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EDUCATION

University of Chicago, Harris School of Public Policy, Master of Public Policy, 2004
DePaul University, Bachelor degree with High Honors in Political Science and Honors Program, 2002

WORK EXPERIENCE

Wisconsin Department of Health Services

Health Analytics Section Chief, Office of Health Informatics, 02/2012 – present,

- Manage the Health Analytics Section's staff (22 FTEs that include graduate fellows, research technicians, research analysts, research scientists and Information System Business Automation Specialists) and financial resources (about \$2 million annual budget). Conduct annual performance evaluations, establish and adjust position descriptions based on the civil service rules, hire new staff and implement Department's HR policies. Implement professional staff training plan.
- Oversee and direct development, writing and visualization of various health data findings, reports, query systems, posters and academic publications.
- Evaluate and purchase business intelligence tools to present data and statistical software tools to analyze data.
- Lead various health informatics projects related to population health surveillance, data matching, healthcare cost utilization, predictive modeling for employment, developing IRB approved research application policies and data use agreements.
- Develop and enhance communication strategies to market products developed by the Section.
- Oversee and direct operations of the Wisconsin population based cancer registry and violent death reporting system, three population health surveys, administration of several linked file databases and custom research projects.
- Oversee development, submission and management of several competitive federal grants ranging from \$125,000 to \$1.8 million (CDC grants for the central cancer registry, enhanced pediatric cancer capture system, violent death reporting, Behavior Risk Factor Survey, Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System, U.S. Department of Education grant for the Race to the Top project).
- Prepare and implement annual, project based Memorandums of Understanding between the Office and other Divisions ranging from \$80,000 to \$945,000.
- Initiated and coordinated an annual Wisconsin's application to be a host site for an applied informatics fellowship for three years. Mentor applied informatics and preventive medicine resident fellows.

Wisconsin Department of Health Services

Senior Policy Analyst, Medicaid program, 02/2006 – 02/2012

- Acted as the Department's liaison to the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute that evaluated Wisconsin's Medicaid programs.

- Received and managed \$50 million grant from the federal government (HRSA) to extend health insurance to more adults in Wisconsin and \$1 million grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to retain more children in the Wisconsin's Medicaid program.
- Prepared healthcare policy analysis and recommendations for the Medicaid Director.
- Staffed the governor's appointed Healthy Wisconsin commission, which was asked to find ways to cut costs of health insurance for small businesses.
- Presented Medicaid programs at research and advocacy national conferences .

Wisconsin Department of Revenue

Economist, 07/2004 – 02/2006

- Prepared fiscal estimates, technical memoranda, public hearing testimony, and bill analysis for legislation related to property taxes and credits
- Built econometric models to estimate \$200 million appropriations for the state budget
- Analyzed property tax administration and exemption issues, compared tax policy of neighboring states

OTHER EXPERIENCE

- Served on Boards of Directors at Madison-Vilnius Sister Cities (09/2006-06/2012), 4th Ward Lofts Condominium Association (11/2007-11/2012), International Professionals Association (01/2008-01/2009), Creative Learning Preschool and Daycare Center (09/2014 -2016 term).
- Internships at the City of Chicago Department of Transportation (09/2000-06/2003) and Metropolitan Planning Council in Chicago (06/2003-12/2004)

PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

Wisconsin Department of Health Services, Division of Public Health, Office of Health Informatics. **Annual Wisconsin Birth and Infant Mortality Report, 2014** (P-01161-15). November 2015.

Wisconsin Department of Health Services, Division of Public Health, Office of Health Informatics. **Annual Wisconsin Death Report, 2014** (P-01170-15). November 2015.

M. Aksamitauskas, MPP, S. Blackwell, MPH, J. Martin, MPA, R. Miller, MS. **Combining Maternal Health Information Sources: A Strategic Collaboration between Medicaid and Public Health**. Poster presented at the national Concordium 2015 conference on September 21, 2015..

L. J. Leininger, D. Friedsam, L. Dague , S. Mok , E. Hynes , A. Bergum, M. Aksamitauskas, T. R. Oliver, T. DeLeire. **Wisconsin's BadgerCare Plus Reform: Impact on Low-Income Families' Enrollment and Retention in Public Coverage**. Health Science Research journal 02/2011; 46(1 Pt 2):336-47.

L. J. Leininger, A. Bergum, S. Mok, M. Aksamitauskas, T. R. Oliver, T. DeLeire. **Wisconsin's BadgerCare Plus Coverage Expansion and Simplification: Early Data on Program Impact**. State Health Access Reform Evaluation report. October 2009.