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|  | Shana Burrowes | [shanab@bu.edu](mailto:shanab@bu.edu) | Medicine | Epidemiologist | I was born and raised on the island of Barbados where most of my family still resides. I moved to the US to pursue my graduate studies in epidemiology with a focus on infectious diseases. My current research examines the inappropriate prescription and use of antibiotics in both the outpatient and inpatient settings. This work will be expanded to examine the use of non-prescribed antibiotics in the community with a focus on Caribbean immigrants. My future research aims to leverage community engaged research methods to improve the representation and active participation of underrepresented groups in research. When I am not working I enjoy spending time with my family, running and when in Barbados-going to the beach. |
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