

**Maternal and Child Health  
Center of Excellence**

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One of twelve MCH COEs in the U.S. funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau of HRSA, the Center offers specialized educational, leadership, research, and practice programs for further enrichment outside of the classroom to MPH students pursuing careers in MCH.

**MCH Forum**

The Forum has three purposes: 1. To give students the opportunity to present their research and field practice projects; 2. To give students an opportunity to practice presentation skills and receive feedback from peers and colleagues; and 3. To promote networking among students, alumni, and MCH professionals in the community.

The Forum is open to all BUSPH students conducting MCH work or research to share their experiences and findings. MCH Research and Practice Fellows are required to present.

*Thank you for supporting our students in their commitment to maternal and child health research and practice!*

**Friday, December 6, 2019  
1:50-4:30pm**

**Poster Session:**

1:50-3:00pm

CHS Department, Suite 431

**Oral Presentations:**

3:10-4:30pm

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# 20<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MATERNAL and CHILD HEALTH FORUM



## Poster Session

### **Diana Morrill, Research Fellow**

“Programmatic approaches to addressing mental and behavioral healthcare needs for court-involved youth: a systematic review”

Trish Elliot

*Mental Health Advocacy for Kids*

### **Ruby Barnard-Mayers and Kali Vitek, Research Fellows**

“Birth By the Numbers – The latest birth data made accessible”

Dr. Gene Declercq

*Birth by the Numbers*

### **Melissa Miller, Research Fellow**

“The influence of family and community socioeconomic characteristics on adolescent alcohol and cigarette use”

Ann Aschengrau

*Department of Epidemiology, BUSPH*

### **Kelsee Harvey, Research Fellow**

“Challenges to antiretroviral therapy adherence and retention among HIV+ adults in South Africa: Qualitative investigations in the Locally-tailored, Evidence-based, And Personalized (LEAP) ART study”

Lora Sabin and Catherine Orrell

*Department of Global Health, BUSPH & University of Cape Town, South Africa*

### **Andrea Bucciarelli, Practice Fellow**

“2020 Title V Maternal and Child Health Block Grant Needs Assessment”

Katie Stetler and Susan Manning

*Massachusetts Department of Public Health*

### **Emily Santich, Research Fellow**

“A public health approach to sexual assault (SA) prevention: consent-inclusive sex education and reports of high school student sexual assault”

Julia Raifman

*Health Law, Policy and Management, BUSPH*

### **Emily Baroni, Practice Fellow**

“Using GIS to demonstrate the need for PMAD treatment throughout Massachusetts”

Jessie Colbert

*Mass Postpartum Depression (PPD) Fund*

### **Yuti Desai and Alana Gerald, Practice Fellows**

“Health promotion advocacy program: Integrating public health preventative screening and intervention into clinical care for adolescents”

Karin Rallo, Dr. David Dorfman, and Dr. Edward Bernstein

*Boston Medical Center*

### **Iman Ali and Hithaishini Kodicherla, Research Fellows**

“Gender and menstrual equity review: Intimate partner violence and menstruation hygiene management”

Nafisa Halim

*Department of Global Health, BUSPH*

### **Corinne Scripps and Lauren Thomann, Practice Fellows**

“(C)ommunity (A)ction (N)etwork”

Katie Keating and Anna Walsh

*Boston Public Health Commission*

## Oral Presentations

*Questions will be at the end of each presentation*

### **Kim Blair, Practice Fellow**

Anne McGovern

*Planned Parenthood League of Massachusetts*

### **Constance Fontanet, Research Fellow**

“A qualitative exploration of community ownership of a maternity waiting home model in rural Zambia.”

Nancy Scott

*Department of Global Health, BUSPH*

### **Abbigayle Monssen, Practice Fellow**

“Center of Excellence Communications”

Natasha Lerner and Rachel Bacon

*MCH Center of Excellence*

### **Bridging the Chasm**

Brenna Burke Weber, Bridgette Maynard, Ebere

Oparaeke, Ebose Eromosele, and Zendilli Depina

“Bridging the Chasm”

Lois McCloskey, Judith Bernstein, and Martina Xiomara

Spain

## Research Fellowship

Director: Lois McCloskey, DrPH

An opportunity for MPH students to work closely with a faculty member and their team to gain hands-on experience.

Projects typically include elements of maternal and child health related research, education, or practice.

## Practice Fellowship

Director: Trish Elliott, DrPH

An opportunity for MPH students to work with a field supervisor on-site in a public health practice setting to gain hands-on experience. Projects include elements of maternal and child health related programming, planning, evaluation, and/or quality improvement.

## Fellowship Requirements

- Take MC725 or GH881
- 10-12 months of experience
- Receive a \$2,000 stipend
- Present at the MCH Forum and other local or national venues