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Faculty

Iris Wagman Borowsky, MD, PhD
Associate Professor
DOGPAH Director
- Risk and protective factors for health-risk behaviors among youth.
- Prevention of interpersonal and self-directed violence and bullying among youth.

John Andrews, MD
Associate Professor
Associate Dean for Graduate Medical Education, Associate Head for Education, Department of Pediatrics
- Medical education
- Professionalism
- Competency-based assessment

Andrew Barnes, MD, MPH
Assistant Professor
Fellowship Director of Developmental Behavioral Pediatrics
- Self-regulation and its role in improving children’s health and resilience to stress

Emily Borman-Shoap, MD
Assistant Professor
Residency Program Director, Newborn Medical Director
- Medical Student and Resident Education
- Competency Based Assessment
- Using Technology in Teaching and Learning

Naomi N. Duke, MD, MPH, PhD(c)
Assistant Professor
Medical Director, myHealth for Teens and Young Adults
- Developing strategies to reduce health disparities through community partnering
- Advancing best practices in adolescent and young adult health services delivery
- Evaluating the impact of state and federal social and health policy on health outcomes for youth and young adults

Marla Eisenberg, ScD, MPH
Associate Professor
Director of Research, DOGPAH
- Social influences on high risk health behaviors of adolescents and young adults
- Health issues of gay, lesbian and bisexual youth

Catherine Jordan, PhD, LP
Associate Professor
Editor, CES4Health.info; Training Co-director, Minnesota Center for Cancer Collaborations; Training Director, HYD•PRC
- Community-based participatory research and community-engaged scholarship
- Impact of exposure to nature for play and learning on developmental and educational outcomes

Katherine Murray, MD, MPH
Assistant Professor
Director, Medical Student Education; Medical Director, Developmental Behavioral Pediatrics Clinic; UME Director, Education in Pediatrics Across the Continuum
- Developmental Behavioral Pediatrics
- Undergraduate Medical Education
- Longitudinal Curricular Education in Medicine

Michael Resnick, PhD, FSAHM
Professor
Director, HYD•PRC; President-Elect, Society for Adolescent Health and Medicine; Board of Directors: Guttmacher Institute; Women’s Foundation of Minnesota
- Risk and protective factors for health behaviors among youth.
- Promotion of healthy youth development.
- Translation of evidence into programs, policy, and public health practice
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Peter Scal, MD, MPH
Assistant Professor
Medical Director at St. Joseph’s Home Community Clinic

- Factors influencing services to foster the transition of adolescents with special health care needs to adult oriented care
- Analysis of racial/ethnic disparities in parent-provider interactions among parents of adolescents with special needs

Tom Scott, MD
Adjunct Professor
Interim Residency Director, Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics

- Resident skill development in DBP
- Early childhood social-emotional development

Rebecca Shlafer, PhD
Assistant Professor

- Risk and protective factors of children with incarcerated parents
- Programs and policies that impact families in the criminal justice system

Nimi Singh, MD, MPH, MA
Assistant Professor
Medical director, Adolescent medicine resident fellowship program

- Adolescent mental health promotion
- Promotion of healthy lifestyle to reduce chronic illness and disability

Halima Al-Khattab, BSN
Eunice Areba, BSN, PhD, RN
Katherine Berg, LSW
Debanjana Chatterjee, PhD
Jennifer Doty, PhD
Myriam Forster, PhD
Diego Garcia-Huidobro, MD
Kari Gloppen, PhD, MPH
Kristen Kessler, MD, MPH
Christopher Mehus, PhD
Allison Watts, PhD

Fellows

Linda H. Bearinger, PhD, MS, RN, FAAN, FASHM
Professor
UMN Faculty Legislative Liaison; Distinguished Teaching Professor; Director, Center for Adolescent Nursing; Immediate Past President, International Association for Adolescent Health

- Policy and advocacy on behalf of young people
- Sexual health and violence prevention
- Interdisciplinary education in adolescent health

Renee Sieving, PhD, RN, FAAN, FSAHM
Associate Professor
Deputy Director, HYD-PRC

- Understanding factors that help to prevent risky sexual behaviors, violence, and early pregnancy among adolescents
- Testing interventions that involve clinics, schools, families and communities in promoting health and well-being among young people

School of Nursing

Sonya Brady, PhD
Associate Professor

- Promotion of health protective behaviors among general and vulnerable populations of youth.
- Psychosocial and developmental influences on health risk and health protective behaviors.
- Mechanisms linking stressful life circumstances to risk behaviors and factors promoting resilience.

School of Public Health

Barbara McMorris, BA, MA, PhD
Associate Professor
Core Research Director, HYD-PRC

- Prevention of risky health behaviors in adolescence
- Promotion of health among vulnerable populations
- Program evaluation, research methods, and complex statistical modeling

Dianne Neumark-Sztainer, PhD, MPH, RD
Professor

- Adolescent health and nutrition
- Prevention of weight-related problems including eating disorders, unhealthy weight control behaviors, body dissatisfaction and obesity
- Program development and evaluation
- Family meals
- Yoga and implications for eating and weight-related health.

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University of Minnesota
Kara Beckman, MPH  
Senior Evaluator, HYD•PRC; Community Contracts: Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Greater Twin Cities, MN Coalition for Battered Women  
- Mixed methods research  
- Evaluation of community-based youth development programs  
- Systemic bias in evaluation methods  

Abigail Gadea, MPP, MSW  
Program Coordinator, Promoting Healthy Student Outcomes; HYD•PRC  
- Community engagement  
- Cultural competence  
- Mental health  

Amy L. Gower, PhD  
Research Associate, HYD•PRC  
- Multi-level research  
- Health issues of LGBT adolescent populations  
- Environmental and social contexts of adolescent health  

Sarah E. MapelLentz, JD, MPH (c)  
Program Coordinator, MyPath  
- Access to care and quality of life among Children and youth with special health care needs  
- Health access, health equity and human rights concerns among immigrant and refugee communities  
- Program evaluation and translation of health research into effective policy change  

Glynis Shea, BA  
Communications Director, Konopka Institute & HYD•PRC; Community Contracts: Hennepin County, Association of Maternal & Child Health Professionals  
- Training on the strategic use of media and communications to  
  1. Support health research and improve public health practice  
  2. Drive the adoption of evidence based policies, programs and practices  
  3. Build public support for investing in adolescents  

Jenny Oliphant, EdD, MPH  
Research Associate and Community Outreach Coordinator, HYD•PRC  
- Innovating sexual health prevention services for young people  
- Oral health and STDs of adolescents  
- Healthy Youth Development, Sports and Community Collaboration  

Shari Plowman, MPH  
Senior Evaluator, HYD•PRC; Community Contracts: Planned Parenthood, MN Dept of Education, TeenWise MN  
- Adolescent sexual health  
- Program evaluation planning and implementation  
- Social media-based strategies for research subject recruitment, participation and follow-up  

Paul Snyder, MSW, MDiv  
Core Project Director, Promoting Healthy Student Outcomes; LEAH Faculty; Konopka Institute & HYD•PRC  
- School connectedness  
- Teacher professional development as a strategy to address health disparities  
- Academic and health disparities  

Kristin Teipel, BSN, MPH  
Co-Principal Investigator & Director, State Adolescent Health Resource Center (SAHRC); Konopka Institute  
- Design thinking for systems change in adolescent health  
- Translation of research to practice  
- Adolescent health strategic planning  

Mary Jo Spencer, RN, CPNP, MPH  
St. Joseph’s Community Health Clinic  

Michele Strachan, MD, MPH  
Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics Clinic  

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