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Employment

THE GUTTMACHER INSTITUTE, NEW YORK, NY

Research Associate, 2004 to present, Senior Research Assistant, May 2000 to 2004

- Fieldwork coordination for quantitative and qualitative studies, both nationally representative and smaller-scale, quantitative data processing and analysis, report and article writing, focus group moderation, in-depth interviewing and qualitative data analysis
- **2003 and 2010 Survey of Contraceptive Service Providers:** Nationally representative survey of 1,000 federally-funded family planning providers, including hospitals, health departments, Planned Parenthoods and Community Health Centers. Data is collected on all policies regarding contraceptive and STI service provision, funding and strategies for dealing with rising costs and client numbers.
- **National Survey of Abortion Patients, 2000-2001 and 2008-2009:** Nationally representative survey of over 10,000 women obtaining abortions at 100 facilities in the U.S. Two resulting articles were published in peer-reviewed journals, concerning patterns in socioeconomics and contraceptive use of abortion patients. The data was also used to determine the abortion rate for subgroups of women (by age, race, ethnicity and income), the number of abortions averted due to the use of emergency contraception and to influence the calculation of contraceptive failure rates. The more recent iteration includes a qualitative component of in-depth interviews of 49 women at 3 abortion facilities across the United States. This component was undertaken in order to better understand the circumstances in the lives of women obtaining abortions, and any stigma they experience. Analysis of this component is currently ongoing.
- **Family Violence and Sexual and Reproductive Health, 2007-2008:** Joint project undertaken with the Family Violence Prevention Fund consisting of 75 in-depth interviews with women who had ever experienced intimate partner violence and/or childhood sexual abuse. Women were interviewed at 3 different service sites across the United States. They were asked about the violence they had experienced, their partner, contraceptive and reproductive histories, their sexuality and their disclosure of abuse to healthcare providers. Main findings included data on the experience of pregnancy-promoting behaviors and disclosure behaviors. Posters presented at National Abortion Federation (2008), American Public Health Association (2008), Association of Reproductive Health Professionals (2008), International Union of Scientific Study in Population (2009) and Population Association of America (2009) meetings.
- **Reasons Why Women Choose Abortion, 2003-2004:** Survey of 1,200 women obtaining abortions at 11 facilities across the U.S., asking detailed questions about the reasons behind their decision to terminate their pregnancies and the logistics of obtaining an abortion. Quantitative data is complimented by analysis of themes in 40 in-depth interviews.
- **Clinic Census 2001 and 2006:** Censuses of all federally-funded contraceptive service providers in the U.S. in 2001 and 2006, and the number of women served at each site. The data enabled us to tabulate regional, state and county-level data on services, as well as trend data on these topics.
- **Family Planning Annual Report 1999-2003:** Tabulation for the Office of Population Affairs of all data collected annually by Title X (Family Planning Block Grant) recipients. Provides data on all people

served under the grant in the U.S. and territories by gender, age, race, ethnicity and income, and on methods and services provided and funding sources.

- **National Survey of Adolescents, 2003:** Survey of 1,000 minor adolescents using confidential services at 80 federally-funded reproductive health clinics in the U.S. Focused on the extent and quality of parental involvement in adolescents' decisions to become sexually active and to seek contraceptive and reproductive health services. A concurrent survey was administered to the participating clinics regarding their work around the issue of parental involvement, and 20 in-depth interviews will help to interpret the findings from the adolescent survey.

Awards

2001 National Abortion Federation Best Poster

2002 National Abortion Federation Best Scientific Paper

- Coordinated fieldwork and assisted with analysis for the winning presentation/paper, Patterns in the Socioeconomic Characteristics of Women Obtaining Abortions in 2000-2001, Jones RK, Darroch JE and Henshaw SK, *Perspective on Sexual and Reproductive Health*, 2002, 34 (5)

Publications

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Professional Affiliations

National Abortion Federation
American Public Health Association
Population Association of America

Education

B.A., NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, GALLATIN SCHOOL OF INDIVIDUALIZED STUDY
1996-1999

GPA: 3.95, Magna Cum Laude, University Honors Scholar

- Concentration in Cultural Anthropology/Cultural Studies and International Politics