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EDUCATION AND TRAINING

2004 **PhD:** Psychology, Neuroscience and Animal Behavior
Emory University – Atlanta, GA

2000 **MA:** Psychology, Neuroscience and Animal Behavior
Emory University – Atlanta, GA

1998 **BS:** Psychology/Biology
University of Massachusetts – Boston, MA

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

01/2011 to Current

Assistant Research Professor

Emory University – Atlanta, GA

- Instructor for graduate level courses
Topics: Grant Writing for Public Health; Child and Maternal Health Policy
- Thesis Director for the Master of Science in Public Health Program
- Core faculty/director for [Center for Excellence in Maternal and Child Health](#) and [Center for Behavioral Health Policy Studies](#)
- Principal investigator/evaluator on national health care integration programs, State Autism initiatives, and promoting the sexual and reproductive health of women with disabilities and incarcerated populations.
- Performance and implementation specialist of a nationwide network of rehabilitation and social inclusion services for persons with disabilities in the Republic of Georgia, promoting the sexual and reproductive health of women with disabilities
- Co – investigator on 4 federally – funded randomized controlled trials aimed at understanding and improving health and health care in persons with serious mental disorders
- Authored and published research journal articles, book chapters, and professional presentations

05/2004 to 12/2010

Director of Research Projects

Emory University – Atlanta, GA

Responsible for directing all aspects of seven federally – funded health policy research studies through the entirety of their program cycles, including:

- Establishment and maintenance of positive relationships with research staff, regulators, health care providers, and community agencies
- Federal grant proposal development, implementation, and coordination
- Personnel hiring, training, and supervision
- Budget preparation and oversight; contract renewals
- Statistical analysis of baseline, implementation, and outcomes data
- Co – authoring manuscripts for publication

GRADUATE COURSE WORK

2013 – Current HPM#581: MSPH Research Seminar I
2013 – Current HPM#582: MSPH Research Seminar II
2012 – Current BSHE/EPI/GH/HPM 596 and lab: Foundations in Maternal and Child Health
2011 – Current HPM 543: Grant Writing for Public Health

OTHER GRADUATE TEACHING ACTIVITIES

2015 – Current Trained five cohorts of Emory University and Morehouse School of Medicine residents in *Prescribe, Refer, Educate: A psychiatrist's guide to sexual and reproductive health*. (In kind)

2013 – Current Co – Director of the Maternal and Child Health Certificate.

2013 – Current Core Faculty of the Center for Behavioral Health Policy

2013 – Current Instructor for Emory University TATTO course

Spring 2016 Guest lecture CoLA course on Female Incarceration: *"Mental Illness, Women, and the Criminal Justice System"*

Fall 2013 and 2014 HPM PhD seminar: *"Ethics in Health Services Research"*

MENTORING RECOGNITION

2016 *Modupe Dayo* Mentoring award by Emory Black Student Association
2016 and 2017 *Thesis committee chair of record* award by Executive MPH program
2015 Nominated for Crystal Apple award

EMORY COMMITTEES

2016 – Current Co – chair of Martin Luther King Jr. Community Service Awards Committee

2016 – Current Laney Graduate School EGDF Social Sciences and Humanities Committee, Diversity scholarship committee member

2013 – Current Member of the Ruth Katz Award Committee

2013 – Current Emory Women's Club Scholarship award selection committee

2015 Chair of Shepard Award Committee

2015 Member of Committee on departmental teaching goals

2015 Member of Martin Luther King Jr. Community Service Awards Committee

2014 Member of Shepard Award Committee

2013 – 2015 Member of Health Policy and Management faculty recruitment committee

2013 – 2014 Chair of Health Policy and Management Curriculum Committee

EMORY COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE

2015 – Current Facilitator for "Unconscious Bias" program for faculty recruitment by Office of Equity and Inclusion

2015 – Current Faculty representative to the RSPH Honor Council

2015 – Current Participating faculty in Grady Health Systems' Transgender Clinic Implementation (in kind qualitative data collection and analysis and technical assistance with clinic implementation)

2014 – Current Participated in non – tenure track faculty focus group for the Emory University equality initiative

2012 – Current Established network of graduate students writing grants for non – profit community organizations, including Atlanta Community Foodbank, Urban Recipe, Malachi's Storehouse, Piney Grove, Intown Collaborative Ministries, and City of Refuge.

2004 – Current The Carter Center Journalism Fellowship for Mental Health Reporting award selection committee.

- 2004 – Current Consultant for The Carter Center Mental Health Program, Atlanta, GA, for the development and evaluation of policy, fellowships, and action – oriented policy meetings.
- 2015 Member of the HPM faculty recruitment committee
- 2014 Initiated writing initiative for HPM students with the RSPH Writing Center in response to employers’ requests for higher writing skills for new hires
- 2014 Selected to be a faculty member of the Institute for Developing Nations Ebola Faculty and Community Discussion Forum
- 2003 – 2005 Member of the Biomedical Institutional Review Board

EXTERNAL COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE

- 2018 – Current Board Member for Postpartum Support International, GA Chapter
- 2014 – Current Graduate Mentor for “Change Agent” Leadership development program *Raising Your Game: A Journey to Increase Your Impact*
<https://www.leadershipandchangemagazine.com/raising-your-game-a-journey-to-increase-your-impact/>
- 2017 Grant writing assistance and consultation for United Way and for Urban League of Greater Atlanta Project Ready Goal 21st Century Community Learning Centers grant
- 2016 – 2017 Technical assistance and consultation for United Way
 Technical assistance and consultation for Urban League of Greater Atlanta Project Ready Goal
 Technical assistance and consultation for Urban League of Greater Atlanta Project Ready Goal 21st Century Community Learning Centers grant
 Technical assistance and consultation for Pre Arrest Diversion (PAD) program
- 2014 Member of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) annual meeting planning committee

PEER REVIEW ACTIVITIES

- 2011 – Current Reviewer for: BMC Psychiatry, BMC Medical Informatics and Decision Making Research, Systematic Reviews, National Institute for Health (NIHR) Research and the Research for Patient Benefit (RfPB) Programme for the The Joint Commission Journal on Quality and Patient Safety, Emory Global Health Institute’s Multidisciplinary Team Field Scholars Award proposal, CUNY Collaborative Grant, International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health, PLOS ONE, and Health Affairs

LANGUAGES

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| Fluent English | Conversational French |
| Native German Speaker | Basic Latin |

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Druss, BG, Singh, M, **von Esenwein, SA**, Glick GE, Tapscott, S, Jenkins – Tucker, S, Lally, CA, **Sterling, EW**. (2018) Peer – Led Self – Management of General Medical Conditions for Patients with Serious Mental Illnesses: A Randomized Trial. In print. Published online: February 01, 2018
<https://doi.org/10.1176/appi.ps.201700352>
- Kim, H, Filson, C, Joski, P, **von Esenwein, SA**, Lipscomp, J. (2018). Association between Online Information Seeking and Guideline Adherence in Breast and Prostate Cancer Screening, 2012 – 2014. In print, Preventing Chronic Disease.

- Druss, BG, **von Esenwein, SA**, Glick, GE, Deubler, E., Lally, C., Ward, M, Rask, K. (2017) Randomized Trial of an Integrated Behavioral Health Home: The Health Outcomes Management and Evaluation (HOME) Study. *American Journal of Psychiatry*, Mar 1; 174(3):246 – 255.
- Kotlar, B, Kornrich, R, Deneen, M, Kenner, C, Theis, L, **von Esenwein, SA**, Webb – Girard A. (2015). Meeting Incarcerated Women's Needs for Pregnancy – Related and Postpartum Services: Challenges and Opportunities. *Perspective Sex Reprod Health*. 2015 Dec; 47(4):221 – 5.
- Anderson, A, **von Esenwein, SA**, Spaulding, A, & Druss, B (2015). Involvement in the criminal justice system among attendees of an urban mental health center. *Health & Justice*, 3, 4.
- von Esenwein, SA** & Druss BG. (2014). Using electronic health records to improve the physical healthcare of people with serious mental illnesses: A view from the front lines. *International Review of Psychiatry*, 26: 629–637.
- Druss, BG & **von Esenwein, SA**. (2013). Randomized Trial of an Electronic Personal Health Record for Patients with Serious Mental Illnesses. *American J. Psychiatry*. 2014; 171(3): 360 – 68.
- Krishan, S, **von Esenwein, SA**, Druss, BG. (2012). The health literacy of adults with severe mental illness. *Psychiatry Services*, Apr;63(4):397.
- Druss BG, **von Esenwein SA**, Compton MT, Zhao L, Leslie DL. [Budget impact and sustainability of medical care management for persons with serious mental illnesses](#). *Am J Psychiatry*. 2011 Nov; 168(11):1171 – 8.
- Druss BG, **von Esenwein SA**, Compton MT, Rask KJ, Zhao L, Parker RM. The Primary Care Access Referral and Evaluation (PCARE) Study: A Randomized Trial of Medical Care Management for Community Mental Health Settings. *Am J Psychiatry* 2010; 167:151 – 159.
- Druss BG, Zhao L, **von Esenwein SA**, Bona JR, Fricks L, Jenkins Tucker S, Sterling EW, DiClemente R, Lorig, K. The Health and Recovery Peer (HARP) Program: A peer – led intervention to improve medical self – management for persons with serious mental illnesses. *Schizophrenia. Res.* 2010, [Volume 118, Issues 1 – 3](#), 264 – 270.
- Druss BG, **von Esenwein SA**. [Improving general medical care for persons with mental and addictive disorders: systematic review](#). *Gen Hosp Psychiatry*. 2006 Mar – Apr; 28(2):145 – 53.

F. Selected other written work

Conducted a statewide needs assessment for Adult Autism Services for the state of GA.

Final report: [Improving the Community – Based Infrastructure to Meet the Developmental Disability Service Needs of Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder in Georgia](#)

von Esenwein, SA & Druss, BG. (2014). Integrating Care in the Public Sector. In P. Summergrad & R. Kathol (Eds.) *Integrated Care in Psychiatry: Redefining the Role of Mental Health of Professionals in the Medical Setting*. Springer. pp 127 – 141.

G. Selected oral and media communication

1. Cook, S, **von Esenwein, SA**. *Improving the quality of care and wellbeing of transgender patients: Creating an innovative, multidisciplinary clinic*. Accepted to the 2018 APA Annual Meeting, NY, NY.
2. Cook, S., **von Esenwein, SA**, and Ward, M. (2017). “We don’t talk about That Stuff”: Integrating Sexual and Reproductive Health Services into Outpatient Psychiatrist Practice. *Emory Brain Health Center Research Day, May, Atlanta, GA*
3. **von Esenwein, SA**, Ward, M., Cook, SB, Philip, Z. “We don’t talk about that stuff: How psychiatrists view sexual and reproductive health services”. Poster presentation during the APHA 2017 Annual Meeting & Expo (Nov. 4 – Nov. 8) in Atlanta, GA.

4. Howard, J, Edukuye, O, Phillip, Z, Cook, S, **von Esenwein, SA**, Herbert, S. *Transgender Health: Assessing Residents and Fellows Medical Knowledge and Personal Comfort When Working with Transgender Patients*. USPATH Conference, February 2017, Los Angeles, CA.
5. **von Esenwein, SA**. *Developing a tool for psychiatrist to address the reproductive health needs of their female patients*. RSPH, MCH Faculty Pilot Grant Series, January 31, 2017.
6. **von Esenwein, SA & Sterling, WE**. *Qualitative Analysis of the statewide needs assessment for Adult Autism Services for the state of GA*. Presentation given at the Autism Initiative Community Advisory Board Meeting, August 26, 2016.
7. **von Esenwein, SA**, Cook, SB. *Prescribe, Refer, Educate: Integrating Sexual and Reproductive Health Services into Psychiatric Outpatient Practice*. 2016 CityMatCH Leadership and MCH Epidemiology Conference, September 14 – 16. Philadelphia, PA.
8. **von Esenwein, SA**, Ward, M., Cook, SB. *"We don't talk about that stuff": Integrating Sexual and Reproductive Health Services into Outpatient Psychiatrist Practice*. APHA 2016 Annual Meeting and Expo, Denver, CO, Oct. 29 – Nov 2, 2016. Roundtable Discussion.
9. **von Esenwein, SA**, Ward, M., Cook, SB. *"Establishing the need for sexual and reproductive health services among women with serious mental illness"*. APHA 2016 Annual Meeting & Expo (Oct. 29 – Nov. 2, 2016) in Denver, CO.
10. Kotlar, B, Kornrich, R, Deneen, M, Kenner, C, Theis, L, **von Esenwein, SA**, Webb – Girard A. (2015). *Meeting Incarcerated Women's Needs for Pregnancy – Related and Postpartum Services: Challenges and Opportunities*. *Perspect Sex Reprod Health*. 2015 Dec; 47(4):221 – 5.
11. **von Esenwein, SA**, Nuhaily S, Kotlar, B. *Maternity and Postpartum Care in Incarcerated Populations*. CityMatCH Leadership and MCH Epidemiology Conference. Sept 2015. SLC
12. **von Esenwein, SA**, Webb – Gerard, A & Kotlar, B. *"Prenatal Curriculum for pregnant inmates in the state of Georgia."* Abstract presented at the 2015 CityMatCH Annual Urban MCH Leadership Conference, September 28 – 30, 2015.
13. **von Esenwein, SA**, Nuhaily S, Kotlar, B. *Motherhood Beyond Bars: An initiative among pregnant and postpartum incarcerated women in Georgia"*; "Perinatal & Women's Health Poster Session" during the 143rd APHA Annual Meeting and Expo in Chicago, IL, 2015.
14. Interview and video: *"PHR resulted in significantly improved quality of care and use of services"* Society for Participatory Medicine blog, by [e – Patient Dave](#), February 25, 2014.
15. *"Safety net populations do benefit from online PHRs"*: poster at ICSI/IHI Colloquium. Society for Participatory Medicine blog, by [e – Patient Dave](#), February 25, 2014.