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EDUCATION

- 2001 Emory University, Rollins School of Public Health, Atlanta, GA
Master of Public Health, Behavioral Sciences & Health Education
Thesis: *The Relationship between the Quality of Life of Persons with Dementia, their Troubling Behaviors, and their Caregiver's Burden*
- 1998 University of California, San Diego, CA
Bachelor of Arts, Anthropology; Biology (minor); Health Care/Social Issues (minor)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2016 – present **Research Associate**, Group Health Research Institute, Seattle, WA
- 2013 – 2015 **Senior Research Project Manager**, MacColl Center for Health Care Innovation & Center for Community Health and Evaluation, Group Health Research Institute, Seattle, WA
- 2005 – 2013 **Project Director**, Cancer Research Network & ITHS Community Outreach and Research Translation Core, Group Health Research Institute, Seattle, WA
- 2004-2005 **Executive Director**, Alliance for Health Improvement, LLC (Mt. Sinai), New York, NY
- 2002-2005 **Senior Project Manager**, Department of Health Policy, Mount Sinai School of Medicine, Health Policy, New York, NY
- 2001 **Health Communications Specialist**, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Division of Adult & Community Health, Health Care and Aging Studies Branch, Center for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, GA
- 2000-2001 **Research Associate**, Institute for Health & Aging, University of California/SF, & **Editorial Consultant**, American Cancer Society, Atlanta, GA
- 1998-1999 **Clinical Research Associate**, Neuro-oncology Service, University of California, San Francisco

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS & ABSTRACTS

1. Johnson K, **Tuzzio L**, Renz A, Baldwin LM, Parchman M. Decision-to-Implement Worksheet for evidence-based interventions in organizations: development and testing in the WWAMI region Practice and Research Network. *J Am Board Fam Med* (In Press).
2. Green BB, Anderson ML, Chubak J, Baldwin LM, **Tuzzio L**, Catz S, Cole A, Vernon SW. Colorectal Cancer Screening Rates Increased after Exposure to the Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH). *J Am Board Fam Med*. March-April 2016; 29:191-200
3. **Tuzzio L**, Richards JE, Ludman EJ, Hsu C. Building infrastructure to recruit, hire and engage patient partners in research collaborations. *J Patient-Centered Res Rev*. 2015;2:136-137.
4. Ludman EJ, McCorkle R, Aiello Bowles EJ, Rutter CM, Chubak J, **Tuzzio L**, Jones S, Reid RJ, Penfold R, Wagner EH. Do depressed newly diagnosed cancer patients differentially benefit from nurse navigation? *General Hospital Psychiatry*. May-June 2015: 37(3):236-239.
5. Madrid S, **Tuzzio L**, McCarty C. B3-1: Developing a Protocol for Patient Engagement in Research: The HMORN Member Engagement Work Group. *Clinical medicine & research*. 2014 Sep 1;12(1-2):105-.

6. Parks ML, Hebert-Beirne J, Rojas M, **Tuzzio L**, Nelson CL, Boutin-Foster C. A qualitative study of factors underlying decision making for joint replacement among African Americans and Latinos with osteoarthritis. *Journal of Long-Term Effects of Medical Implants*. 2014;24(2-3):205-212.
7. Chubak J, Aiello Bowles EJ, **Tuzzio L**, Ludman E, Rutter CM, Reid RJ, Wagner E. Perspectives of cancer survivors on the role of different healthcare providers in an integrated delivery system. *Journal of Cancer Survivorship: Research and Practice*. 2013 Dec 19. [Epub ahead of print]
8. Henrikson NB, **Tuzzio L**, Loggers ET, Miyoshi J, Buist SM. Patient and oncologist discussions about cancer care costs. *Supportive Care in Cancer*. 2013 2014 Apr;22(4):961-7.
9. Nekhlyudov L, Greene SM, Chubak J, Rabin B, **Tuzzio L**, Rolnick S, Field TS. Cancer Research Network: using integrated healthcare delivery systems as platforms for cancer survivorship research. *J Cancer Surviv*. 2013 March; 7(1):55-62.
10. Buist D, **Tuzzio L**, Greenlee R, Field T, Williams A, Weinmann S, Stout N, Kamineni A, Doubeni C. PS1-33: Cancer Screening Guideline Development, Implementation and Dissemination: Connection Points for Researchers and Health Care Delivery Systems for Comparative Effectiveness Research. *Clinical medicine & research*. 2012 Aug 1;10(3):157.
11. Chubak J, Anderson ML, Saunders KW, Hubbard RA, **Tuzzio L**, Liss DT, Morales LS, Reid RJ. Predictors of one-year change in patient activation among older adults with diabetes and heart disease. *Journal of the American Geriatrics Society*; 2012 Jul;60(7):1316-21.
12. Greene SM, **Tuzzio L**, Cherkin D. A framework for making patient-centered care front and centered. *The Permanente Journal*. Summer 2012, 16 (3).
13. Chubak J, **Tuzzio L**, Hsu C, Alfano CM, Rabin B, Hornbrook M, Spegman A, Von Worley A, Williams A, Nekhlyudov, L. Providing care to cancer survivors in integrated healthcare delivery systems: Practices, challenges, and research opportunities. *Journal of Oncology Practice*. 2012 Jan 24 [Epub ahead of print].
14. Hebert PL, Sisk JE, **Tuzzio L**, Casabianca JM, Pogue VA, Wang JJ, Chen Y, Cowles C, McLaughlin MA. Nurse-led disease management for hypertension control in a diverse urban community: a randomized trial. *Journal of General Internal Medicine*. 2011 December 6 [Epub ahead of print].
15. Liss DT, Chubak J, Anderson ML, Saunders KW, **Tuzzio L**, Reid RJ. Patient-reported care coordination: Associations with primary care continuity and specialty care use. *Annals of Family Medicine*. 2011 Jul-Aug;9(4):323-329.
16. Onega T, Cook A, Kirlin B, Shi X, Alford-Teaser J, **Tuzzio L**, Buist DS. The influence of travel time on breast cancer characteristics, receipt of primary therapy, and surveillance mammography. *Breast Cancer Res Treat*. 2011 May 7 [Epub ahead of print].
17. Clauser SB, Wagner EH, Aiello Bowles EJ, **Tuzzio L**, Greene SM. Improving modern cancer care through information technology. *American Journal of Preventive Medicine*. 2011, May. 40 (5 Suppl 2): S198-207.
18. Wagner EH, Aiello Bowles EJ, Greene SM, **Tuzzio L**, Wiese CJ, Kirlin B, Clauser SB. The quality of cancer patient experience: perspectives of patients, family members, providers, and experts. *Qual Saf Health Care*. 2010, Dec: 19(6): 484-9.
19. Horner K, Wagner E, Bowles EA, Kirlin B, **Tuzzio L**. PS3-29: The Benefits of Stakeholder Involvement in Research. *Clinical medicine & research*. 2010 Dec 1;8(3-4):201.
20. Lin CP, Black RA, LaPlante J, Keppel GA, **Tuzzio L**, Berg AO, Whitener RJ, Buchwald DS, Baldwin LM, Fishman PA, Greene SM, Gennari JH, Tarczy-Hornoch P, Stephens KA. Facilitating health data sharing across diverse practices and communities. *AMIA Summits Transl Sci Proc*. 2010 Mar 1; 2010: 16-20.
21. Aiello Bowles, EJ, **Tuzzio, L**, Ritzwoller, DP, Williams, AE, Ross, T, Wagner, EH, Neslund-Dudas, C, Altschuler, A, Quinn, V, Hornbrook, M, Nekhlyudov, L. Accuracy and complexities of using automated clinical data for capturing chemotherapy administrations: implications for future research. *Med Care*. 2009 Oct; 46(10): 1091-7.
22. Bowles EJ, **Tuzzio L**, Ross T, Williams AE, Altschuler A, Ritzwoller DP, Nekhlyudov L. Abstract C-B1-03: The Trustworthiness of Administrative Health Plan Data in Chemotherapy Research. *Clinical Medicine & Research*. 2008 Dec 1;6(3-4):123.
23. Hebert PL, Sisk JE, Wang JJ, **Tuzzio L**, Casabianca JM, Chassin MR, Horowitz C, McLaughlin MA. Cost-effectiveness of nurse-led disease management for heart failure in an ethnically diverse urban community. *Ann Intern Med*. 2008;149(8):540-8.
24. Sisk JE, Horowitz CR, Wang JJ, McLaughlin MA, Hebert PL, **Tuzzio L**. The success of recruiting minorities, women, and elderly into a randomized controlled effectiveness trial. *Mount Sinai Journal of Medicine*. 2008 Feb 27; 75 (1):37-43.

25. Aiello Bowles E, **Tuzzio L**, Wiese CJ, Kirilin B, Greene SM, Clauser SB, Wagner EH. Understanding high-quality cancer care: A summary of expert perspectives. *Cancer*. 2008 Feb 15; 112 (4):934-42.
26. Aiello EJ, Buist DSM, Wagner EH, **Tuzzio L**, Greene SM, Lamerato LE, Field TS, Herrington LJ, Haque R, Hart G, Bischoff KJ, Geiger AM. Diffusion of aromatase inhibitors for breast cancer therapy between 1996-2003 in the Cancer Research Network. *Breast Cancer Treatment and Research*. 2007 Mar 28; [Epub ahead of print].
27. Hebert P, **Tuzzio L**, Chassin M, Bramley D. BRAMLEY ET AL. RESPOND *American Journal of Public Health*. 2006(1):8-9.
28. Bramley D, Hebert PL, **Tuzzio L**, Chassin M. Indigenous disparities in health: A cross-country comparison – New Zealand and the United States. *American Journal of Public Health*. May 2005; 95 (No.5), 844-850.
29. Horowitz CR, **Tuzzio L**, Rojas M, Monteith SA, Sisk JE. How do urban African Americans and Latinos view the influence of diet on hypertension? *Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved*. Nov 2004; 15(4).
30. Stewart AL, Gillis D, Grossman M, Pruitt L, McLellan B, Castrillo M, **Tuzzio L**, Ritter PL. Increasing physical activity levels of underserved seniors: Diffusing a research-based program into community settings. International Society of Behavioral Medicine, Helsinki, Finland. *International Journal of Behavioral Medicine*. 2002; 9, (Suppl 1), 260-261.
31. Sadler GR, Sethee J, **Tuzzio L**, Sieben M, Ko CM, Christ HN. Cancer education for clergy and lay church leaders. *J Cancer Educ*. Autumn, 2001; 16(3):146-9.

LAY PUBLICATIONS & PUBLISHED MANUALS

1. Gillis D, McLellan B, Sperber N, **Tuzzio L**, Verboncoeur C, Stewart A. Community health activities model program for seniors II (CHAMPS II): Program manual. San Francisco, CA: University of California, San Francisco, Institute for Health & Aging (2003).
2. American Cancer Society's Guide to Pain and Cancer. American Cancer Society, Atlanta, GA (2001).
3. American Cancer Society's: A Breast Cancer Journey. American Cancer Society, Atlanta, GA (2001).
4. American Cancer Society's Guide to Complementary and Alternative Cancer Methods. American Cancer Society, Atlanta, GA (2000).

POSTERS & PRESENTATIONS

1. Johnson KE, Renz A, **Tuzzio L**, Baldwin LM, Parchman M. Implementing Innovations into Community Practice: A Tool to Incorporate End-user Perspectives into Decision-Making. Science of Team Science Conference, Bethesda, MD, 2015 (poster).
2. **Tuzzio L**, Richards J, Ludman EJ, Hsu C. Building Infrastructure to Recruit, Hire and Engage Patient Partners in Research Collaborations. 2015 HMO Research Network Conference, Long Beach, CA (poster).
3. Dohan D, Machado J, Markus A, Perry P, Piechowski T, and **Tuzzio L**. Health policy competencies in clinical and translational sciences training. Association of American Medical College's 2012 Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA (poster).
4. Lane K, Lauf SL, Madrid S, **Tuzzio L**. Where Science, Management and Administration Meet: Lessons Learned from Large Multi-site Programs. 2012 HMO Research Network Conference, Seattle, WA (presentation).
5. Henrikson N, **Tuzzio L**, Loggers ET, Buist DM. Provider Perspectives on Talking With People With Cancer About Their Treatment Costs. 2012 HMO Research Network Conference, Seattle, WA (poster).
6. Buist DM, **Tuzzio L**, Field T, et al. Cancer Screening Guideline Development, Implementation and Dissemination: Connection Points for Researchers and Health Care Delivery Systems for Comparative Effectiveness Research. 2012 HMO Research Network Conference, Seattle, WA (poster).
7. **Tuzzio L**, Greene S, Hsu C, Cherkin D. Building a Patient-centered Medical System: Perspectives from Patients, Clinicians, Administrators, and the Literature. AcademyHealth's 2011 Annual Research Meeting, Seattle, WA (poster).
8. Greene SM, **Tuzzio L**, Cherkin D. Building Toward a Patient-Centered Culture: Insights and Tactics from Literature, Health System Stakeholders & Patients. 2010 HMO Research Network Conference, Boston, MA (presentation).

9. Horner K, Wagner E, Aiello Bowles E, Kirlin B, **Tuzzio L**. The Benefits of Stakeholder Involvement in Research: Experiences from our Oncology Nurse Navigator Clinical Trial. 2010 HMORN Conference, Austin, TX (poster).
10. **Tuzzio L**, Chubak J, Hsu C, Nekhyludov L. Providing Care for Cancer Survivors in Integrated Delivery Systems: An Assessment of Current Practices. AcademyHealth's 2010 Annual Research Meeting, Boston, MA & 2010 HMORN Conference, Austin, TX (Published in *Clinical Medicine & Research*, Vol. 8, 3-4: 182) (poster).
11. **Tuzzio L**, Schaefer J, McCulloch D, Greene SM, Bennett S, Clark A, Austin B. Catalyzing Innovation at the Front Lines of Health Care. AcademyHealth's 2009 Annual Research Meeting, Chicago, IL & 2009 HMORN Conference (poster).
12. Greene SM, McDonald SJ, **Tuzzio L**, Pardee R, Wagner EH. Improving Individual and Collective Performance through Self-Assessment in a Multi-site Research Network. American Evaluation Association Conference, November 3-5, 2008 (poster).
13. Quinlan KM, Hall K, **Tuzzio L**, McLaughlin W, Wagner EH, Brown M, Yabroff R. Identifying Research Priorities for the National Cancer Institute's Cancer Research Network: Developing a Collaboratively Authored Conceptual Framework. American Evaluation Association Conference, November 3-5, 2008 (multi-paper panel session).
14. Sisk JE, Hebert PL, Horowitz CR, McLaughlin MA, Wang J, **Tuzzio L**, Chassin MR, Casabianca J. Evaluation of Nurse Management To Improve Heart Failure Care in Harlem. American College of Cardiology, Chicago, March 31, 2008 (presentation).
15. **Tuzzio L**, Aiello EJ, Greene SM, Kirlin B, Wiese C, Wagner EH. Using the Results of a Comprehensive Appraisal of Community-based Cancer Care to Inform an Optimized Model of Cancer Care Delivery. AcademyHealth's 2007 Annual Research Meeting, Orlando, FL, June 3-5, 2007 (poster).
16. **Tuzzio L**, Kirlin B, Aiello EJ, Greene SM, Wagner EH. Developing a Model for High Quality Cancer Care - Results from Visiting Organizations in Three Communities. 13th Annual HMORN Conference, "Building a National Research Model: the Future of HMO-Based Research", Portland, OR, March 19 – 21, 2007 (poster – First Place Award).
17. Aiello EJ, **Tuzzio L**, Wiese C, Kirlin B, Greene SM, Wagner EH. Developing a Model for High Quality Cancer Care – Results from Expert Interviews. 13th Annual HMORN Conference, "Building a National Research Model: the Future of HMO-Based Research", Portland, OR, March 19 – 21, 2007 (poster – First Place Award).
18. Greene SM, Kirlin B, **Tuzzio L**, Aiello E, Wagner EH. Developing a Model for High Quality Cancer Care – Results from a Literature Review. 13th Annual HMORN Conference, "Building a National Research Model: the Future of HMO-Based Research", Portland, OR, March 19 – 21, 2007 (poster – First Place Award).
19. Aiello EJ, Wiese C, Kirlin B, **Tuzzio L**, Greene SM, Wagner EH. Developing a Model for High Quality Cancer Care – Results from Community Focus Groups. 13th Annual HMORN Conference, "Building a National Research Model: the Future of HMO-Based Research", Portland, OR, March 19 – 21, 2007 (poster – First Place Award).
20. McLaughlin MA, Anderson R, Kelly K, **Tuzzio L**, Chassin M. Translating a Successful Heart Failure Nurse Management Intervention into Practice in East Harlem. Translating Research into Practice and Policy 2006 Conference, Washington, DC, July 10-12, 2006 (poster).
21. Hebert P, **Tuzzio L**, Casabianca J, McLaughlin MA, Sisk J. Effects of Medical Mistrust and Perceived Discrimination in the Medical Community on Self-Management Practices for African American and Hispanic Patients with Uncontrolled Hypertension. AcademyHealth 2006 Conference, June 25-27, 2006 (presentation - 2006 Most Outstanding Abstracts).
22. Greene S, Hart J, **Tuzzio L**, Aiello E, Wagner E. Forging Collaborations to Enhance Productivity: The HMO Cancer Research Network. Inventory and Evaluation of Clinical Research Networks, National Leadership Forum, May 31-June 1, 2006 (poster).
23. Pogue V, **Tuzzio L**, Hebert P, McLaughlin MA, Casabianca J, Sisk J, Chassin M. Awareness and Intentions Regarding Obesity-Related Health Behaviors in Uncontrolled Hypertensive African Americans. International Society of Hypertension in Blacks (ISHIB), Puerto Rico, July 12, 2005 (poster).
24. Levine Berger R, McLaughlin MA, Williams S, Chatterjee S, **Tuzzio L**, Sisk J. Achieving Target Lipid Goals Despite a Greater Burden of Disease: Lipid Control Among Minority Populations in East Harlem Mount Sinai Hospital New York, NY. 2005 Conference of American College of Cardiology (poster).

25. Sisk JE, Hebert PL, McLaughlin MA, Horowitz CR, Goldstein CE, **Tuzzio L**. Developing an Intervention To Improve Quality of Care and Reduce Health Disparities in Minority Communities. AcademyHealth 2004 Annual Conference (poster).
26. Sisk JE, Hebert PL, McLaughlin MA, Horowitz CR, Wang J, **Tuzzio L**. Evaluation of Nurse Management to Improve the Quality of Heart-Failure Care in Minority Communities. American Heart Association 2004 Annual Conference (poster).
27. McLaughlin MA, Hebert PL, **Tuzzio L**, Horowitz C, Sisk JE. Management of Uncontrolled Hypertension among Inner-city African-American and Latino Patients. American Public Health Association, 131st Annual Meeting & Exposition, San Francisco, CA, November 15-19, 2003 (poster).
28. Pruitt L, Grossman M, Gillis D, McLellan B, **Tuzzio L**, Stewart A. Diffusing a Research-based Physical Activity Promotion Program for Seniors into Diverse Community Settings: Evaluation results. 2003 Annual Meeting, Society of Behavioral Medicine, March 19-22, 2003, Salt Lake City, Utah (abstract).
29. Grossman M, Pruitt L, Gillis D, **Tuzzio L**, Stewart A. Diffusing a Research-based Physical Activity Program for Seniors into an Underserved, Predominantly African American Community. 2003 Annual Meeting, Society for Social Work and Research; January 19, 2003 (abstract).
30. Pruitt L, Grossman M, Gillis D, McLellan B, **Tuzzio L**, Stewart A. Research Into Practice: Disseminating a Physical Activity Program for Seniors into an Underserved, Predominantly African American Community. 2002 Annual Meeting, Society of Behavioral Medicine, April 3–6, 2002, Washington DC (abstract).

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. Manuscript reviews
 - *Journal of General Internal Medicine*
 - *Journal of Evaluation in Clinical Practice*
 - *International Journal of Behavioral Nutrition and Physical Activity*
- B. Conference abstract reviews
 - American Public Health Association – Community-Based Public Health Caucus
 - Health Care Systems Research Network (HCSRN)
- C. Working groups and committees
 - HCSRN Patient Engagement in Research Scientific Interest Group
 - Group Health Foundation’s Partnership for Innovation
 - Group Health’s Patient-centered Care Interest Group
 - Group Health’s Health Equity and Action Team
- D. Mentoring
 - Staff at Group Health Research Institute
 - Master’s students at Emory University’s Rollins School of Public Health

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

AcademyHealth, 2007 – present
 American Public Health Association, 2000 – present

AWARDS & CERTIFICATES

Staff Mentor of the Year Award – 2011, Group Health Research Institute
 Consistently Exceeds – 2010, 2014, Group Health Research Institute
 Six Sigma Green Belt certificate – 2005, Mt. Sinai School of Medicine