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Education

Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine, MPH Global Community Health and Behavioral Science

May 2016

Dartmouth College, B.A.

June 2012

Languages

Spanish (native fluency speaking, writing, reading), French (basic), German (basic), Modern Greek (basic)

Work Experience

Institute Prolepsis (Greece)

Junior Researcher

- Conducted research on health communication barriers and solutions for a European Commission financed HCom project and contributed to the writing of chapters for a literature review in the hopes of informing policy decisions for improving healthcare access and the development of training modules
- Edited and researched for a paper focusing on immunization of healthcare professionals to be submitted to a public health journal
- Conducted grant research for current opportunities to support existing projects and aided in application process
- Conducted analyses of best practices for the INHERIT Project (European Commission) and extracted data for the development of an environmental health and wellness database reflecting promising interventions in the field.
- Conducted research to support the MigHealth project (European Commission) which aims to identify current interventions to
 integrate migrant and refugees into community health systems in Greece for the eventual development of an adaptable and
 transferable toolkit of best practice which promote solidarity
- Designed a training module for occupational physicians on vulnerable populations working in agriculture as part of the AGROSH project (European Commission)

Luke's House Clinic June 2015-Jun 2016

Clinic Coordinator

- Implemented, conducted, monitored and evaluated a patient health literacy training program in Spanish
- Assisted in grant writing
- Implemented a tracking protocol for clinic patients to ensure adequate follow-up and enable referrals to outside providers
- Educated patients on their current diagnoses using Medline Plus and direct patients on how to find authoritative health information online
- Implemented a text-message based program to schedule and retain patients enrolled in the new GYN clinic at Luke's House

Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine Research Assistant

June 2015-Dec 2015

- Qualitative data analysis, especially surveys given to pediatricians investigating their perceptions of corporal punishment in the US, and contributing to the development of a written report for possible publication.
- Create a presentation by disseminating our research findings to APSAC in Boston, MA, USA. (American Professional Association on Child Abuse)

Whitman-Walker Health

Jul 2012-Aug 2014

Legal Services Assistant

- Managed the Public Benefits line to answer/ triage patient inquiries, screen for public benefits eligibility, and counsel on public benefits options
- Complete, submit, and track public benefits applications i.e.: Medicaid, Qualified Medical Beneficiary, and the Aids Drug Assistance Program (DC/MD/VA)
- Assisted the Manager of Operations on a multitude of administrative tasks including opening legal cases, filing, following up
 with clients, coordinating client meetings with attorneys, outreach calls, and completing initial intakes for Spanish speaking
 clients
- Translated legal documents from Spanish to English i.e. client/attorney correspondence, birth certificates, affidavits

Inter-American Partnership in Education (Mexico)

Sep 2011-Nov 2011

Lead Assistant Teacher

• Worked with Mexican teachers from various states on bringing their English levels up to par and then working on curriculum

development for more effective English teaching in public schools.

- Served as main liaison between the project coordinator and all other assistant teachers
- Coordinated daily schedules and cultural activities

Skills

Computer: Microsoft Office Suite, QGIS, STATA, Adobe Photoshop, LexisNexis, Academic Search Premier, Final Cut Pro, Dropbox,

Trainings:

Transgender Sensitivity Training, Whitman Walker, Spring 2012; Spring 2014; Hinari Access to Global Health Resources, Fall 2015, CITI Human Subjects Research – Social Behavioral Education Module Training, Summer 2015

Publications: