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In this section, we report on progress made by SMART Africa Center towards fulfilling its commitment to provide leadership opportunities to a cadre of young scientists (Doctoral students, Postdoctoral researchers, and Assistant Professors) committed to social and behavioral research in Sub-Saharan Africa. The Global Child Health Fellowship program, established by the SMART Africa Center, ensures that the most dedicated and talented new investigators benefit from mentoring relationships with renowned researchers. Scholars are identified based on their potential to lead the next generation of child and adolescent behavioral health research in the region, and they are monitored through both formal and informal mechanisms. The goals of Global Child Health Fellowship Program are to: (1) Directly or indirectly (through connections to senior investigators) provide training and support to upcoming scholars, (2) Establish an infrastructure/ pipeline that fosters long-term research collaborations, (3) Create and facilitate multidisciplinary learning opportunities, and (4) Provide administrative and technical assistance. The table below provides a detailed summary of the goals and activities of the Global Child Health Fellowship Program.

Global Child Health Fellowship Program: Goals & Activities	
Goals	Activities
Supports and trains , either directly or through connections to senior investigators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Content focused on child adolescent behavioral health • Intervention research methods, including assessment of feasibility and acceptability of interventions • Research methods accounting for sub-Saharan geo-political and cultural contexts.
Establishes an infrastructure/ pipeline that fosters long-term research collaborations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborations between young scholars and senior researchers across the global north and south
Creates and facilitates multidisciplinary learning opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conferences (similar to the ones organized by SMART Africa) • Collaborations with fellows on publications and presentations • Provides funding to attend the Annual Conference on Child Behavioral Health in Sub Saharan Africa
Provides administrative and technical assistance For pilot studies and grant applications for larger studies (e.g., R03, R01---from the US NIH systems; or other bigger research from government and international institutions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review and feedback on the design and implementation of pilot studies by senior SMART Africa researchers and affiliates • Review, feedback, and co-I/consultant roles –when applicable- on grant applications by senior SMART Africa researchers and affiliates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Institutes of Health • government and international institutions

Currently, SMART Africa Center sponsors nine promising junior scientists from the U.S. and Sub-Saharan African institutions with a network of committed and active senior mentors. This report highlights the accomplishments of the Global fellows since the start of their fellowship in June 2016 until November 2017. Global fellows contributed to and took the lead in over 35 peer-reviewed publications (published or in press), made over 30 conference presentations and submitted at least five extramural grant applications. Other accomplishments include taking up academic positions and achieving critical milestones in respective Ph.D. programs. Below is a detailed summary of the accomplishments of each Global Fellow since the start of their fellowship.



Laura Gauer Bermudez

CURRENT POSITION

❖ Doctoral Student, Columbia University, New York, NY

Publications

Manuscripts published/in press

1. **Bermudez, L.G.**, Parks, L., Meyer, S., & Stark, L. (in press). Safety, trust, & disclosure: A transgenerational examination of violence against children in Kiziba Camp, Rwanda. *Social Science & Medicine*.
2. Ssewamala, F.M., **Bermudez, L.G.**, & Santelli, J. (in press). The power of money: Reporting on the efficacy of economic strengthening interventions in sub-Saharan Africa. *Journal of Adolescent Health*.
3. Wang, J.S.H., Ssewamala, F., Neilands, T., **Bermudez, L.G.**, Garfinkel, I., Waldfogel, J., & Brooks-Gunn, J. (in press). The effect of child savings accounts on family material hardship: Findings from a randomized trial in Uganda. *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*.
4. Ssewamala, F., Wang, J.S.H., Neilands, T., **Bermudez, L.G.**, et al. (in press). Cost-effectiveness of a savings-led economic empowerment intervention in AIDS-affected adolescents in Uganda: Implications for scale-up in low-resource communities. *Journal of Adolescent Health*.
5. **Bermudez, L.G.**, Grilo, S.A., Santelli, J., & Ssewamala, F. (2017). Informing health choices in low-resource settings. *The Lancet*.
6. **Bermudez, L.G.**, Jennings, L., Ssewamala, F., Nabunya, P., Mellins, C., & McKay, M. (2016). Equity in adherence to antiretroviral therapy among economically-vulnerable adolescents living with HIV in Uganda. *AIDS Care*, 28 (Suppl 2), 83.

Manuscripts under review

1. **Bermudez, L.G.**, Fuys, A., Alfayadh, A., & Adams, H. Engaging refugee youth through client-centered research: A Photovoice pilot in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. Manuscript under review at *Forced Migration Review*.
2. **Bermudez, L.G.**, Bahar, O., Dako-Gyeke, M., Boateng, A., Ibrahim, A., Ssewamala, F., & McKay, M. Understanding female migrant child labor within a cumulative risk framework: The case for combined interventions in sub-Saharan Africa. Manuscript under review at *International Social Work*.
3. **Bermudez, L.G.**, Jennings, L., Ssewamala, F., Nakigozi, G. Does economic strengthening improve adherence to ART among adolescents? Results from a randomized controlled trial in Uganda. Manuscript under review at *AIDS and Behavior*

4. **Bermudez, L.G.**, Yu, G., Lu, L., Falb, K., Eoomkham, J., Abdella, G., & Stark, L. (revise & resubmit). HIV risk among displaced adolescent girls in Ethiopia: The role of gender norms and self-esteem. Manuscript under review at *Prevention Science*.
5. Ssewamala, F., **Bermudez, L.G.**, Neilands, T., Mellins, C., Garfinkel, I.,...Kivumbi, A. Suubi4Her: A study protocol to examine the impact and cost associated with a combination intervention to prevent HIV risk behavior among adolescent girls in Uganda. Manuscript under review at *BMC Public Health*.

Manuscripts in preparation

1. **Bermudez, L.G.**, Stark, L., & Williamson, K. Global research priorities for child protection in humanitarian contexts: Results from an adapted CHNRI exercise.
2. Karimli, L., Ssewamala, F., **Bermudez, L.G.**, & Wells, C. Child poverty, children's work, and mental health outcomes among AIDS orphaned children in Uganda: Parallel multiple moderated mediation in longitudinal experimental study.
3. Stark, L., **Bermudez, L.G.**, & Meyer, S. Development of an index to measure the strength of child protection systems: Conceptual and practical considerations.

Conference Presentations

- Number of presentations in 2018=1
- Number of presentations in 2017=3
- Number of presentations in 2016=5

Other Accomplishments

Technical Reports/Briefs in Press:

1. Ssewamala, F. & **Bermudez, L.G.** *Translating Research to Evidence – Methodologies to Capture the Multidimensional Effects of Economic Strengthening Interventions*. United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF – Innocenti Research Centre).
2. **Bermudez, L.G.** *Integrating Protection and Livelihoods in Urban Humanitarian Settings*. New York, NY: International Rescue Committee.
3. **Bermudez, L.G.** *Understanding the Effects of Micro-Savings on Vulnerable Children in Sub-Saharan Africa*. FHI 360/SEEP Network.
4. **Bermudez, L.G.** *Understanding the Effects of Cash Transfers on Vulnerable Children in Sub-Saharan Africa*. FHI 360/SEEP Network.
5. **Bermudez, L.G.** *Understanding the Effects of Economic Strengthening Programs on Adolescent Girls in Sub-Saharan Africa*. FHI 360/SEEP Network.
6. **Bermudez, L.G.** *Youth Entrepreneurship in Sub-Saharan Africa*. FHI 360/SEEP Network.

Guidance Notes & Policy Briefs

1. **Bermudez, L.G.** (2017) *Integrating Protection and Livelihoods Interventions for Displaced Persons in Urban Humanitarian Response*. New York, NY: International Rescue Committee.
2. Ssewamala, F.M. & **Bermudez, L.G.** (2017) *Translating Research to Evidence –Methodologies to Capture the Multidimensional Effects of Economic Strengthening Interventions*. Innocenti Working Paper. United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF).
3. **Bermudez, L.G.** (2017) *Understanding the Effects of Micro-Savings on Vulnerable Children in Sub-Saharan Africa*. FHI 360/SEEP Network. (in press)
4. **Bermudez, L.G.** (2017) *Understanding the Effects of Economic Strengthening Programs on Adolescent Girls in Sub-Saharan Africa*. FHI 360/SEEP Network. (in press) 2017 Bermudez, L.G. *Youth Entrepreneurship in Sub-Saharan Africa*. FHI 360/SEEP Network. (in press)

Grant Panel Reviewer

- Serves as an Issue Expert and Grant Review Committee Member. 2017 U.S. Department of Labor. Office of Child Labor, Forced Labor, and Human Trafficking (OCFT). Combatting Forced Labor and Labor Trafficking of Adults and Children.



Ernestina Korleki Dankyi, PhD

CURRENT POSITION

- ❖ Research Fellow, Center for Social Policy Studies, University of Ghana, Lagon
- ❖ Visiting Scholar at the Department of Sociology, University of South Florida, Tampa (August - December 2017).

Publications

Manuscripts published/in press

1. Mazzucato, V., **Dankyi, E.**, & Poeze, M. (2017). Mapping transnational networks of care from a multi-actor and multi-sited perspective. In C. Bolzman, L. Bernardi, & J. M. LeGoff (Eds) *Second generation transition to adulthood and intergenerational relations: Exploring methodological issues and innovations*, (pp 303 -322). Wiesbaden: Springer.
2. Poeze M., **Dankyi E.** & Mazzucato V. (2016). Navigating transnational care relationships: Migrant parents and their children's caregivers in the origin country. *Global Networks*. <http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/glob.12135/epdf>
3. Alidu, S., **Dankyi, E.**, & Tsiboe-Darko, A. (2016). Ageing policies in Ghana: A review of the livelihood empowerment against poverty and the national health insurance scheme. *Ghana Studies*, 19, 154-172.

Manuscripts under review

1. **Dankyi, E.**, Tsiboe-Darko, A., & Afranie, S. Psychosocial effects of child marriage on child brides in Ghana. Manuscript under review at *Journal of Marriage and Family*.
2. Huang, K., Bornheimer, L. A., **Dankyi, E.**, & de-Graft Aikins, A. Parental wellbeing, parenting and child development in Ghanaian families with young children. Manuscript under review at *Child Psychiatry & Human Development*.
3. **Dankyi, E.** Psychological distress and coping strategies among homeless children in the 'golden triangle' cities of Ghana. Manuscript under review at *Vulnerable Children and Youth Studies*

Grants Funded

1. **Forgiveness in intergenerational relationships and its implication for care for the aged in Ghana** (2017)
The John Templeton Foundation:
Role: Principal Investigator
2. **Mental Health Burdens in Children and Adolescents Living and Working on Streets** (2017) Building A New Generation Of Academics In Africa (BANGA-Africa)
Role: Principal Investigator

Conference Presentations

Number of presentations in 2017=1

Number of presentations in 2016=1



Maji Hailemariam, PhD

CURRENT POSITION

- ❖ Research Specialist and Postdoctoral Researcher at Flint Center for Health Equity Solutions, Dissemination and Implementation Science Core (DISC), Division of Public Health, College of Human Medicine, Michigan State University

Publications

Manuscripts published/in press

1. **Hailemariam, M.**, Drahota, A., & Hanlon, C. (in press). Ethical challenges of involving people with severe mental disorders in health services research: Evidence from a low-income country setting. *SAGE Research Methods*.
2. **Hailemariam M**, Fekadu A, Prince M, & Hanlon C. (2017). Engaging and staying engaged: A phenomenological study of barriers to equitable access to mental healthcare for people with severe mental disorders in a rural African setting. *International Journal for Equity in Health*, 16 (1), 156.
3. **Hailemariam M**, Fekadu, A, Selamu, Medhin, G, Prince, M, & Hanlon C. (2016). Equitable access to integrated primary mental healthcare for people with severe mental disorders in Ethiopia: A formative study: *International Journal for Equity in Health*, 15,121, doi: 10.1186/s12939-016-0410-0.

Manuscripts under review

1. **Hailemariam, M.**, Stein, M., Anderson, B., Schonburn, Y.C., Moore, K., Kurth, M., Richie, F. & Johnson, J. Correlates of Alcoholics Anonymous affiliation among justice-involved women. Manuscript under review at *BMC Health Services Research*.
2. **Hailemariam, M.**, Fekadu, A., Prince, M. & Hanlon, C. Access to integrated mental healthcare in primary care for people with severe mental disorders in rural Ethiopia: A community-based cross-sectional study. Manuscript under review at *BMC Health Services Research*
3. Fekadu, A., Medhin, G., Lund, C., Selamu, M., Asher, L., Berhane, R., DeSilva, M., Patel, V., **Hailemariam, M.**, Shibre, T., Thornicroft, G., Prince, M., & Hanlon, C. The mental health treatment gap and its consequences in rural Ethiopia: Conceptual framework and description of magnitude. Manuscript under review at *The Lancet Psychiatry*
4. Ghebrehiwet, S., Baul, T., Restivo, J., Shibre T., Gelaye, B., Hanlon, C., Fekadu, A., **Hailemariam, M.**, Girma, E., Teferra, S., Henderson, D. & Borba, C. A qualitative analysis of the influence of sociocultural factors on gender-specific consequences of schizophrenia in rural Ethiopia. Manuscript under review at *PLoS One*.

Conference Presentations

Number of presentations in 2016=2

Other Accomplishments

- 2017- Postdoctoral Researcher at Flint Center for Health Equity Solutions, Dissemination and Implementation Science Core (DISC), Division of Public Health, College of Human Medicine, Michigan State University.
- 2016- Mandela Washington Fellowship Reciprocal Exchange Program: Building capacities of Ethiopian mental health service providers.



Teresia Mutavi

CURRENT POSITION

- ❖ Tutorial Fellow in Psychiatric Social Work-University of Nairobi
(Submitted Ph.D thesis in July 2017 awaiting defense)

Publications

Manuscripts published/in press

1. **Mutavi, T.**, Mathai, M., Kokonya, D., Mavis, D., & Obondo, A., (in press). Self-esteem and school performance among children exposed to sexual violence in Kenya. *Journal of Global Social Welfare: Policy, Research and Practice*.
2. **Mutavi, T.**, Obondo, A. Kokonya, D., Khasakhala, L., Mbwayo, A., Njiri, F., & Mathai, M. (in press). Depression among sexually abused children in Kenya. *Journal of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and Mental Health*.
3. Ng'ang'a, P., Mathai, M., Obondo, A., **Mutavi, T.**, & Kumar, M. (in press). Undetected psychiatric morbidity among HIV/AIDS patients attending comprehensive care clinic (CCC) in Nairobi, Kenya: Towards an integrated mental health care. *Annals of General Psychiatry*.
4. **Mutavi, T.**, Mathai, M., & Obondo, A. (2017). Post- Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) in Sexually Abused Children and Educational Status in Kenya: A Longitudinal Study. *Journal of Child & Adolescent Behavior*, 5(5): 357. doi:10.4172/2375-4494.1000357.
5. **Mutavi, T.**, Mathai, M., Kokonya, D., & Obondo, A., (in press). The incidence of depression among children who have experienced sexual violence and its effects on the children's school performance at Kenyatta National Hospital and Nairobi Women's Hospital, Kenya. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*.
6. Okatta, T., Otieno, E., Ndege, W., **Mutavi, T.**, Okuku, M., Odero, V., & Mwendwa D. (2017) Promoting a bi-partisan approach to the contemporary socio-economic challenges in Kenya. *International Journal of Scientific Research and Management*, 5(12), 7652-7660.
7. Anyango, D., Muhingi, W., Okuku, M., **Mutavi, T.**, & Mwalw'a, S. (2017). Socio-economic effects of cattle-rustling in Borabu Sub-county, Nyamira County, Kenya. *Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences*, 22(10), 70-90.
8. Okatta, T., Muhingi, W., Odero, V., **Mutavi, T.**, Obondo, A., Namulanda, V., & Ondieki, D. (2017). Civil society and development: Involving stakeholders to enhance financial sustainability of public benefit organizations in informal settlement in Kenya. *International Journal of Science & Research*, 6(6), 2594-2602. doi.10.21275/24061706
9. **Mutavi, T.**, Mathai, M., Nganga, P., Kumar, M., & Obondo, A., (2016). Psychosocial outcome among children following defilement and the caregiver's responses to the children's trauma: A qualitative study from Nairobi suburbs, Kenya. *African Journal of Traumatic Stress*, 5(1), 29-32.

Manuscripts under review

Mutavi, T., Obondo, A. Kokonya, D., Khasakhala, L., Mbwayo, A., Njiri, F., & Mathai, M. Depression among sexually abused children in Kenya. Manuscript under review at *BMC Journal*.

Manuscripts in preparation

Mutavi, T., Okech, V., Makanyengo, M., Kinyua, G., & Mathai, M. Barriers to successful treatment completion among survivors of child sexual abuse at Kenyatta National Hospital. *Journal of Child Sexual Abuse*

Other Accomplishments

Number of presentations in 2016=1

Number of presentations in 2017=1



Timothy Opobo

CURRENT POSITION

❖ Child Protection Manager at ChildFund Uganda

Grants Funded

1. German government: **Child protection work in Acholi and Lango sub-region.**
October 2016: Euros 300,000.

Other Accomplishments

Fellowships and Scholarships

- **March 2017:** Recipient of the MASHAV scholarship to undertake course MASHAV scholarship in Development of Children: Social Emotional Support and Well-being, Haifa University, Israel.

Workshops and Training

- **April 2017:** Certificate in Development of Children: Social Emotional support and wellbeing.
- **September 2016:** Key participant in regional consultation on ending violence against children in Africa held on September 29th and 30th, 2016 in Addis Ababa-Ethiopia.



Hadiza Osuji, PhD

CURRENT POSITION

❖ Research Assistant Professor-Silver School of Social Work-NYU

Publications

Manuscripts published/in press

1. Beharie N, Jessell L, **Osuji H**, & McKay M. (2017). The association between shelter rules and psychosocial outcomes among homeless youth residing in family shelters. *Families in Society*, 98(2), 113-120.
2. Parchment, T. M., Small, L, **Osuji, H.**, Bhana, A., & McKay, M. (2016). Familial and contextual influences on child pro-social behavior: South African caregivers as adult protective shields in increasing child mental health. *Global Social Welfare*, 3(1), 1-10. doi: 10.1007/s40609-016-0042-8

Manuscripts under review

1. **Osuji, H.**, Nabunya, P., Byansi, W., Parchment, T., Sswemala, F., McKay, M., & Huang, K. Social support and school outcomes of orphaned adolescents participating in a family-based economic empowerment intervention in Uganda. Manuscript under review at *Journal of Vulnerable Children and Youth Studies*.
2. Osuji, H., Mercado, M., Gensemer, A., **Parchment, T.M.**, & McKay, M. CHAMPIONS: Trained community members delivering effective results. Manuscript under review at *Progress in Community Health Partnerships: Research, Education, and Action*

Manuscripts in preparation

1. Beharie, N., **Osuji, H.**, Jessell, L., & McKay, M. Racial socialization and its role in HIV/AIDS prevention and mental health among trauma-impacted homeless youth residing in family shelters.

Grants Funded

Funded

National Institute of Health (NIH) Extramural Loan Repayment Program for Health Disparities Research (LRP-HDR), 2016.
Role: Principal Investigator

Under review

1. **Feasibility, Acceptability, and Preliminary Impact of a Tailored Multilevel Intervention to Improve the Mental Health Outcomes of African Immigrant Mothers and their Children,** National Institute of Mental Health (K99/R00).
Role: Principal Investigator
2. **Improving Immigrant Family Mental Health and Social Service Use, Functioning and Child Behavioral Health Outcomes.** National Institute of Minority Health & Disparities, Loan Repayment Program.
Role: Principal Investigator

Conference Presentations

Number of presentations in 2016=1



Tyrone Parchment

CURRENT POSITION

❖ Ph.D. Candidate Doctor of Philosophy (Spring 2018), New York University Silver School of Social Work. Dissertation: *Adult Caregivers Influence on Child Mental Health and Risk Behavior in South Africa: A Study Utilizing Secondary Data from the Collaborative HIV Adolescent Mental Health Program in South Africa*

Publications

Manuscripts published/in press

1. Stephens, T., **Parchment, T. M.**, Gopalan, G., Burton, G., Ortiz, A., Brantley, T. & McKay, M. (In press). Assessing the needs of recently unified families from foster care: A parent perspective. *Child Welfare*.
2. **Parchment, T. M.**, Jones, J., Del-Villar, Z., Small, L. & McKay, M. (2016). Integrating positive youth development and clinical care to enhance high school achievement for young people of color. *Journal of Public Mental Health*, 15(1), 1-13.
3. **Parchment, T. M.**, Small, L., Osuji, H., Bhana, A., & McKay, M. (2016). Familial and contextual influences on child pro-social behavior: South African caregivers as adult protective shields in increasing child mental health. *Global Social Welfare: Research Policy & Practice*, 3(1), 1-10

Manuscripts under review

1. Bornheimer, L., Acri, M., **Parchment, T.**, & McKay, M. Provider attitudes, organizational factors, and uptake of evidence-based practices in public outpatient child mental health settings. Manuscript under review at *Clinical Social Work Journal*
2. Osuji, H., Nabunya, P., Byansi, W., **Parchment, T.M.**, Ssewamala, F., McKay, M.M., & Huang, K.Y. Social support and school outcomes of orphaned adolescents participating in a family-based economic empowerment intervention in Uganda. Manuscript under review at *Vulnerable Children & Youth Studies*
3. Small, L., **Parchment, T.M.**, Sensoy Bahar, O., Osuji, H., Chimpanzee, A., McKay, M., & Bhana, A. South African adult caregivers as “protective shields”: Serving as a buffer between stressful neighborhood conditions, food security, and youth risk behaviors. Manuscript under review at *Journal of Adolescence*
4. Alleyne-Green, B., Lipton, A., Hartman, A. & **Parchment, T.M.** Parenting satisfaction, intimate partner violence, and mental illness among a national sample of young adult women with a history of childhood maltreatment. Manuscript under review at *Journal of Family Issues*
5. Osuji, H., Mercado, M., Gensemer, A., **Parchment, T.M.**, & McKay, M. CHAMPIONS: Trained community members delivering effective results. Manuscript under review at *Progress in Community Health Partnerships: Research, Education, and Action*

6. Small, L., **Parchment, T.**, Sensoy Bahar, O., Osuji, H., Chomanczuk, A., McKay, M., & Bhana, A. It's all about context: Mental health influences of community, poverty, and caregiver support for South African youth. Manuscript under review at *Journal of Adolescence*

Manuscripts in preparation

1. Small, L., Nestadt, D., Mellins, C. A., Machanyanga, S., **Parchment, T. M.**, McKay, M. Caregiver and child perceptions of HIV medication adherence in South Africa. *Journal of the International AIDS Society*.
2. Bornheimer, L. A., Acri, M., **Parchment, T. M.**, & McKay, M. Youth perspectives on depression and adult caregiver practices: Secondary analysis of data from the Collaborative HIV Prevention and Adolescent Mental Health Program in South Africa (CHAMPSA).
3. Hamovitch, E., Bornheimer, L., Acri, M., & **Parchment, T. M.** Demographic eligibility differences among caregivers participating in a family-based intervention.
4. Bornheimer, L., & **Parchment, T.M.** A longitudinal exploration of changes in clinician perspectives of evidenced-based practices.
5. Osuji, H., Nabunya, P., Byansi, W., **Parchment, T. M.**, & Ssewamala, F. Perceived caregiver support in improving school outcomes of AIDS orphaned children participating in a family-based economic empowerment intervention in Uganda.
6. Small, L., Nestadt, D., Mellins, C. A., Machanyanga, S., **Parchment, T. M.**, & McKay, M. Caregiver and child perceptions of HIV medication adherence in South Africa. *Journal of the International AIDS Society*.

Conference Presentations

Number of presentations in 2018=1
Number of presentations in 2017=2
Number of presentations in 2016=4



Ozge Sensoy Bahar, PhD

CURRENT POSITION

- ❖ Research Assistant Professor-Brown School-Washington University in St. Louis
- ❖ Faculty Fellow, McSilver Institute for Poverty Policy and Research, Silver School of Social Work, New York University, New York City, NY
- ❖ Faculty Affiliate, Department of Population Health, Global Health Section of the Division of Health and Behavior, New York University School of Medicine, New York City, NY

Publications

Manuscripts published/in press

1. Sheridan-Sperber, E., **Sensoy Bahar, O.**, & Ssewamala, F. (in press). Implications of race, institutionalized inequity, and concentrated poverty for asset development in the urban U.S.: Evidence from Harlem and the Bronx, N.Y. *Journal of Race and Policy*.
2. Ali, S., **Sensoy Bahar, O.**, Gopalan, P., Lukasiewicz, K., McKay, M., & Parker, G. (accepted with revisions). "Feeling less than a second class citizen": Exploring shame in the context of poverty in New York City. *Journal of Family Issues*.
3. Lukasiewicz, K., **Sensoy Bahar, O.**, Gopalan, P., Parker, G., Hawkins, R. McKay, M., & Walker, R. (accepted with minor revisions). Getting by in New York City: Bonding, bridging and linking capital in poverty-impacted neighborhoods. *City & Community*.
4. **Sensoy Bahar, O.** (2017). Twists and turns of field work: Field experiences in a low-income Kurdish migrant community in Turkey. *SAGE Research Methods Cases*. Available at <http://methods.sagepub.com/case/fieldwork-field-experiences-low-income-kurdish-migrantcommunity-turkey>
5. **Sensoy Bahar, O.** (2017). "The name says it all, it's Saraybostan": Low-income Kurdish migrant women's experiences with life in a poverty-impacted urban neighborhood. *Journal of Poverty*, 21(6), 543-571. doi: 10.1080/10875549.2017.1348427
6. **Sensoy Bahar, O.** (2017). A promising partnership: Uncovering the middle ground between social innovation and social work. *Research on Social Work Practice*, 27(2), 131-133. doi: 10.1177/1049731516658769
7. **Sensoy Bahar, O.** (2016). How do low-income Kurdish migrant families in Turkey negotiate child/adolescent characteristics in child labor decisions? Insights from Kurdish migrant mothers. *Qualitative Social Work: Research and Practice*, 15(1), 11-34.
8. Ibrahim, A., Hor, A., **Sensoy Bahar, O.**, Dwomoh, D., McKay, M., Esena, R. K., & Agyepong, I. A. (2016, online first). Pathways to psychiatric care for mental disorders: A retrospective study of patients seeking mental health services at a public psychiatric facility in Ghana. *International Journal of Mental Health Systems*, 10(63). doi: 10.1186/s13033-016-0095-1

Manuscripts under review

1. Bermudez, L.G., **Sensoy Bahar, O.**, Dako-Gyeke, M., Boateng, A., Ibrahim, A., Ssewamala, F., & McKay, M. Understanding migrant child labor within a cumulative risk framework: The case for understanding female migrant child labor within a cumulative risk framework. Manuscript under review at *Children and Youth Services Review*.
2. Small, L., Parchment, T., **Sensoy Bahar, O.**, Osuji, H., Chomanczuk, A., McKay, M., & Bhana, A. It's all about context: Mental health influences of community, poverty, and caregiver support for South African youth. Manuscript under review at *Journal of Adolescence*.
3. Ssewamala, F., Bermudez, L.G., Neilands, T., Mellins, C., Garfinkel, I., McKay, M. M., Garfinkel, I., **Sensoy Bahar, O.**,...Kivumbi, A. Suubi4Her: A study protocol to examine the impact and cost associated with a combination intervention to prevent HIV risk behavior among adolescent girls in Uganda. Manuscript under review at *BMC Public Health*.

Number of manuscripts in preparation

1. **Sensoy Bahar, O.** & Akilova, M. Perceived impact of child labor on children's well-being: A comparison of parental accounts in Turkey and Tajikistan.
2. **Sensoy Bahar, O.**, Iwaki, T., Dean-Assael, K. Arias, D., Jones, J., Worthen, V., Latorre, M. C., & McKay, M. "What else could go wrong?" Multiple contextual stressors in food insecure households.
3. Karimli, L., **Sensoy Bahar, O.**, & Ismayilova, L. Impact of mothers' economic empowerment on child labor outcomes among ultra-poor household in Burkino Faso
4. **Sensoy Bahar, O.**, Ruiz, Y., Kim, C. E., Morse, A., Tozan, Y. Capturing stakeholder perspectives on the Millennium Village project in Sauri, Kenya: Implications for sustainability.

Grants Funded

Current grants

1. **SMART Africa Center: African Regional Research Partnerships for Scaling Up Child Mental Health EBPs** (McKay, Hoagwood; MPIs; U19 MH110001), *National Institute of Mental Health*. Role: Co-investigator
2. **Suubi4Her: A combination Intervention Addressing HIV Risk Behaviors Among Older Adolescent Girls Transitioning into Adulthood in Uganda** (Ssewamala, PI; R01 MH113486), *National Institute of Mental Health*. Role: Co-investigator

Pending

1. **Family processes influencing youth's rural-urban migration for child labor: An exploratory study of parental perspectives in poverty-impacted Northern Ghana** (Sensoy Bahar, PI; R21HD091534). *Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child and Human Development*
Impact score: 10; Percentile: 2:
Role: Co-Investigator
2. **“Strengthening Child Health Research Capacity in Resource Constrained Settings” (Researcher Resilience Training)** (McKay, Ssewamala, Joe; MPIs). *Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child and Human Development* (R25)
Impact score: 18
Role: Co-Investigator

Under review

1. **Child Mental Health in HIV-impacted Low-resource settings in Developing countries: Global Research Fellowship** (Ssewamala, PI). *Fogarty International Center (D43), National Institutes of Health*. Role: Co-Investigator
2. **“Suubi-Lya-Byaalo” Project: A collaborative, community-based combination intervention to facilitate re-integration of institutionalized children in family contexts in Uganda** (Ssewamala, PI). *Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child and Human Development* (R21). Role: Co-Investigator
3. **Obuumu (Together): Families Addressing AIDS-Associated Stigma Among Adolescents** (Ssewamala, PI). *National Institute of Mental Health* (R21). Role: Co-Investigator

In preparation

1. **ANZANSI Family Program: A family-based economic empowerment program for female youth at risk of child labor and their families in Northern Ghana** (Sensoy Bahar, PI). *Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child and Human Development* (K01)

Conference Presentations

Number of presentations in 2018=1
Number of presentations in 2017=2
Number of presentations in 2016=7

Other Accomplishments

Invited Speaker, Treatment Targets, Target Engagement, and Target Populations in Mental Health Services Research to Improve Public Health: Examples from the Field. Webinar organized by National Institute of Mental Health, August 2017.



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Publications

Manuscripts published/in press

1. Munson, M., Stanhope, V., **Small, L.**, & Atterbury, K. (in press). At times I kinda felt like I was in an institution”: Supportive housing for transition age youth and young adults. *Children and Youth Services Review*.
2. Shelton, J., Wagaman, M.A., **Small, L.**, & Abramovich, A. (in press). “I’m more driven now”: Resilience and resistance among transgender and gender expansive youth and young adults experiencing homelessness. *International Journal of Transgenderism*.
3. Parchment, T., **Small, L.**, Osuji, H., McKay, M., & Bhana, A. (2016). Familial and contextual influences on children’s prosocial and behavior: South African caregivers as adult protective shields in enhancing child mental health. *Global Social Welfare*, 3(1), 1-10.
4. Bhana, A., Mellins, C. A., **Small, L.**, Nestadt, D. F., Petersen, I., Machanyangwa, S., Leu C. S., & McKay, M. (2016). Resilience in HIV+ Adolescents in South Africa. *AIDS Care*, 28(Supp 2), 49-59.
5. Parchment, T.M., Jones, J., Del-Villar, Z., **Small, L.**, & McKay, M. (2016). Integrating positive youth development and clinical care to enhance mental health and improve high school graduation rates of young men of color. *Journal of Public Mental Health*.

Manuscripts under review

Small, L., Parchment, T., **Sensoy Bahar, O.**, Osuji, H., Chomanczuk, A., McKay, M., & Bhana, A. It's all about context: Mental health influences of community, poverty, and caregiver support for South African youth. Manuscript under review at *Journal of Adolescence*

Manuscripts in preparation

1. **Small, L.**, Mellins, C. A., & McKay, M. Healthcare use and adherence among low-income mothers living with HIV.
2. **Small, L.** The North Carolina "bathroom bill": Mental health and employment implications of House

Conference Presentations

Number of presentations in 2017=2

Number of presentations in 2016=4

