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BRIEF OVERVIEW

Research

Dr. Gonzales has published more than 80 peer-reviewed studies in high impact social science, public health, and medical journals. His research on LGBTQ+ health, health policy, and population health has been funded by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF). Dr. Gonzales' research has been cited more than 3,000 times since 2020, including citations in reports released by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (NASEM). In 2016, Dr. Gonzales was awarded the inaugural Chancellor's Award for Research on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion at Vanderbilt University for his research on LGBTQ+ health. He was promoted to Associate Professor (with tenure) in 2023.

Teaching

Dr. Gonzales teaches courses in health policy, quantitative research methods, and LGBTQ+ health for undergraduate students at Vanderbilt University. He also mentors undergraduate, graduate, and medical students interested in LGBTQ+ health equity research – and health disparities research, broadly. In 2024, he was awarded the Vanderbilt University Chancellor's Cup for "remarkable teaching and mentorship of undergraduate students."

Service

Dr. Gonzales is committed to service and leadership. He served on the Chancellor's Strategic Planning Committee on Mental Health and Wellbeing in 2016-2018 at Vanderbilt University. He's been a faculty VUceptor for several years, which is a mentoring organization that facilitates the development of first-year students. Dr. Gonzales has also peer-reviewed many research studies in high impact journals.

EDUCATION

2015

Ph.D. Health Services Research, Policy & Administration
University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN

2010

M.H.A. Health Administration
University of North Texas Health Science Center, Fort Worth, TX

2008

B.A. Political Science & Biology (Honors Program)
Baylor University, Waco, TX

ACADEMIC & RESEARCH POSITIONS

2023-Present	Associate Professor (with tenure) Department of Medicine, Health & Society Program for Public Policy Studies Vanderbilt University Director Program for Public Policy Studies Vanderbilt University Associate Director The Vanderbilt LGBTQ+ Policy Lab Vanderbilt University Affiliated Faculty Center for Research on Inequality & Health Vanderbilt University Affiliated Faculty Department of Health Policy Center for Child Health Policy Center for Health Services Research Institute for Medicine and Public Health Program for LGBTQ Health Vanderbilt University Medical Center (VUMC)
2019-2023	Assistant Professor Department of Medicine, Health & Society Program for Public Policy Studies Vanderbilt University
2022 (Aug – Oct)	Visiting Faculty Scholar Department of Population Medicine Harvard Medical School
2015-2019	Assistant Professor Department of Health Policy Vanderbilt University Medical Center (VUMC)
2011-2015	Research Assistant State Health Access Data Assistance Center (SHADAC) Division of Health Policy and Management University of Minnesota School of Public Health

RESEARCH & TEACHING EXPERTISE

- LGBTQ+ Health
- Health Services Research
- Health Politics & Policy Analysis
- Health Disparities & Health Equity
- Public Policy Engagement & Advocacy
- Population Health: Surveys & Quantitative Methods

HONORS & AWARDS (since 2015)

Awards

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| ▪ The Chancellor's Cup for Teaching/Mentoring, Vanderbilt University | 2023 |
| ▪ 40 Under 40 Leaders in Minority Health, National Minority Quality Forum | 2023 |
| ▪ Jeffrey Nordhaus Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching
Vanderbilt University College of Arts & Science | 2022 |
| ▪ Friend of Nursing Award, Vanderbilt University School of Nursing | 2022 |
| ▪ COVID-19 Teaching Award, Vanderbilt University College of Arts & Science | 2021 |
| ▪ VUceptor Pair of the Year (Co-Awarded with Marguerite Manning), VUcept | 2020 |
| ▪ The Inaugural Chancellor's Research Award in Diversity, Equity & Inclusion
Vanderbilt University | 2016 |
| ▪ Cross College University Scholar, Vanderbilt University | 2016 |

RESEARCH & PUBLICATIONS

†Denotes undergraduate or graduate students, medical students, or other trainees.
(H-Index = 32 as of April 2025)

Refereed Journal Articles

1. **Gonzales G**, Blewett L. Disparities in health insurance among children with same-sex parents. *Pediatrics*, 2013, 132(4): 703-711.
2. **Gonzales G**, Blewett L. National and state-specific health insurance disparities for adults in same-sex relationships. *American Journal of Public Health*, 2014, 104(2): e96-e104.
3. **Gonzales G**. Same-sex marriage—A prescription for better health. *New England Journal of Medicine*, 2014, 370(15): 1373-1376.
4. **Gonzales G**, Henning-Smith C. Health and disability among older adults in same-sex cohabiting relationships. *Journal of Aging and Health*. 2015, 27(3):432-453.
5. **Gonzales G**, Ortiz K. Health insurance disparities among racial and ethnic minorities in same-sex relationships: an intersectional approach. *American Journal of Public Health*. 2015, 105(6): 1106-1113.
6. **Gonzales G**. Association of the New York State Marriage Equality Act with changes in health insurance coverage. *JAMA*. 2015, 314(7): 727-728.

7. Golberstein E, **Gonzales G**, Sommers BD. California's early ACA expansion increased coverage and reduced out-of-pocket spending for the state's low-income population. *Health Affairs*. 2015, 34(10): 1688-1694.
8. Henning-Smith C, **Gonzales G**, Shippee T. Differences by sexual orientation in expectations about future long-term care needs among adults 40 to 65 years old. *American Journal of Public Health*. 2015, 105(11): 2359-2365.
9. Golberstein E, **Gonzales G**. The effects of Medicaid eligibility on mental health services and out-of-pocket spending for mental health services. *Health Services Research*. 2015, 50(6): 1734-1750.
10. Adepoju L, Preston M. **Gonzales G**. Health care disparities in the post-ACA era. *American Journal of Public Health*. 2015, 105(S5): S665-S667.
11. Boudreaux M, **Gonzales G**, Fried B, Karaca-Mandic P, Blewett L. Residential high speed internet among those likely to benefit from an online health insurance marketplace. *Inquiry*. 2016, 53: 1-7.
12. Henning-Smith C, **Gonzales G**, Shippee T. Barriers to timely medical care for older adults by disability status and household composition. *Journal of Disability Policy Studies*. 2016, 27(2): 116-127.
13. **Gonzales G**, Przedworski J, Henning-Smith C. Comparison of health and health risk factors between lesbian, gay, and bisexual adults and heterosexual adults in the United States: results from the National Health Interview Survey. *JAMA Internal Medicine*. 2016; 176(9): 1344-1351.
14. **Gonzales G**, Henning-Smith C. The Affordable Care Act and health insurance coverage for lesbian, gay, and bisexual adults: analysis of the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System. *LGBT Health*. 2017; 4(1): 62-67.
15. Boudreaux M, **Gonzales G**, Saloner B. Medical financial burden declined for consumers in the nongroup market. *Health Affairs*. 2017; 36(5): 833-837.
16. **Gonzales G**. Health insurance coverage among Puerto Rican adults in same-sex relationships. *Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved*. 2017; 28(3): 915-930.
17. **Gonzales G**, Golberstein E, Hill SC, Zuvekas S. Psychological distress and enrollment in Medicaid. *Journal of Behavioral Health Services & Research*. 2017; 44(4): 523-535.
18. **Gonzales G**, Henning-Smith C. Health disparities by sexual orientation: results and implications from the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System. *Journal of Community Health*. 2017; 42(6): 1163-1172.
19. **Gonzales G**, McKay T. What an emerging Trump administration means for LGBT health. *Health Equity*. 2017; 1(1): 83-86.

20. †Sherill E, **Gonzales G**. Recent changes in health insurance coverage and access to care by mental health status, 2012-2015. *JAMA Psychiatry*. 2017; 74(10): 1076-1079.
21. **Gonzales G**, Henning-Smith C. Disparities in access to care among transgender and gender non-conforming adults. *The Milbank Quarterly*. 2017; 95(4): 726-748.
22. Beach LB, Elasy TA, **Gonzales G**. Prevalence of diabetes by sexual orientation: results from the 2014 Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System. *LGBT Health*. 2018; 5(2): 121-130.
23. Henning-Smith C, **Gonzales G**. Differences by sexual orientation in perceptions of neighborhood cohesion: implications for health. *Journal of Community Health*. 2018; 43(3): 578-585.
24. **Gonzales G**, Ehrenfeld JM. The association between state policy environments and self-rated health disparities for sexual minorities in the United States. *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*. 2018; 15(6): 1136.
25. Ehrenfeld JM, Zimmerman DR, **Gonzales G**. Healthcare utilization among transgender individuals in California. *Journal of Medical Systems*. 2018; 42(5): 77.
26. **Gonzales G**, †Zinone R. Cancer diagnoses among lesbian, gay, and bisexual adults: an analysis of the 2013-2016 National Health Interview Surveys. *Cancer Causes & Control*. 2018; 29(9): 845-854.
27. **Gonzales G**, †Dedania R, Driscoll R. Health insurance coverage and access to care among US-born and foreign-born sexual minorities. *Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health*. 2019; 21(3): 540-548.
28. **Gonzales G**, †Quinones N, Attanasio L. Health and access to care among reproductive-age women by sexual orientation and pregnancy status. *Women's Health Issues*. 2019; 29(1): 8-16.
29. **Gonzales G**, †Quinones N, Martin M. Health equity curricula within health policy and management concentrations in U.S. public health graduate programs. *Pedagogy in Health Promotion*. 2019; 5(4): 276-282.
30. Golberstein E, **Gonzales G**, Meara EL. How do economic downturns affect the mental health of children? Evidence from the National Health Interview Survey. *Health Economics*. 2019; 28(8): 955-970.
31. **Gonzales G**, Driscoll R, †Quinones N. Who are the remaining uninsured sexual minorities under the Affordable Care Act? *LGBT Health*. 2019; 6(6): 319-325.
32. †Dedania R, **Gonzales G**. Disparities in access to health care among US-born and foreign-born adults by mental health status between 2013-2016. *American Journal of Public Health*. 2019; 109(Supplement 3): S221-S227.

33. †DePew R, **Gonzales G**. Differences in U.S. antibiotic prescription use by facility and patient characteristics: evidence from the National Ambulatory Medical Care Survey. *Family Practice*. 2020; 37(2): 180-186.
34. Henning-Smith C, **Gonzales G**. The relationship between living alone and self-rated health varies by age: evidence from the National Health Interview Survey. *Journal of Applied Gerontology*. 2020; 39(9): 971-980.
35. Carpenter CS, Eppink S, **Gonzales G**. Transgender status, gender identity, and socioeconomic outcomes in the United States. *Industrial and Labor Relations Review*. 2020; 73(3):573-599.
36. **Gonzales G**, †Green J. Medication use among sexual-minority populations for self-reported feelings of depression and anxiety. *Psychiatric Services*. 2020; 71(4): 343-354.
37. †DePew R, **Gonzales G**. Differences in health outcomes between Millennials and Generation X in the US: evidence from the National Health Interview Survey. *Population Research and Policy Review*. 2020; 39: 605-616.
38. **Gonzales G**. Differences in 30-day marijuana use by sexual orientation identity: population-based evidence from seven states. *LGBT Health*. 2020; 7(1): 60-67.
39. **Gonzales G**, McKay T, Carpenter C. Disparities in health insurance coverage and access to care for children by mother's sexual orientation. *Maternal and Child Health Journal*. 2020; 24: 630-639.
40. **Gonzales G**, †Gavulic KA. The Equality Act is needed to advance health equity for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender populations. *American Journal of Public Health*. 2020; 110(6): 801-802.
41. **Gonzales G**, †Loret de Mola E, †Gavulic KA, McKay T, Purcell C. Mental health needs among lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) college students during the COVID-19 pandemic. *Journal of Adolescent Health*. 2020; 67(5): 645-648.
42. **Gonzales G**, †Patel R. How many and which sexual minorities will be impacted by the new "Tobacco 21" law? Evidence from the National Health Interview Survey. *Annals of LGBTQ Public and Population Health*. 2020; 1(3): 200-209.
43. **Gonzales G**, Henning-Smith C, Ehrenfeld J. Changes in health insurance coverage and access to care for sexual minorities in the United States, 2013-2018. *Health Services Research*. 2021; 56(2): 235-246.
44. **Gonzales G**, †Rodriguez Navaza B. Lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) health in Cuba: a report from the field. *Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved*. 2021; 32(1): 30-36.

45. †Gavulic KA, **Gonzales G**. Did the Orlando shooting at Pulse nightclub affect sexual minority mental health? Results and challenges using population-based data. *Journal of Gay and Lesbian Mental Health*. 2021; 25(3): 252-264.
46. Carpenter CS, Eppink ST, **Gonzales G**, McKay T. Effects of access to legal same-sex marriage on marriage and health. *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*. 2021; 40(2): 376-411.
47. **Gonzales G**, †Loret de Mola E. Potential COVID-19 vulnerabilities in employment and health care access by sexual orientation. *Annals of LGBTQ Public and Population Health*. 2021; 2(2): 1-21.
48. **Gonzales G**, Young C, Masters E, †Loret de Mola E. Health disparities among lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) adults in Nashville, Tennessee. *Southern Medical Journal*. 2021; 114(5): 299-304.
49. Carpenter CS, **Gonzales G**, McKay T, Sansone D. Effects of the Affordable Care Act dependent coverage mandate on health insurance coverage for individuals in same-sex couples. *Demography*. 2021; 58(5): 1897-1929.
50. †Das R, **Gonzales G**. Self-reported behaviors regarding medications to save money among US sexual minority adults, 2015-2018. *JAMA*. 2021; 326(24): 2526-2529.
51. †Robertson H, †Akré E, **Gonzales G**. Mental health disparities at the intersections of gender identity, race, and ethnicity. *LGBT Health*. 2021; 8(8): 526-535.
52. †Gavulic KA, **Gonzales G**. Health care expenditures and financial burden: a comparison of adults in same-sex couples and different-sex couples. *Medical Care Research & Review*. 2022; 79(2): 281-289.
53. †Elton E, **Gonzales G**. Health insurance coverage and access to care by sexual orientation and marital/cohabitation status: new evidence from the 2015-2018 National Health Interview Survey. *Population Research and Policy Review*. 2022; 41: 479-493.
54. †Taylor MNL, **Gonzales G**. Health disparities among women by sexual orientation identity and same-sex and different-sex cohabiting partnership status. *Women's Health Issues*. 2022; 32(1): 80-86.
55. †Barbee H, †Deal C, **Gonzales G**. Anti-transgender legislation: a public health concern for transgender youth. *JAMA Pediatrics*. 2022; 176(2): 125-126.
56. †March C, **Gonzales G**. Frequent users of emergency departments in the United States by sexual orientation. *Academic Emergency Medicine*. 2022; 29(1): 112-114.

57. †Tran N, Henkhaus L, **Gonzales G**. History of adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) and mental distress among sexual minority and straight U.S. adults. *JAMA Psychiatry*. 2022; 79(4): 377-379.
58. **Gonzales G**, †Deal C. Health risk factors among gender minority high school students in 15 US states. *JAMA*. 2022; 327(15): 1498-1500.
59. McKay T, Henne J, **Gonzales G**, †Gavulic KA, Gallegos SG, Quarles R. Sexual behavior change among gay and bisexual men during the first COVID-19 pandemic wave in the United States. *Sexuality Research and Social Policy*. 2022. Published online.
60. Henkaus L, **Gonzales G**, Buntin M. An algorithm using administrative data to measure adverse childhood experiences (ADM-ACE). *Health Services Research*. 2022; 57(4): 963-972.
61. **Gonzales G**, †Tran NM, †Bennett M. State policies and health disparities between transgender and cisgender adults: considerations and challenges using population-based survey data. *Journal of Health Politics, Policy & Law*. 2022; 47(5): 555-581.
62. Hammack-Aviran C, Eilmus A, Diehl C, Davis LK, **Gonzales G**, Wright Clayton E. LGBTQ+ perspectives on conducting genomic research on sexuality and gender: “the need for knowledge to exist [and] the people that it could possibly harm.” *Behavior Genetics*. 2022; 52(4-5): 246-267.
63. †Ramakrishnan A, **Gonzales G**. Sexual orientation, mental illness, and substance use disorders among justice-involved individuals. *Psychiatric Services*. 2023; 74(3): 257-264.
64. †Deal C, †Doshi R, **Gonzales G**. Gender minority youth experiencing homelessness and corresponding health disparities. *Journal of Adolescent Health*. 2023; 72(5): 763-769.
65. Liu M, Sandhu S, Reisner SL, **Gonzales G**, Keuroghlian AS. Health status and healthcare access among lesbian, gay, and bisexual adults in the US, 2013-2018. *JAMA Internal Medicine*. 2023; 183(4): 380-383.
66. †Pullias G, **Gonzales G**. Barriers to care by sexual orientation and survey language in the USA. *Journal of General Internal Medicine*. 2023; 38(8): 2003-2005.
67. †Mann S, Carpenter CS, **Gonzales G**, †Harrell B, †Deal C. Effects of the Affordable Care Act’s Medicaid expansion on health insurance coverage for individuals in same-sex couples. *Health Services Research*. 2023; 58(3): 612-621.
68. Agénor M, Koma JW, Pérez AE, McDowell A, **Gonzales G**. Differences in health insurance and usual source of care among racial/ethnic and sexual orientation identity subgroups of U.S. women and men. *Population Research and Policy Review*. 2023; 42(33).

69. **Gonzales G**, †Loret de Mola E, †Robertson L, †Gavulic KA, McKay T. LGBTQ college student health and wellbeing at the onset of the pandemic: additional evidence and lessons learned from COVID-19. *BMC Public Health*. 2023; 23(967).
70. **Gonzales G**, †Lavey F. The social determinants of health among lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) adults in Nashville, Tennessee. *Journal of Urban Health*. 2023; 100(3): 459-467.
71. †Sin A, Rizzone K, **Gonzales G**. Sports participation and transgender youths. *JAMA Pediatrics*. 2023; 177(11): 1121-1122.
72. †Tran N, †Mann S, **Gonzales G**. Sexual orientation, high deductible health plans, and financial barriers to health care. *Health Affairs*. 2023; 42(9): 1283-1288.
73. †Deal C, **Gonzales G**. Homelessness among sexual minority youth: health disparities and implications for public policy. *Pediatrics*. 2023; 152(6): e2023062227.
74. Nguyen KH, Levengood TW, Allen HL, **Gonzales G**. Health insurance coverage and access to care by sexual orientation during the COVID-19 pandemic: United States, January 2021 – February 2022. *American Journal of Public Health*. 2024; 114(1): 118-128.
75. MacDougall H, Henning-Smith C, Ott A, **Gonzales G**. Access to health care for transgender and gender diverse adults in urban and rural areas in the United States. *Medical Care Research and Review*. 2024; 81(1): 68-77.
76. †Nettuno L, †Mann S, **Gonzales G**. Sexual orientation-based health disparities in Chile. *PLOS One*. 2024; 19(1): e0296923.
77. †Mann S, McKay T, **Gonzales G**. Climate change-related disasters and the health of LGBTQ+ populations. *Journal of Climate Change and Health*. 2024; 18: 100304.
78. †Deal C, †Greenberg S, **Gonzales G**. Sexual identity, poverty, and utilization of government services. *Journal of Population Economics*. 2024; 37(51): 1-31.
79. †Tran N, McKay T, **Gonzales G**, Dusetzina S, Fry C. Aging in isolation: sexual orientation differences in navigating cognitive decline. *SSM – Population Health*. 2024; 27: 101699.
80. Nguyen KH, Levengood TW, Gordon A, Allen, HL, **Gonzales G**. Inequities in self-reported social risk factors by sexual orientation and gender identity: a population-based analysis of 23 states. *JAMA Health Forum*. 2024; 5(9): e243176.
81. Phillippi JC, Wiese A, Loch S, Wei WQ, Ong H, **Gonzales G**, Patrick SW. Sex and gender variables in data set creation and data cleaning for inclusive and accurate reproductive health research and quality improvement. *Journal of Midwifery & Women's Health*. 2025; 70(1): 131-136.

82. †Von Klein E, Parker M, Patrick SW, Zickafoose J, **Gonzales G**. Association of preterm birth and caregiver employment. *JAMA Pediatrics*. 2025; 179(1): 97-98.
83. †Jang J, **Gonzales G**. Adult mental health associated with adverse and positive childhood experiences among first and second generation Asian Americans. *Journal of General Internal Medicine*. In press.
84. †Tran N, **Gonzales G**. Implications of public policies for LGBTQI+ population health in the United States. *Health Affairs*. 2025; published online.
85. **Gonzales G**, †Conelly E. Disparities in health outcomes and access to care between sexual minority and heterosexual Hispanic adults: a non-monolithic approach. *Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health*. In press.

Invited Editorials

1. **Gonzales G**, McKay T. Negative LGBTQ+ news media means bad news for LGBTQ+ young adult mental health. *JAMA Pediatrics*. 2024; 178(11): 1101-1103.
2. McKay T, Lampe NM, Barbee H, Prasad A, **Gonzales G**. An evidence-based framework for supporting older LGBTQ+ adults in rural communities: findings from the LGBTQ+ Social Networks, Aging, and Policy Study (QSNAPS). *Public Policy & Aging Report*. 2024; 34(4): 150-153.

Book Chapters

1. **Gonzales G**, Moltz R, King M. Health insurance coverage for same-sex couples: disparities and trends under DOMA. *Health Care Disparities and the LGBT Population*, 2014. Edited by Harvey VL & Housel TH. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books.

Other Published Reports & Policy Briefs

1. **Gonzales G**, Dahlen H, Blewett L. Rescued by the safety net: How government-sponsored programs eased the pain during the recession, *Minnesota Medicine*. 2012, 95(2): 42-44.
2. **Gonzales G**. Why same-sex marriage is important for good health. *Scholars Strategy Network*. Key Findings Policy Brief, December 2013.
3. Blumberg SJ, Nadarajasundaram G, Luke JV, **Gonzales G**. Wireless substitution: State-level estimates from the National Health Interview Survey, 2012. *National Health Statistics Reports*; No 70, December 2013. Hyattsville, MD: National Center for Health Statistics.
4. Blewett L, **Gonzales G**. The Medicaid Atlas: A practical application for state Medicaid analysis. Submitted to the *Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation (ASPE)*. January 2014.

5. **Gonzales G**, Hartman L. Fighting poverty is important for children's health: Using the RWJF DataHub to monitor social determinants of health. Submitted to the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, April 2014.
6. **Gonzales G**. State estimates of limited English proficiency (LEP) by health insurance status. Issue Brief 40. Minneapolis, MN: State Health Access Data Assistance Center (SHADAC). University of Minnesota, 2014.
7. **Gonzales G**, Henning-Smith C. How fighting discrimination can enhance well-being for aging gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender Americans. Scholars Strategy Network. Key Findings Policy Brief, January 2015.
8. McKay T, **Gonzales G**. Two things health researchers and allies can do right now to advance LGBT research. Health Affairs Blog. June 2017.
9. **Gonzales G**, Ehrenfeld JM. Sex is not gender and why it matters for population health. British Journal of Anaesthesia. 2018; 120(5): 1130-1131.
10. Henning-Smith C, **Gonzales G**, Tuttle M, and Sarkin C. Social and emotional support during the COVID-19 pandemic by sexual orientation and rurality. UMN Rural Health Research Center Policy Brief. June 2022.
11. Henning-Smith C, **Gonzales G**, Lahr M, MacDougall H, Ott A. Prevalence of chronic conditions by sexual orientation and rural-urban location. UMN Rural Health Research Center Policy Brief. June 2022.
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13. MacDougall H, Henning-Smith C, Sarkin C, **Gonzales G**. Self-rated health among gay, lesbian, and bisexual adults: rural/urban differences. UMN Rural Health Research Center Policy Brief. July 2022.
14. **Gonzales G**. Marriage equality & health: importance and new threats to Obergefell v. Hodges. AcademyHealth Blog. June 29, 2022.
15. Lahr M, Henning-Smith C, **Gonzales G**. Key informant perspectives on supporting health and well-being for LGBTQ+ rural residents. UMN Rural Health Research Center Policy Brief. September 2022.
16. Henning-Smith C, **Gonzales G**, Ott A, Pick M, Tuttle M, Sarkin C, Libal R, MacDougall H, Lahr M. Rural LGBTQ+ Americans face health disparities, but communities revealed strengths. Health Affairs Forefront. October 2022.

17. Libal R, Henning-Smith C, Tuttle M, **Gonzales G**. Indicators of familial social support by rurality and gender identity. *UMN Rural Health Research Center Policy Brief*. March 2023.
18. Gavulic KA, Ferrara CF, Aaron DG, **Gonzales G**. Presidential powers for LGBTQI+ equity: advances and rollbacks. *Health Affairs Forefront*. In press.

RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT GRANTS AWARDED

National Institute on Minority Health & Health Disparities 9/1/2022-6/30/2025 (NIMHD)

Grant Title: "Leveraging Big Data for Transgender and Gender Minority Health Equity Research"

Role: Principal Investigator

Award Amount: \$419,829

Vanderbilt Re-Investment Award (VRA)

7/1/2020-6/30/2025

Grant Title: "Vanderbilt LGBT Policy Lab"

Role: Co-Investigator (PI: Christopher "Kitt" Carpenter)

Award Amount: \$950,000

National Institute on Aging (NIA)

9/15/2019-06/30/2024

Grant Title: "Effects of Social Networks and Policy Context on Health Among Older Sexual and Gender Minorities in the US South"

Role: Co-Investigator (PI: Tara McKay)

Grant Number: 1 R01 AG063771-01

Award Amount: \$1,937,619

Merck & Co., Inc

9/15/2022-05/30/2024

Grant Title: "Cervical Cancer Screening and HPV Knowledge, Attitudes, Beliefs and Vaccination Experience in Transgender Men and Non-Binary and Intersex Individuals"

Role: Principal Investigator & Consultant with *Mathematica, Inc.*

Merck & Co., Inc

10/15/2022-12/31/2023

Grant Title: "Contextualizing the Healthcare Experiences of Transgender Adults' Access to Preventative Care"

Role: Principal Investigator & Consultant with *Mathematica, Inc.*

Southeastern Conference (SEC) Faculty Travel Program 09/01-2022-12/31/2022

Grant Title: "Amplifying LGBTQ+ Health Equity Research Across Tennessee and the Southeast"

Role: Principal Investigator

Award Amount: \$1,000

Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) 9/15/2021-8/15/2022

Grant Title: "Rural/Urban Differences in Health and Health Care Access for LGBT Adults"

Role: Consultant (PI: Carrie Henning-Smith)

Award Amount: \$3,009,221

Consulting Amount: \$5,000

Vanderbilt A&S Immersion Mini-Grant 12/15/2021-3/15/2022

Grant Title: "MHS 1001 LGBTQ Rights, Health, & Wellness and Broadway's 'The Prom'"

Role: Principal Investigator

Award Amount: \$2,000

Meharry-Vanderbilt Community Engaged Research Core 3/1/2020-2/30/2022

National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences (NCATS)

Grant Title: "LGBT Health Disparities in Nashville and Davidson County"

Role: Principal Investigator (Co-PI Caroline Young)

Grant Number: VUMC 79359 (2 UL1 TR000445-06)

Award Amount: \$10,000

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation 8/14/2019-8/13/2022

Grant Title: "Expanding research examining the health and equity impacts of population-focused public policies and how they relate to the LGBT community"

Role: Principal Investigator (Co-PI Christopher "Kitt" Carpenter)

Grant Number: 76601

Award Amount: \$749,700

Vanderbilt Strong Faculty Grant Program 1/25/2021-4/30/2021

Grant Title: "Teaching Data Science In-Person Using Stata Statistical Software"

Role: Principal Investigator

Award Amount: \$2,000

National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI) 9/01/2019-08/31/2021

Grant Title: "Genetic Privacy and Identity in Sexual and Gender Minorities: GetPrISM"

Role: Co-Investigator (PI: Ellen Clayton)

Grant Number: 1 R21 GH010652-01

Award Amount: \$434,500

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation 10/31/2018-4/29/2021

Grant Title: "Identifying how current policies, processes, and programs might more effectively serve children and families in low-resource households in Tennessee"

Role: Co-Investigator (PIs: Melinda Buntin and Carolyn Heinrich)

Grant Number: 75821

Award Amount: \$1,250,000

Vanderbilt Trans-Institutional Programs (TIPs) Award 7/1/2017-6/30/2020

Grant Title: "Vanderbilt LGBT Policy Lab"

Role: Co-Investigator (PI: Christopher "Kitt" Carpenter)

Award Amount: \$200,000

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

12/15/2016-12/14/2018

Grant Title: "Examining the Health Impact of Policies Related to the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Community to Address Gaps in Health-Equity Research"

Role: Co-Investigator (PI: Christopher "Kitt" Carpenter)

Grant Number: 74174

Award Amount: \$432,100

MEDIA COVERAGE OF RESEARCH (since 2015)

Non-Refereed Editorials & Op-Eds

- What the Supreme Court's decision on LGBT employment discrimination will mean for transgender Americans, *The Conversation*, June 2020
- Transgender Americans Are More Likely to be Unemployed and Poor, *The Conversation*, February 2020
- Discriminatory Laws Hurt Health of LGBT Tennesseans, *The Tennessean*, April 2016

Media Coverage of Research

- Trans, Gender-Questioning Students at Higher Risk in 5 Health Domains, *Medical News Today*, April 22, 2022.
- Evidence on Covid-19 Suicide Risk and LGBTQ Youth, *The Trevor Project*, January 15, 2021.
- Data Suggests That COVID-19 is Especially Affecting LGBTQ Nashvillians, *Nashville Scene*, June 4, 2020.
- Legal Same-Sex Marriage Helps Gay Men's Health, Research Shows. *NBC News*, July 2018.
- Marriage Equality Made Gay Men Healthier, *New York Post*, July 2018.
- Study: Transgender People More Likely to Lack Health Plans. *U.S. News and World Report*, December 2017.
- Time to Say Goodbye to Domestic Partner Health Care? *CBS Money Watch*, November 2016
- You're Going to Be Hearing This Soon: Conservatives Make Gays Unhealthy. *The Rush Limbaugh Show*, June 2016.
- LGBT People Suffer from Poorer Health. Doctors Must Work to Change That. *The Guardian (UK)*, June 2016
- Survey Finds Excess Health Problems in Lesbians, Gays, Bisexuals. *Reuters*, June 2016
- Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Adults are 'More Likely to Drink Heavily, Smoke and Suffer Psychological Distress.' *Daily Mail (UK)*, June 2016
- This Health Study Exposes a Big Problem for the Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Community. *Inverse*, June 2016
- Research Focuses on Health Needs of Gays, Lesbians. *CNN*, June 2016
- Marriage Equality Could Mean More Equal Access to Healthcare. *KBIA, Mid-Missouri Public Radio*, July 2015
- Will Same-Sex Marriage Make America Healthier? *CNN*, June 2015
- More Health Coverage, and Perhaps More Health, For Same-Sex Couples. *WBUR, Boston's NPR News Station*, June 2015
- High Court's Decision on Same Sex Marriage Expected to Boost Health Coverage Among Gay Couples. *Kaiser Health News*, June 2015.

COURSES TAUGHT AT VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY

1. MHS 2140 Health Care in the United States: Politics & Policy

(30 students: Fall 2021, Spring 2022, Fall 2023, Spring 2024, Spring 2025)

Considered MHS Concentration/Elective Course: Health Polic and Economies;
Global Health. AXLE Credit: History and Culture of the United States

2. MHS 3890 [Online during COVID] Health Care Under the Trump Administration

(40 students: Fall 2020, Spring 2021)

Considered MHS Concentration/Elective Course: Health Policies and Economies;
Global Health

3. MHS 3890 [In-person] Health Care Under the Trump Administration

(30 students: Fall 2019, Spring 2020)

Considered MHS Concentration/Elective Course: Health Policies and Economies;
Global Health

4. MHS 3890 Public Health & Health Care in Cuba

(9 students: Maymester 2019)

Considered MHS Concentration/Elective Courses: Health Policies and
Economies; Global Health; Inequality, Intersectionality, and Health Justice

5. MHS 1001 LGBTQ+ Rights, Health & Wellness

(15 students: Spring 2022, Spring 2024)

6. PPS 3200 Research Methods for Public Policy Analysis

(10-15 students: Spring 2021, Fall 2021, Fall 2023, Fall 2024)

Considered PPS Concentration Course: Advanced Quantitative Methods for
Public Policy

7. UNIV 3325/5325 Health Policy & Advocacy

(30 students: Spring 2017, Spring 2018)

Chancellor's Cross-College Teaching Initiative
Co-taught with Tara McKay

8. HODH 3231 Introduction to Health Services

(20 students: Fall 2016, Fall 2017, Fall 2018)

Considered HODH Track Course: Health and Human Services Track

SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE & DEPARTMENT

Vanderbilt University

- Rapid Advance MicroGrant Program (RAMP), Office of Vice Provost for Research and Innovation, Vanderbilt University, 2024-2025
- Committee Chair, Vanderbilt Commons Reading Committee, 2018
- Committee Member, Chancellor's Strategic Planning Committee on Mental Health and Wellbeing, 2016-2018
- Committee Member, Walk Bike Vanderbilt Advisory Board, Vanderbilt University, 2015-2016

College of Arts & Science & Department of Medicine, Health & Society

- Committee Member, Departments of Medicine, Health & Society Faculty Search Committee, 2024-2025
- Junior Advisory Review Committee (JARC), College of Arts & Science, 2024
- Committee Member, Departments of Medicine, Health & Society & Sociology Faculty Search Committee, 2020-2021
- Faculty Advisor, United Against Inequities in Disease (UAID) – Vanderbilt Chapter, 2021-Present
- Faculty Advisor, Vanderbilt Students for Underserved Pre-Health Scholars (VSUPS), 2020-Present
- Faculty Advisor, Universities Allied for Essential Medicines (UAEM) – Vanderbilt Chapter, 2019-Present
- Committee Chair, Immersion Committee, Department of Medicine, Health & Society, 2019-Present

School of Medicine & Department of Health Policy

- Member, VUMC Health Equity Research Committee, 2021-2022
- Member, Department of Health Policy Faculty Search Committee, 2020-2021
- Member, Department of Health Policy Faculty Search Committee, 2019-2020
- Judge, Global Health Case Competition, Vanderbilt Institute for Global Health, 2018
- Member, MPH Admissions Committee, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, Department of Health Policy, 2015-Present
- Member, Health Policy Departmental Visibility Committee, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, Department of Health Policy, 2016-2019
- Organizer, Health Policy Grand Rounds, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, 2015-2019

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Committee Membership

- Member, Roundtable on Data for Health Equity: Improving Content and Availability of AHRQ Resources, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), 2022
- Member, Annual Research Meeting (ARM) Planning Committee, AcademyHealth, 2021-2022
- Academic Advisory Board Member, FAIR Health, 2020-Present
- Member, Atlanta Research Data Center (RDC) Review Board, 2017-Present

Extramural Grant Reviewer (ad hoc reviewer, unless otherwise noted)

- Health Research and Wellbeing, Swiss National Science Foundation, July 2023
- Health Services: Quality & Effectiveness (HSQE), Center for Scientific Research, National Institutes of Health (NIH), June 2023
- Minority Health & Health Disparities Special Emphasis Panel, National Institute on Minority Health & Health Disparities (NIMHD), February 2023
- Research in Transforming Health and Health Care Systems, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF), November 2021
- Social Sciences & Population Studies (SSPA), Center for Scientific Research, National Institutes of Health (NIH), October 2020

Conference Program Reviewer

- Abstract Committee Reviewer for Student Posters, AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting, 2018
- Session Organizer, Sexual and Gender Minorities: Health and Mortality, Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting, 2017
- Session Organizer, LGBTQ Families and Households, Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting, 2015
- Advisory Board for Gender and Health Interest Group, AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting, 2015, 2017

Editorial Board Membership

- JAMA Health Forum, 2025-2027

Ad Hoc Journal Reviewer

- American Journal of Epidemiology
- American Journal of Health Economics
- American Journal of Preventive Medicine (AJPM)
- American Journal of Public Health (AJPH)
- American Journal of Sexuality Education
- Annals of Internal Medicine
- Annals of LGBTQ Public and Population Health
- BMJ Open
- Cancer
- Cancer Causes & Control
- Demography
- Ethnicity & Health
- Health Affairs
- Health Education & Behavior
- Health Equity
- Health Services Research (HSR)
- Inquiry
- JAMA
- JAMA Health Forum
- JAMA Internal Medicine
- JAMA Open
- JAMA Pediatrics

- Journal of Adolescent Health
- Journal of Affective Disorders
- Journal of Aging & Social Policy
- Journal of American College Health
- Journal of Family Issues
- Journal of Family Psychology
- Journal of Health and Social Behavior
- Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved
- Journal of Homosexuality
- Journal of LGBT Youth
- Journal of Pediatrics
- Journal of Policy Analysis & Management (JPAM)
- Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA)
- LGBT Health
- Medical Care
- New England Journal of Medicine (NEJM)
- Nicotine & Tobacco Research
- Pediatrics
- Preventive Medicine
- Psychiatric Services
- Psychology of Sexual and Gender Diversity
- Social Psychiatry
- Social Science & Medicine (SSM)
- Social Sciences
- SSM – Population Health
- Substance Use and Misuse
- Transgender Health
- Women's Health Issues

AFFILIATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

AcademyHealth, 2011-Present

American Public Health Association (APHA), 2012-Present

Population Association of America (PAA), 2013-Present

Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management (APPAM), 2013-Present

American Society of Health Economists (ASHEcon), 2019-Present

Interdisciplinary Association for Population Health Science (IAPHS), 2016-Present