

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO DENVER

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

DEGREES EARNED

2021 (Tentative)	PhD	University of Colorado at Denver Denver, Colorado	Health and Behavioral Sciences (Candidate as of 12/18)
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Dissertation: Parents with TGNC Adolescents: Reflections on Lived Experience

2012	MS	University of New Mexico Albuquerque, NM	Community Health Education (with Distinction; Summa cum laude)
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2005	BFA	Kent State University Kent, OH	Visual Communication Design
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CERTIFICATIONS

2012	CHES	National Commission for Health Education Credentialing, Inc.	Certified Health Education Specialist
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EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

2020- Present	Center for Health Systems Research, Denver Health, Denver, CO	Researcher II
2019-Present	LGBTQ Center of Excellence, Denver Health Denver, CO	Researcher II
2019-Present	Anschutz Medical Campus, School of Medicine Aurora, CO	Research Associate
2018-Present	University of Colorado, Colorado School of Public Health Aurora, CO	Adjunct Instructor
2015-Present	Anschutz Medical Campus, College of Nursing Aurora, CO	Research Instructor
2018-2020	University of Colorado, Health and Behavioral Sciences Denver, CO	Undergraduate Advisor
2017-2019	University of Colorado, Health and Behavioral Sciences Denver, CO	Instructor

2015-2018	University of Colorado, Health and Behavioral Sciences Denver, CO	Teaching Assistant
2015-2016	Anschutz Medical Campus, School of Medicine Aurora, CO	Health Educator/Retention in Care Infectious Disease Group Practice
2012-2015	Anschutz Medical Campus, School of Medicine Mountain-Midwest AETC, Aurora, CO	Research Instructor & Program Mgr. - HIV Telehealth
2011-2012	University of New Mexico, Health Education Albuquerque, NM	Research Assistant
2010-2011	University of New Mexico, Family & Community Medicine Albuquerque, NM	Administrative Assistant III
2003-2013	Small Business Owner, Freelance Graphic Designer Various	Art Director/Owner
2006-2008	The Publishing Group Columbus, OH	Art Director

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

FUNDED RESEARCH PROJECTS

- 2020 (Pending) Co-Investigator, Evaluation and Development of Methods to Ascertain SGM status in Spanish-Speaking populations, NIH R21, \$275,000**
 - 2020 (Pending) Co-Investigator, Interface between LGBT youth social media use and suicidality, American Foundation of Suicide Prevention Standard Research Grant, \$100,000**
 - 2019-2020 Principal Investigator, Interprofessional Education for HIV Care Research Project, subcontract with Mountain West AIDS Education and Training Center at the University of Washington, HRSA, Funded – \$16,936**
 - 2015-Present Research Instructor, subcontract with Mountain West AIDS Education and Training Center at the University of Washington, HRSA, Funded, \$282,000 year 1**
 - 2012-2015** Research Instructor and Program Manager, Mountain-Plains AIDS Education and Training Center, PI: Lucy Bradley-Springer, PhD, RN, ACRN, FAAN, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Grant # H4A HA 00064, Funded – \$1,796,414 total grant award (85% FTE salary support in 2012-2015)
 - 2012-2015** Research Instructor and Program Manager, Mountain-Plains AIDS Education and Training Center Telehealth Training Program, PI: Steven Johnson, MD, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Funded – \$300,000 annual grant award (15% FTE salary support in 2012-2015)
 - 2011-2012** Research Assistant, Food Safety and Food Borne Illness in Native American Families, PI: Christina Perry, PHD, USDA, Funded - \$xx total award (100% salary support in 2011-2012)
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FUNDED EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS

2012-2015 Program Manager, 30 Monthly Presentations in HIV Care, Mountain-Midwest HV Telehealth Initiative, Aurora CO, CU School of Medicine

FUNDED PRACTICE PROJECTS

2019- Present Research Associate, Implementation of a Pilot Program to Improve Transgender Care at AF Williams Family Medical Center (PI, Becca Mullen, MD)

2015 Health Educator, Retention in Care, Infectious Disease Group Practice, PI: Lisa Lawrence, XX, Funded - \$xx total award (xx% FTE salary support in 2015)

TEACHING ACTIVITIES

COURSES TAUGHT

2020 Spring	CBHS 6631 (online) Introduction to Sexual and Repro. Health	Anschutz (Adjunct Instructor) Colorado School of Public Health
2019 Summer	PBHL 3010 Human Sexuality	UCD (Instructor) Health and Behavioral Sciences
2019 Spring	CBHS 6631 (online course) Introduction to Sexual and Repro. Health	Anschutz (Adjunct Instructor) Colorado School of Public Health
2019 Spring	PBHL 2001 Introduction to Public Health, Lecture Recitation (1 section)	UCD (Teaching Assistant) Health and Behavioral Sciences (Instructor/TA)
2018 Fall	PBHL 2001 Introduction to Public Health, Lecture Recitation (2 sections)	UCD (Teaching Assistant) Health and Behavioral Sciences (Instructor/TA)
2018 Summer	PBHL 3010 Human Sexuality	UCD (Instructor) Health and Behavioral Sciences
2018 Spring	PBHL 2052 Global Demography	UCD (Teaching Assistant) Health and Behavioral Sciences
2017 Fall	PBHL 1001 Gender, Race, Class & Health	UCD (Instructor) Health and Behavioral Sciences
2017 Summer	NURS 3080 (online course) Nursing Research and Evidence-Based Practice	Anschutz (Instructor) College of Nursing
2017 Summer	PBHL 1001 Gender, Race, Class & Health	UCD (Instructor) Health and Behavioral Sciences
2017 Spring	PBHL 2001 Introduction to Public Health, Lecture Recitation (2 sections)	UCD (Teaching Assistant) Health and Behavioral Sciences (Instructor/TA)

2016 Fall	PBHL 2001 Introduction to Public Health, Lecture Recitation (2 sections)	UCD (Teaching Assistant) Health and Behavioral Sciences (Instructor/TA)
2016 Spring	PBHL 2001 Introduction to Public Health, Lecture Recitation (2 sections)	UCD (Teaching Assistant) Health and Behavioral Sciences (Instructor/TA)
2015 Fall	PBHL 2001 Introduction to Public Health, Lecture Recitation (1 section)	UCD (Teaching Assistant) Health and Behavioral Sciences (Instructor/TA)

INVITED PRESENTATIONS & GUEST LECTURES

April 2020 Virtual Guest Lecture: Inclusive care for Transgender and Gender Expansive Populations, NURS 6659 Advanced Assessment, Neurobiology and Psychopharmacology, College of Nursing, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus

February 2020 Invited Presentation: Providing Inclusive Care for Transgender and Gender Expansive Populations, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington (sponsored by African American Reach and Teach (AARTH) and Mountain West AIDS Education & Training Centers)

February 2020 Invited Presentation: Providing Inclusive Care for Transgender and Gender Expansive Populations, All Staff Meeting, Community Health Care of Tacoma, WA (sponsored by AARTH)

February 2020 Invited Presentation: Providing Inclusive Care for Transgender and Gender Expansive Populations, UC Health AF Williams Primary Care Clinic, Stapleton, CO

January 2020 Invited Presentation: Providing Inclusive Care for Transgender and Gender Expansive Populations, *Transforming Health Summit*, January 11, Denver, CO

December 2019 Invited Presentation: Sex & Gender + Trans 101, Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Case Conference, College of Nursing, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus

November 2019 Invited Presentation: ACCORDS Health Equity Seminar Series, (Panel Expert – working with Transgender populations), *Diverse Populations and Available Resources: Patient Level Equity in Action*, University of Colorado, Anschutz Medical Campus, November 4, Aurora Colorado

November 2019 Invited Presentation: Transgender Care Panel; Panel Speaker, Mountain West AIDS Education & Training Centers Faculty Development and Regional Conference; November 18-21, Seattle, Washington

October 2019 Guest Lecture: Sex & Gender + Transgender 101, Patient Centered Communications, College of Pharmacy, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus

April 2019 Invited Presentation: Providing Inclusive Care (Panel Expert – working with Transgender populations), Mountain West AIDS Education & Training Centers Practice Transformation Summit *Engagement and Integration for the Future: Providing Optimal Care*, April 16th, Denver, Colorado

April 2019 Invited Presentation: Sex & Gender + Media Representation of Transgender Populations - Communication Days, Communication and Diversity, Department of Communications, University of Colorado Denver

March 2019 Invited Presentation: Sex & Gender + Transgender 101, UC Health AF Williams Primary Care Clinic – Stapleton, CO

March 2019 Invited Presentation: Structural Competency, Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Program Case Conference, College of Nursing, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus

February 2019 Guest Lecture: Sex & Gender + Transgender 101, PSYC XXXX Life Span Development (Graduate Course), Department of Psychology, University of Denver

February 2019 Invited Presentation: Sex & Gender + Transgender 101 (Adolescents), Integrated Behavioral Health Services, Denver Health School Based Health Centers

December 2018 Guest Lecture: Sex & Gender + Transgender 101, NURS 6659 Advanced Assessment, Neurobiology and Psychopharmacology, College of Nursing, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus

November 2018 Invited Presentation: Sex & Gender + Transgender 101, Brunner Family Medicine, St. Joseph Hospital, Denver, CO.

October 2018 Guest Lecture: Sex & Gender + Transgender 101, Patient Centered Communications, College of Pharmacy, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus

October 2018 Guest Lecture: HIV 101: Social, Political and Medical History, PBHL1001 Introduction to Public Health Recitation, Health and Behavioral Sciences, University of Colorado Denver

September 2018 Invited Presentation: Sex & Gender + Transgender 101, CU Cosmetics, Department of Dermatology/Cosmetics, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus

September 2018 Guest Lecture: Sex & Gender + Transgender 101, PBHL1001 Gender, Race, Class & Health, Health and Behavioral Sciences, University of Colorado Denver

July 2018 Invited Presentation: Sex & Gender + Transgender 101, Department of Dermatology Seminar, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus

July 2018 Guest Lecture: HIV: Update from the 2018 International AIDS Conference, PBHL4200 Global HIV, Health and Behavioral Sciences, University of Colorado Denver

June 2018 Invited Presentation: Sex & Gender + Trans 101, Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Case Conference, College of Nursing, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus

April 2018 Invited Presentation: Sex & Gender + Media Representation of Transgender Populations - Communication Days, Communication and Diversity, Department of Communications, University of Colorado Denver

April 2018 Guest Lecture: Sexual and Reproductive Health (Birth control related to the fertility transition and policy), PBHL2052 Global Demography, Health and Behavioral Sciences, University of Colorado Denver

April 2018 Guest Lecture: Population Health + Demography in Transgender Populations PBHL2052 Global Demography, Health and Behavioral Sciences, University of Colorado Denver

April 2018 Guest Lecture: Sex & Gender + Transgender 101 + DSM and Mental, PBHL3051 Mental Illness & Society, Health and Behavioral Sciences, University of Colorado Denver

April 2018 Invited Presentation: Sex & Gender + Transgender 101 + DSM and Mental Health, Psychiatric Resident Didactic Seminar Series, UC Health AF Williams - Stapleton

February 2018 Guest Lecture: HIV 101: Social, Political and Medical History, PBHL1001 Introduction to Public Health Recitation, Health and Behavioral Sciences, University of Colorado Denver

December 2017 Guest Lecture: ex & Gender + Transgender 101, NURS 6659 Advanced Assessment, Neurobiology and Psychopharmacology, College of Nursing, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus

October 2017 Guest Lecture: Sex & Gender + Transgender 101, Patient Centered Communications, College of Pharmacy, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus

August 2017 Invited Presentation: Sex & Gender + Transgender 101, Medical Resident Didactic Seminar Series, UC Health AF Williams Family Medicine Clinic - Stapleton

October 2016 Guest Lecture: Sex & Gender + Transgender 101, Patient Centered Communications 1 - College of Pharmacy, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus

September 2015 Guest Lecture: HIV 101: Social, Political and Medical History, PBHL1001 Introduction to Public Health Recitation

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

March 2020 Poster Presentation: *Parents with TNB Adolescents: Reflections on Lived Experience*, Society for Applied Anthropology, March, 2020; Albuquerque, NM (Cancelled Re: COVID)

October 2019 *How Disrupting Your Ideas about Sex and Gender Can Help Break Down Silos and Bridge Gaps with Everyone* (Presentation), Colorado Behavioral Health and Wellness Summit, University of Denver, October 21-24; Denver, CO

August 2018 Structural Competency Workshop, presented with Marisa Westbrook at Public Health in The Rockies, Copper Mountain, Colorado

November 2016 CU Faculty Council GLBTI 5th Annual Symposium: Intersections. Boulder, Colorado.

November 2015 CU Faculty Council GLBTI 4th Annual Symposium: Conversations That Matter. Colorado Springs, Colorado.

November 2014 CU Faculty Council GLBTI 3rd Annual Symposium: LGBT Health Equity. Aurora, Colorado.

March 2012 Food Safety Beliefs, Barriers and Perceptions in Native American Primary Food Handlers with Young Children, 15th Annual College of Education Graduate Student Colloquium, Graduate Professional Student Association, University of New Mexico

May 2012, Food Safety Beliefs, Barriers and Perceptions in Native American Primary Food Handlers with Young Children, Poster Session: The New Mexico Health Disparities Center Annual Conference, New Mexico Public Health Association

CURRICULAR DEVELOPMENT

- 2019 -Present Developing training modules on Transgender care in local primary care clinic (PI: Rebecca Mullen, MD)
- 2019 Updated syllabus, learning objectives, developed new and revised module content and assignments for online section of CBHS 6631
- 2018-2019 Updated syllabus, learning objectives, and lecture content, and assignments for PBHL 3010 Human Sexuality
- 2017 Updated syllabus, learning objectives, lecture content, and assignments for PBHL 1001 Gender, Race, Class & Health
- 2015-2018 Updated content and assignments for recitations, PBHL 2001 Introduction to Public Health

OTHER TEACHING & MENTORSHIP

- Spring 2019 Undergraduate Advisor; Directed Research Project
September 2015 Safe Zone Training, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus

SCHOLARSHIP

PUBLICATIONS

Weinand, J., Kvach, E., **O’Connell, R.**, “Experiences of Transgender and Non-Binary Medical Residents During Application to Medical Residency” (*Under Review: J of Graduate Medical Education*)

Walsh, C., **O’Connell, R.**, Kvach, E., “Travel Distance among Transgender & Non-Binary Patients Seeking Care at a Large Safety Net Hospital” (*Under Review: Annals of LGBT Public and Population Health*)

O’Connell, R., Brooks-Russell A., Ma, M. & Levinson, A. “Health and Well-Being of a State Representative Sample of Transgender High School Students” (*Revise & Resubmit: Annals of LGBT Public and Population Health*)

Weinand, J., Kvach, E., **O’Connell, R.**, “Experiences of Transgender and Non-Binary Medical Residents During Medical Residency” (*In Progress*)

Thomas, R., Oium, R., **O’Connell, R.**, Kvach, E., “Lessons Learned: Working with TNB Community Advisory Board” (*In Progress*)

Krueger, P.M., **O’Connell, R.**, Saint Onge, J.M., “Education and Health Lifestyles at the Intersection of Age and Sex” (*In Progress*)

Cook, P. F., Manzouri, S., Aagaard, L., **O’Connell, L.**, Corwin, M., & Gance-Cleveland, B. (2016). Results from 10 years of interprofessional training on motivational interviewing. *Evaluation & the Health Professions*, 0163278716656229.

Cook, P. F., Manzouri, S., Aagaard, L., **O’Connell, L.**, Corwin, M., & Gance-Cleveland, B. (2015). *Results from 10 Years of Interprofessional Training on Motivational Interviewing*. [Technical report]. Denver, CO: University of Colorado College of Nursing.

O’Connell, L., & Cook, P. F. (2015). *Outcomes of the Mountain-Midwest HIV Telehealth Initiative*. [Final grant report]. Denver, CO: University of Colorado School of Medicine.

O’Connell, L. & Gentile, T. (2015). *Annual Report of Successes and Recommendations Regarding the LGBT Population*. Report presented to leadership at the University of Colorado Faculty Council.

Siebert, M., Perry, C., **O’Connell, L.**, Albrecht, J., Stenger, K. Vlasin-Marty, K. A Mixed Methods Approach to Investigating Food Safety Behavior in a Sample of Native American and Hispanic Caregivers of Young Children. *Journal of Food Research*. 2014, 3(5), 59-72. doi:[10.5539/jfr.v3n5p59](https://doi.org/10.5539/jfr.v3n5p59).

Siebert, M., Perry, C., Albrecht, J., **O’Connell, L.**, Larvick, C., Stenger, K. Validation of a Native American Food Safety Knowledge Survey. *Journal of Nutrition Education and Behavior*, 2012. 44(4):S52. DOI: [10.1016/j.jneb.2012.03.116](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jneb.2012.03.116)

Stenger, K., Albrecht, J., Larvick, C., Vlasin-Marty, K., Perry, C., **O’Connell, L.** & Siebert, M. (2012) Food Safety Knowledge Survey. Validation for Hispanic Families with Young Children in Nebraska. *Journal of Nutrition Education and Behavior*, 44(4):S51-52.

Book Chapters

Ryan O’Connell and Julie Fricke. *Transgender Adolescence: Protective Factors for Positive Identity Development in Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Americans at Risk: Problems and Solutions* In volume 2 of *Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Americans at Risk*, edited by Chuck Stewart (pp. XX). 3 vols. Santa Barbara, CA: Praeger, 2018. **Book won American Book Fest: Best Book LGBTQ Non-Fiction*

Stephanie Chamberlin, **Ryan O’Connell**, & Jean Scandlyn. Book Chapter: *HIV and Young Gay Men: Is the Message of the Chronic Disease Bringing Another Wave of the Plague: What are the reasons for the rise HIV infections in gay youth?* In volume 2 of *Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Americans at Risk*, edited by Chuck Stewart (pp. xx). 3 vols. Santa Barbara, CA: Praeger, 2018. **Book won American Book Fest: Best Book LGBTQ Non-Fiction*

Master’s Thesis

O’Connell, L.M. (2012). *Food handling perceptions, practices, knowledge and barriers in Native American primary food handlers of young children in New Mexico*. Unpublished master’s thesis, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM.

SERVICE

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| 2016 - 2017 | HBS Graduate Student Representative, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, Deans Student Advisory Council (faculty nominated position) |
| 2014 – 2017 | Co-Chair, CU Faculty Council LGBTQ+ Committee |
| 2014 - 2017 | Member, CU Faculty Council |
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2014 – 2016 Faculty Advisor, PRISM – University of Colorado, Anschutz Medical Campus Student Gay Straight Alliance

2014-2015 President-Elect, Colorado Society of Public Health Education

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

2019 – Present World Professional Association for Transgender Health

2019 – Present Society for Applied Anthropology

2018 – Present Colorado Public Health Association

2018 – 2019 Population Association of America (PAA)

HONORS, FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

2019 Health and Behavioral Sciences Graduate Student Teaching Award

2012 Graduated Suma Cum Laude with Distinction, University of New Mexico

2012 Faculty-nominated outstanding M.S. Student, 2012.

2008 American Inhouse Design Award; Dublin Life Magazine; *Of 5000 entries, 10% received recognition*

2008 American Inhouse Design Award; Westerville Magazine; Design and Cover Photography

2008 American Inhouse Design Award; Luxury Living Magazine; Cover Photography

2008 MOO.com Laptop Design Competition; Only 90 of 624 photographs and illustrations chosen

2008 SmartTravel.com call for photography; ,10% of photographs submitted were selected to be published to online adventure photo gallery

2007 American Inhouse Design Award; Dublin Life Magazine; *Of 4000 entries, 15% received recognition*

2007 - Best New Employee, The Publishing Group

PRism Award – 2007, Dublin Life/Inside Dublin Newsletter

Mark of Excellence Awards - 3rd place Society of Professional Journalists Awards; The Burr, Fall 2004
