

Faculty and Staff of CHEQR

Co-Directors

David Wood, MD, MPH

David Wood, MD, is the co-director of the Center for Health Equity and Quality Research. He also serves as an associate professor in the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Florida College of Medicine-Jacksonville. Wood earned his MD and MPH degrees at the University of California Los Angeles Schools of Medicine and Public Health, and completed residencies in pediatrics and in preventive medicine/public health. He completed a fellowship in health services research at RAND/UCLA. Wood has conducted many grant-funded research projects in the area of access to, and quality of, healthcare for disadvantaged populations. His research has resulted in over 100 peer-reviewed publications, policy reports, book chapters and Web-based materials. Wood founded and directs the Jacksonville Health and Transition Services (JaxHats) clinic, an innovative and nationally recognized program supporting transition of youth with serious chronic health conditions from pediatric to adult health services.

William Livingood, PhD

William Livingood, PhD, serves as the co-director of the Center for Health Equity and Quality Research. He is also the director of the Institute for Health Policy and Evaluation Research at the Duval County Health Department and an associate professor in the UF College of Medicine-Jacksonville Department of Pediatrics. Livingood has been principal investigator or co-principal investigator for numerous community-based applied research and evaluation projects involving the use of a variety of research designs including studies related to tobacco control, HIV/AIDS, maternal and child health, physical activity/obesity reduction, and health professions and workforce development. He has lead research efforts funded by a range of national organizations including the American Public Health Association and the Health Resources and Services Administration related to public health workforce and credentialing issues. In addition, he has done work for maternal and child health projects with funding from the CDC and HRSA Maternal and Child Health Bureau and state Departments of Health for Pennsylvania and Florida. Other research efforts include a variety of substance abuse and child abuse related evaluation projects funded by national organizations through local and state agencies. His research has resulted in over 40 peer-reviewed journal publications.

CHEQR Administration

Katryne Lukens Bull, MPH

Katryne Lukens Bull serves as the research administrator for the Center for Health Equity and Quality Research. She has worked within the field of public health research and evaluation for 14 years providing services including fiscal management, data collection, database development and data analysis. Project topics have included injury prevention, evaluation of community compliance with youth

tobacco laws, breastfeeding, prevention of RSV, and psychoactive medication use and management by people with developmental disabilities. Lukens Bull has also taught research methods and epidemiology at the University of North Florida and worked for three years for the Washington State Department of Health to train local health department staff in community assessment skills. Within CHEQR, Lukens Bull provides assistance with all aspects of research administration, including development, funding, project management and reporting/publishing.

Staff of the Institute for Health Policy Evaluation Research at the Duval County Health Department

Thomas Bryant III, MSW

Thomas Bryant III is a senior researcher and the administrator for the institute. He began working with the Duval County Health Department first as director of the Center for Disease Control-funded Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Program and its evaluation. He has directed research, planning and evaluation programs at the Northeast Florida Regional Planning Council, the New York City Department of Probation, and the New York City Commission on Human Rights. He taught graduate and undergraduate courses at Columbia University, New York University and Tusculum College. Mr. Bryant received his Master's degree in Social Work from Florida State University. He continued his post graduate education in Social Research in the doctoral program at the Columbia University School of Social Work. Mr. Bryant has extensive training and experience in research design, database design and development and qualitative and quantitative analyses. He is proficient in statistical (SPSS and EPI Info), database (Access & SQL), spreadsheet, mapping and presentation software packages. He serves on the Northeast Florida Healthy Start Coalition and the Community Partnership for the Protection of Children Governing Board. He is currently working on his PhD in Health Services Research at the University of Florida, Public Health and Human Performance.

Nancy Winterbauer, PhD

Dr. Nancy Winterbauer is a medical anthropologist and epidemiologist. She coordinates the Center for Community Health Research within the Institute and is an Assistant Professor with the University of Florida College of Public Health & Health Professions. She received a PhD in Biomedical Anthropology from Binghamton University (SUNY) and a MS degree in Epidemiology from the University at Albany (SUNY). She has extensive experience in mixed-methods research, which she has applied to studies of gender and health, sexually transmitted infections, domestic violence, social marketing and program evaluation. She has served as PI or primary evaluator on numerous studies, including a CDC/HRSA-funded evaluation of an AIDS and Corrections Demonstration Project – Jacksonville Jail LINC (Linking Inmates to Care), a breastfeeding promotion program targeting clients attending DCHD WIC clinics, and a civil-legal needs assessment of clients seeking services at the DCHD, Center for Women and Children. She is a founding member of the community-based participatory research group, Community Research Partners for Kids with Special Needs and is a Co-investigator, along with other members of the partnership, of an NIH-funded research project to develop and evaluate an intervention to enhance care coordination for special needs children. Prior to joining DCHD, Dr. Winterbauer was a Senior Research Scientist in the School of Public Health at the University of Illinois, Chicago, where she conducted street

ethnography related to syphilis and HIV among out-of-treatment injection drug users, sex workers, and men who have sex with men.

Rebecca T. Filipowicz, MPH, MS, CHES

Rebecca Filipowicz joined the Institute for Health, Policy and Evaluation Research in September, 2005. Rebecca coordinates the Center for Health Statistics within the Institute. She formerly held a position as a regional coordinator for Chronic Disease Health Promotion and Education in the panhandle of Florida. Rebecca holds a Master's degree in Public Health with a major in Behavioral Sciences and Health Education from Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia. She also holds a Master's degree in Kinesiology with an emphasis in Exercise Physiology from the University of North Texas. Prior to working for the Florida DOH, she was an instructional designer and evaluation coordinator for the Career MPH program at the Rollins School of Public Health at Emory University. Rebecca is also adjunct faculty with the Career MPH program at Emory University and the College of Health at the University of North Florida. She has worked as a consultant for Health Consulting Group, Inc. in Atlanta, Georgia, specifically on HIV related projects and workforce development. Rebecca has experience working in program evaluation, workforce development, instructional design, research methods, distance learning, teaching and project development.

Susan Coughlin, MPH

Susan Coughlin joined the Institute in July 2004. Susan coordinates Policy Research for the Institute and has served as Project manager for Evaluation and Feasibility Studies for the Institute. She received an MPH in Health Policy and Management from Columbia University's Mailman School of Public Health, and received a Bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan with dual major in Economics and Organizational Studies. The summer before she received her master's degree, she was a health care policy intern at the United States Government Accountability Office (GAO) in Washington, DC. After receiving her degree, she worked at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ) on the evaluation of New Jersey's Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan in conjunction with the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services.

Radley C. Remo, MPH

Radley Remo received his master of public health in epidemiology from the University of South Florida. He received his bachelor's degree in health sciences from the University of North Florida. He has over seven years experience working at the Duval County Health Department as a Research Associate and Health Educator. He has worked as a Senior Data Analyst for an academic medical center (Shands Jacksonville) in Jacksonville, FL and as a Research Assistant at James A. Haley Veteran's Hospital in Tampa, FL. He has a wide range of skills and knowledge of data analysis and collection tools (SPSS, ARC GIS and Teleform). He was the first Coordinator for the Institute's Center for Health Statistics and currently coordinates Evaluation Research for the Institute

Xiaoping Yin, MS

Xiaoping Yin received her Master's in Statistics from the University of Georgia - Athens. Her previous experience includes working as a SAS consultant in the Northeast Health District of Public Health in Athens, Ga., a statistician in the Environmental Protection Agency in Athens, Ga., a data analyst at Cingular Wireless in Atlanta, Ga., and a data analyst in the Department of Environmental Health Science at UGA. Xiaoping has experience in statistical analysis and large database management through statistical software packages (SAS, R and SPSS).

Kimberly Pierce, MPH

Kimberly Pierce received her Master's in Public Health from Emory University's Rollins School of Public Health in 2005. Her previous experience includes working as a research specialist for Emory University's School of Medicine (2000-2006), a research intern for the Emory University Department of Global Health's Molecular Epidemiology Unit (2004-2005), and as a systematic literature reviewer for the CDC's Community Guide - Task Force on Community Preventive Services within the Division of Nutrition and Physical Activity (2005-2006). Kimberly has extensive experience in quantitative analysis through statistical software packages (SAS, Epi Info and SPSS) and database management through Microsoft Access.

Ryan Diduk, MPH, CHES

Ryan Diduk received a Bachelor of Arts in psychology from Russell Sage College in Troy, NY. She completed her Master's of Public Health with a concentration in Community Health Education from East Stroudsburg University. She is a Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES) and also holds a position on the national leadership board of the Society for Public Health Education through November 2007. She has worked on various projects related to pregnancy and tobacco use, crimes against women on college campuses, bioterrorism, and most recently completed a study that investigated eating disorders in racially and ethnically diverse college women.

Luminita Razaila, MS

Lumi Razaila received a master's in mathematical science from the University of North Florida and her bachelor's degree from the University of Bucharest in Romania. Her contributions to the center involve analyzing data and collecting summarized information available on the net, to create statistical reports or maps. At the present time she teaches Statistics for Health and Social Science at UNF where she is employed as a full-time statistics instructor. Her experience also includes working as a statistics researcher at Vistakon, a Johnson & Johnson subsidiary based in Jacksonville, in their Department of Clinical Research. She also works as a statistical consultant with the Southern Community Cohort Study.

Morris W. Jackson, MPA

Morris Jackson received a master's degree in public administration from Troy State University and a bachelor's of science in accounting from Jackson State University. He began working with DCHD more than five years ago in the Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Program where he supervised data collection in the Teen Behavior Survey Project. where teens were used to survey other teens regarding risky behaviors in settings where they hangout, i.e., malls, parks, community centers. Mr. Jackson currently works as a GIS mapping analyst and database manager. In addition, he has been in the Air Force reserves for 22 years.