

BRIANNA MONK

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EDUCATION

DHSc Eastern Virginia Medical School, Doctor of Health Science May 2024

MPH Eastern Virginia Medical School, Master of Public Health May 2020
Practicum: “Implementing the Physical Activity and Education Program (COPP) to Prevent Childhood Obesity in Chesapeake, VA”
Advisor: Dr. Muge Akpinar-Elci, Dr. Michele Kekeh

MA Old Dominion University, Master of Healthcare and Humanities May 2018
Thesis: “More Tomatoes Please: An Analysis of Food Deserts and the Healthy Foods VA Website”
Advisor: Dr. Avi Santo, Dr. Tim Anderson

BS Old Dominion University, Bachelor of Communications - May 2015
Minored in Administration Ethics

HONORS AND AWARDS

Student Affairs – Student Research Grant 2022
Eastern Virginia Medical School

Increasing the Pipeline Award Recipient 2022
American Public Health Association & Centers for Disease Control/ National Center for Injury Prevention and Control

Dr. Shaffdeen A. Amuwo Emerging Leaders Award Recipient 2022
Black Caucus of Health Workers

Health Administration, Early Career Professional Scholarship Recipient 2023
American Public Health Association

Student Annual Meeting Scholarship Award 2023
American Public Health Association

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Eastern Virginia Medical School,
DHSc., Student, Norfolk, VA 2020 to 2024

Eastern Virginia Medical School/, Norfolk, VA 2018 to 2020
Old Dominion University

Master of Science Student, Advisor: Dr. Muge Akpinar-Elci, Dr. Michele Kekeh

- Conducted primary source research via data collected on childhood obesity prevalence of school-aged children living in Chesapeake, VA.
- Complied data from previous studies to perform comparative reports and identify connections between active lifestyles and a healthy BMI percentile (Children 2 to 20 years (5th-95th percentile))
- Utilized Centers for Disease Control's Comprehensive School Physical Activity Program as a framework to develop In-school Physical Activity (PA) Intervention Training plan for Chesapeake, VA schools.
- Worked with Global Health team in Norfolk, VA to execute community needs assessment.

Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA 2016 to 2018

Master of Arts Student, Advisor: Dr. Avi Santo, Dr. Tim Anderson

- Completed policy analysis to shape research questions on the role of government policies/political discourse and barriers to healthy eating
- Studied previously developed cohort and cross-sectional models to evaluate disparities between neighborhoods, race/ethnicity of residents and access to healthy food sources
- Analyzed the Healthy Foods, VA website to locate "food deserts" in Coastal Virginia - Hampton Roads

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

NC- DHHS, Raleigh, NC 2021 to 2023

Manager- Medicaid Engagement & Communication, Department of Health Benefits

- Co-developed state-wide webinar series for providers, community-based organizations and faith-based organizations focused on policies, billing and communication best practices for beneficiaries receiving pregnancy-related Medicaid benefits.
- Developed educational materials (fact sheets, presentations, press releases, articles/newsletters) and educated a wide variety of audiences on the implementation of community-based programs to improve maternal health outcomes.
- Attend community engagement events to train groups on NC Tracks, provide educational materials and respond to public inquiries from community members, providers, beneficiaries etc.,

Duke University, Durham, NC 2019 to 2021

Health Research Administrator, Office of the Provost

- Delivered institutional-wide training (in-person & via Zoom) to Departments, Institutions, and Individuals with responsibilities related to sponsored projects and grant management on State, Federal and University regulations.

- Conducted hands-on and one-on-one training sessions with Grant Managers, Principal Investigators, Department Chair/Dean award closeout process.
- Developed Standard Operating Procedures for research staff on research compliance procedures and Good Clinical Practice guidelines

Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA 2011 to 2016

Graduate Research Supervisor, Social Science Research Center

- Taught Qualitative and Quantitative research techniques of information gathering at the Social Science research center averaging 8-16 graduate/undergraduate students per semester, covering the following topic examples: Youth Violence/Gang Activity, Sea Level Rise, Vulnerable Populations Emergency Preparedness, Mental Health/Behavioral Health Services
- Helped to develop telephone surveys/ analyzed electronically collected data. Trained research interviewers on the utilization of data collection tools.
- Assessed attitudes, trends and social mannerisms using mixed methods of personal interviewing and surveillance.

PUBLICATIONS

Published Interviews

Monk, B., NC Medicaid Extension of Postpartum Coverage, Durham, NC: Breastfeed Durham, [NC Medicaid Extension of Postpartum Coverage | Breastfeed Durham](#) (2022).

Taormina, V., Monk, B., Maximizing Postpartum Extension: Leveraging Strong Partnerships - YouTube, Raleigh, NC: National Association of Medical Directors Panel Discussion, [Maximizing Postpartum Extension: Leveraging Strong Partnerships - YouTube/](#) (2022).

Taormina, V., Monk, B., Just Us: Before, Birth and Beyond Podcast Interview, Season 2, Episode 1, Raleigh, NC: University of North Carolina – Mountain Area Health Education Center, [UNC- MAHEC, Just Us: Before, Birth and Beyond](#) (2023).

Journal Publications

Akpinar-Elci, M., Monk, B., Kekeh, M. Implementing the Physical Activity and Education Program (COPP) to Prevent Obesity in Chesapeake, VA," Virginia Journal of Public Health Summer 2020 Special Issue," Virginia Journal of Public Health: Vol. 4: Iss. 2, Article 1. Available at: <https://commons.lib.jmu.edu/vjph/vol4/iss2/1>

PRESENTATIONS

Conference Presentations

3108.0 Extended postpartum Medicaid eligibility: The relationship between community engagement and provider visits with North Carolina Medicaid enrollees, Brianna Monk, DHSc,

MPH, MA, American Public Health Association (2023)
<https://apha.confex.com/apha/2023/meetingapp.cgi/Paper/526439>

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Biomedical Research Investigators Certification, Human Research – CITI Institute (2022)
Increasing Diversity in Scholarship in Injury & Violence Prevention Workshop
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Boston, MA, November 6-9,2022
Description: Workshop on applying for Research Funding in Injury and Prevention from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention- National Center for Injury Prevention & Control

Seizure Recognition and First Aid Certification (ILT) v2.0, Epilepsy Foundation of America, November 15, 2022 (Exp. November 2024)

Health Literacy for Health Professionals Certification, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (2020)

Duke Research Administration Academy Certification, Duke University (2019)

Humanities Research Certification, Responsible Code of Conduct – CITI Institute (2018)

Social and Behavioral Research Certification, Investigators and Key Personnel – CITI Institute (2018)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

ACHE – American College of Healthcare Executives
NACCHO – National Association of County and City Health Officials
APHA – American Public Health Association
AMA – American Marketing Association
BCHW – Black Caucus of Health Workers
CHPPD – Community Health Planning and Policy Development Organization
Duke University – Research Administration Academy

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Abstract Reviewer

American Public Health Association Conference, Community Health Planning and Policy Development Section - *Maternal, Infant and Child health*, (2023)

Abstract Reviewer

American Public Health Association Conference, *Health Administration*, (2023)

Tennessee State University, Community Advisory Council (2022-current)

Council Member, Center for Cardiovascular Research, 2022-current

Symposium Moderator

American Public Health Association Conference, *Efforts to support Maternal, Infant and Child health*, Boston, MA (2022)

Co-Organizer, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Mountain Area Health Education Center, [Just US: Before, Birth, and Beyond Podcast \(2022\)](#)

Student Representative, Eastern Virginia Medical School

Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH) Recertification, Norfolk, VA (2019)

Health Fair Administrator

Diabetes Screenings, Freemason Street Baptist Church, Norfolk, VA (2018)

Community Health Advisor

Intake Advisor, Virginia Job and Health Fair, Norfolk, VA (2018)