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A SEMI-ANNUAL NEWSLETTER FROM THE P3RC

ANNOUNCING THE LEADERSHIP FOR CHANGE LEARNING INSTITUTE

The P3RC is pleased to announce the Leadership for Change Learning Institute! This immersive experience draws upon our longstanding commitment to collaboratively build capacity with our partners to advance policy, practice, systems, and environmental changes to promote health equity. The Leadership for Change Learning Institute is based on the [Organizing for Policy Systems and Environmental Change Series](#), the Action Learning Brief [series](#).

LEADERSHIP FOR CHANGE LEARNING INSTITUTE

LEARN MORE AND APPLY [HERE](#)
BY FRIDAY, MAY 27, 2022

Gather your team for a 6-month Leadership for Change Learning Institute. Teams of 3 or more partners will engage with targeted resources, hands-on training, and technical assistance providers to tackle real-world health issues using policy, systems, and environmental change strategies. Limited funding is available to support your participation. Questions? Contact guddi@uic.edu.

COURSE LEADS



Melody Geraci,
Deputy Executive Director
Active Transportation
Alliance

RESET AND REFOCUS

Expand your leadership competencies, deepen your collaborations with partners, and revisit your community's public health priorities to address equity in health.



Tiosha Bailey, DrPH, MPH
Principal Consultant
T. Bailey Consulting

DETAILS

6 virtual sessions
Tuesdays 3 to 4:30 pm CT
June 28 to September 13, 2022

SPOTLIGHT

Angel Williams, Healthy CPS Network Specialist



Angel Williams, MBA, connects students and families to resources—and research to practice. By fostering close connections and holding courageous conversations with school administration, staff, and stakeholders, Williams strives to provide individualized support to ensure equitable health and safety for Chicago Public School (CPS) staff and students. As the first Healthy CPS Network Specialist, Williams provides navigation and technical assistance to CPS staff as they implement health education, health services, nutrition, and physical activity opportunities in CPS. Due to COVID-19, she began her work remotely, providing informational sessions on COVID-19, ensuring schools were maintaining COVID-19 safety practices, and facilitating pandemic support. As in-person schooling has returned, Williams has further grown in her position, identifying school needs and supplemental community assets firsthand. The P3RC core research project is evaluating the feasibility and impact of incorporating this unique role into school wellness activities across the district. Learn more about Angel Williams [here](#).

PUBLIC HEALTH LEARNING AGENDA

The P3RC partnered with the Public Health Training Centers to release [Creating a Learning Agenda for Systems Change: A Toolkit for Building an Adaptive Public Health Workforce](#). The Toolkit encourages alignment between learning and community challenges to influence systems change. It details the steps for building the collective competency of the workforce and partners to address complex challenges through multiple learning approaches over time. Teams from state and local health departments and other public health organizations from across the nation piloted the Toolkit to determine how it could be used to create a Learning Agenda to address community challenges. The majority of pilot testers found the Toolkit to be useful and valuable, providing an intentional process that fostered discussions on important topics. The Toolkit allowed teams to stay focused through a step-by-step process toward a clear vision with a concrete product for learning. In addition, pilot testers noted that the Toolkit provided exposure to and a unique focus on systems thinking. A national steering committee will meet this summer to refine and expand this resource for release in 2023.

AWARD WINNER!

Honorable Mention 2022

[National Network of Public Health Institutes: Elevating Practice Award](#)

Judges lauded the Toolkit's potential for supporting the public health workforce to align learning with community challenges to influence systems changes.

EVALUATION OF COOK COUNTY COVID-19 AND HEALTH EQUITY INITIATIVES

The P3RC continues to collaborate with the Cook County Department of Public Health (CCDPH) on their COVID-19 and health equity initiatives. Led by Dr. Christina Welter, Associate Director of the P3RC, the UIC team provided developmental evaluation, quality improvement and technical assistance for CCDPH's nearly \$41 million [Contact Tracing Initiative \(CTI\)](#). The P3RC now provides CCDPH with critical support for strategic decision making and evaluation for multiple organizational efforts, including Building Healthy Communities (BHC): COVID-19 Resiliency and Recovery in Suburban Cook County, which will utilize multiple funding streams to strengthen the capacity of organizations to advance community solutions for racial and health equity and overall wellbeing.

PROJECT WRAP UP

Sugar-sweetened Beverage Tax Evaluation



A culminating series of research briefs discusses the impacts of sugar-sweetened beverage (SSB) taxes on prices, demand, employment, and substitution to untaxed beverages and food items. Read the summary [blog](#) written by Julien Leider and Dr. Lisa Powell.

Improving Cancer Survival and Reducing Treatment Variations with Protocols for Emergency Care (ICARE)



Dr. Heather Prendergast and her team recently concluded their ICARE study. Patient navigator Nia Butler shares her experiences working with ICARE and how the project has inspired her in a recent P3RC [blog post](#).

SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH RESEARCH ARTICLE AWARD WINNERS

Multidisciplinary Collaboration



Powell LM, Leider J, Oddo VM. [Evaluation of changes in grams of sugar sold after the implementation of the Seattle Sweetened Beverage Tax](#). JAMA Network Open. 2021 Nov 5;4(11).

Community Collaboration



Jarpe-Ratner E, Marshall B, Choudry M, Wishart M, Reid B, Perez E, Fagen M. [Strategies to support LGBTQ+ students in high schools: what did we learn in Chicago Public Schools?](#) Health Promot Pract. 2021 Apr 23:15248399211006492.

INCREASING CAPACITY FOR RESEARCH ON POLICY, PRACTICE, SYSTEMS, AND ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGE

P3RC UIC School of Public Health Seed Funding Awardees for PPSE Research Projects



**Yuka Asada, PhD, RD Clinical Assistant Professor
Community Health Sciences**

State-driven innovation to improve equitable access of federal nutrition support programs: a mixed methods action research study.



**Garth Rauscher, PhD, MPH Associate Professor
Epidemiology and Biostatistics**

Understanding the role of the social and physical environments on cancer care and outcomes through linkage to residential histories.



**Jessica Rothstein, PhD, Clinical Assistant Professor
Community Health Sciences**

Adaptation and implementation of a responsive parenting intervention for Latinx families in Chicago.

P3RC UIC School of Public Health Travel Awardees for Student PPSE Conference Presentations



**Minji Michelle Kang, MPH, Community Health Sciences PhD
Student - Maternal and Child Health**

A systematic review of patient reported outcomes to inform women's health quality improvement; presentation at the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists Annual Clinical & Scientific Meeting.

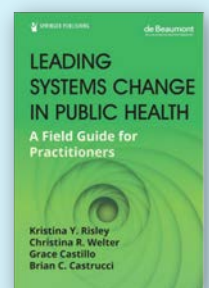


**Samantha Marinello, MS
PhD Candidate Health Policy and Administration**

The impact of recreational marijuana markets on fatalities associated with marijuana use; presentation at the Association for Public Policy and Management Analysis Research Conference.

BOOK RELEASE

P3RC Associate Director Christina Welter and colleagues have released *Leading systems change in public health: a field guide for practitioners*. This textbook is a comprehensive resource for understanding, creating, and sustaining systems changes to create transformation.



P3RC PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles, Research Briefs and Fact Sheets

Nutrition

- Powell LM, Li Y, Solar SE, Pipito AA, Wolf EC, Falbe J. Development and reliability testing of the Store CheckOut Tool (SCOUT) for use in Healthy Checkout Evaluations. Research Brief No. 125. Policy, Practice and Prevention Research Center, University of Illinois Chicago. Chicago, IL. March 2022.
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- Powell, LM & Leider, J. Impact of a sugar-sweetened beverage tax two-year post-tax implementation in Seattle, Washington, United States. Journal of Public Health Policy. 2021 Dec;42(4):574-588.
- Falbe, J, White, JS, Sigala, DM, Grummon, AH, Solar, SE, & Powell, LM. The potential for Healthy Checkout Policies to advance nutrition equity. Nutrients. 2021 Nov 22;3(11):4181.
- Leider J & Powell LM. Longer-term impacts of the Oakland, California, Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Tax on prices and volume sold at two-years post-tax. Social Science & Medicine. 2021 Nov 5;114537.
- Powell, LM, Leider, J & Oddo, VM, 2021. Evaluation of changes in grams of sugar sold after the implementation of the Seattle sweetened beverage tax. JAMA Network Open. 2021 Nov 1;4(11):e2132271.
- Powell LM, Leider J. An overview of the impact of the Seattle, Washington, Sweetened Beverage Tax on prices, demand, substitution, and sugar sold. Research Brief No. 124. Policy, Practice and Prevention Research Center, University of Illinois Chicago. Chicago, IL. November 2021.
- Leider J, Oddo VM, Powell LM. A review of the effects of U.S. local sugar-sweetened beverage taxes on substitution to untaxed beverages and food items. Research Brief No. 123. Policy, Practice and Prevention Research Center, University of Illinois Chicago. Chicago, IL. November 2021.
- Oddo V, Leider J, & Powell LM. The impact of Seattle's sugar-sweetened beverage tax on substitution to sweets and salty snacks. Journal of Nutrition. 2021 Oct 1;151(10):3232-3239.
- Marinello S, Powell LM. A review of the labor market impacts of local sugar-sweetened beverage taxes in the United States. Research Brief No. 122. Policy, Practice and Prevention Research Center, University of Illinois Chicago. Chicago, IL. September 2021.
- Powell LM, Marinello S, Leider J, Andreyeva T. A review and meta-analysis of the impact of local U.S. sugar-sweetened beverage taxes on demand. Research Brief No. 121. Policy, Practice and Prevention Research Center, University of Illinois Chicago. Chicago, IL. August 2021.
- Powell LM, Marinello S, Leider J. A review and meta-analysis of tax pass-through of local sugar-sweetened beverage taxes in the United States. Research Brief No. 120. Policy, Practice and Prevention Research Center, University of Illinois Chicago. Chicago, IL. July 2021.
- Chriqui JF, Pipito AA, Asada Y, Powell LM. Lessons learned from the adoption and implementation of sweetened beverage taxes in the United States: a narrative review. Research Brief No. 119. Policy, Practice and Prevention Research Center, University of Illinois Chicago. Chicago, IL. June 2021.

Public Health Practice

- Welter CR, Herrera Y, Uskali AL, Seweryn S, Call L, Lasky S, Agbodo N, & Ezike NO. Assessing local public health agency alignment with Public Health 3.0: a content analysis of Illinois Community Health Improvement Plans. J Public Health Manag Pract. 2022 May-Jun 01;28(3):E645-E652.

School Health and Wellness

- Piekarcz-Porter E, Schermbeck RM, Chriqui JF. School is in session: An update to the current status of school vaccination laws as COVID-19 vaccines become available to more school-aged children. P3RC Fact Sheet 103. Chicago, Illinois: Policy, Practice, and Prevention Research Center, School of Public Health, University of Illinois Chicago. October 2021.
- Schermbeck RM, Piekarcz-Porter E, Chriqui JF. Addressing the Technology Divide in Education: A Survey of State Laws Nationwide. P3RC Fact Sheet 102. Chicago, Illinois: Policy, Practice, and Prevention Research Center, School of Public Health, University of Illinois Chicago. September 2021.