,214,000**
    - POP: 9/1/15-8/31/16
  - Airborne Pollen Monitoring
    - Sponsor: Clark County School District
    - Amount Awarded: **\$75,000**
    - POP: 9/1/15-8/31/16
  - Las Vegas Environmental Sampling
    - Sponsor: Department of Homeland Security through Nevada State Health Division
    - Amount Awarded: **\$1,152,427**
    - POP: 9/1/14-8/31/15
  - Airborne Pollen Monitoring
    - Sponsor: Clark County School District
    - Amount Awarded: **\$75,000**
    - POP: 9/1/14-8/31/15

# American Indian Research and Education Center (AIREC)

- Director: Dr. Carolee Dodge-Francis
- Conducts community based research, and promotes educational and research opportunities for American Indian/Alaska Native students
- Provides training and technical assistance and serves as an informational resource for the campus community, tribal populations and the general public
- Collaborations are both campus-wide, state and national:
  - UNLV/Anthropology & Nursing,
  - CDC
  - NIDDK/NIH
  - Moapa & Las Vegas Paiutes
  - Tribal Colleges, University of Hawaii, Stanford, and Charles Drew University
- Research Funding:
  - From 2012 until 2017, there have been 4 different researches conducted by AIREC
  - Total funding: \$1,067,600

# Center for Health Information Analysis (CHIA)

- Director and co-founder, Joseph Greenway, MPH
- Collected, audited, analyzed and reported on hospital in patient claims data
  - 1988-present
- Outpatient hospital data
  - Since 2009
- Ambulatory Surgical Center data
  - since 2010
- Projects:
  - State Innovation Model – Increase quality of healthcare without increasing costs through HIE, data mining outcomes, and collaborative efforts.
  - Attempting to connect to Medicaid data for greater in depth analyses.
  - Working with the Nevada Center for Health Statistics & Surveys of UNR to obtain a grant to study congenital birth defects.
  - Attempting to obtain Nursing Home and Urgent Care Center data.
- Ongoing Projects:
  - Expansion of public transparency
- Publications: 4

# Nevada Institute for Children's Research and Policy (NICRP)

## Staff

Tara Phebus – Executive Director

Amanda Haboush-Deloye – Chief Research Associate

Dawn Davidson – Senior Research Associate

Amaris Fuller – Assistant Research Analyst

Patricia Haddad – Research Assistant

Mirzah Trejo – Research Assistant

## Community Coalitions/Workgroups

- Southern Nevada Maternal Child Health Coalition
- Southern Nevada Child Drowning Prevention Coalition
- Nurse Family Partnership Advisory Board
- Nevada Safe Haven Work Group
- Child Welfare Network
- Safe Haven Work Group
- Clark County Children's Mental Health Consortium
- Southern Nevada Injury Prevention Partnership
- Healthy Start Community Action Network
- Partners for a Healthy Nevada
- CARE Coalition
- Southern Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council
- Strong Start for Kids Advisory Board

## Content Areas

- Maternal and child health
- Child injury/maltreatment prevention
- Child welfare
- Early childhood education
- Juvenile justice
- Program evaluation
- Youth Homelessness



# NICRP Current Collaborations (19 Funded Projects)

## Children's Health

- **Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health** – Annual Kindergarten Health Survey
- **Southern Nevada Health District** – Healthy Start Program Evaluation, Baby Safe Sleep Program Evaluation, Partnerships in Community Health Evaluation
- **Clark County Coroner's Office** – Implementation of Sudden Unexpected Death in Childhood registry
- **Clark County Department of Family Services** – Child Fatality Review
- **Positively Kids** – Neonatal Follow Up Program Evaluation
- **Nevada Attorney General's Office** – Statewide Domestic Violence Fatality Review

## Child Welfare

- **Clark County Department of Family Services** – Evaluation for Federal IV-E Waiver Demonstration Project, Youth At Risk of Homelessness Planning Grant
- **Nevada Division of Child and Family Services** – Child Fatality Review, Choose Your Partner Carefully Campaign
- **Nevada Division of Health and Human Services – Children's Trust Fund** – Parent/Youth Training for Prevention of Child Maltreatment
- **Prevent Child Abuse Nevada** – State chapter of Prevent Child Abuse America

## Early Childhood Education

- **Nevada Department of Education** – Office of Early Learning and Development – Evaluation for the Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS)
- **WK Kellogg Foundation** – Outreach and Advocacy for Early Childhood Education in Nevada: about \$1m
- **City of Las Vegas** – Interest Assessment for Early Childhood Programming and Services
- **Children's Advocacy Alliance** – Feasibility Study for Social Impact Bond to Support Pre-Kindergarten Programs

# Moving forward.....

- Strategic plan
  - UNLV Top Tier initiative
  - School CEPH accreditation
  - MHA CAHME accreditation
- Major challenges
  - Physical space is lacking
  - Supporting stuff is lacking