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## **Education**

## PhD, Public Policy

McCormack Graduate School of Policy Studies, University of Massachusetts Boston (2014)

# MPH, Maternal & Child Health and Community Health Education

Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine (1996)

# **BA, Social and Cultural Anthropology**

The Ohio State University (1993)

# **Professional Experience**

## **Assistant Teaching Professor**

**Northeastern University Bouve' College Department of Health Sciences** Boston, MA (2020 - present) Develop, and teach, public health and health policy graduate and undergraduate-level courses, on campus and online. I have developed and taught two asynchronous online courses, and I have taught hybrid classes since Fall semester 2020. Co-Investigator for the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation grant; Human Service Agencies PROJECT IV: Examining perspectives about state government human services sector management, alignment, and Covid-related recovery and equity responses through focus groups with members from American Public Human Services Association (APHSA) and the Alliance for Strong Families & Communities/Council on Accreditation.

#### **Snell Visiting Assistant Clinical Professor**

**Northeastern University Bouve' College of Health Sciences, Dept of Health Sciences** Boston, MA (2017-2020) Developed and taught public health and health policy courses, on campus and online.

# **Public Health Research Analyst**

### RTI International Waltham, MA (2014-2017)

Researched complex public health policy issues for federal agency clientele (e.g. ASPE, CMS, ACF, OPRE, CFPB). Developed models and performed research tasks, applying established concepts and techniques. Assisted in designing methods of data collection for formative and impact evaluations. Managed health policy and health services research projects. Prepared briefs, project reports, budgets and monitored costs. Lead Analyst for CMS Influenza Quality Measure for patients in post-acute care settings. Impact evaluator for CMMI HCIA II awardees.

#### Lecturer

**Northeastern University Bouve' College of Health Sciences, MPH Program** Boston, MA (2016-2017) Taught graduate course on campus, and then developed and taught online version. **University of Massachusetts, Dept of Sociology** Boston, MA (2013-2014) Taught undergraduate courses.

# **Research Assistant and Teaching Assistant**

**McCormack Graduate School of Policy Studies University of Massachusetts** Boston, MA (2007-2014) Working under the direction of Dr. Randy Albelda, Dr. Christian Weller and Dr. Russell Schutt, supported a variety of research and teaching activities, pertaining to social, economic and disability policy. Conducted quantitative and qualitative data collection and analysis. Co-authored journal articles, reports and a book chapter.

# Senior Research Associate

#### Health Resources in Action Boston, MA (2011-2012)

Researched and wrote policy reports. Designed evaluations for hospitals and health departments. Conducted needs assessments for health centers, schools and agencies. Conducted quantitative data analysis, as well as qualitative data collection and analysis. Assisted clients in applying findings to inform policy and program development.

## Senior Community Health Associate

#### Health Resources in Action Boston, MA (2003-2011)

Provided training, facilitation and support to coalitions addressing Substance Abuse, and evaluated SAMHSA funded interventions. Assisted clients in applying findings to inform program development. Supervised staff.

## **Research Project Manager**

## Harvard School of Public Health Boston, MA (2001-2002)

Managed an AHRQ funded research project evaluating hospital-based health care interventions for women experiencing Domestic Violence. Co-developed all research protocols and instruments. Supervised research staff. Responsible for ensuring compliance with grants, IRB requirements, and budget management.

## Medical Records Manager and Appointments Center Coordinator

Planned Parenthood League of Massachusetts Boston, MA (1999-2001)

Managed two administrative departments and supervised staff. Responsible for compliance and medical records retention. Led agency-wide scheduling and billing software conversion.

## **HIV/AIDS Program Coordinator**

Newark City Health District Newark, OH (1997-1999)

# **Publications**

#### Articles

Yaros, A., Ramirez, D., Tueller, S., McKay, T., Lindquist C., Helburn, A. Feinberg, R. and Bir, A. (2018) Child Well-Being when fathers return from Prison *Journal of Offender Rehabilitation* Vol. 52, No. 2 144-161 April 2018.

Weller, C. and Helburn, A. (2010) States to the Rescue: Policy Options for State Government to Promote Private Sector Retirement Savings *Journal of Pension Benefits* Vol. 18, No. 1 New York: Aspen Publishers Autumn 2010

Weller, C. and Helburn, A. (2010) Financial Stress and Asymmetrical Financial Decisions, *Political Economy Research Institute (PERI) Working Paper Series Number 243*, U of Massachusetts Amherst December 2010

#### **Policy Reports**

Seibert, J., Feinberg, R., Ayub, A., Helburn, A. and Gibbs, D. (2018) *State Practices in Treatment/Therapeutic Foster Care* ASPE Research Brief Washington DC: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services April 2018

Mellgren, L., McKay, T., Landwehr, J., Bir, A., Helburn, A. Lindquist, C., & Krieger, K. (2017). *Earnings and Child Support Participation Among Reentering Fathers*. ASPE Research Brief. Washington DC: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services January 2017

Helburn A. & Schutt, R. Community Inclusion of Individuals with Disabilities: The Perspective of Massachusetts Policy Makers Executive Report University of Massachusetts, Boston July 2013

Helburn, A., Stillman, L. & Ridini, S. A Case for Smoke Free Housing Asthma Regional Council of NE September 2007

Helburn, A. Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance (YRBS) Report Chelsea Public Schools 2005-2010

## **Book Chapters**

Weller, C. and Helburn, A., "Public Policy Options to Build Wealth for America's Middle Class" in *Shared Responsibility, Shared Risk: Governments, Markets and Social Policy in the Twenty-First Century* ed. Hacker, J. and O'Leary, A. (New York: Oxford University Press, 2012) 123-141.

## Dissertation

A Longitudinal Look at Social Protection: Does Unequal Receipt of Employment Based Benefits lead to Health Disparities, thus limiting Earnings Mobility? June 2014

# **Presentations**

Helburn, A. and McGuire, J. Advancing Alignment through State Government Practices: *Preliminary Findings from the Public/Private Human Services Leadership Focus Group Project* Virtual Presentation to the Advisory Committee October 2021

Helburn, A. Child Welfare League of America (CWLA) *Therapeutic Foster Care (TFC): Implementation Challenges and Promising Practices* Washington D.C. March 2017

Helburn, A. and Byrne C. National Quality Forum (NQF) Health and Wellness Review of Post-Acute Measures *Influenza Quality Measures* Washington D.C. September 2016

Helburn, A. Eastern Economic Association (EEA) Annual Meeting *A Longitudinal Assessment of how Health Status effects Income Inequality among U.S. Workers* Boston, MA March 2014

Helburn, A. APPAM Annual Research Conference *Financial Vicious Cycles: Do Financial Crises Result in Extraordinary Increases in Financial Stress?* Boston, MA November 2010

Helburn, A. SES and Health across Generations and over the Life Course PSID Conference *Related Inequities: Employment-based Benefits and Health Status among U.S. Working Households* Ann Arbor, MI September 2010

Helburn, A. and Weller, C. Center for American Progress 'Shared Risk Shared Responsibility' Conference *Jobs and Wealth: The Role of Public Policy* Washington, D.C. October 2009

Helburn, A. American Public Health Association (APHA) Annual Meeting *Assessing and Advancing Smoke-Free Housing Policies* San Diego, CA October 2008

Helburn, A. and Barbosa, M. MBTAA Collaborative Conference: Addressing Alcohol Advertising in New England Communities *Alcohol Advertising and Health Disparities* Boston, MA May 2007

# **Professional Development and Associations**

MA Public Health Association (MPHA)	2017
American Association of University Women (AAUW)	2016
Greater Boston Evaluation Network (GBEN – AEA)	2014
ICPSR-STATA Multi-Level Modeling Workshop in Ann Arbor, MI	2010
LIS Cross-National Data Center Annual Workshop in Luxembourg	2009
Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM)	2008
American Public Health Association (APHA)	2003