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Education

In Progress Ph.D. Candidate, University of Colorado, Health and Behavioral Sciences, Denver, CO.

2020 MSW in Planning, Administration and Community Practice, Arizona State University School of Social Work, Tucson, AZ.

2020 Certification in Human Services Management at the Graduate Level, Network for Social Work Management, Los Angeles, CA.

2015 BA in Psychology & Neuroscience, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO.

Publications

Ledesma D, Maroofi H, Sabin S, Dennehy TJ, Truong JM, **Meyer LG,** Salik M, Scott S, White JR, Collins J, Mrukowicz C, Charifson M, Shafer MS, Jehn M. Design and Implementation of a COVID-19 Case Investigation Program: An Academic–Public Health Partnership, Arizona, 2020. *Public Health Reports*. January 2022.

Truong JM, **Meyer LG,** Clement W, Collins J, Cory C, Dennehy TJ, Gettel A, Holguin G, Jackman JM, Karirirwe G, Kaluga J, Ledesma D, Levy S, Maroofi H, Perez V, Prete K, Schlum K, Tomkins HC, Vital R, Williams R, Zamora S, Jehn, M. Developing an Enhanced Community-Driven COVID-19 Mitigation Program— Guadalupe, Arizona. *Manuscript in Review.*

Meyer LG. *Teaching Doctors to Respond with Empathy: A Pilot Study.* Master's thesis. Arizona State University School of Social Work; 2020.

Meyer LG. *Exploring the Mechanisms of Implementation Intentions: A Preschool Intervention.* Undergraduate. The University of Colorado; 2015.

Manuscripts in Preparation

Meyer LG, Truong JM, Jackman JJ, Jackman JM, Shafer MS, Jehn M. Teaching Case Investigators to Respond with Empathy: a novel approach to pandemic response.

White AC, **Meyer LG**, Jehn M. Ethical issues and legal epidemiology in COVID-19 case investigation and contact tracing: A case study of a large academic public health partnership.

Meyer LG, Shafer MS, Epner DE. Teaching Doctors to Respond with Empathy: A powerful mindset.

Book Chapters

Meyer LG, Epner DE. A Brief Clinician's Guide to Empathic Expression. In: Epner DE. eds. Empathy: Real Stories to Inspire and Enlighten Busy Clinicians. McGraw Hill; 2022.

Madden K, **Meyer LG**. The Last Vestige of Control. In: Epner DE. eds. Empathy: Real Stories to Inspire and Enlighten Busy Clinicians. McGraw Hill; 2022.

Conference Posters and Presentations

Meyer LG, Epner DE. Teaching Doctors to Respond with Empathy: A powerful mindset. Abstract presented at: European Association of Cancer Education Annual Meeting; December 11, 2022; Virtual.

Meyer LG, Truong JM, Ledesma D, Maroofi H, Karirirwe G, Dennehy TJ, Scott S, Collins J, Mrukowicz C, Sabin S, Charifson M, Shafer MS, Jehn M. Mobilizing a Virtual Volunteer Workforce for Pandemic Response. Abstract presented at: American Public Health Association Annual Meeting; Oct 24-27, 2021; Denver, CO.

White A, **Meyer LG**, Jehn M. Ethical and legal issues in COVID-19 case investigations: An Arizona State University case investigation unit case study. Lecture presented at: American Public Health Association Annual Meeting; Oct 24-27, 2021; Denver, CO.

Karirirwe G, Truong JM, **Meyer LG**, Dennehy TJ, Tompkins HC, Molina B, Garcia F, Raman, S, Prete K, Jackman JJ, Ledesma D, Maroofi H, Shafer MS, Kuluga J, Tavena V, Holguin G, Zamora S, Clement W, Cory C, Vital R, Renteria A, Williams R, Schlum K, Tewell M, Sunenshine R, Mckay P, Levy S, Jehn M. Development of an Enhanced Community-Focused COVID-19 Surveillance Program-Guadalupe, Arizona. Abstract presented at: American Public Health Association Annual Meeting; Oct 24-27, 2021; Denver, CO.

Jehn M, Karirirwe G, Schlum K, Dennehy TJ, Maroofi H, Ledesma D, Truong JM, **Meyer LG,** Jackman JM, Jackman JJ, Kuluga J, Levy, S. Development of a Multisector Community-Focused COVID-19 Response Team -- Guadalupe, Arizona. Presented at the Arizona Health Equity Conference in Phoenix, Arizona. Lecture presented at: Arizona Health Equity Conference; Oct 14, 2021; Phoenix, AZ.

Truong JM, **Meyer LG,** Sabin S, Charifson M, Maroofi H, Ledesma D, Dennehy TJ, Shafer MS, Jehn M. Developing a Secure Digital Platform for a Remote, Volunteer-Based COVID-19 Case Investigation Surge Workforce. Poster presented at: Academy Health 2021 Annual Research Meeting: Leading with Evidence in a Time of Change; June 14-17, 2021; Virtual.

Ledesma D, Maroofi H, Sabin S, Dennehy TJ, Truong JM, **Meyer LG,** Charifson M, Shafer MS, Jehn M. Design and Implementation of a Partnered University and Public Health Agency COVID-19 Case Investigation Program. Poster presented at: Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologist Annual Conference; June 13-17, 2021; Virtual.

Jehn M, Shafer MS, Tompkins C, Ross H, Lant T, Truong JM, Ledesma D, **Meyer LG**, Maroofi H, Karirirwe G, Sunenshine, R, Scott S, Turnbow K, Levy S, Vital RC, Pandit U, Kuluga J. COVID-19 Rapid Response Team: Controlling the Spread of COVID-19 through Innovations in Case Investigating, Contact Tracing, and Community Engagement. Lecture presented at: Arizona State University Social Embeddedness Network Conference; March 24, 2021; Virtual.

Meyer LG, Epner DE, Shafer MS. Closing the Empathy Gap in Healthcare: Opportunities for Social Workers. Poster presented at the Council for Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting; Nov 19, 2020; Virtual.

Meyer LG. Teaching doctors to respond with empathy: a powerful mindset. Elevator Speech presented at: Cancer Prevention Research Training Program Exposition; Aug 6, 2019; Houston, TX.

Meyer LG, Epner, DE. Teaching doctors to respond with empathy: a powerful mindset. Poster presented at: Cancer Prevention Research Training Program Exposition; Aug 6, 2019; Houston, TX.

Meyer LG, Epner DE. Teaching doctors to respond with empathy: a powerful mindset. Poster session presented at MD Anderson Summer Experience Final Event; Aug 8, 2019; Houston, TX.

Upcoming Presentations

Meyer LG, Hobbs K, Jehn M. Empathic Communication in Public Health: Preparing for Difficult Conversations. Workshop accepted at: National Association of County and City Health Officials Preparedness Summit; April 4, 2022; Atlanta, GA.

Invited Talks

Meyer LG. Emotional Regulation & Burnout in Public Health. Workshop presented for the University of Arizona SAFER Team Supervisors; March 2022; Virtual.

Meyer LG. Empathic Communication in Case Investigation. Workshop presented for the University of Arizona SAFER Team; March 2022; Virtual.

Meyer LG. Empathic Communication in Case Investigation. Workshop presented for the Arizona State University Student Outbreak Response Team; February 2022; Virtual.

Meyer LG. Institutional Policy Change: Empathic Communication. Lecture presented for the University of Colorado Denver Undergraduate Health Policy Class; November 2021; Denver, CO.

Meyer LG. Empathic Communication in Case Investigation. Workshop presented for the ASU Student Outbreak Response Team; Fall 2021; Virtual.

Meyer LG. Empathic Communication in Case Investigation. Workshop presented for the University of Arizona SAFER Team; September 2021; Virtual.

Meyer LG. Empathic Communication in Public Health: Experiences of COVID-19 Contact Tracing in Maricopa County, Arizona. Talk presented to the Boulder Valley Rotary Club; August 2021; Boulder, CO.

Meyer LG. Empathic Communication in Case Investigation. Workshops presented for the Maricopa Department of Public Health Data Team: Outbreaks; September 2021; Virtual.

Meyer LG. Empathic Communication in Case Investigation. Workshops presented for the Maricopa Department of Public Health Non-COVID & OD2A Investigators; August 2021; Virtual.

Meyer LG. Empathic Communication in Case Investigation. Workshops presented for the Maricopa Department of Public Health COVID Investigators; August 2021; Virtual.

Meyer LG. Empathic Communication in Case Investigation. Workshops presented for the ASU COVID-19 Case Investigation Team; July 2021; Virtual.

Meyer LG. Supporting Students and Showing Empathy After a Tragedy in the Community. Talk presented for the University of Colorado Choral Directors; March 23, 2021; Boulder, CO.

Meyer LG. The Art of Empathy: Communication to Build Connection. Talk presented for Reach AZ Friendly Helpline; May 2020; Tucson, AZ.

Meyer LG. Difficult conversations in patient care: the art of empathy. Talk presented for the University of Arizona College of Medicine; April 2020; Tucson, AZ.

Meyer LG. On the Front Lines: Crisis and Suicidality in Colorado. Talk presented for the Philanthropic Educational Organization, CZ Chapter; November 2017; Boulder, CO.

Honors and Awards

Early Career Achievement Award, Arizona State University School of Social Work, Tempe, Arizona, 2022.

President's Medal for Social Embeddedness, Guadalupe COVID-19 Community Response Team, Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona, 2021.

National Cancer Institute (NCI) R25E Summer Research Experience Competitive Award Recipient (CA056452, Dr. Shine Chang, PI), Cancer Prevention Research Training Program (CPRTP), The University of Texas at MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, Texas, 2019.

Gabe Zimmerman Memorial Scholarship, Arizona State University School of Social Work, Tucson, Arizona, 2019.

Philanthropic Educational Organization (P.E.O.) Women's Scholarship, P.E.O. Boulder Chapter C.Z., Boulder, Colorado, 2018.

Psychology Summer Undergraduate Research Fund Grant, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado, 2014.

Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program Grant, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado, 2014.

Imogene Jacobs Award for Junior exhibiting research promise, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado, 2014.