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EDUCATION

2015	Ph.D. Health Services Research, Policy & Administration University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN
2010	M.H.A. Health Administration University of North Texas Health Science Center, Fort Worth, TX
2008	B.A. Political Science & Biology (Honors Program) Baylor University, Waco, TX

ACADEMIC & RESEARCH POSITIONS

2025-Present	Faculty Head of Crawford House The Martha Rivers Ingram Commons Vanderbilt University
2023-Present	Associate Professor (with tenure) Department of Medicine, Health & Society Program for Public Policy Studies Vanderbilt University

Director

Program for Public Policy Studies
Vanderbilt University

Associate Director

The Vanderbilt LGBTQ+ Policy Lab
Vanderbilt University

Affiliated Faculty

Center for Research on Inequality & Health
Vanderbilt University

Affiliated Faculty

Department of Health Policy
Center for Health Services Research
Institute for Medicine and Public Health
Program for LGBTQ Health
Vanderbilt University Medical Center (VUMC)

2019-2023	Assistant Professor Department of Medicine, Health & Society Program for Public Policy Studies Vanderbilt University
2022 (Aug - Oct)	Visiting Faculty Scholar Department of Population Medicine Harvard Medical School
2015-2019	Assistant Professor Department of Health Policy Vanderbilt University Medical Center (VUMC)
2011-2015	Research Assistant State Health Access Data Assistance Center (SHADAC) Division of Health Policy and Management University of Minnesota School of Public Health

RESEARCH & TEACHING EXPERTISE

- LGBTQ+ Health
- Health Services Research
- Health Politics & Policy Analysis
- Health Disparities & Health Equity
- Public Policy Engagement & Advocacy
- Population Health: Surveys & Quantitative Methods

HONORS & AWARDS

Awards

- The Chancellor's Cup for Teaching/Mentoring, Vanderbilt University 2024
- 40 Under 40 Leaders in Minority Health, National Minority Quality Forum 2023
- Jeffrey Nordhaus Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching 2022
Vanderbilt University College of Arts & Science
- Friend of Nursing Award, Vanderbilt University School of Nursing 2022
- COVID-19 Teaching Award, Vanderbilt University College of Arts & Science 2021
- VUceptor Pair of the Year (Co-Awarded with Marguerite Manning), VUcept 2020
- The Inaugural Chancellor's Research Award in Diversity, Equity & Inclusion 2016
Vanderbilt University
- Cross College University Scholar, Vanderbilt University 2016

RESEARCH & PUBLICATIONS

[†]Denotes undergraduate or graduate students, medical students, or other trainees.
(H-Index = 35 as of December 2025)

Refereed Journal Articles

1. **Gonzales G**, Blewett L. Disparities in health insurance among children with same-sex parents. *Pediatrics*, 2013, 132(4): 703-711.

2. **Gonzales G**, Blewett L. National and state-specific health insurance disparities for adults in same-sex relationships. *American Journal of Public Health*, 2014, 104(2): e96-e104.
3. **Gonzales G**. Same-sex marriage—A prescription for better health. *New England Journal of Medicine*, 2014, 370(15): 1373-1376.
4. **Gonzales G**, Henning-Smith C. Health and disability among older adults in same-sex cohabiting relationships. *Journal of Aging and Health*. 2015, 27(3):432-453.
5. **Gonzales G**, Ortiz K. Health insurance disparities among racial and ethnic minorities in same-sex relationships: an intersectional approach. *American Journal of Public Health*. 2015, 105(6): 1106-1113.
6. **Gonzales G**. Association of the New York State Marriage Equality Act with changes in health insurance coverage. *JAMA*. 2015, 314(7): 727-728.
***Invited letter in reply. *JAMA*. 2016, 315(4): 417-418.
7. Golberstein E, **Gonzales G**, Sommers BD. California's early ACA expansion increased coverage and reduced out-of-pocket spending for the state's low-income population. *Health Affairs*. 2015, 34(10): 1688-1694.
***Winner of the 2015 IPUMS-IHIS Research Award
8. Henning-Smith C, **Gonzales G**, Shippee T. Differences by sexual orientation in expectations about future long-term care needs among adults 40 to 65 years old. *American Journal of Public Health*. 2015, 105(11): 2359-2365.
9. Golberstein E, **Gonzales G**. The effects of Medicaid eligibility on mental health services and out-of-pocket spending for mental health services. *Health Services Research*. 2015, 50(6): 1734-1750.
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10. Adepoju L, Preston M, **Gonzales G**. Health care disparities in the post-ACA era. *American Journal of Public Health*. 2015, 105(S5): S665-S667.
11. Boudreaux M, **Gonzales G**, Fried B, Karaca-Mandic P, Blewett L. Residential high speed internet among those likely to benefit from an online health insurance marketplace. *Inquiry*. 2016, 53: 1-7.
12. Henning-Smith C, **Gonzales G**, Shippee T. Barriers to timely medical care for older adults by disability status and household composition. *Journal of Disability Policy Studies*. 2016, 27(2): 116-127.
13. **Gonzales G**, Przedworski J, Henning-Smith C. Comparison of health and health risk factors between lesbian, gay, and bisexual adults and heterosexual adults in the United States: results from the National Health Interview Survey. *JAMA Internal Medicine*. 2016; 176(9): 1344-1351.
***Invited letter in reply. *JAMA Internal Medicine*. 2017; 177(2): 288-289.

14. **Gonzales G**, Henning-Smith C. The Affordable Care Act and health insurance coverage for lesbian, gay, and bisexual adults: analysis of the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System. *LGBT Health*. 2017; 4(1): 62-67.
15. Boudreax M, **Gonzales G**, Saloner B. Medical financial burden declined for consumers in the nongroup market. *Health Affairs*. 2017; 36(5): 833-837.
16. **Gonzales G**. Health insurance coverage among Puerto Rican adults in same-sex relationships. *Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved*. 2017; 28(3): 915-930.
17. **Gonzales G**, Golberstein E, Hill SC, Zuvekas S. Psychological distress and enrollment in Medicaid. *Journal of Behavioral Health Services & Research*. 2017; 44(4): 523-535.
18. **Gonzales G**, Henning-Smith C. Health disparities by sexual orientation: results and implications from the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System. *Journal of Community Health*. 2017; 42(6): 1163-1172.
19. **Gonzales G**, McKay T. What an emerging Trump administration means for LGBT health. *Health Equity*. 2017; 1(1): 83-86.
20. †Sherill E, **Gonzales G**. Recent changes in health insurance coverage and access to care by mental health status, 2012-2015. *JAMA Psychiatry*. 2017; 74(10): 1076-1079.
21. **Gonzales G**, Henning-Smith C. Disparities in access to care among transgender and gender non-conforming adults. *The Milbank Quarterly*. 2017; 95(4): 726-748.
22. Beach LB, Elasy TA, **Gonzales G**. Prevalence of diabetes by sexual orientation: results from the 2014 Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System. *LGBT Health*. 2018; 5(2): 121-130.
23. Henning-Smith C, **Gonzales G**. Differences by sexual orientation in perceptions of neighborhood cohesion: implications for health. *Journal of Community Health*. 2018; 43(3): 578-585.
24. **Gonzales G**, Ehrenfeld JM. The association between state policy environments and self-rated health disparities for sexual minorities in the United States. *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*. 2018; 15(6): 1136.
25. Ehrenfeld JM, Zimmerman DR, **Gonzales G**. Healthcare utilization among transgender individuals in California. *Journal of Medical Systems*. 2018; 42(5): 77.
26. **Gonzales G**, †Zinone R. Cancer diagnoses among lesbian, gay, and bisexual adults: an analysis of the 2013-2016 National Health Interview Surveys. *Cancer Causes & Control*. 2018; 29(9): 845-854.

27. **Gonzales G**, †Dedania R, Driscoll R. Health insurance coverage and access to care among US-born and foreign-born sexual minorities. *Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health*. 2019; 21(3): 540-548.
28. **Gonzales G**, †Quinones N, Attanasio L. Health and access to care among reproductive-age women by sexual orientation and pregnancy status. *Women's Health Issues*. 2019; 29(1): 8-16.
***Selected as Editor's Choice in *Women's Health Issues*.
29. **Gonzales G**, †Quinones N, Martin M. Health equity curricula within health policy and management concentrations in U.S. public health graduate programs. *Pedagogy in Health Promotion*. 2019; 5(4): 276-282.
30. Golberstein E, **Gonzales G**, Meara EL. How do economic downturns affect the mental health of children? Evidence from the National Health Interview Survey. *Health Economics*. 2019; 28(8): 955-970.
31. **Gonzales G**, Driscoll R, †Quinones N. Who are the remaining uninsured sexual minorities under the Affordable Care Act? *LGBT Health*. 2019; 6(6): 319-325.
32. †Dedania R, **Gonzales G**. Disparities in access to health care among US-born and foreign-born adults by mental health status between 2013-2016. *American Journal of Public Health*. 2019; 109(Supplement 3): S221-S227.
33. †DePew R, **Gonzales G**. Differences in U.S. antibiotic prescription use by facility and patient characteristics: evidence from the National Ambulatory Medical Care Survey. *Family Practice*. 2020; 37(2): 180-186.
34. Henning-Smith C, **Gonzales G**. The relationship between living alone and self-rated health varies by age: evidence from the National Health Interview Survey. *Journal of Applied Gerontology*. 2020; 39(9): 971-980.
35. Carpenter CS, Eppink S, **Gonzales G**. Transgender status, gender identity, and socioeconomic outcomes in the United States. *Industrial and Labor Relations Review*. 2020; 73(3):573-599.
36. **Gonzales G**, †Green J. Medication use among sexual-minority populations for self-reported feelings of depression and anxiety. *Psychiatric Services*. 2020; 71(4): 343-354.
37. †DePew R, **Gonzales G**. Differences in health outcomes between Millennials and Generation X in the US: evidence from the National Health Interview Survey. *Population Research and Policy Review*. 2020; 39: 605-616.
38. **Gonzales G**. Differences in 30-day marijuana use by sexual orientation identity: population-based evidence from seven states. *LGBT Health*. 2020; 7(1): 60-67.

39. **Gonzales G**, McKay T, Carpenter C. Disparities in health insurance coverage and access to care for children by mother's sexual orientation. *Maternal and Child Health Journal*. 2020; 24: 630-639.
40. **Gonzales G**, †Gavulic KA. The Equality Act is needed to advance health equity for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender populations. *American Journal of Public Health*. 2020; 110(6): 801-802.
41. **Gonzales G**, †Loret de Mola E, †Gavulic KA, McKay T, Purcell C. Mental health needs among lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) college students during the COVID-19 pandemic. *Journal of Adolescent Health*. 2020; 67(5): 645-648.
42. **Gonzales G**, †Patel R. How many and which sexual minorities will be impacted by the new "Tobacco 21" law? Evidence from the National Health Interview Survey. *Annals of LGBTQ Public and Population Health*. 2020; 1(3): 200-209.
43. **Gonzales G**, Henning-Smith C, Ehrenfeld J. Changes in health insurance coverage and access to care for sexual minorities in the United States, 2013-2018. *Health Services Research*. 2021; 56(2): 235-246.
44. **Gonzales G**, †Rodriguez Navaza B. Lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) health in Cuba: a report from the field. *Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved*. 2021; 32(1): 30-36.
45. †Gavulic KA, **Gonzales G**. Did the Orlando shooting at Pulse nightclub affect sexual minority mental health? Results and challenges using population-based data. *Journal of Gay and Lesbian Mental Health*. 2021; 25(3): 252-264.
46. Carpenter CS, Eppink ST, **Gonzales G**, McKay T. Effects of access to legal same-sex marriage on marriage and health. *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*. 2021; 40(2): 376-411.
47. **Gonzales G**, †Loret de Mola E. Potential COVID-19 vulnerabilities in employment and health care access by sexual orientation. *Annals of LGBTQ Public and Population Health*. 2021; 2(2): 1-21.
48. **Gonzales G**, Young C, Masters E, †Loret de Mola E. Health disparities among lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) adults in Nashville, Tennessee. *Southern Medical Journal*. 2021; 114(5): 299-304.
49. Carpenter CS, **Gonzales G**, McKay T, Sansone D. Effects of the Affordable Care Act dependent coverage mandate on health insurance coverage for individuals in same-sex couples. *Demography*. 2021; 58(5): 1897-1929.
50. †Das R, **Gonzales G**. Self-reported behaviors regarding medications to save money among US sexual minority adults, 2015-2018. *JAMA*. 2021; 326(24): 2526-2529.

51. †Robertson H, †Akré E, **Gonzales G**. Mental health disparities at the intersections of gender identity, race, and ethnicity. *LGBT Health*. 2021; 8(8): 526-535.
52. †Gavulic KA, **Gonzales G**. Health care expenditures and financial burden: a comparison of adults in same-sex couples and different-sex couples. *Medical Care Research & Review*. 2022; 79(2): 281-289.
53. †Elton E, **Gonzales G**. Health insurance coverage and access to care by sexual orientation and marital/cohabitation status: new evidence from the 2015-2018 National Health Interview Survey. *Population Research and Policy Review*. 2022; 41: 479-493.
54. †Taylor MNL, **Gonzales G**. Health disparities among women by sexual orientation identity and same-sex and different-sex cohabiting partnership status. *Women's Health Issues*. 2022; 32(1): 80-86.
55. †Barbee H, †Deal C, **Gonzales G**. Anti-transgender legislation: a public health concern for transgender youth. *JAMA Pediatrics*. 2022; 176(2): 125-126.
56. †March C, **Gonzales G**. Frequent users of emergency departments in the United States by sexual orientation. *Academic Emergency Medicine*. 2022; 29(1): 112-114.
57. †Tran N, Henkhaus L, **Gonzales G**. History of adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) and mental distress among sexual minority and straight U.S. adults. *JAMA Psychiatry*. 2022; 79(4): 377-379.
58. **Gonzales G**, †Deal C. Health risk factors among gender minority high school students in 15 US states. *JAMA*. 2022; 327(15): 1498-1500.
59. Henkhaus L, **Gonzales G**, Buntin M. An algorithm using administrative data to measure adverse childhood experiences (ADM-ACE). *Health Services Research*. 2022; 57(4): 963-972.
60. **Gonzales G**, †Tran NM, †Bennett M. State policies and health disparities between transgender and cisgender adults: considerations and challenges using population-based survey data. *Journal of Health Politics, Policy & Law*. 2022; 47(5): 555-581.
61. Hammack-Aviran C, Eilmus A, Diehl C, Davis LK, **Gonzales G**, Wright Clayton E. LGBTQ+ perspectives on conducting genomic research on sexuality and gender: "the need for knowledge to exist [and] the people that it could possibly harm." *Behavior Genetics*. 2022; 52(4-5): 246-267.
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63. †Ramakrishnan A, **Gonzales G**. Sexual orientation, mental illness, and substance use disorders among justice-involved individuals. *Psychiatric Services*. 2023; 74(3): 257-264.
64. †Deal C, †Doshi R, **Gonzales G**. Gender minority youth experiencing homelessness and corresponding health disparities. *Journal of Adolescent Health*. 2023; 72(5): 763-769.
65. Liu M, Sandhu S, Reisner SL, **Gonzales G**, Keuroghlian AS. Health status and healthcare access among lesbian, gay, and bisexual adults in the US, 2013-2018. *JAMA Internal Medicine*. 2023; 183(4): 380-383.
66. †Pullias G, **Gonzales G**. Barriers to care by sexual orientation and survey language in the USA. *Journal of General Internal Medicine*. 2023; 38(8): 2003-2005.
67. †Mann S, Carpenter CS, **Gonzales G**, †Harrell B, †Deal C. Effects of the Affordable Care Act's Medicaid expansion on health insurance coverage for individuals in same-sex couples. *Health Services Research*. 2023; 58(3): 612-621.
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69. **Gonzales G**, †Loret de Mola E, †Robertson L, †Gavulic KA, McKay T. LGBTQ college student health and wellbeing at the onset of the pandemic: additional evidence and lessons learned from COVID-19. *BMC Public Health*. 2023; 23(967).
70. **Gonzales G**, †Lavey F. The social determinants of health among lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) adults in Nashville, Tennessee. *Journal of Urban Health*. 2023; 100(3): 459-467.
71. †Sin A, Rizzone K, **Gonzales G**. Sports participation and transgender youths. *JAMA Pediatrics*. 2023; 177(11): 1121-1122.
72. †Tran N, †Mann S, **Gonzales G**. Sexual orientation, high deductible health plans, and financial barriers to health care. *Health Affairs*. 2023; 42(9): 1283-1288.
73. †Deal C, **Gonzales G**. Homelessness among sexual minority youth: health disparities and implications for public policy. *Pediatrics*. 2023; 152(6): e2023062227.
***Published with accompanied editorial. Chatterjee A, Obando A. LGBTQ+ youth experiencing homelessness: health impacts and a call to action. *Pediatrics*. 2023; 152(6): e2023063808.
74. Nguyen KH, Levengood TW, Allen HL, **Gonzales G**. Health insurance coverage and access to care by sexual orientation during the COVID-19 pandemic: United States, January 2021 – February 2022. *American Journal of Public Health*. 2024; 114(1): 118-128.

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76. †Nettuno L, †Mann S, **Gonzales G**. Sexual orientation-based health disparities in Chile. *PLOS One*. 2024; 19(1): e0296923.
77. †Mann S, McKay T, **Gonzales G**. Climate change-related disasters and the health of LGBTQ+ populations. *Journal of Climate Change and Health*. 2024; 18: 100304.
78. †Deal C, †Greenberg S, **Gonzales G**. Sexual identity, poverty, and utilization of government services. *Journal of Population Economics*. 2024; 37(51): 1-31.
79. †Tran N, McKay T, **Gonzales G**, Dusetzina S, Fry C. Aging in isolation: sexual orientation differences in navigating cognitive decline. *SSM – Population Health*. 2024; 27: 101699.
80. Nguyen KH, Levengood TW, Gordon A, Allen, HL, **Gonzales G**. Inequities in self-reported social risk factors by sexual orientation and gender identity: a population-based analysis of 23 states. *JAMA Health Forum*. 2024; 5(9): e243176.
81. †Tran NM, McKay T, **Gonzales G**, Fry C, Dusetzina SB. Second class care: patterns of LGBTQ+ patient experiences and receipt of preventive care in midlife and older age. *Health Services Research*. 2024; 31(8): 370.
82. Phillipi JC, Wiese A, Loch S, Wei WQ, Ong H, **Gonzales G**, Patrick SW. Sex and gender variables in data set creation and data cleaning for inclusive and accurate reproductive health research and quality improvement. *Journal of Midwifery & Women's Health*. 2025; 70(1): 131-136.
83. †Von Klein E, Parker M, Patrick SW, Zickafoose J, **Gonzales G**. Association of preterm birth and caregiver employment. *JAMA Pediatrics*. 2025; 179(1): 97-98.
84. †Jang J, **Gonzales G**. Adult mental health associated with adverse and positive childhood experiences among first and second generation Asian Americans. *Journal of General Internal Medicine*. 2025; 40(3): 579-586.
85. †Tran N, **Gonzales G**. Implications of public policies for LGBTQI+ population health in the United States. *Health Affairs*. 2025 (February); published online.
86. **Gonzales G**, †Connelly E. Disparities in health outcomes and access to care between sexual minority and heterosexual Hispanic adults: a non-monolithic approach. *Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health*. 2025; 27(3): 431-440.

87. Schwehr MacArthur N, Panas K, Sarkin C, **Gonzales G**. Provider discrimination by sexual orientation and gender identity. *Journal of General Internal Medicine*. 2025; 40(14): 3523-3526.
88. Nguyen KH, Menard L, Allen H, **Gonzales G**. LGBTQ+ health, policy & politics: advances, challenges, & potential opportunities. *Journal of Health Politics, Policy & Law*. 2025; 50(6): 901-920.
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90. Hughes LD, **Gonzales G**, McKetta S, McDowell A, Charlton BM. Administrative claims data show increased morbidity risk for US adults in same-sex versus different-sex relationships. *Health Affairs*. 2025; 44(7): 846-854.
91. Goodman E, Reiter A, Felsher MA, Perez ME, **Gonzales G**, Finkelstein D. Human papillomavirus disease prevention in the United States and Germany among gender diverse adults with a cervix. *Transgender Health*. 2025; published online.
92. †Von Klein E, Foster C, Zickafoose J, Parker MG, Patrick SW, Roumie CL, **Gonzales G**. Parental health after preterm birth: insights from the National Survey of Children's Health. *Academic Pediatrics*. 2025; published online.
93. †Tran NM, McKay T, **Gonzales G**, Fry C, Dusetzina SB. Association of conscientious objective laws and HIV testing rates among sexual minority adults. *Sexuality Research & Social Policy*. 2025; published online.

Invited Editorials

1. **Gonzales G**, McKay T. Negative LGBTQ+ news media means bad news for LGBTQ+ young adult mental health. *JAMA Pediatrics*. 2024; 178(11): 1101-1103.
2. McKay T, Lampe NM, Barbee H, Prasad A, **Gonzales G**. An evidence-based framework for supporting older LGBTQ+ adults in rural communities: findings from the LGBTQ+ Social Networks, Aging, and Policy Study (QSNAPS). *Public Policy & Aging Report*. 2024; 34(4): 150-153.

Book Chapters

1. **Gonzales G**, Moltz R, King M. Health insurance coverage for same-sex couples: disparities and trends under DOMA. *Health Care Disparities and the LGBT Population*, 2014. Edited by Harvey VL & Housel TH. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books.

Other Published Reports & Policy Briefs

1. **Gonzales G**, Dahlen H, Blewett L. Rescued by the safety net: How government-sponsored programs eased the pain during the recession, *Minnesota Medicine*. 2012, 95(2): 42-44.
2. **Gonzales G**. Why same-sex marriage is important for good health. *Scholars Strategy Network*. Key Findings Policy Brief, December 2013.
3. Blumberg SJ, Nadarajasundaram G, Luke JV, **Gonzales G**. Wireless substitution: State-level estimates from the National Health Interview Survey, 2012. *National Health Statistics Reports*; No 70, December 2013. Hyattsville, MD: National Center for Health Statistics.
4. Blewett L, **Gonzales G**. The Medicaid Atlas: A practical application for state Medicaid analysis. Submitted to the *Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation (ASPE)*. January 2014.
5. **Gonzales G**, Hartman L. Fighting poverty is important for children's health: Using the RWJF DataHub to monitor social determinants of health. Submitted to the *Robert Wood Johnson Foundation*, April 2014.
6. **Gonzales G**. State estimates of limited English proficiency (LEP) by health insurance status. Issue Brief 40. Minneapolis, MN: *State Health Access Data Assistance Center* (SHADAC). University of Minnesota, 2014.
7. **Gonzales G**, Henning-Smith C. How fighting discrimination can enhance well-being for aging gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender Americans. *Scholars Strategy Network*. Key Findings Policy Brief, January 2015.
8. McKay T, **Gonzales G**. Two things health researchers and allies can do right now to advance LGBT research. *Health Affairs Blog*. June 2017.
9. **Gonzales G**, Ehrenfeld JM. Sex is not gender and why it matters for population health. *British Journal of Anaesthesia*. 2018; 120(5): 1130-1131.
10. Henning-Smith C, **Gonzales G**, Tuttle M, and Sarkin C. Social and emotional support during the COVID-19 pandemic by sexual orientation and rurality. *UMN Rural Health Research Center Policy Brief*. June 2022.
11. Henning-Smith C, **Gonzales G**, Lahr M, MacDougall H, Ott A. Prevalence of chronic conditions by sexual orientation and rural-urban location. *UMN Rural Health Research Center Policy Brief*. June 2022.
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14. **Gonzales G**. Marriage equality & health: importance and new threats to Obergefell v. Hodges. *AcademyHealth Blog*. June 29, 2022.
15. Lahr M, Henning-Smith C, **Gonzales G**. Key informant perspectives on supporting health and well-being for LGBTQ+ rural residents. *UMN Rural Health Research Center Policy Brief*. September 2022.
16. Henning-Smith C, **Gonzales G**, Ott A, Pick M, Tuttle M, Sarkin C, Libal R, MacDougall H, Lahr M. Rural LGBTQ+ Americans face health disparities, but communities revealed strengths. *Health Affairs Forefront*. October 2022.
17. Libal R, Henning-Smith C, Tuttle M, **Gonzales G**. Indicators of familial social support by rurality and gender identity. *UMN Rural Health Research Center Policy Brief*. March 2023.
18. Gavulic KA, Ferrara CF, Aaron DG, **Gonzales G**. Presidential powers for LGBTQI+ equity: advances and rollbacks. *Health Affairs Forefront*. In press.

RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT GRANTS AWARDED

National Institute on Mental Health **11/1/2024-10/31/2029**
 Grant Title: "Mental Health Effects of Marriage Policy: Evidence from Linked Administrative Data in New Zealand."
 Role: Co-Investigator (PI: Christopher "Kitt" Carpenter)
 Award Amount: \$3,294,921

National Institute on Minority Health & Health Disparities **9/1/2022-6/25/2025**
(NIMHD)
 Grant Title: "Leveraging Big Data for Transgender and Gender Minority Health Equity Research"
 Role: Principal Investigator
 Award Amount: \$419,829

Vanderbilt Re-Investment Award (VRA) **7/1/2020-6/30/2025**
 Grant Title: "Vanderbilt LGBT Policy Lab"
 Role: Co-Investigator (PI: Christopher "Kitt" Carpenter)
 Award Amount: \$950,000

National Institute on Aging (NIA) **9/15/2019-06/30/2024**
 Grant Title: "Effects of Social Networks and Policy Context on Health Among Older Sexual and Gender Minorities in the US South"
 Role: Co-Investigator (PI: Tara McKay)
 Grant Number: 1 R01 AG063771-01
 Award Amount: \$1,937,619

Merck & Co., Inc **9/15/2022-05/30/2024**
 Grant Title: "Cervical Cancer Screening and HPV Knowledge, Attitudes, Beliefs and Vaccination Experience in Transgender Men and Non-Binary and Intersex Individuals"
 Role: Principal Investigator & Consultant with *Mathematica, Inc.*
 Award Amount: \$530,000

Merck & Co., Inc **10/15/2022-12/31/2023**
 Grant Title: "Contextualizing the Healthcare Experiences of Transgender Adults' Access to Preventative Care"
 Role: Principal Investigator & Consultant with *Mathematica, Inc.*

Southeastern Conference (SEC) Faculty Travel Program **09/01/2022-12/31/2022**
 Grant Title: "Amplifying LGBTQ+ Health Equity Research Across Tennessee and the Southeast"
 Role: Principal Investigator
 Award Amount: \$1,000

Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) **9/15/2021-8/15/2022**
 Grant Title: "Rural/Urban Differences in Health and Health Care Access for LGBT Adults"
 Role: Consultant (PI: Carrie Henning-Smith)
 Award Amount: \$3,009,221
 Consulting Amount: \$5,000

Vanderbilt A&S Immersion Mini-Grant **12/15/2021-3/15/2022**
 Grant Title: "MHS 1001 LGBTQ Rights, Health, & Wellness and Broadway's 'The Prom'"
 Role: Principal Investigator
 Award Amount: \$2,000

Meharry-Vanderbilt Community Engaged Research Core **3/1/2020-2/30/2022**
National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences (NCATS)
 Grant Title: "LGBT Health Disparities in Nashville and Davidson County"
 Role: Principal Investigator (Co-PI Caroline Young)
 Grant Number: VUMC 79359 (2 UL1 TR000445-06)
 Award Amount: \$10,000

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation **8/14/2019-8/13/2022**
 Grant Title: "Expanding research examining the health and equity impacts of population-focused public policies and how they relate to the LGBT community"
 Role: Principal Investigator (Co-PI Christopher "Kitt" Carpenter)
 Grant Number: 76601
 Award Amount: \$749,700

Vanderbilt Strong Faculty Grant Program **1/25/2021-4/30/2021**
 Grant Title: "Teaching Data Science In-Person Using Stata Statistical Software"
 Role: Principal Investigator
 Award Amount: \$2,000

National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI) **9/01/2019-08/31/2021**
 Grant Title: "Genetic Privacy and Identity in Sexual and Gender Minorities: GetPrISM"
 Role: Co-Investigator (PI: Ellen Clayton)
 Grant Number: 1 R21 GH010652-01
 Award Amount: \$434,500

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation **10/31/2018-4/29/2021**
 Grant Title: "Identifying how current policies, processes, and programs might more effectively serve children and families in low-resource households in Tennessee"
 Role: Co-Investigator (PIs: Melinda Buntin and Carolyn Heinrich)
 Grant Number: 75821
 Award Amount: \$1,250,000

Vanderbilt Trans-Institutional Programs (TIPs) Award **7/1/2017-6/30/2020**
 Grant Title: "Vanderbilt LGBT Policy Lab"
 Role: Co-Investigator (PI: Christopher "Kitt" Carpenter)
 Award Amount: \$200,000

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation **12/15/2016-12/14/2018**
 Grant Title: "Examining the Health Impact of Policies Related to the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Community to Address Gaps in Health-Equity Research"
 Role: Co-Investigator (PI: Christopher "Kitt" Carpenter)
 Grant Number: 74174
 Award Amount: \$432,100

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS & INVITED SEMINARS (since 2015)

(oral presentation unless otherwise noted)

Accurate & Nuanced Reporting on Transgender Health

- National LGBTQ+ Journalists Association National Convention, Atlanta, GA, September 2025

What's at Stake: The Future of LGBTQ Rights, Health, and Health Care

- The Solomon Center for Health Law and Policy, Yale University, April 2024

Disparities in Mental Health & the SDOH Among Privately Insured Transgender Patients

- European Public Health Association (EuHEA) Annual Conference, Lisbon, Portugal, November 2024
- Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management (APPAM) Fall Research Conference, Atlanta, GA, November 2023

Marriage & Health Among Sexual Minorities in the US

- IPUMS 30th Anniversary Research Showcase, University of Minnesota, October 2023

Sexual Orientation & Gender Identity: Data Access & Quality

- AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting, Seattle, June 2023

Public Policy & LGBTQ+ Health Disparities

- Dornsife School of Public Health, Drexel University, January 2024
- Institute for Sexual & Gender Minority Health (ISGMH), Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine, April 2023
- Health Disparities Round Table, University of Minnesota, March 2023

Decomposition Analysis of Mental Health Disparities Between Sexual Minority and Heterosexual Adults in the United States

- Center for Anti-Racism, Social Justice and Public Health, New York University (NYU), December 2022
- Department of Public Health, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, December 2022
- Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management (APPAM), Washington DC, November 2022
- European Health Economics Association (EuHEA) Conference, Oslo, July 2022
- 11th Annual Conference of the American Society of Health Economics (ASHEcon), Austin, June 2022

Panel: Advancing Health Equity: Strategies for Addressing Structural Determinants of Health

- Department of Health Policy, Stanford University, October 2022

State-Level Protections & Health Disparities Between Transgender and Cisgender Adults

- 15th Workshop on Costs and Assessment in Psychiatry, Venice, March 2022

LGBTQ Health Policy Research & Future Directions

- Policy Research Group, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, April 2022
- Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, April 2021
- The Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation (ASPE), U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, July 2021

Vulnerabilities Among LGBT College Students During the COVID-19 Pandemic

- Department of Population Medicine, Harvard University, February 2021
- LGBTQIA Resource Center, Georgia Institute of Technology, January 2021
- Department of Health Policy, Vanderbilt University, September 2020
- Department of Gender and Sexuality Studies, Vanderbilt University, September 2020

Marriage Equality Increased Health Benefits for Same-Sex Partners in Large U.S. Companies

- American Public Health Association (APHA) Annual Meeting, Virtual, October 2020

The Impacts of the Orlando Shooting on Sexual Minority Health

- 14th Workshop on Costs and Assessment in Psychiatry, Venice, March 2019

Disparities in Health and Access to Care for Pregnant Sexual Minority Women of Reproductive Age

- American Public Health Association (APHA) Annual Meeting, San Diego, November 2018
- Interdisciplinary Association for Population Health Sciences (IAPHS) Annual Conference, Washington, DC, October 2018

Effects of Same-Sex Marriage Laws on Health Insurance Coverage & Access to Care for Same-Sex Households

- Cornell University Department of Policy Analysis and Management, Ithaca, May 2019
- Harvard Medical School Department of Population Medicine, Boston, September 2018

Changes in Health Insurance Coverage and Access to Care for Sexual Minorities in the United States, 2013-2016

- Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management (APPAM) International Conference, Mexico City, July 2018

Disparities & Health Equity Training in Health Policy MPH Programs

- AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting (poster), Seattle, June 2018

Connecting the Dots Between Research & Public Policy

- Symposium for Justice & Advocacy for Health, Nashville, February 2018

Barriers to Health Care Among Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming Adults

- Conference of the European Survey Research Association, Lisbon, July 2017

The Impact of Same-Sex Marriage Laws on LGBT Health Disparities

- Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management (APPAM) International Conference, Brussels, July 2017
- Indiana University School of Public and Environmental Affairs, Bloomington, December 2016

Repealing DOMA: The Impact of Federal Marriage Recognition for Same-Sex Couples

- Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management (APPAM) Fall Research Conference, Washington, DC, November 2016

Transgender Status and Economic Outcomes

- Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management (APPAM) Fall Research Conference, Washington, DC, November 2016

Health Care Needs in the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Population: Results from the National Health Interview Survey

- Interdisciplinary Population Health Research Conference, State College, September 2016
- Joint Statistical Meetings (JSM), Chicago, August 2016
- AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting, Boston, June 2016
- Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management (APPAM) Fall Research Conference, Miami, November 2015
- Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting, San Diego, May 2015

LGBT Health Disparities Under the Affordable Care Act

- American Public Health Association (APHA) Annual Meeting (poster), Denver, October 2016
- GLMA Annual Conference on LGBT Health, St. Louis, September 2016
- Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management (APPAM) Spring Conference, Washington DC, April 2016

Health and Access to Care at the Intersections of Race, Gender, Age and Sexual Orientation

- Warren Center Gender & Sexualities Seminar, Nashville, March 2016

LGBT Health Disparities in the U.S. South

- The Politics of Health in the South Conference, Nashville, March 2016

Health Insurance Disparities Among Racial/Ethnic Minorities in Same-Sex Relationships

- University of Minnesota Division of Epidemiology & Community Health, Minneapolis, December 2015

Conceptualizing the Political Determinants of Health

- Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, April 2015

Macroeconomic Conditions and Children's Mental Health

- Indiana University/Vanderbilt University Health Economics & Policy Conference, Nashville, December 2015
- 12th Workshop on Costs and Assessment in Psychiatry, Venice, March 2015

WEBINAR PRESENTATIONS (since 2015)

LGBTQ Health Policy & Research

- Health Leads, Boston (Virtual), July 2021

Sexual & LGBTQIA+ Health Awareness

- Student National Medical Association, December 2020

LGBTQ Health and COVID-19

- Southern LGBTQ Health Symposium, Vanderbilt University Medical Center, August 2021
- Nashville Mayor John Cooper's Office and the Metro Nashville Council's LGBTQ Caucus, May 2020

Effects of Same-Sex Marriage Laws on Health Insurance Coverage and Access to Care for Same-Sex Households

- State Health Access Data Assistance Center (SHADAC), September 2018

Health Care Needs in the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Population: Results from the National Health Interview Survey

- Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, September 2016
- Mathematica Policy Research LGBT Affinity Group, June 2016

COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS (since 2015)

LGBTQ+ Youth & Families

- Children's Emergency Care Alliance of Tennessee, September 2020
- Pediatric Research Conference, Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital, September 2019

Health Equity Now: Steps for a Healthier and More Equitable Tennessee

- Tennessee Health Care Campaign Annual Conference, Nashville, September 2019
***Keynote Speaker

Health Care Needs in the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Population

- Student National Medical Association Region X Conference, Nashville, November 2018
- Tennessee Health Care Campaign Annual Conference, Nashville, September 2017
***Keynote Speaker
- Tennessee Commission on Children and Youth, Council on Children's Mental Health, Nashville, March 2017

Health Care Reform: From Obamacare to the American Health Care Act

- Student National Medical Association (SNMA) Region X Conference, Nashville, November 2017
- Medical Grand Rounds, Nashville General Hospital at Meharry Medical College, Nashville, June 2017
- Christ the King Catholic Church, Nashville, August 2017
- Onward Nashville (Sylvan Park Community Center), Nashville, March 2017

Health Care Reform: Past, Present & Future

- Davidson County Young Democrats, Nashville, January 2017
- Tennessee Health Care Campaign Annual Conference, Nashville, August 2016

MEDIA COVERAGE OF RESEARCH (since 2015)

Non-Refereed Editorials & Op-Eds

- What the Supreme Court's decision on LGBT employment discrimination will mean for transgender Americans, *The Conversation*, June 2020
- Transgender Americans Are More Likely to be Unemployed and Poor, *The Conversation*, February 2020
- Discriminatory Laws Hurt Health of LGBT Tennesseans, *The Tennessean*, April 2016

Media Coverage of Research

- Trans, Gender-Questioning Students at Higher Risk in 5 Health Domains, *Medical News Today*, April 22, 2022.
- Evidence on Covid-19 Suicide Risk and LGBTQ Youth, *The Trevor Project*, January 15, 2021.
- Data Suggests That COVID-19 is Especially Affecting LGBTQ Nashvillians, *Nashville Scene*, June 4, 2020.
- Legal Same-Sex Marriage Helps Gay Men's Health, Research Shows. *NBC News*, July 2018.
- Marriage Equality Made Gay Men Healthier, *New York Post*, July 2018.

- Study: Transgender People More Likely to Lack Health Plans. *U.S. News and World Report*, December 2017.
- Time to Say Goodbye to Domestic Partner Health Care? *CBS Money Watch*, November 2016
- You're Going to Be Hearing This Soon: Conservatives Make Gays Unhealthy. *The Rush Limbaugh Show*, June 2016.
- LGBT People Suffer from Poorer Health. Doctors Must Work to Change That. *The Guardian (UK)*, June 2016
- Survey Finds Excess Health Problems in Lesbians, Gays, Bisexuals. *Reuters*, June 2016
- Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Adults are 'More Likely to Drink Heavily, Smoke and Suffer Psychological Distress.' *Daily Mail (UK)*, June 2016
- This Health Study Exposes a Big Problem for the Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Community. *Inverse*, June 2016
- Research Focuses on Health Needs of Gays, Lesbians. *CNN*, June 2016
- Marriage Equality Could Mean More Equal Access to Healthcare. *KBIA, Mid-Missouri Public Radio*, July 2015
- Will Same-Sex Marriage Make America Healthier? *CNN*, June 2015
- More Health Coverage, and Perhaps More Health, For Same-Sex Couples. *WBUR, Boston's NPR News Station*, June 2015
- High Court's Decision on Same Sex Marriage Expected to Boost Health Coverage Among Gay Couples. *Kaiser Health News*, June 2015.

COURSES TAUGHT AT VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY

MHS 2140 Health Care in the United States: Politics & Policy

(30-35 students: Fall 2021, Spring 2022, Fall 2023, Spring 2024, Spring 2025, Fall 2025, Spring 2026)

MHS 3890 Health Care Under the Trump Administration

(30-40 students: Fall 2019, Spring 2020, Fall 2020, Spring 2021)

MHS 3890 Public Health & Health Care in Cuba

(9 students: Maymester 2019)

MHS 1001 LGBTQ Rights, Health & Wellness

(10-15 students: Spring 2022, Spring 2024)

PPS 3200 Research Methods for Public Policy Analysis

(10-20 students: Spring 2021, Fall 2021, Fall 2023, Fall 2024)

UNIV 3325/5325 Health Policy & Advocacy

(30 students: Spring 2017, Spring 2018)

HODH 3231 Introduction to Health Services

(20 students: Fall 2016, Fall 2017, Fall 2018)

SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE & DEPARTMENT

Vanderbilt University

- AdvancED (formerly the Center for Teaching) Faculty Advisory Council, 2025-Present
- Rapid Advance MicroGrant Program (RAMP), Office of Vice Provost for Research and Innovation, Vanderbilt University, 2024-Present
- Committee Chair, Vanderbilt Commons Reading Committee, 2018
- Committee Member, Chancellor's Strategic Planning Committee on Mental Health and Wellbeing, 2016-2018
- Committee Member, Walk Bike Vanderbilt Advisory Board, Vanderbilt University, 2015-2016

College of Arts & Science & Department of Medicine, Health & Society

- Chair & Committee Member, Department of Medicine, Health & Society Faculty Search Committee, 2025-Present
- Committee Member, Departments of Medicine, Health & Society Faculty Search Committee, 2024-2025
- Junior Advisory Review Committee (JARC), College of Arts & Science, 2024
- Committee Member, Departments of Medicine, Health & Society & Sociology Faculty Search Committee, 2020-2021
- Faculty Advisor, United Against Inequities in Disease (UAID) – Vanderbilt Chapter, 2021-Present
- Faculty Advisor, Vanderbilt Students for Underserved Pre-Health Scholars (VSUPS), 2020-Present
- Faculty Advisor, Universities Allied for Essential Medicines (UAEM) – Vanderbilt Chapter, 2019-Present
- Committee Chair, Immersion Committee, Department of Medicine, Health & Society, 2019-Present

School of Medicine & Department of Health Policy

- Member, VUMC Health Equity Research Committee, 2021-2022
- Member, Department of Health Policy Faculty Search Committee, 2020-2021
- Member, Department of Health Policy Faculty Search Committee, 2019-2020
- Judge, Global Health Case Competition, Vanderbilt Institute for Global Health, 2018
- Member, MPH Admissions Committee, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, Department of Health Policy, 2015-Present
- Member, Health Policy Departmental Visibility Committee, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, Department of Health Policy, 2016-2019
- Organizer, Health Policy Grand Rounds, Vanderbilt School of Medicine, 2015-2019

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Committee Membership

- Member, Roundtable on Data for Health Equity: Improving Content and Availability of AHRQ Resources, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), 2022
- Member, Annual Research Meeting (ARM) Planning Committee, AcademyHealth, 2021-2022
- Academic Advisory Board Member, FAIR Health, 2020-Present

- Member, Atlanta Research Data Center (RDC) Review Board, 2017-Present

Extramural Grant Reviewer (ad hoc reviewer, unless otherwise noted)

- Health Research and Wellbeing, Swiss National Science Foundation, July 2023
- Health Services: Quality & Effectiveness (HSQE), Center for Scientific Research, National Institutes of Health (NIH), June 2023
- Minority Health & Health Disparities Special Emphasis Panel, National Institute on Minority Health & Health Disparities (NIMHD), February 2023
- Research in Transforming Health and Health Care Systems, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF), November 2021
- Social Sciences & Population Studies (SSPA), Center for Scientific Research, National Institutes of Health (NIH), October 2020

Conference Program Reviewer

- Abstract Committee Reviewer for Student Posters, AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting, 2018
- Session Organizer, Sexual and Gender Minorities: Health and Mortality, Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting, 2017
- Session Organizer, LGBTQ Families and Households, Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting, 2015
- Advisory Board for Gender and Health Interest Group, AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting, 2015, 2017

Editorial Board Membership

- JAMA Health Forum, 2025-2027

Ad Hoc Journal Reviewer

- American Journal of Epidemiology
- American Journal of Health Economics
- American Journal of Preventive Medicine (AJPM)
- American Journal of Public Health (AJPH)
- American Journal of Sexuality Education
- Annals of Internal Medicine
- Annals of LGBTQ Public and Population Health
- BMJ Open
- Cancer
- Cancer Causes & Control
- Demography
- Ethnicity & Health
- Health Affairs
- Health Education & Behavior
- Health Equity
- Health Services Research (HSR)
- Inquiry
- JAMA
- JAMA Health Forum
- JAMA Internal Medicine

- JAMA Open
- JAMA Pediatrics
- Journal of Adolescent Health
- Journal of Affective Disorders
- Journal of Aging & Social Policy
- Journal of American College Health
- Journal of Family Issues
- Journal of Family Psychology
- Journal of Health and Social Behavior
- Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved
- Journal of Homosexuality
- Journal of LGBT Youth
- Journal of Pediatrics
- Journal of Policy Analysis & Management (JPAM)
- Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA)
- LGBT Health
- Medical Care
- New England Journal of Medicine (NEJM)
- Nicotine & Tobacco Research
- Pediatrics
- Preventive Medicine
- Psychiatric Services
- Psychology of Sexual and Gender Diversity
- Social Psychiatry
- Social Science & Medicine (SSM)
- Social Sciences
- SSM – Population Health
- Substance Use and Misuse
- Transgender Health
- Women's Health Issues

AFFILIATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

AcademyHealth, 2011-Present

American Public Health Association (APHA), 2012-Present

Population Association of America (PAA), 2013-Present

Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management (APPAM), 2013-Present

American Society of Health Economists (ASHEcon), 2019-Present

Interdisciplinary Association for Population Health Science (IAPHS), 2016-Present