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EDUCATION:

Doctor of Public Health

December 2020

University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky

Program: Health Management & Policy

Master of Public Health

May 2011

University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky

Program: Health Behavior

Certificate of Global Health

May 2011

University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky

Bachelor of Arts

May 2007

Berea College, Berea, Kentucky

Major: Spanish, Minor: Sociology

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Kentucky Department for Public Health (through University of Kentucky)-Viral Hepatitis Program:

April 2020-Present Prevention Coordinator

University of Kentucky- College of Public Health:

January 2022-Present Part-time Instructor

University of Kentucky-Bluegrass Care Clinic:

July 2015-April 2020 Patient Services Coordinator

Chamberlin Edmonds (Change Healthcare):

April 2014-July 2015 Healthcare Representative at University of Kentucky Healthcare

Feb 2013-April 2014 Resolve Application Specialist

Bluegrass Community Health Center:

May 2012- Feb 2013 Clinical Assistant

Nov 2007- April 2012 Patient Resource Coordinator/Case Manager

June 2007- Oct 2007 Senior Office Associate

Sunflower Kids Visitation Center:

December 2007- 2012 Visitation & Exchange Monitor/Interpreter

Berea College:

Aug 2006-May 2007 Hispanic Outreach Project Coordinator-Center for Excellence in Learning through Service
June- August 2006 Berea Reads Tutor- Center for Excellence in Learning through Service
June- August 2005 Upward Bound Tutor-Counselor- TRIO Programs
February - Dec 2005 Spanish Teaching Assistant-Foreign Language Department

COURSES TAUGHT:

University of Kentucky: CPH 365-002- Spec Tops Pub Health: Health & Society: A Global Perspective
Spring 2022, Spring 2023 (planned)

SKILLS:

- Microsoft Office Suite; REDCap
- STATA and SPSS Statistical Software

LANGUAGES:

- English and Spanish (fluent); French (basic); Swahili (basic)

RESEARCH/APPLIED EXPERIENCE:

Doctoral Dissertation, University of Kentucky, Summer 2019-November 2020

Utilizing a Formative Program Evaluation Approach and an Application of Grounded Theory to Assess a Novel Harm Reduction Initiative

Doctoral Research, University of Kentucky, Spring 2020

Unintentional Substance Overdose Risk among Homeless and Housing Unstable Heroin Users in Washington Heights
Role: Research Assistant; Co-PIs: Rafael Pérez-Figueroa & Liz Evans

DrPH Practicum. KIRP Harm Reduction Initiative, Summer-Fall 2019

Formative Program Evaluation; Harm Reduction and Substance Use Research; Trainings/Meetings/Conferences

DrPH Practicum, Bluegrass Care Clinic, Summer 2018

Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Management; Research/data analysis of Ryan White patient clinical and socio-economic data; Trainings/Meetings/Conferences

Masters Thesis, University of Kentucky, Fall 2010-Spring 2011

Descriptive Analysis of Abnormal Cervical Cancer Screening Follow-Up Among A Sample of Medically Underserved Women in Kentucky

Masters Global Health Practicum, PPFA-African Regional Office, Summer 2010

Nairobi, Kenya; Activities: Tabitha Clinic (Kibera Informal Settlement) Health Education; Qualitative research project to assess pre- and post-natal care and birth experiences; Meetings regarding salient health policy issues in the country

Latino Outreach Intern, Planned Parenthood Kentucky, Summer 2009

Outcomes: Increased Latino patient population; more developed infrastructure for accommodating/educating Latino patients. Activities: Spanish Language Parent-Child Communication Workshop Development, UK Hispanic Health Fair, Translation of education materials, Intimate Partner Violence Training

Undergraduate Directed Study, Berea College, Spring 2007

Initiatives in the Hispanic Community- helped to coordinate Hispanic Resource Coalition in Madison County, KY; compiled Bilingual Madison County Resource Directory, and addressed concerns of Latino community regarding access to services through meeting with community agencies and document translation.

Undergraduate Research, Berea College, January 2007

Recent Trends in Latino Immigration in Central Kentucky and Responses to the Needs of this Population- Madison County and Lexington, Kentucky

Undergraduate Directed Study, Berea College, Spring 2005

Hispanic Outreach Project Course- Tutored Latino kindergarten student in reading, helped to initiate compilation of Bilingual Madison County Resource Directory, and discussed social issues of Latinos in the United States

PUBLICATIONS:

R. E. Pérez-Figueroa, **D. J. Obonyo**, S. Santoscoy, H. Surratt, H. M. Lekas, C. F. Lewis, J. S. Lyons & S. Amesty (2021) Housing Instability, Structural Vulnerability, and Non-Fatal Opioid Overdoses Among People Who Use Heroin in Washington Heights, New York City, *Behavioral Medicine*, DOI: 10.1080/08964289.2021.1922347

Pérez-Figueroa, RE; Lurry, M; Thompson, M; **Obonyo, DJ**; Santella, A; Hyden, C. (2020). Raising awareness about COVID-19 among sexual minority men of color: Sex and the Coronavirus, 2020. *Annals of LGBTQ Public and Population Health*, Volume 01, Number 04. DOI: 10.1891/LGBTQ-2020-0025

PRESENTATIONS:

Obonyo, DJ. (November 2022) Engaging non-traditional partners and people with lived experience in elimination planning and implementation. [Oral Presentation]. *NASTAD Viral Hepatitis Prevention and Surveillance Virtual Learning Collaborative (VLC) Series*. Virtual.

Obonyo, DJ. (October 2022) Creating Kentucky's Hepatitis C Elimination Plan. [Oral Presentation]. *United States Conference on HIV/AIDS*. San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Obonyo, DJ. (August 2022) Creating Kentucky's Hepatitis C Elimination Plan. [Oral Presentation]. *Centers for Disease Control and Prevention August Region B PS21-2103 Call*. Virtual.

Obonyo, DJ; Wilburn, A. (July 2022) World Hepatitis Day highlights quest to eradicate Hep C in Kentucky. *Dr. Greg Davis on Medicine Podcast*. Aired 27 July 2022 on 91.3 WUKY. <https://www.wuky.org/podcast/dr-greg-davis-on-medicine/2022-07-26/world-hepatitis-day-highlights-quest-to-eradicate-hep-c-in-kentucky>

Wilburn, A; **Obonyo, DJ**; Holladay, C; Glick, C. (April 2022) Creating Kentucky's Hepatitis C Elimination Plan. [Oral Presentation]. *Kentucky Public Health Association Annual Conference*. Bowling Green, KY.

Obonyo, DJ; Wilburn, A; Holladay, C; Glick, C. (April 2022) Kentucky's Hepatitis C Elimination Plan. [Poster Presentation]. *Kentucky Public Health Association Annual Conference*. Bowling Green, KY.

Obonyo, DJ (November 2021) Health and Healthcare Access during the Pandemic: Implications for the Latinx Community [Oral Presentation]. *Berea College Hispanic Outreach Project Talks*. Berea, KY.

Pérez-Figueroa, R; **Obonyo, DJ**; Santoscoy, S; Surratt, H; Lekas, HM; Lewis, CF; Lyons, JS; Amesty, S. (October 2020) Discrimination, structural vulnerability, and overdose risk among people who use opioids in Washington Heights, NYC [Poster Presentation]. *American Public Health Association Annual Meeting*, Virtual Meeting.

Obonyo, DJ (April 2020) *Formative Program Evaluation: KIRP Harm Reduction Initiative* [Poster Presentation]. *Kentucky Public Health Association Conference* (Cancelled due to COVID-19, Posters posted online).

Obonyo, DJ; Parrish R (April 2016) Health and HIV in the Hispanic Community [Oral Presentation]. *Berea College Hispanic Outreach Project Talks*. Berea, KY.

De Rosset, F; Cochrane, A; **Obonyo, DJ** (Spring 2007) Hispanic Outreach Project: Bridging Communities through Service Learning [Oral Presentation]. *Appalachian Studies Conference*, Maryville, TN.

De Rosset, F; Cochrane, A; **Obonyo, DJ** (May 2007) Hispanic Outreach Project: Bridging Communities through Service Learning [Oral Presentation]. Madison County Non-Profit Organization Networking Lunch, Berea, KY.

GLOBAL EXPERIENCE:

June 2019	Greece- Athens, Crete, Santorini
June-July 2010	Nairobi, Kenya- MPH Practicum (Additional travel to Kenya in 2012, 2013, & 2016-2017, 2022)
June 2009	Michoacán, Mexico- Immersion program to study Mexican human service systems
January-April 2006	Segovia, Spain- Studied Spanish language and culture (Additional travel to Italy, England, Ireland)
January 2005	Paris, France- Studied the history and culture of Paris (Additional travel to Monaco)

ASSOCIATIONS:

National Alliance of State and Territorial AIDS Directors (NASTAD) Hepatitis Program
Kentucky Public Health Association
American Public Health Association
Kentucky Voices for Health
Kentucky Migrant Network Coalition

CERTIFICATIONS, TRAINING:

October 2021	Visualizing Public Health with Tableau (University of Kentucky)
August 2021	CHART: Cultural Humility for Authentic Responses Training (Spalding University)
May 2020	ASTHO Contact Tracing Training
February 2020	Current CITI Training (Human Subject Protection & Revised Common Rule)
November 2019	BLOCK HIV/HCV Training: Bringing Local Communities Together To Eliminate Coinfection Through Knowledge & Partnerships
March 2017	Kentucky Public Health Assistance Support Team (K-PHAST) Training
2015-Present	AIDS Education Training Center Conferences, Trainings, Webinars

2014 Bridging the Gap Medical Interpreter Training
2014 - 2020 Kynector- Kentucky's Healthcare Connection (KYNECT); Benefind Assister
March 2008 Fundamentals of HIV Prevention Counseling Training-KY Dept for Public Health
2007-13, 2018-2020 CPR Certified (Re-certification completed every two years)
2007 Deemed Qualified Medical Interpreter by the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services
2003 English as a Second Language Tutor Certification- ProLiteracy America

VOLUNTEER/COMMUNITY SERVICE:

2014-Present Kowet Secondary School Fundraising Committee- Siaya, Kenya
2009-2012 Lexington-Fayette County Family Planning Advisory Council Member
May 2008 Hispanic Health Fair at University of Kentucky- Volunteer Interpreter
2006 Volunteer Interpreter for Mariachi musicians-Traditional Music Festival, Berea, KY
October 2004 Mexican Mobile Consulate Volunteer, Richmond, Kentucky
2003-2006 Berea College Annual Hunger Hurts Food Drive Volunteer
2005-2007 Member- Service Learning Advisory Committee- Berea College
2003-2007 Berea College Hispanic Student Association President 2006-07; PR Officer 2004-05

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION:

2013 Team Player Award- ChamberlinEdmonds
2011 University of Kentucky College of Public Health International Service Award
2009 International Golden Key Society Induction
2007 Louise Veltin Award for All-Around Good Citizenship- Berea College
2007 Danforth Creative Effort Award- 2nd Place- Berea College
2007 Departmental Labor Award- Center for Excellence in Learning Through Service
2007 Russell Todd Wise Use of Leisure Time Award- Berea College
2003-2006 Berea College Dean's list
2003 *Vincit Qui Patitur*- Berea College Honor Society