

Conference Program October 26, 2023



College of Public Health UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

Agenda

8:00 - 9:00 a.m., Registration, Refreshments, & Poster Viewing Atrium

9:00 - 10:30 a.m., Welcome + Morning Keynote: Abby Charles *Mahler Hall*

10:30 - 11:00 a.m., Break *Atrium*

11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m., Morning Sessions

Collaborating Across Sectors to Encourage the Use of Wellbeing Data in Local Policy *Room Q*

Shifting Mindsets to Better Address Homelessness *Room K/L*

Using Data Visualization Tools to Inform City Government Violence Reduction Initiative *Room R*

12:30 - 1:30 p.m., Lunch Magnolia Ballroom

1:45 - 2:45 p.m., Afternoon Keynote: K. Chad Clay

Mahler Hall

3:00 - 4:15 p.m., Afternoon Sessions

UGA Extension and the Georgia Clinical and Translational Science Alliance: Community Engagement and Partnerships to Advance Health Equity *Room K/L*

Beyond Health Care: Exploring Cross-Sector Collaboration to Address Health Disparities and Promoting Health and Health Equity *Room Q*

Preparing for Climate-Driven Health Challenges Room R

4:15 - 5:00 p.m., Poster Presentations *Atrium*

Keynote Presenters

Morning Keynote

Abby Charles, MPH, is a Program Director at the Institute for Public Health Innovation, having joined the organization after serving for five years at the Women's Collective, a nationally recognized organization providing care, prevention, and advocacy services for women, girls and their families living with and at risk for HIV in the Metropolitan DC area. Abby's primary role at IPHI has been to provide leadership and coordination for the Community Health Worker Initiatives, overseeing a network of peer Community Health Workers and a portfolio of programs in which the Institute for Public Health Innovation addresses program refinement, implementation, and evaluation. She coordinated the Women's Collective's Policy and Advocacy Program, where she managed the dissemination of their service delivery model and toolkit and worked to train the TWC peer advocacy group, Positive Leaders Uplifting Sisters, to ensure that women's voices were heard at policy-making tables. Prior to this role, Abby spearheaded the intergenerational and youth focused HIV prevention projects, the female condom (FC2) outreach and education project, and the Prosper! Prevention with Positives program. For her work with the Women's Collective, Abby was awarded the Tranquil Space Foundation award for creative expression and leadership development for women and girls in October 2009. She brings knowledge, experience and community relationships that will be critical to the IPHI team and to the success of IPHI's Community Health Worker Initiatives. Abby is a graduate of the George Washington University where she earned a B.S. in Environmental Science and a Master of Public Health in Global Health.

Afternoon Keynote

K. Chad Clay, Ph.D., is the director of the Center for the Study of Global Issues (GLOBIS) and an associate professor in the Department of International Affairs within the School of Public and International Affairs (SPIA) at the University of Georgia. His work focuses primarily on the determinants of human rights practices, collective dissent, political violence, and economic development. He has a strong research interest in the international diffusion of local outcomes, as well as the institutions, organizations, and processes that generate such diffusion. Dr. Clay is also actively involved in the measurement of human rights practices. He is the Co-Founder and Methodology Research & Design Lead for the Human Rights Measurement Initiative (HRMI), co-director of the archived CIRI Human Rights Data Project, and co-Principal Investigator on the Worker Rights in Law & Practice Data Project (WorkR) and the Sub-National Analysis of Repression Project (SNARP). He received his PhD in political science from Binghamton University in 2012.

Session Descriptions

Collaborating Across Sectors to Encourage the Use of Wellbeing Data in Local Policy

Presenters: Rebecca Baskam, MPH Wellbeing Research Professional, College of Public Health, University of Georgia

Carrie Oliver, MPH, CHES, CNP, PMP Senior Innovation Manager, Atlanta Regional Collaborative for Health Improvement (ARCHI)

The National League of Cities (NLC) collaborated with local partners, Atlanta Regional Collaborative for Health Improvement (ARCHI) and Georgia Municipal Association (GMA) to encourage the utilization of wellbeing metrics in local policy through the Metro Atlanta Cities Wellbeing Initiative (MACWI). The MACWI is an eight-month experience for city leaders to expand their knowledge of wellbeing topics and use data to develop policy action plans. MACWI provides an example of the opportunity to build the capacity of city-level leaders to use data to impact community wellbeing. The initiative highlights the importance of engaging a variety of partners for wellbeing efforts.

Shifting Mindsets to Better Address Homelessness

Presenters: John Morris THRIVE Community Programs Team Lead, Advantage Behavioral Health Services Chair, Athens Homeless Coalition

Shea Post Director, Athens Area Homeless Shelter

Stephanie Witt Director, Athens Wellness Clinic

Continuing the discussion began in April's CPH Engage Learning online seminar on how a growing homelessness crisis in Georgia and nationwide intersects with the mission of public health, this session will cover the socio-economic and policy conditions that most impact unhoused populations, the role of substance abuse, and how homelessness is growing among families and children.

Using Data Visualization Tools to Inform City Government Violence Reduction Initiative

Presenters: Rana Bayakly, MPH Chief Epidemiologist, Georgia Department of Public Health Adan Oviedo, MPH GA-FASTER Epidemiologist, Georgia Department of Public Health

Elizabeth Blankenship, MPH GA-VDSR Epidemiologist, Georgia Department of Public Health

This presentation focuses on how Georgia Department of Public Health has leveraged violence morbidity and mortality data, along with CDC's Social Vulnerability Index, to create visualization tools that serve as a resource for community-level violence intervention and prevention.

UGA Extension and the Georgia Clinical and Translational Science Alliance: Community Engagement and Partnerships to Advance Health Equity

Presenters: Courtney Still Brown, PhD, RDN, LD Community Health Engagement Coordinator, UGA Biomedical and Translational Sciences Institute, Georgia Clinical and Translational Science Alliance

Alison Berg, PhD, RDN, LD Associate Professor and Extension Nutrition and Health Specialist, UGA Extension

Sarah T. Henes, PhD, RDN, LD Assistant Professor and Extension Nutrition Specialist, UGA EFNEP State Coordinator

Allisen Penn, EdD Associate Dean for Extension and Outreach, UGA

Brad Phillips, PharmD, BCPS, FCCP Director, Georgia Clinical and Translational Science Alliance

Beth Kindamo, MS Assistant Nutrition Educator and Program Coordinator, UGA Extension

The Cooperative Extension National Framework for Health Equity and Well-being conceptualizes the role of Extension as a key player in national efforts to improve population health. We must engage in strategic partnerships to address the social, economic, and environmental disadvantages that determine population health outcomes through their impact on individual health behaviors and access to health care. Following this session, participants will describe community-engaged research partnerships with UGA Extension, discuss how these strategic partnerships may contribute to improving population health, and identify and evaluate opportunities for collaborations with their organizations.

Beyond Health Care: Exploring Cross-Sector Collaboration to Address Health Disparities and Promoting Health and Health Equity

Presenter: Shana Scott, JD, MPH VP of Community Impact, Metro Atlanta American Heart Association

This session explores the impact of cross-sector collaboration and community partnerships in promoting health and achieving health equity. Using case examples from the Metro Atlanta American Heart Association, presenters will share successful interventions, discuss challenges, and highlight the importance of moving beyond traditional public health to impact population health.

Planning for Climate-Driven Health Challenges

Presenters: Paul Schramm, MS, MPH Health Scientist, CDC's Climate and Health Program

Mike Wharton, Sustainability Officer, Athens-Clarke County Sustainability Office

Hotter days and stronger storms are just a few of the challenges climate change has brought to Georgia communities. This session will cover the outcomes public health agencies and communities are experiencing and can anticipate impacting population health, and our presenters will offer their expertise and experiences planning to address climate-related health issues.

Poster Presentations

1. Cultural Acceptance and Mental Health Among High School Students in Georgia

Primary Author: Salma Sultana Resma, Master of Health Administration, Graduate Research Assistant, University of Georgia

2. Elevating the Relational and Mental Health of Couples Across Georgia *Primary Author*: Zach Bailey, M.S., Doctoral Student, Dept. of Human Development & Family Science, UGA College of Family and Consumer Sciences

3. The Impact of Diet and Exercise on Working Memory-Based ADHD Symptoms: Alternative Treatment Options That Reduce Health Disparities

Primary Author: Aditya Vayalapalli, Undergraduate student, Mercer University

4. The Correlation Between Social Polarization and Distance to Evacuation Site Among residents of Pennsylvania and Ohio: Results from the Neighborhood Connectivity Survey

Primary Author: Christopher Carr, MPH, PhD candidate, UGA College of Public Health

5. Surviving Model Choice with Terminal and Non-Terminal Events: Comparison of Fine-Gray, Semi-Competing Risk, and Time-Varying Adjustment Approaches to Evaluate the Impact Surgical Factors on Reintervention and Survival After Pediatric Congenital Heart Surgery

Primary Author: Tzu-Chun Chu, MPH, PhD Student, UGA College of Public Health

6. Socioeconomic Risk Factors Prevalent in Global Burn Epidemiology: A Systematic Review

Primary Author: Sahira Khalid, BDS, MPH, CAGS (DPH), Public Health Workforce Analyst, Independent Consultant

7. Implications of Maternity Care Deserts on Infant Health Outcomes in Georgia

Primary Author: Joanne Chopak-Foss, PhD, Associate Professor, Georgia Southern University

8. Addressing The Black Maternal Health Equity Crisis Through Data-Driven Decision-Making

Primary Author: Kenyatta W. Stephens, PhD, Consulting Manager, Ernst & Young, LLP

9. Improving The Health of Georgia Families Through a Collaborative Partnership Between the Georgia Department of Public Health Special Supplement Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, And Children and The Georgia Chapter Of The American Academy Of Pediatrics

Primary Author: Rhonda Knight, MPH, RD, LD, Dietetic Internship Administrator, Georgia Department of Public Health

10. Improving Pregnancy Outcomes through Remote Monitoring and Financial Rewards for Participation

Primary Author: Marlo Vernon, PhD, MPH, Associate Professor, Augusta University

11. Alcohol Use, Stress, and Resilience in the Farming Population

Primary Author: Christina Proctor, MPH, PhD, Clinical Assistant Professor, UGA College of Public Health

12. The Relationship Between Farm Role, Healthcare Engagement, and Perceptions of Mental Health in the Farming Community

Primary Author: Noah Hopkins, BSHP, MPH, Doctoral Student, UGA College of Public Health

13. "It's a great life, if you can stand it": Stress, Role Strain, and Role Minimization in South Georgia Farm Wives

Primary Author: Anna Scheyett, PhD, Professor, UGA College of Agricultural & Environmental Sciences, School of Social Work

14. Comparing Standard- And High-Dose Influenza Vaccine Efficacy Across Seasons and Strains in Older and Younger Adults

Primary Author: Savannah M. Hammerton, MS, Graduate Research Assistant, University of Georgia

15. Understanding Language Access Rights Knowledge among Limited English Proficiency Adults and Clinical Providers

Primary Author: Michelle Mavreles Ogrodnick, PhD, Project Manager, Georgia State University

16. Perception of Health and Its Association with Community Health Promotors (CHP) Program Participation in Puerto Rico and Impact on Health after Participating in the Program

Primary Author: Sae Chung, Ph.D, Postdoctoral Research Associate, UGA College of Public Health

17. Health-Related Social Needs of Hispanic Identifying University Students

Primary Author: Missy Jackson, RN, MS, WHNP-BC, Director of Nursing, University of Georgia Health Center

18. Advancing Organizational Health Literacy in Fulton County, GA

Primary Author: Gail Livingstone-Blake, MFT, TRS, Healthcare Program Manager, Fulton County Board of Health

19. Let's Talk About Sex, But Not Our STI History: An Examination of Sexually Active College Students' Sexual Health Communication

Primary Author: Katie Hamilton, BSHP, MPH, ORISE Fellow, CDC

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20. Does Sex Education Change Sexual Health Knowledge and Attitudes?

Primary Authors: Kayla DiPrima and Alex Ruana, MPH students, UGA College of Public Health

21. Racial/Ethnic Differences in HIV Diagnosis Rates Among Women By Census Tract Poverty Level In Georgia, 2018–2021

Primary Author: Daniel E. Mauck, PhD, MPH, MS, Epidemiologist, Georgia Department of Public Health

22. Impact Of Embedded NCI Cancer Center-Funded Staff on Activities To Reduce Disparities In Rural Georgia

Primary Author: Erin Hernandez, MPA, BSED, President/CEO, Northwest Georgia Regional Cancer Coalition

23. The Vital Role of Prevent Blindness Georgia in Enhancing Community Eye Health

Primary Author: Delayna Evans, BA, Program Associate, Prevent Blindness Georgia

24. Breastfeeding Policies and Resources for Postpartum Employees are Lacking Across a University System

Primary Author: Emily Ashby, BSHP, MPH, Doctoral Student, UGA College of Public Health

25. Rethinking Our Approach to Obesity: Medical Education & Public Health Policy Should Promote Health, Not Harm

Primary Author: Kearney T. W. Gunsalus, PhD, Assistant Professor of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, Augusta University/University of Georgia Medical Partnership