Curriculum Vitae

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**Academic Training:**

2001 MPH Harvard School of Public Health, Boston, MA, Clinical Effectiveness

1995 MD Cornell University Medical School, New York, NY

1990 AB Harvard College, Cambridge, MA

**Postdoctoral Training:**

1999-2001 Fellow, General Internal Medicine, Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA

1998-1999 Chief Resident, Primary Care Internal Medicine, Boston Medical Center, MA

* 1. Resident, Primary Care Internal Medicine, Boston Medical Center, MA

**Academic Appointments:**

2010- Associate Professor, Medicine, Boston University School of Medicine

2010- Associate Professor, Public Health, Boston University School of Public Health

2006-2009 Assistant Professor, Medicine, Harvard Medical School

2001-2006 Instructor, Medicine, Harvard Medical School

1999-2001 Research Fellow, Harvard Medical School

**Hospital Appointments:**

2009- Attending Physician, Boston Medical Center,

Primary Care provider, Latino Clinic, Boston, MA

2009-2013 Courtesy Staff Physician, Cambridge Health Alliance, Cambridge, MA

1999-2009 Attending Physician, Cambridge Health Alliance, Cambridge, MA

**Honors:**

**national**

2014 American Cancer Society Research Scholar

2012 Scientific abstract ranked among top 10% of all accepted abstracts (first author),

American Heart Association Quality of Care and Outcomes Research (AHA-QCOR)

2010 Best oral presentation for the Society of General Internal Medicine’s Distinguished

Professor Program in Cancer Research

2010 Honorable Mention for research achievement in health services and outcomes research,

Johns Hopkins School of Medicine (senior author)

2009 Daniel Ford Award for research achievement in health services and outcomes research,

Johns Hopkins School of Medicine (senior author)

2003- Who’s Who in Health Care and Medicine

2003- Who’s Who in Executives and Professionals

1995 American Medical Student Association, International Medicine Fellowship

1993-1994 American Heart Association, Research Fellowship

**local**

2013 Quality Improvement Award, Interdisciplinary Population-Based Management of

Patients with Diabetes, Boston Medical Center (quality team leader)

2009 Honorable mention for best poster, Evans Department of Medicine Research Days,

Boston University School of Medicine (senior author)

2004 Harvard Medical School, Scholars in Medicine Award

1998-2001 Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Institutional National Research Service Award, Harvard Medical School

1998 R. Knight Steele Award for Excellence in Geriatric Clinical Medicine, Boston Medical Center

1995 Milton A. Rosenbluth International Medicine Fellowship, Cornell University Medical College

1995 Honors in Research, Cornell University Medical College

1990 Harvard College Scholarship

1990 Elizabeth Cary Agassiz Certificate of Merit, Harvard College

1990 Magna cum Laude, History and Literature, Harvard College

1986 National Merit Scholar, Harvard College

**Licenses and Certification:**

1998, 2008 American Board of Internal Medicine #186686

1995 Massachusetts License #154353

**Languages:**

Brazilian Portuguese, Spanish (fluent);Russian, French (intermediate)

**Major Committee Assignments:**

**International**

2014- Grant review committee, Physicians Services Incorporated (PSI) Foundation of Ontario, Canada, member.

* *Peer-reviewed grant application “Defining health care needs for people on release from incarceration in Ontario using health care utilization data: a population-based study.”*

**National**

2015 NIDDK study section Special Emphasis Panel/Scientific Review Group **2015/10 ZDK1 GRB-1 (O1), member**

2015 Knowledge Review on Tobacco Interventions among Lower-SES Populations for the State of Colorado, member

* *Served as a key informant and made recommendations to the state of Colorado regarding interventions to reduce the prevalence of smoking among low SES populations*

2014-2017 Disparities Task Force, Society of General Internal Medicine, member

* *Attended monthly conference calls, participated on sub-committee to create a “Social Determinants of Health Toolkit” for researchers.*

2012-2014 Research Committee, Society of General Internal Medicine, member

* *Attended monthly conference calls, wrote column for Society newsletter identifying sources of funding for health disparities research.*

2012-2014 Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI), grant reviewer

2011 Health Policy and Advocacy Abstract Committee, Society of General Internal Medicine, Co-Chair

2008-2009 Clinical expert review panel, Agency for Health Care Quality (AHRQ) Prevention Quality Indicators, member

2002-2003 Health Policy Abstract Review Committee, Society of General Internal Medicine, member

# 2002-2003 Committee to Address Tobacco Dependence in Mental Health and Substance Abuse

# Treatment Settings, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, member

# Regional

2005-2009 Dana-Farber/Harvard Cancer Center Cancer Risk Reduction Program, Cancer Disparities Program, member

2005 Massachusetts Department of Health Women’s Health Network Expert Panel, member

**Boston Medical Center**

2015- Hepatitis C steering committee, member

2014- Scientific Advisory Board for PCORI project “Socio-legal Services for Underserved Populations through Patient Navigation to Optimize Resources during Treatment,” member

**2012-2014 Department of Medicine** Quality Improvement **Committee, member**

* ***Developed diabetes resource guide,*** *developed and implemented interdisciplinary diabetes care teams in Section of General Internal Medicine*

**2012-2014 Boston Medical Center Quality, Safety, and Patient Experience Council, member**

**2012-2014 General Internal Medicine Primary Care Leadership Group, member**

2012-2013 Space Committee, Department of Medicine, member

2012-2013 **Primary Care Controlled Substances Task Force, member**

**2012-2013 Primary Care** Quality Improvement **Governance Committee, Chair**

* ***Led development of a primary care quality dashboard, ensured alignment between different primary care (family medicine, general internal medicine, pediatrics, geriatrics) quality initiatives***

**2012-2013 Primary Care Director Search Committee, member**

**2013-2014 Patient-centered medical home steering committee, member**

2009- General Internal Medicine and Family Medicine Fellowship Program Executive Committee, member

**Boston University School of Medicine**

2010 Review panel Department of Medicine and Clinical & Translational Science Institute (CTSI) Pilot Grant proposals, Study Section, member

**Cambridge Health Alliance**

2004-2009 Institutional Review Board; member

2003-2009 Ambulatory Quality Improvement Committee, member

2003-2009 Department of Medicine Quality Improvement Committee, member

2007-2008 Colorectal Cancer Screening Working Group, Chair

* *Established open access colonoscopy program, developed tools in the EMR to promote screening. These efforts led to a significant improvement in colorectal cancer screening rates.*

2002-2006 Epic Electronic Medical Record Clinical Content Committee, member

2005-2006 Epic Medicine Content Committee, Chair

2004-2006 Cancer Committee, member

2002-2004 Committee to Improve Medical Care for Persons with Severe, Persistent Mental Illness; Co-sponsored by Department of Mental Health, member

2002-2003 Institute for Community Health Research Group, member

**Teaching Experience and Responsibilities:**

**Boston Medical Center**

**Course leadership**

2009- Academic Seminar for General Internal Medicine, Pediatrics, and Family Medicine fellows, coordinator.

* *Developed monthly seminar series to facilitate acquisition of academic skills such as writing scientific abstracts, presenting posters, mentoring, applying for a career development award, grant writing, and resolving conflict.*

**Lectures and seminars**

2014 “Work-life Balance,” Boston University Clinical Research Training (CREST) Program, panelist

2014 “Mentoring,” General Internal Medicine, Pediatrics, and Family Medicine Fellowship Program, lecturer

2014 “Review of a Case-Control Study,” General Internal Medicine and Family Medicine Fellowship journal club, preceptor

2014 “How to Write a Paper,” General Internal Medicine, Family Medicine, and Pediatrics Fellowship Program, lecturer

2014 “Analyzing large databases for research and quality improvement,” General Internal Medicine, Pediatrics, and Family Medicine Fellowship Program, lecturer

2013 “Health Disparities,” General Internal Medicine and Family Medicine Fellowship Program, lecturer

2013 “Research and Advocacy,” Boston Medical Center Primary Care Internal Medicine Residency Program, lecturer

2011, 2013 “Life after Residency: General Internal Medicine and Primary Care” Boston Medical Center Internal Medicine Residency Program, panelist

2012 “Health Disparities,” Boston Medical Center Internal Medicine Residency Program,

Lecturer

2010- Introduction to Clinical Medicine 2 Course, Boston University School of Medicine, instructor

2010- “Grant Writing,” General Internal Medicine and Family Medicine Fellowship Program, lecturer

2009- Ambulatory Medicine Clerkship, Boston University School of Medicine, preceptor

2009- “How to Write an Abstract,” General Internal Medicine and Family Medicine Fellowship Program, lecturer

**Cambridge Health Alliance**

2006-2009 Ambulatory Elective “Colorectal Cancer Screening,” lecturer

2006-2009 “How to Write an Abstract,” Harvard General Internal Medicine Fellowship Program, lecturer

2008-2009 Ambulatory Elective “Breast Cancer Screening,” lecturer

2004-2008 Advocacy Elective “Using Data to Change Health Policy,” lecturer

2003-2006 Medical Intern Quality Improvement Elective, preceptor

2001-2003 1st year medical and public health student community-based service learning project elective, preceptor

1999-2005 Ward attending, one month per year.

1999-2006 Resident Journal Club, preceptor

**Boston Medical Center**

1998-1999 Primary care continuity clinic at the Boston Veteran’s Administration Hospital, Causeway Clinic. Preceptor for 2 months on outpatient ambulatory block.

1998-1999 Chief Resident, Primary Care Training Program, Boston Medical Center.

Taught ambulatory morning report, precepted continuity clinic, and precepted residents on outpatient elective. Designed ambulatory neurology and dermatology curricula.

**Community Service Related to Professional Work:**

2014 Volunteer physician, “Ask a Doctor” event, Temple Ohabei Shalom, Brookline, MA

2013 Participated in Primary Care Expo, representing Boston Medical Center, at Hynes Convention Center, Boston, MA

2011- Volunteer at Driscoll Elementary School, educating young students about various health topics, Brookline, MA

2010 Participated in American Cancer Society “Relay for Life,” Boston, MA

2008 Attended Area 3 Pride Day Health Fair at Clement Morgan Park and sponsored table on colorectal cancer screening, Cambridge, MA

2007-2009 Oral abstract session, Regional Society of General Internal Medicine

Meeting, judge

2007 Shadowed by undergraduate student for Harvard College course on the Quality of Healthcare in America

2006 Taught English-as-a-Second-Language students about breast, prostate, and colorectal cancer screening, Community Learning Center, Cambridge, MA.

2006 Trained Brazilian community health workers about colorectal cancer screening, Cambridge Health Alliance

2005 Haitian health fair, physician volunteer, Cambridge Health Alliance

2004 Premarital blood test counseling to same-sex couples at Cambridge Public Health Department

2003 Trained Brazilian community health workers about diagnosis and management of hypercholesterolemia, Cambridge Health Alliance; spoke to Haitian community health workers about management of hypertension

1998-2005 Medical Evaluator for victims of torture, Physicians for Human Rights

**Major Mentoring Activities:**

In January-May 2015 I am participating in a longitudinal “mentoring training” seminar. Below is a list of the mentees with whom I have a long-term relationship, and the years over which I mentored them most closely:

| **Mentee; position when mentored** | **Dates** | **Current position** | **Current institution** | **Type of mentorship; product** |
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| **1. Sarita Mohanty, MD, MPH**; General Internal Medicine Fellow | 2001-2003 | Assistant Professor | University of Southern California  School of Medicine | Research mentorship |
| **2. Ron Distajo, MD, MPH**;  General Internal Medicine Fellow | 2003-2005 | Instructor of Medicine | Harvard Medical School/ Cambridge Hospital | Research mentorship |
| **3. Debbie Daniels, MD, MPH**; General Internal Medicine Fellow | 2004-2006 | Instructor of Medicine | Whittier Street Health Center, Boston, MA | Career mentorship |
| **4. Sarah Cutrona, MD, MPH**; General Internal Medicine Fellow | 2005-2007 | Instructor of Medicine | University of Massachusetts Medical School | Research mentorship; 2 publications |
| **5. Andrew Wilper, MD, MPH**; General Internal Medicine Fellow | 2006-2008 | Assistant Professor | University of Washington School of Medicine | Research mentorship; 4 publications |
| **6. Tejpreet Nakai, DO**; Primary Care Resident | 2007-2009 | Instructor of Medicine | University of California Los Angeles School of Medicine | Career mentorship |
| **7. Meredith Manze, PhD**; Doctoral Student | 2009- | Assistant Professor | CUNY School of Public Health | Career mentorship |
| **8. Varsha Vimalananda, MD**; Endocrine Fellow | 2009- | Assistant Professor | Boston Medical Center/Boston University School of Medicine | Research mentorship;  1 publication |
| **9. Leah Zallman, MD**; Primary Care Resident | 2009-2010 | Instructor of Medicine | Cambridge Health Alliance/ Harvard Medical School | Research mentorship;  1 publication |
| **10. Deirdre Mooney, MD, MPH**; Internal Medicine Resident | 2010-2011 | Internal Medicine Resident | Boston Medical Center/Boston University School of Medicine | Career mentorship |
| **11. Cassie Frank, MD, MPH**; Instructor of Medicine | 2010- | Instructor of Medicine | Harvard Medical School | Career mentorship  Research mentorship  1 publication |
| **12. Marjory Charlot, MD**; General Internal Medicine Fellow | 2011- | Hematology/  Oncology  Instructor of Medicine | Boston Medical Center/Boston University School of Medicine | Career mentorship  K award mentor (proposal in development) |
| **13. Laila Khalid, MD**;  General Internal Medicine Fellow | 2012- | General Internal Medicine Fellow | Montefiore Medical Center | Career mentorship  Research mentorship  1 publication |
| **14. Tara Dumont, MD**; Instructor of Medicine | 2012-2013 | Assistant Professor of Medicine | Boston Medical Center/Boston University School of Medicine | Career mentorship |
| **15. Marshall Fleurant, MD, MPH**; Assistant Professor of Medicine | 2013- | Assistant Professor of Medicine | Boston Medical Center/Boston University School of Medicine | Career Mentorship |
| **16. Jonathan Hatoun, MD**; General Pediatrics Fellow | 2013-  2014 | General Pediatrics fellow | Boston Medical Center/Boston University School of Medicine | Research mentorship |
| **17. Sandra Valenciano, BA**; Medical Student | 2013-  2014 | Medical Student | Boston Medical Center/Boston University School of Medicine | Career mentorship;  Quality Improvement Mentorship |
| **18. Mariecil Pilapil, MD, MPH;** Assistant Professor of Medicine | 2014-  2015 | Assistant Professor of Medicine | North Shore-LIJ Health System | Career mentorship |
| **19. Kendrick Gwynn, MD;** General Internal Medicine Fellow | 2014- | General Internal Medicine Fellow | Boston Medical Center/Boston University School of Medicine | Career mentorship |
| **20. Meaghan Roche, MD;** Primary Care Resident | 2015- | Primary Care Resident | Boston Medical Center/Boston University School of Medicine | Career mentorship |
| **21. Nicole St. Omer-Roy, BA**; Medical Student | 2015- | Medical Student | Boston Medical Center/Boston University School of Medicine | Research mentorship;  Career Mentorship |
| **22. Jana Florian, BA**; Medical Student | 2013-  2014 | Medical Student | Boston Medical Center/Boston University School of Medicine | Research mentorship;  Career Mentorship |

**Major Administrative Responsibilities:**

2015**-** Section of General Internal Medicine, Boston Medical Center, Medical Director of Hepatitis C Treatment Program

* *Developed Hepatitis C data report*
* *Created training plan for PCPs*

2012-2014 Section of General Internal Medicine, Boston Medical Center, Director of Quality

* *Developed quality dashboard*
* *Implemented population-based management of patients with poorly controlled diabetes*
* *Conducted semi-annual ongoing professional evaluations (OPPEs) for all physicians in the Section of General Internal Medicine*
* *Conducted case reviews for Risk Management*

2002-2009 Primary Care Practice-Based Research Network, Cambridge Health Alliance, Network Director

2003-2009 Ambulatory Quality Improvement, Department of Medicine, Cambridge Health Alliance, Director

**Other Professional Activities:**

**Professional Societies: Memberships, Offices, and Committee Assignments**

2015- Boston Nutrition Obesity Research Center, member

2014- South Chatham Writers Workshop, Chair of the Board and co-Founder

2013- Group on Women in Medicine and Science, Association of American Medical Colleges, member

2010-2011 Academy Health, member

1996-2004 Massachusetts Medical Society, member

1996- Society of General Internal Medicine, member

**Editorial Boards:**

2015-2018 Editorial Board, Journal of General Internal Medicine, member

2011-2014 Associate Editor, and member of Editorial Board, *BMC Health Services Research*

2002- Ad Hoc Reviewer: *JAMA, Annals of Internal Medicine, Health Affairs, BMJ, Archives of Internal Medicine, Journal of General Internal Medicine, Archives of Pediatrics and Adolescent Medicine, Behavior Research and Therapy, General Hospital Psychiatry, Social Science and Medicine, American Journal of Medicine, Nicotine & Tobacco Research, Archives of General Psychiatry*

**Current Other Support:**

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| **Grant** | **Dates** | **Role** | **Project** | **Amount** |
| 1.Boston University-Joslin Pilot and Feasibility grant | 2015-2016 | PI | “A patient navigator-photovoice intervention targeting high-risk Boston neighborhoods to improve diabetes control among primary care patients at an urban safety-net hospital” | $33,000 |
| 2. American Cancer Society Research Scholar Grant RSG-14-034-01-CPPB | 2014-2018 | PI | “Patient Navigation and Financial Incentives to Promote Smoking Cessation” | $198,000 per year |
| 3.NIH/NIDA 1R01 DA034252 | 2012-2017 | Multi-PI | “Implementing Opioid Risk Reduction Strategies into Primary Care Practice.” | $400,000 per year |
| 4. Department of Medicine, Boston Medical Center | 2014-2015 | PI | “Using Geocoding and the Photovoice Methodology to Develop an Intervention to Improve Diabetes Outcomes at an Urban Safety-Net Hospital.” | $12,500 |
| 5.NIH/NHLBI 1U01 HL105342-01 | 2010-2015 | Multi-PI, project 1 | “The effects of Massachusetts health reform on cardiovascular outcomes and disparities.” | $898,257 per year |

**Past Other Support:**

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| **Grant** | **Dates** | **Role** | **Project** | **Amount** |
| 1.Boston University School of Medicine | 2014 | Participant | Boston University School of Medicine Academy for Collaborative Innovation & Transformation | 10% salary support |
| 2. CDC | 2012-2014 | Co-I | “Intervention Study of Patient Navigation for Colonoscopy.” | $5564 per year salary support |
| 3. Rx Foundation | 2011-2013 | Multi-PI | “Effect of Massachusetts Health Reform on Health Disparities.” | $252,704 |
| 4.Boston University School of Medicine | 2013 |  | Boston University School of Medicine Faculty Development Grant to attend the American Association of Medical Colleges (AAMC) 2013 Mid Career Women’s Leadership Conference | 5,000 |
| 5. NIH/NHLBI | 2011-2012 | Co-I | “Massachusetts Health Disparities Monitoring System.” | $1,041,431 |
| 6.NIH UL1RR025771 (Boston University CTSI) | 2011-2012 | PI | “Primary Care-Based Patient Navigation to Promote Smoking Cessation Treatment: A Pilot and Feasibility Study.” | $25,000 |
| 7. American Cancer Society Mentored Research Scholar MRSGT-05-007-01-CPPB | 2005-2010 | PI | “Barriers to Colorectal Cancer Detection in Community Health Centers” | $146,000 per year |
| 8.Cambridge Health Alliance | 2007 | PI | Patient Care Fund Award to fund colonoscopy preparation for patients who cannot afford to pay | $1000 |
| 9.Partners Information Systems | 2006-2007 | Co-PI | “Impact of Implementing Black Box Related Alerts into Electronic Medical Records (EMR) - A Phase 2 Study of Adherence to Black Box Warnings for Prescription Medications in Outpatients.” | $10,000 |
| 10. TS-1300 CDC Cooperative Agreement No. U50/CCU3300860, Role | 2004-2007 | Co-PI | “Understanding Patient’s Decisions to be Immunized” | $125,000 per year |
| 11.AHRQ 5R21HS013559-02 | 2002-2005 | PI | “A Neighborhood Health Center-Based Research Network.” | $50,000 per year |
| 12.Risk Management Foundation | 2003-2004 | PI | “Assessing the Frequency of Failure to Adhere to Black-Box Warnings in Outpatients.” | $50,000 per year |
| 13.Partners Information Systems | 2003-2004 | Co-PI | “Assessing the Frequency of the Failure to Adhere to Black-Box Warnings in Outpatients.” | $100,000 per year |
| 14. HRSA | 1999-2001 |  | HRSA Institutional National Research Service Award, Post-doctoral research fellowship in general internal medicine |  |
| 15. American Heart Association Research Fellowship | 1993-1994 | PI | “Incidence of Tuberculosis at the Community Level in Brazil.” | $15,000 |

**INVITED LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS**

**International**

1. National Society of General Internal Medicine meeting, “Using Geocoding to Develop an Intervention to Improve Diabetes Outcomes at an Urban Safety-Net Hospital” Poster presentation, Toronto, Canada, 2015.
2. National Society of General Internal Medicine meeting, “Sustaining Interventions to Reduce Disparities” Toronto, Canada, 2015.
3. National Society of General Internal Medicine meeting, “The Road to an American Cancer Society

Mentored Research Scholar Grant” Toronto, Canada, 2007.

1. Rockefeller Foundation Study Center: “New Drugs: When Can Clinicians Know they are Safe?” Bellagio,

Italy, 2002.

1. Hospital Espanhol Infectious Diseases Grand Rounds: “Staphylococcal Infections” Salvador, Brazil, 1993.
2. Federal University of Bahia School of Medicine Infectious Diseases Grand Rounds: “Multiple Drug

Resistant Tuberculosis Infections” Salvador, Brazil, 1993.

**National**

1. Addictions Health Services Research Conference: Implementation Science on Addiction Service Integration: a Panel Discussion. Boston, MA, 2014.
2. National conference “Health Care in an Era of Health Care Reform,” “Patient Navigation to Promote

Colorectal Cancer Screening: a Health Equity Solution?” University of Michigan School of Social Work, Ann

Arbor, Michigan, 2013.

1. Society of General Internal Medicine, plenary session on Health Reform: “Blood Pressure Control at a

Massachusetts Urban Safety-Net Hospital in the Health Reform Era” Orlando, FL, 2012.

1. RAND corporation: “Health Disparities: a Primary Care Perspective from the Safety Net” Santa Monica,

CA, 2011.

1. National conference on Dual Diagnosis: Nicotine Addiction in Mental Illness, “Epidemiology of Smoking

in Persons with Mental Illness” Indianapolis, IN, 2008.

1. Seeds of Hope: Tobacco Prevention and Cessation’s Partner X-Change, “Epidemiology of Smoking in

Persons with Mental Illness” Indianapolis, IN, 2008.

1. American Cancer Society national conference, Reducing Breast and Colorectal Cancer

Disparities through Policy Change “Barriers to Colorectal Cancer Detection in Community Health Centers” Washington, D.C., 2006.

1. Society of Nicotine and Tobacco Research: “Epidemiology of Nicotine Dependence in Persons with Mental

Illness” Scottsdale, AZ, 2004.

1. Continuing Medical Education presentation at “Learn to Be Tobacco Free” program, Suffolk County

Department of Health Services, New York. “NicotineDependence in Persons with Mental Illness” Suffolk, NY,

2001.

**Regional**

1. Medical Grand Rounds, Lawrence Memorial Hospital: “From Key West to Calgary: Health Care Delivery

in the US and Canada.” Winchester, MA, 2007.

1. New England chapter of the American Cancer Society, colorectal cancer screening, Framingham, MA,

2006.

1. Medical Grand Rounds, Bedford Veterans’ Administration Hospital: “Colon and Prostate Cancer

Screening” Bedford, MA, 1999.

**Local**

1. Psychiatry Grand Rounds, Boston Medical Center: “Update in Smoking Cessation” Boston, MA, 2015.
2. Section of General Internal Medicine, Boston Medical Center, Research in Progress: “A community-based multilevel intervention to improve diabetes control among patients seen at an urban safety-net hospital.” Boston, MA, 2015.
3. Family Medicine Grand Rounds, Boston Medical Center: “Update in Smoking Cessation” Boston, MA, 2015.
4. Section of General Internal Medicine Grand Rounds, Boston Medical Center: “Update in Smoking

Cessation” Boston, MA, 2015.

1. Section of General Internal Medicine, Boston Medical Center, Clinical Case Discussion “A Challenging

Patient.” Boston, MA, 2014.

1. Department of Medicine American Board of Internal Medicine Maintenance of Certification Learning

Session, Boston Medical Center “Review of Sleep Medicine Questions” Boston, MA, 2014.

1. Section of General Internal Medicine Grand Rounds, Boston Medical Center: “Impact of Massachusetts

Health Reform on Access to Care and Health Disparities” Boston, MA, 2014.

1. Section of General Internal Medicine Grand Rounds, Boston Medical Center: “Who ordered that

mammogram?” Boston, MA, 2014.

1. Community Medicine Grand Rounds, Boston Medical Center: “Quality Improvement: In Theory and in

Practice.” Boston, MA, 2013.

1. Section of General Internal Medicine Grand Rounds, Boston Medical Center: “A Case-based Discussion on

Disability Evaluation in Primary Care.” Boston, MA, 2012.

1. Family Medicine Grand Rounds, Boston Medical Center: “The Effect of Massachusetts Health Reform on

30-day Readmissions for Acute Myocardial Infarction.” Boston, MA, 2012.

1. Section of General Internal Medicine Grand Rounds, Boston Medical Center: “Faculty Revelation.”

Boston, MA, 2010.

1. Boston Medical Center: “Effects of Massachusetts Health Reform on Access to Care and Disparities”

Boston, MA, 2010.

1. Massachusetts General Hospital: “Patient Navigation to Promote Smoking Cessation in Primary Care: a

Pilot Study” Boston, MA, 2010.

1. Boston Medical Center: “Health disparities: what are they, why do they exist, and how can we address

them? A review of 9 studies” Boston, MA, 2009.

1. Dana Farber Cancer Institute: “Patient Navigation to Increase Colorectal Cancer Screening Rates among

Community Health Center Patients: Results of a Pilot Study” Boston, MA, 2008.

1. Medical Grand Rounds, Cambridge Hospital: “Barriers to Colorectal Cancer Detection.” Cambridge, MA,

2007.

1. American Cancer Society New England Regional “Ask the Expert” Series: “Improving Colorectal Cancer

Detection in Community Health Centers” Framingham, MA, 2005.

1. Massachusetts General Hospital Institute of Health Profession “Post-Approval Drug Safety Monitoring.”

Boston, MA, 2004.

1. Harvard School of Public Health: “Hazards of the Prescription Pad: Quality Issues in Medication

Prescribing” Boston, MA, 2004.

1. Massachusetts General Hospital Institute of Health Policy: “Does Race, Language, or Gender Concordance

between Provider and Patient Affect Missed Appointment Rates in Primary Care?” Boston, MA, 2004.

1. Harvard Risk Management Foundation Patient Safety Action Group: “Assessing the Frequency of Failure to

Adhere to Black-Box Warnings in Outpatients.” Boston, MA, 2004.

1. Continuing Medical Education presentation “Enhancing the Academic Thread in Your

Career” sponsored by the Joint Committee on the Status of Women, Harvard Medical School. Boston, MA,

2004.

1. Medical Grand Rounds, Cambridge Hospital: “Off-label Use of Approved Drugs.” Cambridge, MA, 2003.
2. Medical Grand Rounds, Lowell General Hospital: “Hazards of the Prescription Pad.” Lowell, MA, 2002.
3. Medical Grand Rounds, Cambridge Hospital: “Excessive Cardiovascular Morbidity in the Chronically

Mentally Ill: The Contribution of Smoking.” Cambridge, MA, 2002.

**Bibliography**

*The most influential publications are annotated.*

**Original, peer reviewed articles**

1. **Lasser KE**, Boyd JW, Woolhandler S, Himmelstein DU, McCormick D, Bor DH. Smoking and Mental

Illness: a Population-based Prevalence Study. *JAMA.* 2000; 284: 2606-2610. PMID: 11086367.

*A milestone paper in the field; drove policy change where psychiatric institutions became smoke-free*

*Widely cited e.g. Google Scholar (accessed 5/13/2014)* [*Cited by 1472*](http://scholar.google.com/scholar?cites=10595479827760022987&as_sdt=40000005&sciodt=0,22&hl=en)

*Received major media attention, e.g. NPR, the New York Times, and the Washington Post.*

1. **Lasser KE**, Allen PA, Woolhandler S, Himmelstein DU, Wolfe SA, Bor D. Timing of New Black Box

Warnings and Withdrawals for Prescription Medications. *JAMA.* 2002; 287: 2215-2220. PMID: 11980521.

*Considered a landmark paper in the field Widely cited, e.g. Google Scholar (accessed 5/13/*2014*):* [*Cited by 798*](http://scholar.google.com/scholar?cites=1660020319991677442&as_sdt=40000005&sciodt=0,22&hl=en)

*Covered by major media outlets, e.g. NPR, the New York Times, front page of the Washington Post*

1. **Lasser KE**, Himmelstein DU, Woolhandler S, McCormick D, Bor D. Do minorities in the United States

receive fewer mental health services than whites? *Int J Health Serv.* 2002; 32:567-578. PMID: 12211293.

1. **Lasser KE**, Zeytinoglu H, Miller E, Becker AE, Hermann RC, Bor DH. Do Women Who Screen Positive

for Mental Disorders in Primary Care Have Lower Mammography Rates? *Gen Hosp Psychiatry.* 2003; 25:214-6. PMID: 12748035.

1. Woolhandler S, Himmelstein DU, Distajo R, **Lasser KE**, McCormick D, Bor DH, Wolfe SM. America's

neglected veterans: 1.7 million who served have no health coverage. *Int J Health Serv.* 2005; 35:313-23. PMID: 15932009.

## Lasser KE, Mintzer IL, Lambert A, Cabral H, Bor DH. Missed Appointment Rates in Primary Care: The

## Importance of Site of Care. J Health Care Poor Underserved. 2005; 16:475-486. PMID: 16118837.

1. Seton M, Jackson V, **Lasser KE**, Doppelt S, Pierre-Jacques M, Connelly MT. Low 25-hydroxyvitamin D and

osteopenia are prevalent in persons >55 years with fracture at any site: a prospective, observational study of persons fracturing in the community. *J Clin Densitom.* 2005; 8:454-460. PMID: 16311431.

1. **Lasser KE**, Seger DL, Yu T, Karson A, Fiskio J, Seger A, Shah NR, Gandhi TK, Rothschild JM, Bates DW. Adherence to black box warnings for prescription medications in outpatients. *Arch Intern Med.* 2006; 166:338-344. PMID: 16476875.
2. **Lasser KE**, Himmelstein DU, Woolhandler S. Access to Care, Health Status, and Health Disparities in the

US and Canada: Results of a Cross-National Population-Based Survey. *Am J Public Health* 2006; 96:1300-1307. PMID: 16735628

* *Widely cited Google Scholar (accessed 5/13/2014):* [*Cited by 277*](http://scholar.google.com/scholar?cites=9630574653345820153&as_sdt=40000005&sciodt=0,22&hl=en)
* *Provides empirical evidence that having insurance coverage is necessary, but not sufficient, to reduce health disparities.*

1. Boyd JW, Himmelstein DU, **Lasser KE**, McCormick D, Bor DH, Cutrona SL, Woolhandler SJ. US Medical

Students’ Knowledge about the Military Draft, the Geneva Conventions, and Military Medical Ethics. Int J Health Serv2007; 37:643-649. PMID: 18072313.

1. Issa AM, Phillips KA, Van Bebber S, Nidamarthy HG, **Lasser KE**, Haas JS, Alldredge BK, Wachter RM,

Bates DW. Drug Withdrawals in the United States: A Systematic Review of the Evidence and Analysis of Trends. Curr Drug Saf. 2007; 2:177-185. PMID: 18690965.

1. Himmelstein DU, **Lasser KE**, McCormick D, Bor DH, Boyd JW, Woolhandler S. Lack of Health Coverage

among U.S. Veterans From 1987 to 2004. *Am J Public Health* 2007; 97:1-5. PMID: 17971547.

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