

DHERN July 2024 Newsletter

DHERN Announcements

1. We are thrilled to announce the details of our second annual virtual conference on September 17th, 2024, 11AM-3PM EST! This year centers on **Moving Disability Measurement Forward**, and we have fantastic guests joining us. [Register for our conference now!](#) See the attached 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: Disability Data Interagency Working Group (DDIWG)**
 - i. Adam Politis, Senior Policy Advisor for Disability and Equity, White House Office of Science and Technology Policy
 - ii. Bob Sivinski, Senior Statistician, Office of Management and Budget
 - iii. Invited: Other DDIWG Members
 - 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, DHERN Co-Founder
 - iv. Scott Landes, PhD, Associate Professor, Syracuse University, DHERN Co-Founder
2. Missed our May Careers in Disability Health Fireside Chat? Catch up with our [recorded conversation](#) with experts Silvia Yee, Corey Moore, Lisa Meeks, and Stephanie DeLuca!
3. 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

- POLICY

- a. [Request for Information: Federal Evidence Agenda on Disability Equity](#)
 - Through this Request for information (RFI), the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) seeks input from the public to help inform the development of the Federal Evidence Agenda on Disability Equity. Executive Order 14091 on Further Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities Through the Federal Government (February 16, 2023) directed the OSTP National Science and Technology Council Subcommittee on Equitable Data (SED) to coordinate implementation of recommendations of the Equitable Data Working Group. To address the recommendations relevant to disability, the SED established the Disability Data Interagency Working Group (DDIWG). The DDIWG is tasked with the development and release of a Federal Evidence Agenda on Disability Equity, in order to improve the Federal government's ability to make data-informed policy decisions that advance equity for the disability community.
 - **Comments are due by July 15, 2024.** For further information or questions, please contact us at disabilitydata@ostp.eop.gov.

- CALL FOR PAPERS

- a. [BMC Health Services Research](#) is currently welcoming submissions of original research to the “Improving care for people with disabilities” Collection, Guest Edited by Dr Linda Long-Bellil. [Submissions due](#) until the end of 15 March 2025, but if you are unable to submit a manuscript before this date, please let us know as we may be able to be flexible. [Submission guidelines here](#). Authors should express their interest in the Collection in their cover letter.
- b. [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. 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 SCIPStudy@uth.tmc.edu or call 713-797-7245.

Health Affairs Featured Article

- Kennedy-Hendricks, A., Song, M., McCourt, A. D., Sharfstein, J. M., Eisenberg, M. D., & Saloner, B. (2024). [Licensure Policies May Help States Ensure Access To Opioid Use Disorder Medication In Specialty Addiction Treatment: Study examines state licensure policies and access to opioid use disorder medication in specialty addiction treatment.](#) Health Affairs, 43(5), 732-739.
 - Despite the devastating toll of the overdose crisis in the US, many addiction treatment programs do not offer medications for opioid use disorder (MOUD). Several states have incorporated MOUD requirements into their standards for treatment program licensure. This study examined policy officials' and treatment providers' perspectives on the implementation of these policies.

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