

DHERN May 2024 Newsletter

DHERN Announcements

1. Join us for our May meeting, featuring a **fireside chat on careers in disability health equity!** [Register here](#) for our virtual event on May 14th from 2 to 3pm EST. We are so excited to have the following experts join us:
 - a. **Silvia Yee**, Public Policy Director of the Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund
 - b. **Lisa Meeks**, Associate Professor of Family Medicine and Learning Health Sciences at University of Michigan
 - c. **Stephanie DeLuca**, Health and Disability Policy Advisor to Senator Tammy Duckworth
 - d. **Corey Moore**, Chair and Professor in the Department of Rehabilitation and Disability Studies at Langston University
2. We are thrilled to announce the details of our second annual conference! This year centers on **Moving Disability Measurement Forward**, and we have fantastic guests joining us (see flyer for more details):
 - a. **Keynote speaker: Robert Santos, Director of the US Census Bureau**
 - b. **Panel 1: Measuring Disability**
 - i. Jean Hall, PhD, Director, KU Institute for Health and Disability Policy Studies
 - ii. Sue Popkin, PhD, Co-Director, Disability Equity Policy Initiative, Urban Institute
 - c. **Panel 2: Invited - Disability Data Interagency Working Group**
 - d. **Panel 3: Disability as Demographic**
 - i. Mary Lou Breslin, Senior Policy Advisor, Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund (DREDF)
 - ii. Silvia Yee, Public Policy Director, Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund (DREDF)
 - iii. Bonnielin Swenor, PhD, Professor and Director, Johns Hopkins Disability Health Research Center
 - iv. Scott Landes, PhD, Associate Professor, Syracuse University
3. Missed our March meeting featuring Kara Ayers and her research on parents with disabilities? Watch [the recording on our website!](#)
4. Share your recent publications, upcoming events, job opportunities with the DHERN community! To contribute to the next newsletter, please send the following details to us at dhern@jh.edu by the 28th.
 - Name:
 - Email address for contact:

- Details (for event or opportunity, include a brief description no more than 3 lines with dates and necessary links; for publication, include the full citation and an abstract):
- Link for more information/publication:

Opportunities

- **EVENTS**

- a. The Johns Hopkins Disability Health Research Center Seminar Series in Disability Health Research
 - Seminars are hosted on Zoom every Thursday from April 4 to May 9 from 3:30pm-4:30pm ET. [Registration is required](#). Upcoming: May 9, **Rupa Valdez**, PhD, Professor, University of Virginia.

- **GRANTS**

- a. 2024–2025 RDRC and IRP Extramural Mentored Fellowships on Poverty, Retirement, and Disability Research
 - The University of Wisconsin-Madison Retirement and Disability Research Center (UW RDRC) and Institute for Research on Poverty (IRP), have funding to support the study of economically vulnerable populations related to poverty, retirement, and disability policy. Studies may be quantitative or qualitative in nature and may employ a mix of research designs and analytic methods. Proposals are invited from U.S.-based non-tenured junior faculty, postdoctoral researchers, or those in dissertator status. Junior faculty are particularly encouraged to apply. Application deadline: May 15th, 2024, 11:59pm CT. [Learn more and apply](#).

- **JOB OPPORTUNITIES**

- a. [Professor/Associate Professor and Chair of Intellectual Disability Health](#)
 - UNSW is searching for a Chair of Intellectual Disability Health to provide academic and clinical leadership, foster excellence in collaborative intellectual and developmental disability research, innovative teaching, clinical capacity building and engagement activities. The role is responsible for developing and overseeing an internationally recognised program of translational and co-designed research in intellectual and developmental disability mental health. You will be primarily responsible for developing capacity and approaches to intellectual and developmental disability mental health in in South Eastern Sydney LHD, NSW, and nationally, including the leadership of innovative research related to the understanding of the determinants and impact of mental health concerns in people with intellectual and developmental disability, and research related to health services and outcomes. The role has deep interactions with NSW Health, the Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care, and other sector stakeholders. Relevant fields of

research for the appointee are broad and include clinical or translational research relevant to cognitive disabilities. Apply by May 15th.

- b. **Executive Director:** Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund (DREDF), founded in 1979, is one of the nation's preeminent civil rights law and policy centers. Key responsibilities relate to strategy and planning, management, board partnership and stewardship, and communications, fundraising, and programming. DREDF and Vetted Solutions are committed to providing access and reasonable accommodation to candidates interested in applying for the position. To request an accommodation please contact Ari Benjamin at +1.703.220.7242 or ari@vettedolutions.com. For confidential consideration, please send a cover letter and resume to DREDFEDSearch@vettedolutions.com or call +1.202.544.4749.

- **CALL FOR PAPERS**

- a. **Topical Collection on Disability and Women's Mental Health***. Co-Guest Editors Dr. Hilary Brown and Dr. Lesley Tarasoff are leading a call for papers for Archives of Women's Mental Health on disability and women's mental health. We are looking for original research, systematic reviews, and short communications investigating mental health outcomes and mental health care experiences among women with disabilities. We will consider quantitative study designs on populations with physical, vision, hearing, cognitive, and intellectual or developmental disabilities. We encourage the submission of studies that examine sex/gender differences in mental health in populations with disabilities; studies that examine mental health across the reproductive life course (e.g., related to pregnancy and parenting, the menstrual cycle, and the menopausal transition); studies that examine the intersecting impacts of ableism and other forms of oppression (e.g., racism) on disabled women's mental health; and studies from all global contexts. Submission deadline: September 30, 2024.
 - *Note that this is a revised call for the topical collection on Disability and Mental Health Across the Reproductive Life Course, which now has an expanded focus and extended submission deadline.

- **REQUESTS**

- a. **Feedback requested for the draft report for the systematic review on Healthcare Delivery of Clinical Preventive Services for People with Disabilities**
 - The Evidence-based Practice Center (EPC) Program at the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) has posted the draft report for the systematic review on Healthcare Delivery of Clinical Preventive Services for People with Disabilities. It is available for your review and feedback until May 17, 2024 at the Effective Healthcare Web site.
 - The purpose of the review is to (1) document and summarize barriers and facilitators to the receipt of clinical preventive services among people

with disabilities; and (2) evaluate the literature on the effectiveness of interventions to improve the receipt of clinical preventive services among people with disabilities.

- The draft report describes the findings from the evidence review. Your feedback will help improve the relevance of our reviews for healthcare decision making. All comments will be reviewed and considered. We value your feedback and look forward to receiving your comments. AHRQ is a government agency tasked with producing evidence to improve the quality of healthcare while working with partners to ensure that the evidence is understood and used. Below are links that provide more information on the EPC Program.
- b. Volunteers with SCI Needed to Participate in a Research Study
- Researchers with the Spinal Cord and Disability Research Center at TIRR Memorial Hermann in Houston and the University of Montana in Missoula are recruiting people with spinal cord injury (SCI) to participate in a study entitled, "Understanding Interpersonal Violence Against People with SCI and its Psychosocial Impacts." This research will add to the limited understanding of interpersonal violence (IPV) and its consequences in people with SCI. Participants will be invited to participate in individual interviews via ZOOM and asked to share information about their experience with post-injury IPV, help-seeking experiences, and perceptions of the social and psychological effects of IPV.
 - To be eligible, participants must have lived with a traumatic SCI for at least one year; be at least 21 years of age; and have experienced difficult relationships, mistreatment, or neglect since sustaining their SCI but not in the past 12 months. Participants will receive a small payment for their time. For additional information and to learn if eligible, email SCIPSstudy@uth.tmc.edu or call 713-797-7245.

Health Affairs Featured Article

- Fenwick, K., Dossett, E. C., Gitlin, R., Cordasco, K., Hamilton, A. B., & Goodsmith, N. (2024). [**Addressing Pregnancy And Parenting In Mental Health Care: Perspectives Of Women With Serious Mental Illness**](#). Health Affairs, 43(4), 582-589.
 - a. To better understand the experiences and preferences of women with SMI related to addressing pregnancy and parenting with their mental health providers, the authors highlight critical gaps in the delivery of information, support, and resources that can inform efforts to increase providers' capacity to address pregnancy and parenting with women living with SMI.

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