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# Friday, JULY 1, 2022

8:00–8:15am	Welcome and Workshop Overview Lauren Hughes, Planning Committee Chair, University of Colorado
	Sponsor Remarks from AHRQ Karin Rhodes, Chief Implementation Officer
8:15–9:45am	Measuring the Impact of Dissemination and Implementation Projects Part 1 Moderator: Brian Rivers, Morehouse School of Medicine
	<ul> <li>Speakers:</li> <li>Karen Glanz, University of Pennsylvania</li> <li>Silas Buchanan, Institute for E- Health Equity</li> <li>Bethany M. Kwan, University of Colorado</li> </ul>
9:45–10:00am	Break
10:00–11:30am	Measuring the Impact of Dissemination and Implementation Projects Part 2 Moderator: Sarah Scholle, National Committee for Quality Assurance
	Speakers:
	<ul> <li>Alisa J. Stephens-Shields, University of Pennsylvania</li> <li>Mary Politi, Washington University in St. Louis</li> <li>Krisda Chaiyachati, Verily Health</li> </ul>
	Panel Discussion / Q & A
11:30am	Closing Remarks
	Lauren Hughes, Planning Committee Chair, University of Colorado

# Notes for Virtual Attendees

The livestream of the webcast for Workshop #3 is available at: : <u>https://www.nationalacademies.org/event/06-17-2022/accelerating-the-use-of-findings-from-patient-centered-outcomes-research-in-clinical-practice-to-improve-health-and-health-care-workshop-3</u>

- We welcome your involvement in the workshop. Please use the chatbox on our website (located below the livestream) to ask questions, and please include your name and affiliation.
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## Planning Committee Biographical Information



Lauren S. Hughes, M.D., M.P.H., M.Sc., FAAFP, (*Chair*) is an Associate Professor of Family Medicine and the State Policy Director of the Farley Health Policy Center, both at the University of Colorado. Her research interests include rural health, primary care and public health alignment, and new payment and delivery models. Dr. Hughes previously served as Deputy Secretary for Health Innovation in the Pennsylvania Department of Health, where she launched the Pennsylvania Rural Health Model, a new payment and delivery model that transitions rural hospitals to multi-payer global budgets. Dr. Hughes is chairelect of the American Board of Family Medicine and serves on the Rural Health Redesign Center Organization and the American Medical Student Association Foundation Boards of Directors. In 2018, she was named a Presidential Leadership Scholar by Presidents Clinton and Bush, and in 2021, she was named to the National Academy of Medicine Board on Health Care Services.

Dr. Hughes earned her MD from the University of Iowa, her MPH in health policy from The George Washington University, and her master's in health and health care research from the University of Michigan as part of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Clinical Scholars Program. She is currently pursuing a master's degree in health care delivery science from Dartmouth College.



Jen F. Brown, M.P.H., is the Co-Founder & Co-Director of the Alliance for Research in Chicagoland Communities (ARCC) at Northwestern University. She is passionate about ARCC's work to grow and support authentic community-academic research partnerships that honor, are driven by, and share power with communities to improve health and equity. Jen has over two decades of experience building and supporting community, patient, and stakeholder engagement in research at project, institutional, and multi-institutional levels through infrastructure development, partnership brokering, capacity-building, seed grants, and advocacy. She is on faculty at Northwestern's Feinberg School of Medicine Department of Preventive Medicine and the Center for Native American & Indigenous Research. She has previously served on the Board of Directors for Community-Campus Partnerships for Health, Chicago Women's Health

Center, and Aradia Women's Health Center. Jen currently serves on the Patient Engagement Advisory Panel for the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute, National Patient Advocate Foundation Advocacy Collaborative, Chicago Consortium for Community Engagement, Partnership for Healthy Chicago, Associate Editor of the Progress in Community Health Partnerships journal, 2020 inductee into the Gold Humanism Honor Society, and was a Chicago United for Equity 2019 Racial Justice Fellow.



**Megan Daugherty Douglas, J.D.,** is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Community Health and Preventive Medicine and the Director of Research & Policy in the National Center for Primary Care at Morehouse School of Medicine. She is a licensed attorney, and her research focuses on studying how laws and other policies improve population health and advance health equity. Professor Douglas has research and policy expertise related to primary care, behavioral health, developmental disabilities, digital health tools, and structural racism. Her research has been published in the American Journal of Public Health, Psychiatric Services, Medical Care, and the Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved. She serves on the Advisory Board for the Health Law Partnership

(HELP) and the Community Advisory Council for the Center for Leadership in Disability at Georgia State University. Professor Douglas received her B.S. in biology from Virginia Tech, her J.D. from Georgia State University, and was the first attorney to complete the Health Policy Leadership Fellowship program in the Satcher Health Leadership Institute at Morehouse School of Medicine.



**Catherine L. Kothari, Ph.D.,** is an Associate Professor and population health scientist, Division of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, Western Michigan University Homer Stryker MD School of Medicine. She is the senior epidemiologist for Cradle-Kalamazoo. She has co-led strategic analysis and implementation for Cradle-Kalamazoo (county-wide initiative to address disparities) in collaboration with 25+ member agencies. She has built Cradle-Data-Backbone pillars: 1) Community Voice Panel, 2) Home Visitation Care Coordination Registry, 3) Fetal Infant Mortality Review (FIMR), 4) Community Data System Platform, and 5) Process Improvement (six-sigma tools). At the national level she has served the National Center for Child Fatality Review and Prevention (Steering Committee member, coleading national Health Equity Learning Collaborative, contributed to national guidance documents). At the state level, she initiated a statewide

effort for translating local FIMR-team findings into policy recommendations. As a researcher, she is on the National Community Advisory Boards for PCORI-funded "Project ROSE" & NICHD Center grant-funded TRANSFORM. As a graduate student she was awarded the All-University Graduate Research Award, and the American Public Health Association-Mental Health Section's Student Paper Award (2014). Since completing her Interdisciplinary Health Sciences doctoral program, she has completed professional trainings in epidemiology, mixed methods, community based participatory research, social network analysis and multiple anti-racism workshops.



**Meghan Brooks Lane-Fall, M.D., M.S.H.P., FCCM,** is the Vice Chair of Inclusion, Diversity, and Equity and the David E. Longnecker Associate Professor of Anesthesiology and Critical Care at the University of Pennsylvania with a secondary appointment in Biostatistics, Epidemiology, and Informatics. Dr. Lane-Fall is the founding Co-Director of the Penn Center for Perioperative Outcomes Research and Transformation and is Vice President of the Anesthesia Patient Safety Foundation. She is a physician-scientist committed to the provision of safe, effective patient care. Her innovative research combines implementation science with human factors engineering to facilitate the uptake and sustained use of evidence-based practices. She has a particular interest in learning health systems science and in patient-

centered outcomes and has methodological expertise in the use of qualitative and mixed methods approaches to scientific inquiry. She is a Fellow of the American College of Critical Care Medicine, a member of the Board of Directors of the Foundation for Anesthesia Education and Research, and is a member of the NASEM New Voices program (2021-2023 cohort).



**Cara E. Nikolajski, Ph.D., M.P.H.,** is the Director of Research Design and Implementation at the UPMC Center for High-Value Health Care, a nonprofit research organization embedded in the UPMC Insurance Services Division. The Center engages members/patients, clinicians, payers, and other health care stakeholders from across UPMC's integrated healthcare delivery and financing system, along with researchers from academic institutions, community organizations, and policy makers, to design and implement initiatives that provide innovative solutions to U.S. health care challenges. In her role, Dr. Nikolajski leads the scientific development and implementation of PCORI-funded comparative effectiveness research studies focusing on diverse topics including the management of multiple chronic conditions, behavioral and

physical healthcare integration, and specialty medical homes. She is actively involved in supporting the scaling of important PCORI findings to improve outcomes for other vulnerable populations within the UPMC Insurance Services Division and beyond. For example, she led efforts to obtain funding to use the Institute for Healthcare Improvement's learning collaborative model to disseminate behavioral health homes across multiple care delivery settings, including opioid treatment providers and youth behavioral health residential treatment facilities. In addition, she manages an extensive portfolio of work focusing on addressing disparities and promoting equity in maternal and child health. She has over a decade of qualitative and mixed-methods research experience which she applies in the context of clinical trials, program evaluation, and quality improvement initiatives. She utilizes this skillset to train and support Center fellows and UPMC Insurance Services Division stakeholders, employees, and members in the conduct of health services research. She is a graduate from the Department of Behavioral and Community

Health Sciences doctoral program at the University of Pittsburgh's Graduate School of Public Health where she continues to lecture on the conduct of qualitative research methods and educate on health services system-level, patient-centered research.



**Brian Rivers, Ph.D., M.P.H.,** is a Professor and Director of the Cancer Health Equity Institute at Morehouse School of Medicine (MSM). Dr. Rivers is nationally and internationally recognized as a leader in health disparities research and a retired member of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) National Advisory Council on Minority Health and Health Disparities (NACMHD). Dr. Rivers is an active member in the American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) community and serves in several leadership capacities. Dr. Rivers is a behavioral scientist with a broad background in dissemination and implementation science and public health, with specific training and expertise in methodologies commonly used to addressing health disparities. Dr. Rivers' research portfolio has endeavored to expand the application of population-based intervention science to understand how to

address cancer health disparities in clinical and community-based settings, utilizing multi-level/multidomain/multi-sectoral approaches, such as medical mobile apps and/or Community Health Workers/Patient Navigators. Dr. Rivers has and is leading several large randomized controlled trials, funded by Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) and NIH National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD) (R01), to evaluate and characterize the impact of multi-level, digital health interventions, targeting African American men diagnosed with prostate cancer. Dr. Rivers is lead Multiple-Principal Investigator (MPI) for the NIH National Cancer Institute (NCI) funded Partnerships to Advance Cancer Health Equity (PACHE) U54 Cancer Research Partnership between MSM, Tuskegee University, and the University of Alabama-Birmingham O'Neil Comprehensive Cancer Center (UAB OCCC). Dr. Rivers is the Director of the Integrating Special Populations Core of the NIH National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences (NCATS) funded Georgia Clinical and Translational Science Alliance. Dr. Rivers serves as MPI of the Faculty Institutional Recruitment for Sustainable Transformation Coordination and Evaluation Center (FIRST CEC). Lastly, Dr. Rivers is the Principal Investigator of two American Cancer Society new initiatives, Diversity in Cancer Research Institutional Development Program and Cancer Health Equity Research Centers. Dr. Rivers has presented his novel and innovative research findings in diverse settings including the First Congress on Oncology Clinical Trials (Lagos, Nigeria); Movember International Prostate Cancer Consortium (Queensland, Australia); The Atlantic Magazine, The People vs Cancer; South by Southwest (SXSW) conferences; and the National Press Foundation.



Sarah H. Scholle, Dr.PH., M.P.H., is the Vice President, Research and Analysis, at the National Committee for Quality Assurance. Dr. Scholle is an expert in health services and quality measurement in multiple settings and has a demonstrated record of moving innovative concepts into implementation through NCQA's programs and Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS). Dr Scholle's expertise ranges from equity and person-centered care to delivery system improvement. Her work on equity has addressed disparities in care, methods for summarizing and incentivizing health equity, and approaches for improving data. She has conducted numerous projects to advance the use of patient-reported outcomes in clinical care and quality measurement, including a novel approach to personalized goal setting.

She has also led activities in measurement related to care coordination, patient-centered care and the patient-centered medical home (PCMH) and contributed to the development and implementation of surveys.



# Accelerating the Use of Findings from Patient-Centered Outcomes Research in Clinical Practice to Improve Health and Health Care: A Workshop Series Workshop 3

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# Speakers Biographical Information

Silas Buchanan is an experienced underserved-community outreach and engagement strategist. He is the Founding CEO of the Institute for eHealth Equity where he leads partnerships with healthcare payer, provider, pharma, life sciences, medical device, government and academic stakeholders. Silas has expertise in crafting web-based ecosystems that solve for known, underserved-community outreach and engagement failure points. He recently launched OurHealthMinistry.com in partnership with Morehouse School of Medicine, and co-developed AMECHealth.org as the official health information-sharing channel for the AME Church, the largest mainline, historically Black Denomination in the world (2000 congregations/2 million members). Silas currently works closely with the Milken Institute, FasterCures Workgroup on DEI in Clinical Trials, the American Telemedicine Workgroup on Eliminating Health Disparities, and the Digital Medicine Society Data Steering Committee. He has contributed thought leadership to HIMSS, Accenture, National Academy of Medicine, the Clinical Trials Transformation Initiative, and the Harvard Business School, Kraft Precision Medicine Accelerator. Silas has testified before the HHS, HIT Policy Committee. He was selected as member of the White House Summit to Achieve eHealth Equity. Selected as Co-Chair of the Awareness Committee for Region V of The HHS National Partnership for Action to End Health Disparities. Inaugural member of the National eHealth Collaborative Consumer Committee and is a member of the Ohio Patient-Centered Primary Care Collaborative.

**Krisda Chaiyachati, M.D., M.P.H., M.S.H.P.** is the Physician Lead for Value-Based Care and Innovation for Verily Health Platforms at Verily, an Alphabet company and formerly Google Life Sciences, a division of Google X. He is a physician executive with extensive background in health care innovation, health services research, epidemiology, and health policy with a lens towards the role of health care technology in transforming care delivery to make it more efficient, equitable, and accessible. He has led the development and evaluation of telemedicine, artificial intelligence, or automation in health care. He has published over 60 peer-reviewed articles and is a co-author of an upcoming book, Seems Like a Good Idea: Evidence-Based Innovation in Medical Care Delivery and Financing. Prior to Verily, Dr. Chaiyachati held leadership roles at the University of Pennsylvania Health System as the Medical Director for Penn Medicine OnDemand Virtual Care, the Medical Director for PennOpen Pass, and the Director for the Leonard Davis Institute-Penn Medicine Research Laboratory. Dr. Chaiyachati completed his internal medicine training in Yale's Primary Care Residency Program where he served as a chief resident. In addition to his medical degree from the University of Michigan, Dr. Chaiyachati holds a Master's degree in Public Health from the Harvard School of Public Health, and a Master's degree in Health Policy Research from the University of Pennsylvania as a Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholar.

**Karen Glanz, Ph.D., M.P.H.** is George A. Weiss University Professor, and Professor in the Perelman School of Medicine and the School of Nursing, at the University of Pennsylvania (UPenn). She is Associate Director for Community-Engaged Research and Program Co-Leader for the Cancer Control Program, at the

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Abramson Cancer Center at UPenn. Her research in community and healthcare settings focuses on obesity, nutrition, and the built environment; reducing health disparities; dissemination and implementation science; and health communication technologies. She has published over 540 articles and chapters and is lead Editor on five editions of the widely used text, Health Behavior: Theory, Research and Practice (Jossey-Bass: 1990, 1996, 2002, 2008, 2015). Dr. Glanz was elected to membership in the National Academy of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences in 2013.

**Bethany Kwan, PhD, MSPH** is an Associate Professor and Associate Vice Chair for Research in the Department of Emergency Medicine at the University of Colorado School of Medicine, Anschutz Medical Campus. She is a dissemination and implementation (D&I) scientist and Education Program director for the University of Colorado's Adult & Child Center for Outcomes Research and Delivery Science (ACCORDS). She is the Director of D&I for the Colorado Clinical & Translational Sciences Institute (CCTSI). Her research, which is funded by the NIH, PCORI, and other federal funders, addresses stakeholder engagement and methods for designing for dissemination and pragmatic trials, the integration of physical and behavioral health, chronic disease self-management, improving processes and systems of care to achieve the Quadruple Aim, and enhancing quality of life for patients and care partners

**Mary C. Politi, Ph.D.,** is a Professor in the Department of Surgery, Division of Public Health Sciences at Washington University in St Louis, School of Medicine. Dr. Politi's primary research interests include health communication and shared decision-making. Her work helps patients and the public understand health information, explore what is important to them when making health decisions, and collaborate to make evidence-informed decisions that meet their needs. She also trains health care professionals, public health advocates, and members of the public interested in shared decision-making and patient engagement. Dr. Politi's research includes a focus on reducing health disparities by engaging communities with unmet health needs and including them in both research and dissemination efforts. She works extensively with stakeholders to ensure her research is relevant to end users in clinical and community settings.

Alisa J. Stephens-Shields, Ph.D is an Associate Professor of Biostatistics at the University of Pennsylvania Perelman School of Medicine. Her research focuses on extensions and innovative applications of causal inference to enhance the design and analysis of clinical trials. She also works in the development of patient-reported outcomes to inform population-appropriate trial endpoints. Dr. Stephens-Shields collaborates in several areas, including pediatrics, pharmacoepidemiology, behavioral economics, and implementation science. She is currently the lead statistical investigator for the Handoffs and Transitions in Critical Care – Understanding Scalability study, a stepped wedge randomized trial aiming to improve patient outcomes through designing and implementing standardized, tailored protocols for transitioning patients from operating rooms to intensive care units, and the recently American Heart Associationawarded Behavioral Economics to Transform Trial Enrollment Representativeness Center, which will evaluate methods to increase diverse participation in clinical trials. Dr. Stephens-Shields was a recipient

of the inaugural Committee of Presidents of Statistical Societies Leadership Academy award and currently serves as an associate editor of Biostatistics and a statistical consultant for the Annals of Internal Medicine. She holds Ph.D. and A.M. degrees in biostatistics from Harvard University and a B.S. in mathematics with minor in Spanish from the University of Maryland, College Park.

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# Statement of Task:

A planning committee of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (the National Academies) will plan and host a series of four public workshops to explore potential ways for the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) to accelerate the use of patient-centered outcomes research (PCOR) findings in clinical practice to improve health and health care. The workshops will feature invited presentations and discussions examining topics in 4 main categories:

1. Ways to revise and improve the AHRQ's proposed strategic plan, priorities, and strategies to make them clearer and more likely to lead to funding high impact and complementary projects while being consistent with the Congressional mandate for investing funds from the PCOR Trust Fund (PCORTF), e.g.,

• Opportunities to train and educate PCOR investigators, while also addressing AHRQ's PCORTF strategic priorities

- Development of digital tools to increase implementation of PCOR findings into practice
- Sustainable strategies for expanding implementation of PCOR findings
- The potential for development of an overall coordinated interdisciplinary approach to decisions about AHRQ's PCORTF investments

2. Ways to measure progress and the impact of AHRQ's PCORTF investments as a whole on meeting its goals (in the short-term, proximate, and long-term). For example:

- Currently available metrics,
- Currently available data sources,
- Potential for novel metrics, analytics and data sources, and
- Ways to harmonize data elements across projects that could be included in evaluating the shortand long-term impact of AHRQ's PCORTF investments.

3. Ways to better align priorities and strategies and to create complementary collaborations between the agencies charged with using the PCORTF to improve patient-centered outcomes research and practice (AHRQ, PCORI and ASPE), so as to increase the impact of AHRQ's PCORTF investments and their potential to sustainably reduce disparities.

4. Ways AHRQ can apply communication science to improve dissemination of evidence, gaps in evidence, and policy gaps to inform health policies and decision-makers at the local, state, and federal levels.

The planning committee, with support from NASEM staff, will organize the workshop, select and invite speakers and discussants, and moderate the discussions. A proceedings of the presentations and discussions at the workshops will be prepared by a designated rapporteur in accordance with institutional guidelines.

## Workshop Sponsor:

Department of Health and Human Services-Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

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