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FORMAL EDUCATION

Master of Public Health, Epidemiology, The University of Texas Health Science Center, 2018
Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, North Carolina State University, 2012, Cum Laude

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Education Policy Initiative at Carolina August 2019- present
Research Specialist

- Provide thought partnership for PIs in conceptualizing, organizing, and conducting evaluations of technical assistance providers for teacher preparation programs
- Project leadership including overseeing team member work, choosing and implementing methodology, setting project timelines, designing, and leading team in analysis, interpreting findings and authoring/co-authoring final reports and briefs
- Collect and analyze qualitative and quantitative data for evaluation of multiple, concurrent projects
- Train and support student interns in qualitative methodology and professional development
- Prepare briefs and reports for dissemination to technical and non-technical audiences
- Support PIs in identifying funding opportunities
- Provide technological consultation and support on the administration of organizational website and the selection of applications for various organizational needs

Duke University School of Medicine, Dept. of Community and Family Health April 2018- June 2019
Research Program Leader

- Responsible for the organization and implementation of six large studies including project conceptualization, providing regulatory oversight, and developing study materials in compliance with Duke's Institutional Review Board (IRB)
- Collected, cleaned, and analyzed qualitative and quantitative data
- Interpreted data and designed figures for presentation to technical and non-technical audiences
- Assisted with the authorship, preparation, and submission of manuscripts to academic journals for publication
- Created and maintained Standard Operating Procedures manuals to ensure adherence to study protocols and departmental and regulatory guidelines
- Created and managed organizational databases
- Prepared content and materials for conference presentations

The University of Texas System, Population Health Department January 2017 – May 2018
Population Health Scholar, Safe Babies Research Initiative

- Conducted secondary data analysis on community socioeconomic indicators, microlevel crime, and health outcomes using large administrative data sets
- Assisted in collecting and analyzing survey data on statewide hospital education for new fathers
- Prepared content and materials for conference presentations

RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

The William C. Friday Fellowship for Human Relations

April 2014 - July 2016

Program and Digital Communications Manager

Facilitated leadership development and racial equity training.

Common Cause

October 2011- June 2013

Outreach, Communications and Research Associate

Planned and implemented various legislative outreach and lobbying efforts around funding for Historically Black Colleges and Universities and the Help America Vote Act.

PUBLICATIONS

Sanchez M, Anglin L, **Rana R**, Butterfield R, Everett CM, and Morgan P. (2020). "Emerging practices in onboarding programs for PAs: Program content." JAAPA 33 (9), 38–42.

Rana R, Blazar M, Jones Q, Butterfield R, Everett CM, Morgan P. (2020). PA job availability in primary care during 2014 and 2016. JAAPA, 33(7), 38–43.

Morgan P, Sanchez M, Anglin L, **Rana R**, Butterfield R, Everett CM. (2020). Emerging practices in onboarding programs for PAs and NPs. JAPPA, 33(3), 40–6.

Reingle Gonzalez, J. M., **Rana, R. E.**, Jetelina, K. K., & Roberts, M. H. (2019). The Value of Lived Experience with the Criminal Justice System: A Qualitative Study of Peer Re-entry Specialists. International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology, 63(10), 1861–1875.

RESEARCH REPORTS AND BRIEFS

Fuller, S.C., **Rana, R.**, Prothero, Jack B. (2021) Meals Matter: The Community Eligibility Provision and Student Success in North Carolina.

Comperatore A., Bastian K., **Rana R.**, Steidinger B., Ducille, C. (2021). Bringing an Implementation Science Lens to Program Transformation: Stakeholders' Perceptions of US PREP's Technical Assistance for Cohort Two Sites.

Comperatore A., Bastian K., **Rana R.**, Anderson R., Steidinger B., Holly C., Marks J. (2020). Bringing an Implementation Science Lens to Program Transformation: Stakeholders' Perceptions of US PREP's Technical Assistance for Inaugural Sites.

Holly C., Ambrose Z., Marks J., Gitterman D., **Rana R.**, Bono D. (2020). The Roadmap to a North Carolina Longitudinal Data System (NCLDS).

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Rana R., Myers M. (2018, March). Community Level Risk Factors Associated with Prenatal Drug Exposure. Texas Public Health Association Annual Conference, Waco, TX.

CREDENTIALS

- Goodmon Fellow, Leadership Triangle (2011)
- Racial Equity Training, REI (2015)
- Dismantling Racism Works (2015)
- Undoing Racism Austin (2017)

SERVICE

- Lone Star Justice Alliance 2017-2018
 - Conducted needs assessment to present to the Texas state Senate, specifically on felony convictions of emerging adults (age 17-24) and adolescent brain development
 - Prepared a high-level overview of a developmental approach to justice for juveniles for the Travis County Commissioner's Court
 - Assisted in the advocacy and implementation of diversion program
- The Texas Civil Rights Project 2017-2018
 - Intake volunteer for inmate civil rights violations
- CAARE Inc. 2015-2016
 - Intake for re-entering individuals GED program

MEMBERSHIPS

- American Evaluation Association, RTP Chapter
- Academic Consortium on Criminal Justice Health