

# 2018 Paul Ambrose Scholars Community Project Visuals

The posters and presentations from the 2018 Paul Ambrose Scholars are examples of the excellent work that our scholars produce during and after the program. The research, collaboration, and time devoted to the community projects is a helpful guide for future applicants and showcases past successes in different disciplines.

**Melissa Rabinek**

Discipline Physician Assistant  
 Institution Shenandoah University  
 LHI Topic Clinical Preventive Services  
 Title Prevention of Catheter Associated Urinary Tract Infections at Reston Hospital Center Using More Judicious Urine Testing Practices

## THE CATHETER'S LAMENT

Dr. Martin Kiernan

I am a urinary catheter  
 Dark places I must go  
 My job is clear  
 I have no fear  
 I need to ease the flow

You are the one I am inside  
 It enters not your head  
 That if I'm left in  
 (a moral sin)  
 You could just end up dead

At times, I am useful aide  
 But my use you should not flout  
 On every day  
 Someone should say  
 It's time to take me out!



**Taylor Velasquez**

Discipline Dentistry  
 Institution A.T. Still University  
 LHI Topic Oral Health  
 Title How to Become a Leader  
 in Your Community

## Dental School Stats

- 66 dental schools across the U.S. that provide a D.M.D. or D.D.S.
  - 65 four-year program
  - 1 three-year program (Pacific University, San Francisco, CA)
- Apply after all requirements are completed
- Average debt a dental student will have: \$263,000
- Dental Specialities require more school after dental school: 9 recognized specialities
  - Orthodontics: 3 years
  - Periodontics: 3 years
  - Oral Surgery: 4-7 years
  - Pediatric Dentistry: 3 years
  - Prosthodontics: 3 years
  - Endodontics: 3 years
  - Pathology: 2-3 years
  - Radiology: 2-3 years
  - Public Health: 2 years
  - Anesthesiology: 2 years
  - Advanced General Dentistry: 1-2 years



- Associate's degree in Dental Hygiene or Bachelor's of Science in Dental Hygiene
- Most programs take 2 years to complete
- 8 dental hygiene programs in Arizona
  - NAU: Bachelor of Science
  - Phoenix College
  - Fortis College
  - Mesa Community College
  - Carrington College
  - Rio Salado
  - Mohave Community College
  - Pima Community College
- Total of 300 hygiene programs across the country

**Sahil Angelo**

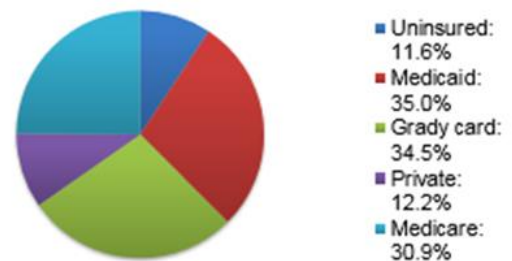
Discipline Medicine (DO)  
 Institution Emory School of Medicine  
 LHI Topic Social Determinants of Health  
 Title Grady Healthy Living: Addressing Social Determinants of Health in Primary Care Clinics

## Patient SDOH Screening Results

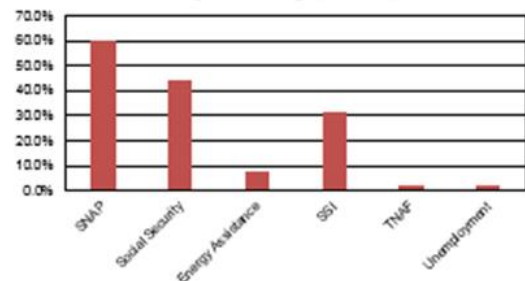
- 1,061/3,889 surveys completed (27.3% response rate)
- 10 SDOH categories identified with > 15% respondents impacted in previous year
- SDOH resource-related handout provided to 26 patients (2.5%)
- Physician referral for social work, financial planning, behavioral health, health education classes, nutritional services, or diabetes education offered to 33 patients (3.1%)

Social Determinant of Health	% of Patients who experienced in previous 12mo (n=1,061)
1. Food Insecurity	25.3%
2. Couldn't access MD due to cost	25.1%
3. Unemployment	24.8%
4. Social Isolation	19.6%
5. Lack of Transportation	18.1%
6. Inaccessible mental health resources due to cost	17.9%
7. Housing Instability	16.9%
7. Lack of Utilities at home	16.9%
9. Community Gun Violence	16.7%
10. Limited Literacy	16.6%

Patient Insurance Status (n=995)



% Patients Enrolled in Govt Assisted Programming (n=709)



**Janice Guider**

Discipline: Public Health  
 Institution: Benedictine University  
 LHI Topic: Mental Health  
 Title: Mitigating Major Depressive Episodes in the Adolescent Population Ages 12-17

Mitigating Major Depressive Episodes in the Adolescent Population

The Logic Model:

Resources

System inputs

- High school students
- Emergency Dept. Clinicians
- First Responders
- Parents
- Mental health workers
- Educators

Key processes

Activities

- Survey /Focus Groups of students to identify lived-experience perceptions of risk factors
- Focus groups/interviews of key informers
- Heighten awareness of risk variables for major depressive symptoms

Outputs

- Provide significant tool to maximize the distribution of current resources
- Creating a collaborative effort within community to advance research with goal to improve good mental health

Outcomes

- Recognize behaviors associated with risk factors
- Create a proactive dialogue for changing behaviors associated with major depressive episodes

Impact

- Increased awareness of risk factors and impact on social emotional well-being as well as mental health.
- Recommendation to consolidate resources to effectively change behaviors and/or policy, with geographical specificity for improved mental health well-being

**Fadi Jamaledin Ahmad**

Discipline Public Health  
 Institution University of New Mexico  
 LHI Topic  
 Title Apprentice Model Clinic and A1c Levels Among Hispanics in New Mexico During a Period of Political Stressors, 2015-2018

## Research Question

► **Were A1c levels among Latino patients with type 2 diabetes at Simply Salud Clinic altered between 2015-2018, a time period that includes political stressors in the United States?**

- The outcome of interest is A1c levels, as indicated in the laboratory reports from clinic medical records.
- Exposure of interest is the time of their initial A1c lab reports (2015) to end of the 2017 year.
- **Confounders:** use of diabetes medications as prescribed by Simply Salud clinician, medical condition (anemia, hyperlipidemia) as confirmed by doctor diagnosis throughout lab results, gender, body mass index, blood pressure, family history, and age .
- Gender will be assessed for effect modification.

## Results (1)-Demographics

**Table 1. Baseline** Socio-Demographics Characteristics, Among Hispanic/Latino Patients with Type 2 Diabetes at Simply Salud Clinic with at least one A1C result, 2015-2018.

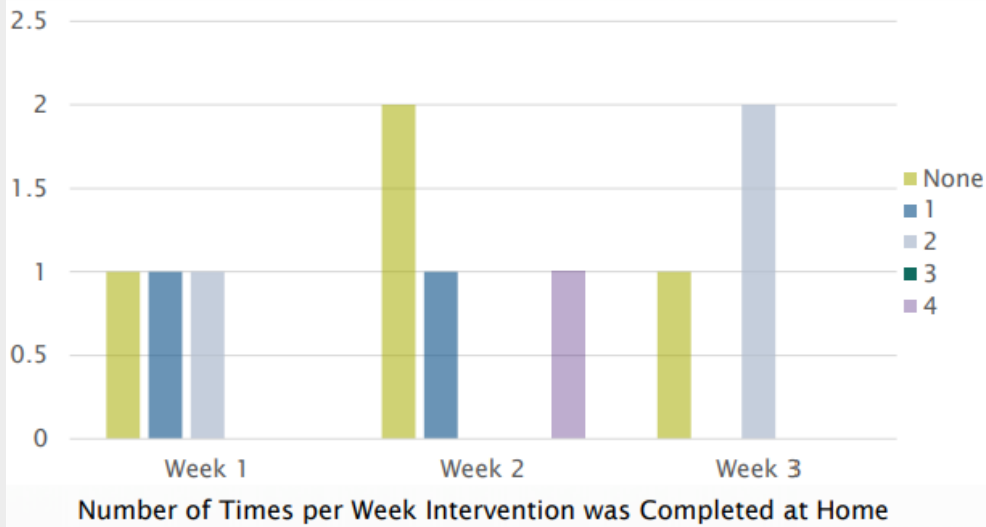
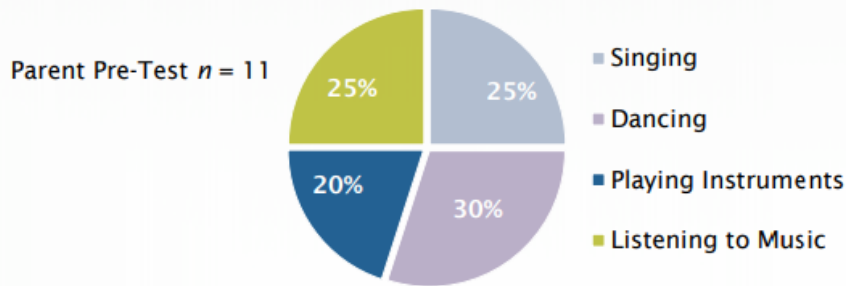
All Participants (n, %)	Characteristics				
	2015 (n, %)	2016 (n, %)	2017 (n, %)	2018 (n, %)	p-values
<b>Gender (Both)</b>	100, 19%	122, 24%	104, 20%	79, 15%	0.0023
Male					
Female					
Mean Age, years					
BMI, Kg/m <sup>2</sup>					
Language					
English					
Spanish					
Bilingual (Spanish + English)					
Diabetes Medications					
Metformin					
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Xxxxxxxxx					
No medications					
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**Angela Burla**

Discipline Physical Therapy/Occupational Therapy  
 Institution St. Catherine University  
 LHI Topic Social Determinants  
 Title Educating Parents English Language Learners on Healthy Routines for Children

**FINDINGS**

Types of music used in the home pre-intervention



**STAFF RESPONSES:**

“The children and I love the actions and movements, I will definitely use these activities”

“We’ll use many of these ideas from now on.”

“Thanks to [the OT students] I had the courage to try this.”

**Sindhuja Ranganathan**

Discipline    Medicine (DO)  
 Institution   University of New England College of  
                   Osteopathic Medicine  
 LHI Topic    Clinical Preventive Services  
 Title            Role of Mobile Communication Technology  
                   in Addressing Medication Noncompliance: A  
                   Pilot Study

**Methods:**

**Data Collected**

Data collection consisted of two separate questionnaires:

The first was a validated patient reported outcome metric called the Medication Adherence Questionnaire (MAQ). This questionnaire is a scale used to assess adherence to medications. It has been used in many published studies regarding medication compliance, as well as validated with high internal consistency and prective value.

The second was a survey composed of questions designed to collect basic information about participants' demographics.

Medication Adherence Questionnaire

1. Do you ever forget to take your medicine?
2. Are you careless at times about taking your medicine?
3. When you feel better do you sometimes stop taking your medicine?
4. Sometimes if you feel worse when you take the medicine, do you stop taking it?

Participant Information

1. Age
2. Gender
3. Ethnicity
4. Education- Highest level completed
5. Employment status
6. Household income
7. Are you interested in receiving daily text message reminders to take your medication?

**Study Design**

- Patients were recruited in the Emergency Department at St. Michael's Medical center in Newark, NJ
- Following consent process, participants' self-reported medication compliance was assessed via MAQ, and demographics information was collected
- For patients who reported medication noncompliance and interest in study intervention, daily text message reminders were sent to the participants via automated app for a period of four weeks
- Following the four week intervention, the MAQ was readministered through online survey methodology

**Results:**

**Pilot Study Population**

The pilot study sample included 15 participants: 73% female, 27% male, 53% Black, 47% Latino, average age 58 years old. Education ranged from some grade school to some college, with 40% reporting high school graduate status. Employment status ranged from retired to full-time, with 20% of participants currently unemployed. 47% reported an income of less than \$10k, 47% reported an income of \$10-50k, and 6% reported an income of \$50-100k. 100% of participants owned a cell phone. 13% agreed to receive the study

**Pilot Study Population**

Male	4
Female	11
Total	15
Ethnicity	8 Black, 7 Latino
Avg. age	58 (Range 34 – 78)
Ave. education	High school graduate
Avg. income	\$0-50k (7 <\$10k, 7 \$10-50k)
Text message intervention	2 Yes, 13 No

**Initial MAQ Results**

Of the 15 total participants, 60% reported forgetting to take their medicine. 20% of participants reported being careless about taking their medicine. 40% reported sometimes stopping their medicine when feeling better, and 40% reported sometimes stopping their medicine when taking it makes them feel worse.

MAQ Question	Yes	No
Forget to take medicine	60%	40%
Careless about taking medicine	20%	80%
Stop when feeling better	40%	60%
Stop when feeling worse	40%	60%