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EDUCATION

Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University Doctor of Philosophy Behavioral, Social and Health Education Sciences	2023
Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University Master of Public Health Global Health	2015
Certificate in Maternal and Child Health	
University of the South Bachelor of Arts International and Global Studies	2010

HONORS AND AWARDS

APHA Latino Caucus' Distinguished Early Career Professional (2023)

Health Equity SIG Student Research Award Society for Behavioral Medicine (2023)

Emory Prevention Research Center Mini Grant for Community-Engaged Student Research (2022)

Everyday Hero Award for Behavioral, Social and Health Education Sciences Department (2022)

GLAHR Certificate of Recognition for Invaluable Support to Defense of Immigrant Communities (2019, 2022)

Rollins School of Public Health Global Field Experience Award (2014)

Volunteer of the Year from Feminist Women's Health Center (2014)

Fulbright Fellow in Argentina (2011)

Phi Beta Kappa Academic Honor Society (2010)

Sigma Delta Pi Spanish Honor Society (2010)

Biehl International Research Fellow (2009)

Canale Community Service Award (2008)

Tonya Public Policy Award (2007, 2010)

Sewanee Regents Scholar (2006-2010)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

International Society for Traumatic Stress (ISTSS)

Aug 2022 – present

Society for Behavioral Medicine Mar 2021 – present

National Hispanic Science Network Mar 2021 – present

American Public Health Association Aug 2014 – present

GRANT FUNDING AND RESEARCH PROJECTS

A. Active Projects

NECHMR RGV0002334 Garza and Lemon (MPIs)

2025-2027

Evaluating Texas CHW Readiness Youth Mental Health Care

This study examines readiness of community health workers to address adolescent mental health as frontline prevention workforce for adolescent depression, trauma and suicide in Texas.

Research Startup Lemon (PI)

2025

Examining Youth Perspectives on Social Determinants of Mental Health in the Rio Grande Valley: A Youth Participatory Action Research Approach

This study uses photovoice to empower youth in the Rio Grande Valley to explore and document the social determinants influencing adolescent mental health and wellbeing in their communities.

TP1AH000324 Peskin and Baker (MPIs)

\$1.2 million

2023-2028

Green to Grown: Replicating Evidence-Based Teen Pregnancy Prevention (TPP) Programs to Scale in Multiple Settings to Advance Equity through the Adolescent Lifespan

A five-year program which aims to improve sexual and reproductive health outcomes in adolescents to increase high-quality care and culturally affirming health education to minority groups in Harris County, TX. Role: Co-Investigator supporting Evaluation and Youth Advisory Board

1UG3NR021232 Mckay, Testa (MPIs)

6.2 Million

2025

Incorporation of a Health Equity Approach to Hospital Violence Intervention Programs: The Integration of a Community and Hospital Based Initiatives to Reduce Gun Violence in a Large Metropolitan Area

The study aims to create the Houston-Hospital-Based Violence Intervention program at Memorial Hermann Hospital in the Texas Medical Center in Houston, Texas, as a community-level response to firearm violence. Role: Co-investigator

R01MD012928-05 Fernandez-Esquer (MPI) , Diamond (MPI) \$3.15 million 2018-2025 VALE+TU SALUD: Corner-Based Randomized Trial To Test A Latino Day Laborer Program Adapted To Prevent Covid 19

A community-driven project aimed at increasing adherence to COVID-19 mitigation practices and addressing health disparities among Latino day laborers in Harris County, TX.

Role: Co-Investigator

B. Completed Projects

No Number **Lemon and Montoya-Zamora (MPIs)** \$6,000

2023-2024

Cell to Community Impact Collaborative: Needs Assessment on Migrant Health in the Rio Grande Valley

This internally funded, mixed-methods needs assessment uses qualitative and geospatial methods to characterize health needs among Hispanic immigrants in the Rio Grande Valley.

R36MH127827 Lemon (PI)

\$88,203

2021-2023

Immigration Policy Enforcement and Latinx Adolescent Mental Health

The purpose of the NIH-funded study was to explore intervenable mechanisms that relate depression and suicidal ideation to immigration policy enforcement among Latinx adolescents using a convergent mixedmethods design composed of difference-in-difference analyses of 287(g) arrests in a multigroup structural equation model, followed by gathering youth perspectives using photovoice and in-depth interviews.

RSPH Pilot Grant

Woods-Jaeger (PI), Lemon (Co-I)

\$70,000

2020-2021

Examining the Psychosocial Impact of COVID-19 on Undocumented Latinx Immigrant Families

Funded by the RSPH Rapid COVID Pilot Grant, the goal of this research project was to examine how stress related to COVID-19 is impacting the psychosocial health of Latinx immigrant families, including how unique factors such as immigration policy effects and cultural and community resources influence this impact, to inform programs and policies that promote resilience among Latinx immigrant families impacted by COVID. Role: Co-investigator; lead for quantitative and qualitative data collection, analysis and dissemination

RSPH GFE Award

Lemon (PI), Amparo Can (Co-I)

\$2,500

2014-2016

Sociocultural Influences on Adolescent Pregnancy in Sololá, Guatemala

With the Universidad del Valle de Guatemala (UVG), Campus Altiplano, this CBPR project sought to explore the influences of adolescent pregnancy in Sololá, Guatemala. I applied participatory approach to conduct 19 in-depth interviews and disseminate the study findings to over 1,000 youth and teachers in Sololá.

Woods-Jaeger (PI) No number 2022-2025

Healing Through Education, Affirmation and Rising Together (HEART) Intervention

The purpose of this study is to developing a multi-level intervention to address racial trauma among Black and Latinx youth equipping youth and adults with knowledge and skills to recognize traumatic stress and learn and practice strategies for coping with racial trauma. I am involved as a consultant for how to engage Latinx youth and community partners and identify appropriate survey measures. Role: Consultant (2022-2023)

Center for Civic Innovation (CCI) and Injury Prevention Research Center at Emory University Safety and Justice Accelerator – Data Literacy Training 2023

Lead development and implementation of a five-session data literacy curriculum as a novel integration of the CCI Fellowship program, where community leaders (social workers, educators, neighborhood activists) dedicated to addressing inequity are provided with tools to strengthen their model for measurable impact. Role: Consultant (2023)

United Way of Greater Atlanta

2019-2022

Evaluating the Fostering Family Leaders Program in Atlanta

The Fostering Families Leaders (FFL), a 2GEN caregiver focused- and curriculum-based program, promotes families' leadership and advocacy in their communities. I supported survey development for evaluation and

provided trainings to CBOs on how to interpret and utilize evaluation data for program improvement and sustainability. I also developed and provided training on the use of photovoice as method for evaluation. Role: Consultant (2019-2022)

No number Woods-Jaeger (PI) 2020-2021

Building Social Environments that Promote Resilience among Youth Exposed to Violence

The purpose of this youth participatory action research project was to explore youth perspectives on how racism affects Black youth impacted by community violence. We used photovoice to explore youth perspectives among Black youth in Kansas City and Atlanta. I led the planning and implementation of photovoice in Kansas City, leading a team of five graduate research assistants.

Role: Project lead and photovoice facilitator (2020-2021)

NIH/NIMHD R01MD013801 Ramirez and Woods-Jaeger (MPI) 2019-2023

Evaluation of Link for Equity: A Program to Reduce Racial/Ethnic School Violence Disparities 2019-2023

The goal of this study is to adapt, implement and evaluate Link for Equity, a culturally responsive program of trauma-informed care for ACE-impacted children, in 12 racially/ethnically diverse middle and high schools from Minnesota. I was involved in developing and adapting intervention tools from youth focus group findings, preparing Spanish-language materials, and delivering cultural humility workshops.

Roles: Graduate Research Assistant (2019-2020); Link cultural humility facilitator (2020-2022)

CDC 1R01CE003104-01 Woods-Jaeger/Livingston (MPIs) 2019-2022

Evaluating Family Economic Policies as Primary Prevention Strategies to Prevent Family and Youth Violence The goal of this research project was to evaluate the effectiveness of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, Minimum Wage, and Earned Income Tax Credit in preventing family and youth violence and reducing violence disparities. I conducted literature review on state economic policies and contributed to three manuscripts. I coded and analyzed data for qualitative interviews with TANF recipients on the impact of TANF policies on intimate partner violence.

Role: Graduate Research Assistant (2019-2021)

Anonymous Foundation #5255 Cwiak/Hall (MPIs)

2018-2020

Evaluating the Impact of Gestational Age Policies on Reproductive Healthcare Systems in the Southeast The purpose of this study was to evaluate the impact of 22-week gestational limit on abortion using mixed-methods. I met with state department of public health for data requests of abortion services provided, cleaned data and conducted regression analyses and published presentations and publications. Role: Graduate research assistant (2018-2019)

PEPFAR/UNAIDS Blevins (PI) 2016-2022

Identifying religion's impact on HIV service provision with stigmatized groups

The purpose was to explore the impact of religion on access to HIV services for key populations (i.e., MSM, HIV+ adolescents, PWID and sex workers) using qualitative methods that resulted in a curriculum for faith-based leaders to reduce stigma and discrimination. I led ethical approval process, training of data collection and analysis for colleagues in Kenya, and led secondary analysis of FBO HIV service provision in Kenya.

Role: Research associate (2016-2018)

Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Munguambe/Blevins (MPIs) 2015-2023
Assessment of community perceptions and feasibility of conducting child mortality surveillance

In South Africa, Bangladesh, and, Sierra Leon, I provided training and technical assistance for conducting formative research and community engagement teams using participatory and qualitative methods as part of the social and behavioral sciences and community engagement team to understand feasibility of implementing child mortality surveillance activities.

Role: Research associate (2016 –2018)

National Science Foundation (no number)

Brown (PI)

2011-2016

Mobility Strategies among Latin American Immigrants in the South

This study sought to understand strategies for economic mobility among Mexican and Dominican immigrants in Georgia through interviews. I supported in recruiting participants and conducting interviews in English and Spanish among middle and upper middle-income Mexican immigrants.

No Number Kiti (PI)

2014-2016

Use and Impact of M-Shwari as a Financial Product in Urban and Rural Kenya

The purpose of this study was to examine the perceptions, utilization and impact of M-Shwari among the informal sector (Jua Kali) in rural and urban Kenya. I analyzed transcripts and conducted description and comparison of coded data as a consultant.

Role: Consultant (2016)

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CDC DHAP 200-2011-41314 SciMetrika

2011-2016

Evaluating the national dissemination of evidence-based HIV prevention interventions (EBIs)
This five-year evaluation contract evaluated the national dissemination of EBIs for HIV prevention using quantitative and qualitative methods. I supported this project in its final year to monitor data quality, communicate with CDC project officer, and led dissemination activities.

Role: Public health specialist (2015-2016)

CDC DVP SciMetrika 2014-2019

Evaluation of Essentials for Childhood: Building Community Commitment for Safe, Stable, Nurturing Relationships and Environments. Led process evaluation research activities for collective impact ACEs intervention EFC in North Carolina. Collected qualitative data in monthly meetings with implementers and analyzed data for reporting. Gathered indicators of child development and well-being for annual reporting. Role: Qualitative researcher (2015-2016)

PUBLICATIONS

*Student/mentee

- 21. **Lemon, E**, L.S. Laguna, K. M. Nieto, et al. 2025. "' Just Being Connected, It's Like a Way of Resisting': Latinx Youth Strengthening Cultural Ties as Resilience and Resistance in the Deep South." *Journal of Community Psychology* 53: 1–12. https://doi.org/10.1002/jcop.70041.
- 20. **Lemon, E. D.**, Ruiz, K., Ling, A., Campos, J. P., Roche, K. M., Suglia, S., Livingston, M., & Woods-Jaeger, B. (2025). "Together we are stronger": YPAR and Latinx immigrant youth resilience and resistance to

- oppressive immigration policies. American Journal of Community Psychology, 1–14. https://doi.org/10.1002/ajcp.12812
- 19. Flores, Y. A.*, **Lemon, E.,** Santiago, C., Urbina, B., & Woods-Jaeger, B. (2024). Migration-related trauma and PTSD among Latinx parents in the southeast during COVID-19. *Psychological Trauma: Theory, Research, Practice, and Policy, 16* (Suppl 2), S446–S455. https://doi.org/10.1037/tra0001511
- 18. Sainz, M.*, **Lemon, E.**, Flores, Y. A., & Woods-Jaeger, B. (2024). "Nos apoyamos mutuamente": Strategies to supporting community health workers addressing the emergency and chronic needs of Latinx families. *Psychological services*. 10.1037/ser0000842. Advance online publication. https://doi.org/10.1037/ser0000842
- 17. **Lemon, E. D.**, Flores, Y.*, Crookes, D. M., Sainz, M.*, Santiago, C., Urbina, B., & Woods-Jaeger, B. (2023). The Toll of the COVID-19 Pandemic on Latinx Mixed-Status Immigrant Families in a Restrictive Immigration Policy Climate in the Southeast. *Children and Youth Services Review*. 107254. https://doi.org/https://doi.org/10.1016/j.childyouth.2023.107254
- 16. **Lemon, E.**, Mera Nieto, K.*, Serrano Laguna*, L., Flores, Y.*, V., Nino, M.*, Peraza-Campos, J., Fuentes, Lozada, K., Ling, A., Woods-Jaeger, B. (2023) "I don't feel safe in places I am supposed to feel safe" Photovoice results on the lasting mental health impacts of 287(g) on Latinx Youth in Georgia. *Health Education and Behavior*. 51 (1), 71-81; doi:10.1177/10901981231193695
- 15. **Lemon, E.**, Crookes, D. M., Del Carmen Chacón, L.*, Santiago, C., Urbina, B., Woods-Jaeger, B. (2023) Facing a Dual Threat: Pandemic Stress and Immigration Policy Vulnerability on Mental Health among Latinx Immigrant Parents. *International Journal of Social Psychiatry*. 0 (0). doi:10.1177/00207640231194480
- 14. Walker, A., Spencer, R. A., **Lemon, E.,** Woods-Jaeger, B., Komro, K. A., & Livingston, M. D. (2023). The Impact of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Benefit Requirements and Sanctions on Maternal Material Hardship, Mental Health, and Parental Aggravation. Maternal and Child Health Journal.
- 13. Crookes, D.M., **Lemon, E.D.**, Sainz, M., Del Carmen Chacón, L., Urbina, B., Woods-Jaeger, B. (2023) Immigration enforcement climate in Georgia and the mental health of Latinx immigrants. *Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved*, 34(2), 798-809
- 12. Komro, K., **Lemon, E.D.**, Livingston, M.D., Spencer, R.A., Woods-Jaeger, B. (2022) Does the Safety Net Help Prevent Family and Youth Violence? *Econofact*. https://econofact.org/does-the-safety-net-help-prevent-family-and-youth-violence
- 11. Jahangir, T.*, Lucas, D.*, **Lemon, E.**, Latimer, S.*, Obeide, I.*, Miller, T., Renfro, T., Woods-Jaeger, B. (2022). Implementing Photovoice Online to Promote Critical Consciousness, Agency, and Action among Black Youth During a Pandemic. *Journal of Participatory Research Methods*. 3(3).
- 10. Spencer, R. A., **Lemon, E. D.**, Komro, K. A., Livingston, M. D., & Woods-Jaeger, B. (2022). Women's Lived Experiences with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF): How TANF Can Better Support

- Women's Wellbeing and Reduce Intimate Partner Violence. *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*, 19(3), 1170.
- 9. Mosley, E. A., Redd, S. K., Hartwig, S. A., Narasimhan, S., **Lemon, E.**, Berry, E., ... & Hall, K. S. (2022). Racial and Ethnic Abortion Disparities Following Georgia's 22-Week Gestational Age Limit. *Women's Health Issues*, *32*(1), 9-19.
- 8. Woods-Jaeger, B., Livingston, M. D., **Lemon, E.**, Spencer, R. A., & Komro, K. A. (2021). The effect of increased minimum wage on child externalizing behaviors. *Preventive medicine reports*, *24*, 101627.
- 7. Livingston, M. D., Woods-Jaeger, B., Spencer, R. A., **Lemon, E.**, Walker, A., & Komro, K. A. (2021). Association of state minimum wage increases with child maltreatment. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*, 08862605211056727.
- 6. **Lemon, E.**, Vu, M., Roche, K. M., Hall, K. S., & Berg, C. J. (2021). Depressive Symptoms in Relation to Adverse Childhood Experiences, Discrimination, Hope, and Social Support in a Diverse Sample of College Students. *Journal of Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities*, 1-11.
- 5 Woods-Jaeger, B., Briggs, E. C., Gaylord-Harden, N., Cho, B., & **Lemon, E.** (2021). Translating cultural assets research into action to mitigate adverse childhood experience—related health disparities among African American youth. *American Psychologist*, *76*(2), 326–336.
- 4. Hall, K. S., Redd, S., Narasimhan, S., Mosley, E. A., Hartwig, S. A., **Lemon, E.**, Berry, E., Lathrop, E., Haddad, L., Rochat, R., & Cwiak, C. (2020). Abortion Trends in Georgia Following Enactment of the 22-Week Gestational Age Limit, 2007–2017. *American Journal of Public Health*, (0), e1-e5.
- 3. Blevins, J., Kiser, M., **Lemon, E.**, & Kone, A. (2017). The percentage of HIV treatment and prevention services in Kenya provided by faith-based health providers. *Development in Practice*, *27*(5), 646-657.2.
- 2. **Lemon, E.**, Hennink, M., & Can Saquic, N. A. (2017). Pathways to adolescent childbearing among Kagchikel women in Guatemala. *Culture, Health & Sexuality*, 1-16.
- 1. Jeffries, W. L., Garrett, S., Phields, M., Olubajo, B., **Lemon, E.**, Valdés-Salgado, R., & Collins, C. B. (2017). Implementation of Evidence-Based HIV Interventions for Gay, Bisexual, and Other Men Who Have Sex with Men. *AIDS and Behavior*, 1-13.

Under Review

- 1. Huerta, J.*, Martinez, D., Ramirez, D., Lemon, E., Vadaparampil, S., Gabram, S., Snyder, C., Guan, Y. Understanding Hispanic and Latino Perceptions on Ancestry-Targeted Inherited Cancer Screening in Georgia via Democratic Deliberation. Under review at Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health
- 2. Flores, Y.*, **Lemon, E.,** Sainz, M.*, Cummings, J., Woods-Jaeger, B. "Then They Got Rid of Me": Belonging and Safety at School for Youth Living in High Deportation and Anti-Immigrant Climate. Under review at *School Psychology*.

- 29. Garza, R.D.*Castillo, C.A., Ruelas, K., Diaz, J., Lemon, E., "Youth Participatory Action Research (YPAR) Guided Analysis of Associations that Contribute to Latinx Youth Mental Health." Social Science Data Blitz Panel Presentation. National Hispanic Science Network Annual Conference. October 23-25, 2025, Miami, FL.
- 28. **Lemon, E.**, Diaz, J., Mera Nieto, K. Centering Latinx Youth in Community-based Mental Health Solutions: A Critical Comparative Case Study of YPAR in the U.S. South. [Poster Presentation]. National Hispanic Science Network Conference. Oct 24-26, 2025. Miami, FL.
- 27. Guzman, E. and **Lemon, E.**, When Systems Harm: Moral Injury in Latinx Immigrant Populations in the U.S. [Round Table]. Oct 17-18, 2025. Edinburgh, TX.
- 26. Latinx and Immigrant Youth Mental Health in Action across the U.S. South (Panel Chair). Psychology at the Border Resilience, Mental Health, and the Immigrant Journey. National Latinx Psychological Association. Oct 17-18, 2025. Edinburgh, TX.
- 25. Diaz, J.,* **Lemon, E. D.,** & Castillo, C. A.* *Creating a Youth Action Board to address the mental health challenges in our community* [Conference presentation]. Mental Health Breakout Session (1D.2), Texas Public Health Association (TPHA) Conference, May 14-15, Brownsville, TX.
- 24. Castillo, C. A.*, Diaz, J.*,& **Lemon, E. D.,** Priority needs and actions for Latinx immigrant health in the Rio Grande Valley [Conference presentation]. Mental Health Breakout Session (1D.2), Texas Public Health Association Conference, May 14-15 Brownsville, TX.
- 23. **Lemon, E.** "Who is Latinx? the impact of misclassification of racial/ethnic identity among U.S.-born youth on suicidal ideation disparity estimates". Social Science Data Blitz Panel Presentation. National Hispanic Science Network Annual Conference. October 3-5, 2024, New Orleans, LA.
- 22. Diaz, J., Castillo, C.A., **Lemon, E.**, "Everyone's Going Through Something": Latinx Youth Voices on Generational, Social, and Cultural Influences on Mental Health. Poster Presentation. National Hispanic Science Network Annual Conference. October 3-5. New Orleans, LA.
- 21. Castillo, C.A., Diaz, J., **Lemon, E.**, Montero-Zamora, P., Salvo, D., Reininger, B. Understanding Hispanic/Latinx Health in the Rio Grande Valley. Poster Presentation. National Hispanic Science Network Annual Conference. October 3-5. New Orleans, LA.
- 20. **Lemon, E.**, Castillo, C., ""It's like going through a funeral" youth descriptions and depictions of family separation and the potential of YPAR as intervention among Latinx youth." Panel Presentation. International Society for Traumatic Stress. September 25-28, 2024. Boston, MA
- 19. **Lemon, E.**, Serrano Laguna, L., Mera Nieto, K.S., Flores, Y., Lozada, K. "Just being connected, it's like a way of resisting": Latinx youth strengthening cultural ties as resistance to oppression, findings from a

- photovoice study. Panel Presentation. American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. November 12-15, 2023. Atlanta, GA
- 18. **Lemon, E.**, Livingston, M.D., Roche, K.M., Suglia, S., Woods-Jaeger, B. Paradox or post-traumatic growth? The psychosocial impacts of statewide immigration enforcement on Latinx youth in 19 U.S. cities. Poster Presentation. National Hispanic Science Network Annual Conference. September 23-25. Washington, D.C.
- 17. **Lemon, E.**, Flores, Y.*, Fuentes, V., Peraza Campos, J., & Woods-Jaeger, B. "I can never feel safe in places that I am supposed to feel safe" Voices from Latinx Youth on the psychosocial impacts of immigration policies. Poster presentation. Society for Behavioral Medicine Annual Meeting. April 26-29, 2023. Phoenix, AZ
- 16. **Lemon, E.**, Woods-Jaeger, B., Ruiz, K.*, Ling, A.* "Together we are stronger" YPAR and Latinx Youth Resilience and Resistance to Oppression. Social Justice and Health Equity track. Panel presentation. Society for Public Health Education's 74th Annual Conference. March 21-24, 2023. Atlanta, GA
- 15. Flores, Y.*, **Lemon, E.**, Sainz, M.*, Woods-Jaeger, B. "Then They Got Rid of Me": Belonging and Safety at School for Youth Living in High Deportation and Anti-Immigrant Climate". Social Justice and Health Equity track. Panel presentation. Society for Public Health Education's 74th Annual Conference. March 21-24, 2023. Atlanta, GA
- 14. **Lemon, E.**, Flores, Y.*, Santiago, C., Woods-Jaeger, B. "Addressing Ethno-Racial Trauma from Immigration Policies among Latinx Youth and Parents" in Community-partnered approaches to addressing ethno-racial trauma among youth and families. Panel Presentation. 2022 International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies Conference. November 9-12, 2022. Atlanta, GA
- 13. **Lemon, E.** "Successes and challenges in qualitative inquiry of immigration-related policies with frontline workers during the pandemic" in Measuring climate toward immigrants: Policies, public opinion, and community perspectives. Panel Presentation. 2021 Interdisciplinary Association for Population Health Sciences Conference. October 19-21, 2022. Virtual
- 12. **Lemon, E.,** Del Carmen Chacón, L., Santiago, C., Sainz, M., Renfro, T., Crookes, D., Urbina, B., Woods-Jaeger, B.. Addressing COVID-related psychosocial outcomes among Latino immigrant families: Lessons from a CBPR study in the Southeast. Research Spotlight. Society of Behavioral Medicine's 42nd Annual Meeting & Scientific Sessions. April 12-16, 2021. Virtual
- 11. Flores, Y.*, **Lemon, E.**, Sainz, M., Chacon, L., Santiago, C., Urbina, B., & Woods-Jaeger, B. Amplified social isolation from COVID-19 policies amongst undocumented Latinx families. Panel Presentation. *APHA 2021 Annual Meeting and Expo.* October 2021.Virtual.
- 10. Sainz, M.*, **Lemon E.**, Flores, Y., Santiago, C., Urbina, B., Woods-Jaeger, B. Building resiliency: Organizational strategies that support community health workers during COVID-19. Panel presentation. *APHA 2021 Annual Meeting and Expo*. October 2021.Virtual.

- 9. **Lemon, E.,** Sainz, M., Del Carmen Chacón, Flores, Y., Woods-Jaeger, B. Understanding how COVID-19 stressors intersect with federal, state and local immigration-related policies to affect the health of undocumented and mixed-status Latinx families in Georgia. Panel presentation. Toxic Equilibrium: Structural Racism and Population Health Inequities of the University of Michigan RacismLab Annual Symposium on Race and Racism. Virtual.
- 8. **Lemon, E.**, Haardörfer, R., Stidham Hall, K. Stress outside the classroom: Exploring latent classes of out-of-class stressors among Latinx college students. Poster Presentation. American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. October 2020. San Francisco, CA (virtual)
- 7. **Lemon, E.**, Redd, S. Berry, E., Hartwig, S., Lanthrop, E., Haddad, L., Rochat, R., Cwiak, C., Stidham Hall, K. (2019) Racial and Ethnic Differences in Abortion Trends by Gestational Age Following Implementation of Georgia's 22week ban. Poster Presentation. National Abortion Federation Annual Meeting. May 2019. Chicago, IL.
- 6. Kone, A., **Lemon, E.**, Blevins, J., Cossa, S., Hussain, F., Ochola, K., ... & O'Mara, E. Using participatory workshops to assess community alignment or tension for child mortality surveillance involving minimally invasive tissue sampling. Poster Presentation. American Society of Tropical Medicine & Hygiene Annual Meeting. 2018. New Orleans, LA.
- 5. **Lemon, E.** and Kone, A. Research on the influence of religion on stigma and access to HIV services to key populations in Kenya." Workshop. International AIDS Conference Global Village Networking Zone. July 2018. Amsterdam, Netherlands.
- 4. Blevins, J., **Lemon, E.**, Kiser, M., Beckles, S., Corey, E., Plaster, M., & Thomas, S. Lea Toto: A faith-based model for a comprehensive adolescent sexual health program for children living with HIV in Kenya." Poster. American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. October 2017. Atlanta, GA.
- 3. Blevins, J., Mombo, E. Jones, R., Kiser, M., & Kone, A., **Lemon, E**. Impact of Religion on Stigma and Access to HIV Services for Key Populations in Kenya. Poster Presentation. American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. October 2017. Atlanta, GA.
- 2. Blevins, J., Olivier, J., Kamau, C., Kiser, M., **Lemon, E**., & Kone, A. Faith-based health systems: Analyzing the proportion of HIV services rendered by non-networked faith-based organizations in Kenya. Poster Presentation. American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. October 2017. Atlanta, GA.
- 1. Jeffries, W. L., Phields, M., Garrett, S., **Lemon, E**., Olubajo, B., Valdés-Salgado, R., & Collins, C. B. An Evaluation of Capacity Building Assistance Trainings for HIV Prevention Interventions for Men Who Have Sex with Men in the United States. Poster. American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. October 2016. Atlanta, GA.

INVITED LECTURES

Engaging Youth in Mental Health Research Drs. Cuccaro and Springer's Public Health Research Seminar, UTHealth Houston	Sept 2025	
Youth Mental Health in Context Drs. Peskin and Markham's Adolescent Sexual Health Course, UTHealth Houston	Jan 2025	
Applying Photovoice to Public Health Promotion April 2024 Or. Andrew Springer's Community Health Promotion Theory and Practice Course, UTHealth Houston		
Participatory analysis in qualitative research Dr. Jyoti Kaneria Master in Development Qualitative Research Course, Emory University	Mar 2024	
Cultivating a culture of resistance and resilience with Latinx youth using YPAR Child Study Center (CSC) Innovation Hub Symposium: Using Participatory Action Research to Cr Transformational Youth Interventions, The College of Liberal Arts Penn State University	Feb 2024 eate	
Engaging diverse communities in health promotion Dr. Yue Guan Program Planning in Health Promotion, BSHES, RSPH Emory University	Nov 2023	
"La importancia de la cultura oral para la resistencia resilencia ante el racismo en las leyes y las de jóvenes latinos", Workshop with Tzutujil youth in Cerro del Oro, Sololá, Guatemala Universidad del Valle – Campus Altiplano, Sololá, Guatemala	vidas diarias May 2023	
"I Can Never Feel Safe in Places That I'm Supposed to Feel Safe" – Voices from Georgia Latinx Youth on the Psychosocial Impacts of Immigration Enforcement Policy"		
UTHealth Houston School of Public Health and Regional Campuses (Virtual Broadcast)	May 2023	
Community-based Participatory Research Methods Dr. Melvin Livingston, Research Design, BSHES PhD Program, Emory University	Apr 2023	
Promoting Equitable Partnerships in Research and Action Dr. Briana Woods-Jaeger, Addressing Racism as a Public Health Issue, BSHES MPH, Emory University	Apr 2022 ersity	
Community-based Participatory Research and Youth Mental Health Dr. Laurie Gaydos, Public Health 101, Padeia High School	Jun 2022	
CBPR Approaches to Address Racism and Promote Mental Health Equity Dr. Elizabeth Walker, Qualitative Research Methods, BSHES MPH Program, Emory University	Oct 2021	
CBPR Research with Latinx Communities Department of Behavioral, Social and Health Education Sciences Faculty-Student Mix	Feb 2021	
Collaborating with Communities to Carry out Qualitative Research in Global Health Settings Dr. Elizabeth Walker, Qualitative Research Methods, BSHES MPH, Emory University	April 2020	

Clinical Perspectives in Global Health, Drs. Suchdev and Downes, School of Medicine, Emory University

TEACHING

UTHealth School of Public Health	
PH 5015 Intro to Qualitative Research in Public Health	Fall 2025
PH 5015 Intro to Qualitative Research in Public Health	Fall 2024
PH 1118 Qualitative Methods	Fall 2024
Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University	
BSHE 540: Qualitative Research Methods	Spring 2023
BSHE 557: Addressing Racism as a Public Health Issue to Promote Health Equity	Spring 2023

SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP

Health Promotion & Behavioral Sciences Doctoral Admissions Committee	2025-present
Faculty Council	2024-2025
Young Center Child Advocate	2024-2025
Latinx Youth Mental Health Community Action Board	2022 – present
RSPH Doctoral Student Advisory Board	2022 – 2023
BSHES Doctoral Program, Elected Student Representative	2022 – 2023
BSHES DEI Committee for PhD Program, Curriculum Workgroup Co-lead	2020 – 2022
Emory University Latinx Studies Working Group	2021 - 2022
Living in the I.C.E. Age Podcast, Creator and Host	2018 – 2019
Lifting Latinx Voices Initiative Leadership and Advocacy Committee	2013 - 2019