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## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

### **President**

July 2017 – present, Soar Strategies, Inc. Evanston, IL

- Provide executive, leadership, career and team coaching
- Consult on Board development/governance/engagement, administrative advocacy, program/policy development, financial management, and nonprofit organizational development and management
- Design, implement and evaluate programs/workshops on maternal and child health topics
- Execute qualitative methodologies (i.e., focus groups, interviews)

### **Adjunct Lecturer**

January 2017 – present, University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL

- Design and teach courses, including CHSC543, Policy and Advocacy in Maternal and Child Health
- Provide coaching to MPH and PhD students in the Center for Excellence in Maternal and Child Health
- Serve on faculty search committees
- Assist in planning MCH Workforce Region V/VII semi-annual retreats

### **Executive Director**

September 2010 – February 2017, EverThrive Illinois, Chicago, IL

- Give direction and leadership toward the achievement of EverThrive IL's philosophy, mission, strategy and its annual goals and objectives
- As the Illinois Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition affiliate, work to implement national outreach initiatives, such as text4baby
- Implement the strategic goals and objectives of the organization and enable the Board to fulfill its governance function
- Supervise staff of 18 in the design and implementation of five major initiative areas, and advocacy efforts focused on women, children, and families in Illinois

### **President**

November 2008 – November 2010, Lewis Health Solutions, Evanston, IL

- Design, implement and evaluate programs/workshops on Maternal and Child Health topics
- Assist non-profit/community-based organizations with grantwriting and financial resource identification
- Conduct focus groups/facilitate meetings
- Serve as Associate for other consulting firms: Practice Matters (New York City), Jump at the Sun Consultants (Milwaukee), Millennia Consulting (Chicago)

### **Coordinator, Healthy City Collaborative**

January 2009 – August 2010, University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL

- Assist in planning of Healthy City Collaborative bimonthly meetings and workshops
- Co-manage CBPR Network website
- Create surveys/evaluation tools for seminars/workshops
- Serve on Center for Excellence in Eliminating Disparities (CEED) Evaluation Committee

### **Director, Health Promotions Department**

January 2006 – December 2008, Westside Health Authority, Chicago, IL

- Actively sought out, applied for, and managed grants totaling over \$600,000 annually
- Hired and supervised a team of 9 full and part time staff and 15 outreach workers
- Coordinated community-based participatory research project with Northwestern University School of Medicine and Austin community members
- Trained outreach workers in the topics of prematurity, health disparities, and healthy pregnancy

**Consultant**

February 2005 – March 2006, March of Dimes Illinois Chapter, Chicago, IL

- Served on the Closing the Gap Executive Committee and assisted in the development of a social marketing campaign in two Chicago communities designed to increase awareness about risk/facilitating factors in African-American infant mortality
- Assisted in the development of a peer education curriculum for the Closing the Gap project, a multi-year grant given to the March of Dimes from the Illinois Department of Human Services/HRSA to reduce African-American infant mortality
- Managed qualitative data instrument development/facilitation of focus groups to test images/messages with target population
- Trained peer educators on the implementation of the curriculum

**Research Assistant, Naomi Morris Collaborative for Community Health Assessment and Evaluation**

September 2004 – January 2006, University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL

- Collected primary data via one-on-one interviews with team members for the Care Improvement Collaborative and READII projects
- Assisted in the completion of Institutional Review Board (IRB) applications
- Hired and supervised data entry staff

**Associate Director of Program Services**

March 2004 – December 2004, March of Dimes Illinois Chapter, Chicago, IL

- Coordinated and supervised activities of Program staff  
Supported Hispanic initiatives such as Latina Day, a day-long seminar in Spanish for women
- Planned and coordinated a Prematurity Summit for consumers and physicians

**Folic Acid/Prematurity Campaign Coordinator**

June 2002- March 2004, March of Dimes Illinois Chapter, Chicago, IL

- Assisted efforts of the Illinois Folic Acid Council
- Launched, coordinated, and supported activities of the March of Dimes Illinois Prematurity Campaign
- Formulated organizational structure of the March of Dimes African-American Advisory Council
- Managed volunteer committees (Prematurity Campaign Council, African-American Council, Illinois Folic Acid Council)
- Planned community events such as press conferences and health professional seminars

**Project Coordinator**

May 2001-June 2002, Department of Preventive Medicine and Epidemiology, Loyola University Medical Center, Maywood, IL

- Directly in charge of recruitment and enrollment of study participants in six research studies examining the genetics of hypertension and obesity in African and Mexican Americans
- Supervised staff of nine employees
- Managed over \$8,000 in study participant incentives
- Established petty cash system at clinic
- Interviewed participants

**EDUCATION**

**PhD**, May 2022, **University of Illinois at Chicago**, Chicago, IL

Concentration: Maternal and Child Health Methods, Programs, and Policy

Minor: Management

Dissertation: Stress Measurement in Middle/High Income Women: Revision of the PRAMS Stressful Life Events Scale

**MPH**, May 2001, **Boston University**, Boston, MA

Concentration: International Health

Thesis: Physician Bias in the Treatment of Heart Disease Among African-American Women

**BS**, May 1998, **Georgetown University**, Washington, DC

Major: Biology

Minor: Spanish

**Universidad Autonoma**, Madrid, Spain

Georgetown University Study Abroad Program, Academic Year 1996-97

Language proficiency: Spanish

**Certificate of Professional Achievement in Nonprofit Management**, March 2016, **Northwestern University (Kellogg School of Management)**, Evanston, IL

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Lecturer**, Fall 2018, Fall 2019, Fall 2021

University of Illinois at Chicago

Course: MCH Policy and Advocacy

**Lecturer**, Spring 2018, Spring 2019, Spring 2020

University of Illinois at Chicago

Course: MCH Delivery Systems

**Lecturer**, Spring 2017, Spring 2018

University of Illinois at Chicago

Course: Public Health Systems, Policy, and Management

**Lecturer**, Spring 2017, Fall 2017

Northwestern University

Course: Lessons in Nonprofit Management

**Guest Lecturer**, Spring 2016

DePaul University

Course: Foundations of Maternal and Child Health with Global Learning Experience

Topic: Policy & Advocacy in Maternal and Child Health

**Guest Lecturer**, Spring 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016

Northwestern University

Course: Public Health Policy and Advocacy

Topic: Administrative Advocacy

**Guest Lecturer**, Spring 2014

University of Illinois at Chicago – College of Medicine

Course: Urban Medicine Forum

Topic: The Impact of Prematurity in Illinois

**Guest Lecturer**, Fall 2013

Northwestern University - Feinberg School of Medicine

Course: Health and Society

Topic: The Illinois Health Care System: Changes and Opportunities

**Guest Lecturer**, Fall 2013

University of Illinois at Chicago

Course: Maternal and Child Health Policy and Advocacy (CHSC 543)

Topic: Administrative Advocacy

**Guest Lecturer**, Spring 2013

University of Illinois at Chicago – College of Medicine

Course: Urban Medicine Forum

Topic: Prematurity in Illinois - From Advocacy to Policy

**Guest Lecturer**, Fall 2012

University of Illinois at Chicago

Course: Maternal and Child Health Policy and Advocacy (CHSC 543)

Topic: Administrative Advocacy

**Co-Instructor**, Fall 2009 and Spring 2011

**Northwestern University**

Course: Overview & Introduction to Role of Community in Public Health

**Guest Lecturer**, Spring 2010

**University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (Gillings School of Global Public Health)**

Course: Understanding and Addressing Health Disparities in the US

Topic: Community activities to eliminate disparities using engagement, policy processes and a life course approach

**Guest Lecturer**, Summer 2009- Spring 2010

**Midwestern University Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine**

Topic: Health Disparities

**Guest Lecturer**, Summer 2009

**Renaissance Pere Marquette, New Orleans**

Course: 2009 NIH Summer Institute on Community-Based Participatory Research Targeting the Medically Underserved

Topic: Theory and Measurement in CBPR; Measurement in CBPR: Science and Process

**Co-Instructor**, Spring 2009

**University of Illinois at Chicago**

Course: Introduction to Maternal and Child Health

**Teaching Assistant**, Summer 2008 & Spring 2009

**University of Illinois at Chicago**

Course: Behavioral Sciences in Public Health

**Guest Lecturer**, Spring 2008

**University of Illinois at Chicago**

Course: Methodological Issues in Cross-Cultural Research

Topic: Measuring African-American Acculturation

**Teaching Assistant**, Fall 2007

**University of Illinois at Chicago**

Course: Writing in Psychology

**Guest Lecturer**, Fall 2007

**University of Illinois at Chicago**

Course: Behavioral Sciences in Public Health

Topics: Race, Ethnicity, and Health Disparities; Public Health Interventions

**Guest Lecturer**, Summer 2007

**University of Chicago**

Course: 2007 NIH Summer Institute on the Design and Development of Community-Based Participatory Research in Health

Topic: Measurement and Scale Development

**Panelist**, Spring 2007

**University of Illinois at Chicago**

Course: Behavioral Sciences in Public Health

Topic: Race, Ethnicity, and Sexual Orientation in Health Promotion

### **SELECT PRESENTATIONS**

**Hill, J.** (2019, February) *Leadership and Assessment*. Presented at the Communities in School Site Coordinator Forum, Chicago, Illinois.

**Hill, J.** (2019, January) *Public Health Leadership*. Presented for the Illinois Society for Public Health Education, Evanston, Illinois (via webinar).

Minhas, S; Stake, C; Billings, K., **Hill, J.**; Manworren R.; Barsness, K. (2019, June) *Integration of patient reported outcomes to assess postoperative pain: feedback from parents*. Presented at the 12th International Symposium on Paediatric Pain, Basel, Switzerland.

Manworren J.R.; Raad, A.A.; Hajduk, J. ; **Hill, J.**; Manworren, R.C.B. (2018, September) *Validation of Measures of Opioid Induced Euphoria in Teenagers*. Presented at 17th IASP World Congress on Pain, Boston, Massachusetts.

**Hill, J.** Stern, C., Sujata, K., Geller, S. (2016, November). *Women Hold Up Half the Sky exhibit: Maternal Health Panel*. Presented at Rotary International , Evanston, Illinois.

**Hill, J.** (2015, June) *My Career Journey*. Presented at High Tea at i.c.stars, Chicago, Illinois.

**Lewis, J.** (2014, November) *State of Adolescent Health in Illinois*. Presented at the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Rush Adolescent Health Family Center, Chicago, Illinois.

**Lewis, J.** (2013, August) *MCH Series for IDPH staff: Maternal and Child Health: What is it and why is it so important?* Presented at the Illinois Department of Public Health , Chicago, Illinois.

**Lewis, J.** (2013, August) *MCH Series for IDPH staff: Affordable Care Act and Women's Health*. Presented at the Illinois Department of Public Health , Chicago, Illinois.

**Lewis, J.** (2013, June) *Affordable Care Act and Obesity Prevention in Illinois: Information and Resources* Presented at the CLOCC quarterly general meeting, Chicago, Illinois.

**Lewis, J.** (2013, February) *Maternal and Child Health: Where do we go from here?* Presented as Keynote at the DePaul Health Disparities and Social Justice Conference, Chicago, Illinois.

Kramer, A., Brown, D, **Lewis, J.**, Aggarwal, N., Vasandan, A. (2012, April) *Overcoming Gender Stereotypes & Transform your Career*. Presented by the Women's Leadership and Mentoring Alliance, Chicago, Illinois.

**Lewis, J.** (2012, April). *Moving from Capacity Building to Policy Implementation*. Presented at the 2012 Minority Health Conference, Schaumburg, Illinois.

Pulatie, K., **Lewis, J.** & Howard, S. (2011, February). *The Affordable Care Act and its Impact on Women, Families and Minorities in Illinois*. Presented at the Third Annual UIC School of Public Health Minority Health Conference, Chicago, Illinois.

**Lewis, J.** and Howard, S. (2011, January) *The Affordable Care Act and its Impact on Women, Families and Minorities in Illinois*. Presented at the DePaul Health Disparities and Social Justice Conference, Chicago, Illinois.

**Lewis, J.** (2010, February) *Stress and Pregnancy Outcomes Among Populations of Color*. Presented at the March of Dimes Perinatal Nursing Conference, Oakbrook, Illinois.

Rohan, A.M.K., Lathen, L., **Lewis, J.**, Onheiber, P.M., Katcher, M.L. (2009, December) *Views of Urban African Americans Regarding the Importance of Life Course Factors to Birth Outcomes*. Presented at the Maternal and Child Health Epidemiology Conference, Tampa, Florida.

Curry, G., **Lewis, J.**, Rose, K., Peacock, G., and Bishop, V. (2009, November). *Using Objective Methodology to Engage African-American Community Partners in Community-Academic Research*. Presented at the American Public Health Association conference, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Boyd, C., and **Lewis, J.** (2009, November) *Nurturing Authentic University/community Partnerships to Address Health Disparities: The UIC Healthy City Collaborative*. Presented at the American Public Health Association conference, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

**Lewis, J.** (2009, October) *Winning Outreach Strategies to Address Adverse Birth Outcomes*. Presented at Boston Healthy Start, Boston, Massachusetts.

**Lewis, J.** (2009, October). *Taking Care of Ourselves: Self-Care*. Presented at Boston Healthy Start, Boston, MA.

**Lewis, J.** (2009, June). *Community Mobilization and Engagement to Address African-American Infant Mortality*. Presented at the Complex Conceptions: A Conference on Race and Healthy Birth Outcomes, Columbus, Ohio.

**Lewis, J.** (2009, June). *CBPR and Human Subjects Protections from a Community Perspective*. Presented at the 360 Degrees in Human Subjects Protection (University of Chicago), Chicago, Illinois.

**Lewis, J.** (2009, June). *Mobilizing Community Resources in Times of Economic Restraint*. Presented at the Black Infant Health Community Collaborative Leadership Conference, Tampa, Florida.

**Lewis, J.** (2009, May). *What to Do Before you Write: Engaging Stakeholders and Formalizing Support*. Presented at the Healthy City Collaborative "Nuts and Bolts of Writing a Collaborative Grant" Seminar, Chicago, Illinois.

**Lewis, J.**, Rittner, S. & Wright, P. (2009, February). *Community Healthy Lifestyles Partnership Project (C-HeLP): Design of Health Survey and Intervention Components by Community Health Advocates*. Presented at the First Annual UIC School of Public Health Minority Health Conference, Chicago, Illinois.

Rittner, S. & **Lewis, J.** (2009, January) *Community Healthy Lifestyles Partnership Project: A Community-Based Participatory Research Training and Surveying Experience for Community Health Advocates*. Presented at the Building a Healthier Community: Eat Well, Live Well conference (sponsored by DHHS Region V), Chicago, IL.

**Lewis, J.** & Rittner, S. (2008, October). *Community Healthy Lifestyles Partnership Project (C-HeLP): A Community-Based Participatory Research (CBPR) training and surveying experience for Community Health Advocates (CHAs)*. Presented at the American Public Health Association conference, San Diego, CA.

**Lewis, J.** (2008, September). *Role Negotiation Upon Embarking into Community-University Partnerships*. Presented at the Questions about the Basics of Research & Beginning Collaborative Research Partnerships NUCATS workshop, Chicago, Illinois.

**Lewis, J. & Wright, P.** (2007, November). *Preparing for university partnerships*. Presented at the Developing Community Capacity for Research Participation workshop, Chicago, Illinois.

Cochran, S., O'Connell, K., **Lewis, J.**, Borchardt, P., Maruyama, N., Ellison, A., Hinton, T. (2007, November). *An Innovative Social Marketing Campaign to Improve Birth Outcomes in African-American Communities*. Presented at the American Public Health Association conference, Washington, D.C.

**Lewis, J.** (2007, August) *"Mommy and Me" Pregnancy education classes*. Presented at the CityMatCH conference, Denver, Colorado.

**Lewis, J.** (2007, May) *Maintaining a healthy lifestyle with a hectic life*. Presented at the Evanston Black Summit, Evanston, Illinois.

**Lewis, J.** (2007, May) *Developing a culturally competent education & outreach campaign: Illinois Chapter*. Presented at the March of Dimes Big 5 Summit, San Jose, California.

**Lewis, J.**, Rittner, S., Reed, J., Weiss, K., Kato, T., & Kohrman, C. (2007, April) *Community healthy lifestyles partnership project (C-HeLP): A community-based participatory research (CBPR) training model for community surveyors*. Poster presented at the Illinois Public Health Association conference, Springfield, Illinois.

### **CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION**

Panelist, *MCH Legacy: Lessons From the Past Informing the Future, Building MCH Policies and Just Communities*, American Public Health Association, November 2015.

Panelist, *Women's Rights Panel*, Human Rights Watch Council Summit, June 2015.

Moderator, *Innovative Programs and Models for Improving Pregnancy Outcomes*, American Public Health Association, November 2009.

Moderator, Foundation Program Officer Panel, *Healthy City Collaborative "Nuts and Bolts of Writing a Collaborative Grant" Seminar*, University of Illinois at Chicago, July 2009.

Moderator, *Chicago CTSA Consortium for Community Engagement: Community/Academic Seminar*, University of Illinois at Chicago, March 2009.

Moderator, *Improving prenatal outcomes: A Survey of Cutting Edge Issues*, American Public Health Association, October 2008.

Co-founder/Coordinator/Speaker, *Race and health disparities forum: Shaking the foundations of an "uneasy" relationship*, University of Illinois School of Public Health, January 2008.

Moderator, *The role of politics and public policy in improving pregnancy outcomes*, American Public Health Association, November 2007.

Facilitator, *Maternal and Infant Mortality Summit*, Illinois Maternal and Child Health Coalition, October 2007.

Co-facilitator, *Healthy City Collaborative Community Summit*, University of Illinois at Chicago, May 2007.

### **PUBLICATIONS**

Hogan, V., Katzburg, J., **Lewis, J.**, Korenbrot, C., Parker Dominguez, T., Rohweder, C., Umemoto, A. *Reducing Racial/Ethnic and Socioeconomic Disparities in Preterm and Low Birthweight Births* [position paper] American Public Health Association Policy # 20062 (accepted November 2006).

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Member, CityMatCH Conference Planning Committee, October 2021 - present

Member, Voices for Illinois Children Thought Leaders of Color, April 2018 - present

Member, UIC School of Public Health Partner Advisory Board, April 2016 - present

Member, UIC Center of Excellence in MCH Advisory Committee, November 2015 - present

Member, McGaw YMCA Board of Directors, July 2015 - present

Member, Community Memorial Foundation Regional Health and Human Services Implementation Council, March 2016 – February 2018

Community Co-Lead, Healthy Chicago 2.0 Child and Adolescent Health action team, March 2016 - February 2017

Member, Healthy Illinois 2021 Maternal and Child Health Action team, December 2015 - February 2017

Member, Illinois COIIN (federal infant mortality reduction initiative) Steering Committee, June 2014 – February 2017

Chair, Illinois COIIN Preconception Health/Interconceptional Care Committee, June 2014 - February 2017

Member, University of Illinois MCHP Advisory Board, May 2014 - present

Member, Illinois Medicaid Advisory Committee, March 2014 – February 2017

Member, Illinois Commission to End Hunger, October 2012 – February 2017

Co-Chair, No Kid Hungry Workgroup, October 2012 – February 2017

Member, Illinois Perinatal Advisory Committee, October 2011 - October 2015

Member, City of Chicago Early Learning Executive Council, September 2011 – February 2017  
 Co-Chair, Connect4Tots Health Subcommittee, August 2015 – February 2017  
 Member, Illinois State Health Improvement Plan Implementation Coordination Council, September 2011 – February 2015  
 Member, National Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition Board of Directors, 2011- February 2017  
 Chairperson, 2013 - February 2017  
 Member, Illinois Social Services Advisory Council, September 2011 - present  
 Member, Illinois Maternal and Child Health Advisory Council, November 2010 – February 2017  
 Member, Westside Healthy Start Consortium Executive Committee, November 2009- September 2010  
 Member, March of Dimes Illinois Chapter Board of Directors, October 2007- October 2009  
 Co-chair, March of Dimes Program Services Committee, October 2007- November 2010  
 Member, Illinois Health Education Consortium Advisory Board, October 2007- September 2010  
 Member, Maternal and Infant Mortality Summit Steering Committee, June 2007 – April 2008  
 Member, Illinois Public Health Association, April 2007- February 2017  
 Co-chair, Improving Pregnancy Outcomes committee (Maternal and Child Health Section), American Public Health Association, December 2006-present  
 Member, March of Dimes Illinois Chapter Grants Committee, October 2006-May 2009  
 Member, UIC Neighborhoods Initiative Partners Council, April 2006 – September 2010  
 Member, West District Health Council, February 2006 – December 2008  
 Member, UIC College of Nursing Center for Reducing Risks in Vulnerable Populations Multiethnic Community Advisory Board, January 2006-present  
 Member, Community Health Sciences MCH Roundtable Committee, October 2005- August 2007  
 Member, Closing the Gap Infant Mortality Program Steering Committee, February 2005- June 2006  
 Secretary, Family Focus Evanston Auxiliary Board, October 2004 – September 2010  
 Member, Celebrando La Mujer Latina Planning Committee, March 2004 – January 2006  
 Member, Greater Englewood Healthy Start Initiative Executive Committee, November 2003- January 2005  
 Member, Chicago Urban League, Health and Family Services Advisory Board, May 2003- December 2004  
 Member, Delta Omega (public health honor society), 2001  
 Member, American Public Health Association, October 2000-present  
 Section Councilor, Maternal and Child Health Section, American Public Health Association, 2011-2014

### **SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

Recipient, Chicago Community Trust Emerging Leaders Fellowship, 2015  
 Recipient, Paul Q. Peterson Doctoral Scholarship, 2010 (School of Public Health, University of Illinois at Chicago)  
 Recipient, Amuwo Minority Scholarship, 2008 (School of Public Health, University of Illinois at Chicago)  
 Recipient, Edith Heide Memorial Scholarship, Illinois Public Health Association, 2008 (second year of funding)  
 Recipient, Edith Heide Memorial Scholarship, Illinois Public Health Association, 2007  
 Maternal and Child Health Section Fellow, American Public Health Association, 2005  
 Recipient, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship (Graduate Fellowship), 2005-2006 (University of Illinois at Chicago)

### **AWARDS AND HONORS**

Recipient, American Public Health Association, MCH Section Young Professional Award, November 2015  
 Recipient, AMCHP Region V 2015 Young MCH Professional Award, January 2015  
 Recipient, Family Focus Our Place, President's Award, 2009  
 Recipient, Loretta Pratt Lacey Award, 2004-2005 (School of Public Health, University of Illinois at Chicago)  
 Recipient, North Shore - Chicago Chapter Top Ladies of Distinction Crown Award, 2004  
 Finalist, Rex Fendall Award for Excellence in Writing (Dept. of International Health, Boston University), 2001