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### **Education**

- 2025 [anticipated] Ph.D., Sociology, University of Florida  
*Areas of Concentration: Medical Sociology; Demography.*  
*Dissertation Title: Preventive Healthcare Experiences of Black Immigrants in the United States: Exploring Inequalities in Access and Utilization.*
- 2018 M.Sc., Demography [*minor: Social Statistics*], Obafemi Awolowo University, Nigeria.
- 2012 B.Sc., Demography [*minor: Social Statistics*], Obafemi Awolowo University, Nigeria.

### **Areas of Research and Teaching Interests**

Social Determinants of Health, and Healthcare Utilization; Health Disparities; Substance Use; Global Health; Sexual, Reproductive, and Maternal Health; Demography; and Intimate Partner Violence.

### **Peer-Reviewed Publications**

Chukwudeh S.O., Bolarinwa O.A, **Alawode O.A**, Olawade D., Shongwe S., Tiwari R. How does the rise in contraceptive usage predict pregnancy termination in Kenya? An In-depth Multilevel Analysis. *BMC Public Health*. **25(512)** (2025). [Link to Paper](#)

**Alawode O.A** & Awoleye A.F. Prevalence, Trend, and Correlates of Child Fostering in Nigeria, 2008-2018: Findings from a National Survey. *Child & Youth Services* (2025). [Link to Paper](#)

Azubuike C.D & **Alawode O.A** Delayed Healthcare due to Cost among Adults Living with Multimorbidity in the United States. *Healthcare* **12 (22)** (2024). [Link to Paper](#)

Nicholson, H. L., Jr. & **Alawode, O. A.**, Ford J.A (2024). Determinants of Prescription Opioid misuse among Black Americans: Evidence from the 2019 National Survey on Drug Use and Health. *Addictive Behaviors* **149** (2024), e13081. [Link to Paper](#)

**Alawode, O.A.**, Bolarinwa, O.A., Hajjar, J.M., Chukwudeh, S.O., & Yaya S. Is Intimate Partner Violence vertically transmitted among women in sub-Sahara Africa? Evidence from demographic and health surveys between 2010 and 2019. *International Journal for Equity in Health*. **22(262)** (2023). [Link to Paper](#)

Okunlola D. A., **Alawode, O.A.**, Jegede O.T. & Adeleye K. Exposure to Parental Violence and Self-reported violence among adolescent girls in Nigeria: Evidence from a national survey. *International Journal of Sexual Health*. **35(4)** (2023). [Link to Paper](#)

Okunlola D. A., **Alawode, O.A.**, Awoleye, A.F. & Ilesanmi, B.B. Internet Use, Exposure to Digital Family Planning Messages, and Sexual Agency among Partnered Women in Northern Nigeria: Implications for Digital Family Planning Intervention. *Sexual and Reproductive Health Matters*. **31(4); 2261681** (2023). [Link to Paper](#)

**Alawode, O. A.**, & Nicholson, H. L., Jr. (2023). Health literacy and uptake of annual physical checkups among emerging adults in the United States: Findings from the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System. *Sociology Compass*, e13081. [Link to Paper](#)

Bolarinwa O. A., Hajjar J.M., **Alawode, O.A.**, Ajayi, K.V., Roberts A.T., & Yaya S. (2023). Multiple High-Risk Fertility Behaviours and Children Under-Five Mortality Survivors among married women of Reproductive age in Nigeria. *Archives of Public Health* **88, 175** (2023). [Link to Paper](#)

**Alawode, O.A., Okeke, S.R., Sah, R.K., & Bolarinwa, O.A.** Prevalence and determinants of intention to use modern contraceptives among grand-multiparous women in sub-Saharan Africa. *Archives of Public Health* **80**, 246 (2022). [Link to Paper](#)

**Bolarinwa, O.A., Afaya, A., Ajayi, K.V, Ojo, A. & Alawode, O.A.** Prevalence and factors associated with the use of long-acting reversible and permanent contraceptive methods among women who desire no more children in high fertility countries in sub-Saharan Africa. *BMC Public Health* **22**, 2141 (2022). [Link to Paper](#)

**Awoleye, A.F., Alawode, O.A., Chima, V., Okunlola D. A., & Obisie, S.** (2022). Rural-Urban differentials in the relationship between household wealth index and maternal anemia status in Nigeria. *Health Care for Women International*; [Link to Paper](#)

**Okunlola D. A., Alawode, O.A., Awoleye, A.F., & Oyelola, A.** (2022). Exploring the Hierarchies: Multilevel Correlates of Child Mortality in Nigeria and Implications for Interventions. *Global Social Welfare* **9** (2022). [Link to Paper](#)

**Nicholson, H. L., Jr., Wheeler, P.B., Smith, N.C., & Alawode, O.A.,** (2022) Examining the Relationship between Discrimination and Prescription Drug Misuse: Findings from a National Survey of Black Americans. *Substance Use & Misuse*, **57:7**, 1014-1021; [Link to Paper](#)

**Alawode, O.A., Ogunwemimo, H.S., Bolorunduro, M-E., & Awoleye, A.F.** Age at Sexual Debut and Multiple Sexual Partnership among Adolescents in Nigeria: An Assessment of the Mediating Role of the Knowledge of Sexually Transmitted Infections. *Adolescents* (2021), **1** (4), 421-432; [Link to Paper](#)

**Alawode, O.A.,** Analysis of Non-Marital Fertility in Nigeria and Implications for Intervention and Future Research. *Social Sciences* (2021), **10(7)**, 256; [Link to Paper](#)

**Okunlola D. A., Bolarinwa, O.A., Alawode, O.A, & Adetutu, O. M.** (2020) Determinants of non-participation in Labour force among women of reproductive age in Nigeria. *African Population Studies* (2020), **34** (2), 5171-5186. [Link to Paper](#)

**Chima V., Alawode, O.A, Awoleye, A.F., Hawa. O & Chima, I.L.** (2020) Demographic and Psychosocial Determinants of Life Satisfaction Among Youths in Nigeria: Evidence from Multiple Indicators Cluster Survey. *International Journal of Social Science Research* (2020), **8** (2), 266-286. [Link to Paper](#)

**Okunlola D. A., Alawode, O.A, Bolarinwa, O.A, Agbeja, O.I, & Awoleye, A.F.** (2020) Socio-Demographic, Economic & Psychological Correlates of Risky Sexual Behaviour Among Sexually Active Young People in Nigeria. *Global Journal of Health Science* (2020), **12** (8), 9-26. [Link to Paper](#)

**Alawode, O.A., Chima, V., & Awoleye, A.F.** (2019) Household Characteristics as Determinants of Ownership of Mosquito Nets in Urban Households in Nigeria. *Scientific African* (2019), **6** (2019) e00156, 16-27. [Link to Paper](#)

**Chima, V., & Alawode, O.A.,** (2019) Modern Contraceptive Use among Female Adolescents in Rural Nigeria: Does Exposure to Family Planning Messages Matter? *Gates Open Research* **2019**, **3:627**. [Link to Paper](#)

**Alawode, O.A.,** (2019) Levels and Correlates of Health Insurance Coverage in Nigeria: Evidence from 2013 Nigeria Demographic and Health Survey. *African Journal of Health Economics* (2019), **6** (3), 16-27. [Link to Paper](#)

**Awoleye A.F., Chima V., & Alawode, O.A.,** (2018). Women Autonomy and Maternal Healthcare Services Utilization among Young ever-married women in Nigeria. *International Journal of Nursing and Midwifery*, **10(6)**, 62-73. [Link to Paper](#)

### **Other Publications [Non-Peer Reviewed]**

Chima, V., **Alawode**, O.A., Arinze, I. & Olashore, E.A. Socio-Demographic Determinants of Accepting Behaviour Towards HIV Infected Persons in Nigeria (2018). Available at SSRN: [Link to Paper](#)

Obasesam, E.E., Opara, I.F., & **Alawode**, O.A. (2020) With TCI Support, Abia State Sees 108% Increase in Annual Client Volume. Available online at [Link to Publication](#)

### **Awaiting Publication**

**Alawode O.A.**, Relationship between Educational Assortative Mating and the Utilization of Reproductive Healthcare Services in Nigeria: Evidence from a National Survey [*Journal of Biosocial Science*].

### **Works Under Review**

**Oluwatobi A. Alawode & Barbara Zsembik** Influenza Vaccination Uptake and Associated Factors among African-Born Immigrant Adults in the United States [*Under review at Population Research and Policy Review*].

Okeke-Obayemi D.O, **Alawode O.A.**, Okeke S.R., Mwaniki S.W., Mabhala, A., Mullens A.B, Bolarinwa O.A. Prevalence and Determinants of HIV Testing among Adolescent Girls and Young Women in 28 sub-Saharan African Countries [*Under review at BMC Public Health*].

**Okunlola D.A, Alawode O.A, Opara C.V & Bolarinwa O.A.** Sexual Behaviors and Self-reported Sexually Transmitted Infections among Male and Female Youths in Nigeria [*Under review at BMC Infectious Diseases*].

**Alawode O.A** Exploring Intersectional Barriers to Preventive Healthcare Utilization among Young Adults in the United States. [*Under review at Journal of Race and Ethnic Health Disparities*].

Okunlola D.A, **Alawode O.A, Opara C.V & Ajayi I.A.** Sexual Behaviors and Self-reported Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs) among Male and Female Youths in Nigeria. [*Under review at BMC Infectious Diseases*].

### **Book Project in Preparation**

Proximate Variables in Nigeria's Fertility Regime to be published in "The Demography of Nigeria: Trends, Patterns and Prospects".

### **In Preparation**

**Oluwatobi A. Alawode & Barbara Zsembik** Influenza Vaccination Uptake and Associated Factors among African-Born Immigrant Adults in the United States [Draft Available].

**Oluwatobi A. Alawode & Barbara Zsembik.** Exploring Disparities in Preventive Healthcare Utilization among African-born Immigrant Adults in the United States.

**Oluwatobi A. Alawode.** Are Women in Heterogamous Relationships at Higher Risk of Intimate Partner Violence in Sub-Saharan Africa?

**Oluwatobi A. Alawode.** Intersectional Approach to Understanding Disparities in Breast Cancer Screening among Women in Four Low-Income Countries.

**Oluwatobi A. Alawode** Decomposing Socioeconomic Inequalities in Health Facility Delivery among Mothers in Nigeria: Evidence from the 2018 Nigeria Demographic and Health Survey.

**Oluwatobi A. Alawode** Exploring Intersectional Inequalities in the Utilization of Caesarean Section Delivery among Women in Nigeria: Further Analysis of the Demographic and Health Survey.

**Oluwatobi A. Alawode** Multilevel Analysis of the Levels and Determinants of Quality Antenatal Care in Nigeria: Evidence from the Nigeria Demographic and Health Survey

## **Presentations**

**Exploring Disparities in Preventive Healthcare Utilization among African-born Immigrant Adults in the United States.** Paper presentation at the 2024 Southern Demographic Association Annual Meeting, Savannah, Georgia from 16 – 18, October 2024.

**Are Women in Heterogamous Relationships at Higher Risk of Intimate Partner Violence in Sub-Saharan Africa?** Flash presentation at the 2024 Southern Demographic Association Annual Meeting, Savannah, Georgia from 16 – 18, October 2024.

**Black-White Disparities in the Relationship between Perception of Neighborhood Safety and Physical Activity.** Poster presented at the Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana from 3 – 6, April 2024.

**Perception of Community Health Resources and the management of Chronic Health Conditions: Exploring the link and Implications.** Poster presented at the Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana from 3 – 6, April 2024.

**Influenza Vaccination Uptake and Associated Factors Among African-born Immigrant Adults.** Poster presented at the Population Association of America Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana from 12 – 15, April 2023.

**Identifying the Predictors of Preventive Care Utilization Among Middle-aged Residents of Rural Areas.** Paper presentation at the Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Birmingham, Alabama from 6 – 9, April 2022.

**Decadal Analysis of the Level and Correlates of Child Fostering in Nigeria: Insights from the Demographic and Health Survey, 2008 - 2018.** Paper presentation at 2021 International Population Conference, Hyderabad, India from 5 – 10, December 2021. [Virtual in December 2021].

**Understanding the Determinants of Intention to Use Modern Contraceptives among Grand Multiparous Women in 10 Highest Fertility Countries in Sub-Saharan Africa. Paper presentation at 2021 Southern Demographic Association Annual Meeting in Knoxville, TN from 4 – 6, October 2021 [Cancelled due to COVID-19].**

**Sexual Infidelity Among Married Women in Sub-Saharan Africa: Examining the Role of Couple's Co-residence, Socioeconomic and Demographic Disparities. Paper presentation at 2021 Southern Demographic Association Annual Meeting in Knoxville, TN from 4 – 6, October 2021 [Cancelled due to COVID-19].**

**Levels and Correlates of Health Insurance Coverage in Nigeria: Evidence from 2013 Nigeria Demographic and Health Survey.** Paper presentation at 8<sup>th</sup> African Population Conference, Entebbe, Uganda from 19 – 22, November 2019.

**Exploring the influence of subjective well-being on the fertility intention of currently married women in Nigeria.** Paper presentation at the 2019 Population Association of Nigeria Conference, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Osun State, Nigeria from 10 – 12, June 2019.

**Non-Marital Fertility in Nigeria: Levels, Patterns and Associated Factors.** Paper presentation at the Population Association of America (PAA) 2019 Annual Meeting, Austin, Texas, USA from 9 – 12, April 2019.

**Nonuse of contraceptive among never-married women in Nigeria: Who, Where and Why?** Paper presented at the 5<sup>th</sup> Nigeria Family Planning Conference, Abuja, Nigeria, 3-6 December 2018.

**Household Characteristics as determinants of the ownership of Mosquito nets in Urban Nigeria.** Paper presented at the 15<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Urban Health, Kampala, Uganda, 26-30 November 2018.

**Modern Contraceptive Use among Adolescents in Rural Nigeria: Does Exposure to Family Planning Messages Matter?** Paper presented at the 14<sup>th</sup> International Family Planning Conference, Kigali, Rwanda, 13 – 16, August 2019.

### **Teaching Experience**

#### **Graduate Instructor in Sociology**

**August 2022 – Present**

- My duties included teaching undergraduate students SYG 2000 [Principles of Sociology], grading papers, and attending office hours, which I have done for Fall 2022; Fall, Summer & Spring 2023; and Fall, Summer & Spring 2024.
- Teaching Assistant for SYO 4400 [Medical Sociology] & SYD 3700 [Minorities in American Society – Spring 2021
- I am scheduled to teach SYD 4020 [Population/Demography] in the Spring semester of 2025.

### **Past Professional Experiences**

Research & Evaluation Consultant: Formative Assessment of EU-funded UNICEF Conditional Cash Transfer Program to scale up MNCH Services Utilization in Adamawa, Bauchi, and the Kebbi States in Nigeria.

May 2021 – August 2021.

Technical Support Lead- Research, Monitoring, Evaluation & Learning. The Challenge Initiative [TCI] led by the William H. Gates Sr. Institute for Population and Reproductive Health. [*Funded by Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation / Merck for Mothers*]  
September 2019 - December 2020.

Research, Monitoring & Evaluation Officer, Post Pregnancy Family Planning [PPFP] Project Lagos, Nigeria. [*Funded by Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation / Merck for Mothers*]  
February 2019 – August 2019.

Research & Evaluation Consultant; EU-UNICEF RMNCH Project, UNICEF Nigeria Bauchi Field Office, Bauchi State.  
October 2018 – January 2019.

Research Data Analyst; BBC Media Action, Abuja, Nigeria.  
July 2017- August 2018.

#### **Graduate Research, Department of Sociology and Criminology & Law, University of Florida, Gainesville, USA.**

January 2021 – May 2022.

As a research assistant to Harvey L. Nicholson, Ph.D., my duties involved:

- Literature review for topics on health disparities, and determinants of opioid and prescription drug misuse.
- Management and analysis of large-scale survey data including the National Survey of Drug Use and Health [NSDUH], National Survey of American Life [NSAL], National Health Interview Survey [NHIS], and National Survey of Black Americans [NSBA], Behavioral Risk Factors Surveillance System [BRFSS].
- Drafting of findings for journal article publication.

### **Scholarships & Awards**

Travel Award to attend the 2023 Population Association of America Annual Meeting in New Orleans, LS - \$800

Travel Award to attend the 2022 Southern Sociological Society Conference in Birmingham, AL - \$450.

Travel Award to attend the 2021 IUSSP/ International Population Conference, Hyderabad, India - \$500.

Benjamin L. Gorman Quantitative Research Methods Award [2021] - \$300.

ICPSR Summer Program at the University of Michigan [Workshop Grant] - \$3000

Graduate Teaching & Research Assistantship Award, Department of Sociology and Criminology & Law, University of Florida, Gainesville, USA [2021 – Present].

### **Professional Training & Workshops**

Introduction to Emerging Methodologies in Social Science Research [IEMeSSR] at Wits University, South Africa  
**Summer 2021.**

2022 ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Social Research, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, USA.  
***Introduction to the R Statistical Computing Environment.*** **Summer 2022.**

Webinar: Survival Analysis Using Stata December 2024.

### **Skills**

*Programming Language:* Python [Beginner], R [Intermediate]

*Data analysis:* Stata [Advanced], R [Intermediate]

*Data Visualization:* Stata [Advanced], R [Intermediate], Python [Beginner]

*Computing:* Microsoft Office Package [Advanced].

*Data Collection:* ODK, Survey CTO, and Qualtrics.

*Language:* English [Advanced], French [Beginner]

### **Professional Service**

#### **Journal Referee**

*American Journal of Public Health, Journal of Population Research; Scientific Reports; Archives of Public Health; Journal of Drug Issues; Journal of Urban Health; PLOS ONE; Archives of Public Health; Sexuality Research, and Social Policy; BMC Public Health; Contraception and Reproductive Medicine; BMC Women's Health; Medical Anthropology; International Journal of Women's Health; Journal of Public Health and Epidemiology; Journal of Population, Health, and Nutrition.*

#### **Other services**

**Session Presider** for Paper Session titled **Using Sociology to Contextualize Population Health 1** at the 2022 Annual Meeting of the Southern Sociological Society in Birmingham, Alabama.

Invited Presentation for Medical Sociology Class, University of Florida –March 2022.

**Secretary;** Florida Society of the Social Sciences [F3S] – 2022 - 2023

### **Professional Affiliations**

Florida Society of the Social Sciences [F3S]

Southern Demographic Association [SDA]

Southern Sociological Society [SSS]

Union for African Population Studies [UAPS]

Population Association of America [PAA]

International Union for the Scientific Study of Population [IUSSP]

American Public Health Association [APHA]

### **References**

Available upon request