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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Health economics, health services research, health insurance reimbursement design, post-acute and long-term care, home health care

EMPLOYMENT AND AFFILIATIONS

2020–present **Assistant Professor.** Department of Public Administration and International Affairs, Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY

2020–present **Faculty Associate.** Aging Studies Institute, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY

2025–present **Faculty Research Affiliate.** Lerner Center for Public Health Promotion and Population Health, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY

2025–present **Faculty Affiliate.** Center for Policy Design and Governance, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY

2025–present **Faculty Affiliate.** Center for Health Behavior Research & Innovation, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY

2023–present **Faculty Affiliate.** Center for Policy Research, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY

2022–present **Affiliate.** Center to Accelerate Population Research in Alzheimer's, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

2020–present **Faculty Affiliate.** Center for Aging and Policy Studies, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY

2011–2015 **Social Science Research Analyst.** Research and Rapid-Cycle Evaluation Group, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Innovation Center, Woodlawn, MD

EDUCATION

2020 PhD, Health Services Organization and Policy (Economics Cognate). University of Michigan, School of Public Health, Ann Arbor, MI
  Dissertation committee: Edward C. Norton (Advisor), Andrew M. Ryan, Jeffrey McCullough, Charlie Brown

2012	MSPH, Health Policy, Johns Hopkins University, Bloomberg School of Public Health, Baltimore, MD
2010	BA, Studio Art, Carleton College, Northfield, MN

PUBLICATIONS: PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

1. 2025   **Jun Li**, Bo Zheng[†], and Brian McGarry. "Trends in the Use of Medicare Home Health Care Among Congregate Living Residents", *Journal of the American Medical Directors Association* 26, no.4: 105498. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jamda.2025.105498

2. 2025   **Jun Li** and Lacey Loomer. "Bundled Payment Impacts Uptake of Prescribed Home Health Care", *American Journal of Managed Care* 31, no. 2: 66-73. https://doi.org/10.37765/ajmc.2025.89677

3. 2025   **Jun Li**, Yvonne Monti, and Andrew Ryan. "Hospitals Did Not Increase Acute Occupational Therapy Provision Despite Positive Associations with Hospital Performance Under Medicare's Comprehensive Joint Replacement Program", *American Journal of Occupational Therapy* 79, no.1: 7901205090. https://doi.org/10.5014/ajot.2025.050736

4. 2024   Geoffrey Hoffman, Jinkyung Ha, Zhaohui Fan, and **Jun Li**. "Associations Between Rural Hospital Closures and Acute and Post-Acute Care Access and Outcomes", *Health Services Research* e14426. https://doi.org/10.1111/1475-6773.14426

5. 2024   Geoffrey Hoffman, Jinkyung Ha, and **Jun Li**. "Association of Medicare Home Health Ratings with Older Adult Fall Injuries: An Instrumental Variables Analysis", *Journal of the American Medical Directors Association* 25, no. 7: 105013. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jamda.2024.03.123

6. 2024   **Jun Li.** "Public Reporting and Consumer Demand in the Home Health Sector", *Medical Care Research and Review* 81, no. 2: 122-132. https://doi.org/10.1177/10775587231221852

7. 2024   **Jun Li.** "Home Health Agencies with High Quality of Patient Care Star Ratings Reduced Short-term Hospitalization Rates and Increased Days Independently at Home", *Medical Care* 62, no. 1: 11-20. https://doi.org/10.1097/MLR.0000000000001930

8. 2023   **Jun Li,** Thomas Jeffers, Babatope Ogunjesa[†], and Minakshi Raj. "Hospital Discharge Planners Need More Information When Referring Patients to Home Health Care: Insights from the Coronavirus Disease 2019 Pandemic", *Health Services Insights* 16. https://doi.org/10.1177/11786329231211093

9. 2023   **Jun Li,** Jinkyung Ha, and Geoffrey Hoffman. "Unaddressed Functional Difficulty and Care Support among White, Black, and Hispanic Older Adults in the Last Decade", *Health Affairs Scholar* 1, no. 3. https://doi.org/10.1093/haschl/qxad041

10. 2023   **Jun Li,** Dongmei Zuo[†], and Colleen Heflin. "Adoption of Standard Medical Deduction Increased SNAP Enrollment and Benefits In 21 Participating States", *Health Affairs*. 42, no. 8: 1173-1181. https://doi.org/10.1377/hlthaff.2022.01575

11. 2023   Colleen Heflin, **Jun Li,** and Dongmei Zuo[†]. "Changing Patterns of SNAP Take-Up and Participation and the Role of Out-Of-Pocket Medical Expenses among Older Adults", *Applied Economic Perspectives and Policy*. 45, no. 1: 336-349. https://doi.org/10.1002/aepp.13272

12. 2023   Edward C. Norton, Emily Lawton, and **Jun Li.** "Moneyball in Medicare: Heterogenous Treatment Effects", *American Journal of Health Economics* 9, no. 1: 96-126. https://doi.org/10.1086/721707

13. 2022   **Jun Li.** "Value-Based Payments in Health Care: Evidence from a Nationwide Randomized Experiment in the Home Health Sector", *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*. 41:1090-1117. https://doi.org/10.1002/pam.22415

14. 2021   Edward C. Norton, **Jun Li,** Anup Das, Andrew Ryan, and Lena M. Chen. "Medicare's Hospital Value-Based Purchasing Program Values Quality over QALYs", *Medical Decision Making* 42, no. 1: 51-59. https://doi.org/10.1177/0272989X211017105

15. 2020   **Jun Li,** Devraj Sukul, Ushapoorna Nuliyalu, and Andrew M. Ryan. "Patient Coded Severity and Payment Penalties under the Hospital Readmissions Reduction Program: A Machine Learning Approach", *Medical Care* 58, no. 1: 1022-1029. https://doi.org/10.1097/MLR.0000000000001396

16. 2020   Alexander A. Brescia, Joceline V. Vu, Chang He, **Jun Li,** Steven D. Harrington, Michael P. Thompson, Edward C. Norton, Scott E. Regenbogen, John D. Syrjamaki, Richard L. Prager, Donald S. Likosky. "Determinants of Value in Coronary Artery Bypass Grafting", *Circulation: Cardiovascular Quality and Outcomes* 13, no. 11. https://doi.org/10.1161/CIRCOUTCOMES.119.006374

17. 2020   **Jun Li,** Mingyu Qi, and Rachel M. Werner. "Assessment of Receipt of the First Home Health Care Visit After Hospital Discharge Among Older Adults", *JAMA Network Open* 3, no. 9. https://doi.org/10.1001/jamanetworkopen.2020.15470

18. 2020   Joceline Vu, **Jun Li,** Donald S. Likosky, Edward C. Norton, Darrell A. Campbell Jr., and Scott E. Regenbogen. "Achieving the High-Value Colectomy: Preventing Complications or Improving Efficiency", *Diseases of the Colon & Rectum* 63, no. 1: 84-92. https://doi.org/10.1097/DCR.0000000000001523

19. 2019   **Jun Li,** Anup Das, and Lena M. Chen. "Assessing the Quality of Public Reporting of US Physician Performance", *JAMA Internal Medicine* 179, no. 8: 1133-1135. https://doi.org/10.1001/jamainternmed.2019.0398

20. 2019   Brady Post, Andrew M. Ryan, Nicholas M. Moloci, **Jun Li,** James M. Dupree, and John M. Hollingsworth. "Physician Participation in Medicare Accountable Care Organizations and Spillovers in Commercial Spending", ***Medical Care*** 57, no. 4: 305-311. https://doi.org/10.1097/MLR.0000000000001081

21. 2018   Edward C. Norton, **Jun Li**, Anup Das, and Lena M. Chen. "Moneyball in Medicare", ***Journal of Health Economics*** 61, 259-273. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jhealeco.2017.07.006

22. 2016   Steven A. Blackwell, Gerald F. Riley, and **Jun Li**. "An Assessment of Three Post-Discharge Drug-Based Quality Assurance Events for Elderly Medicare Beneficiaries Enrolled in a Stand-Alone Part D Plan", ***Journal of Medical Practice Management*** 32, no. 2: 93-97

  † Student collaborator

PUBLICATIONS: PEER-REVIEWED BOOK CHAPTERS AND REFERENCE WORKS

23. 2019   Steve Asch and **Jun Li**. "Chapter 3 - Measurement and Data" In *Evaluation for Health Policy and Health Care: A Contemporary Data-Driven Approach*, edited by S. Sheingold and A. Bir. SAGE Publications.

24. 2019   **Jun Li** and Edward C. Norton. "Pay-for-Performance and Long-Term Care" In ***Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Economics and Finance***. Oxford University Press. https://doi.org/10.1093/acrefore/9780190625979.013.407

WORKING PAPERS AND PRE-ANALYSIS PLANS

Jun Li, Bo Zheng[†], and Geoffrey Hoffman. "Skilled Home Health Care Specialization and Implications for People Living with Dementia"

Jun Li and Reagan Baughman. "Wage Pass-Through Policies, Direct Care Worker Compensation, and Labor Supply in the Home Health Care Sector"

Jun Li and Rachel Werner. "Pre-Analysis Plan: Understanding Patient Access to Skilled Home Health Care" OSF. https://doi.org/10.17605/OSF.IO/NSX9U.

Geoffrey Hoffman and **Jun Li**. "Medicare's Hospital Wage Index Exceptions Grew by Over 80% from 2016-2024", review and resubmit

† Student collaborator

CONFERENCE PODIUM PRESENTATIONS

1. 2025   "Wage Pass-Through Policies, Direct Care Worker Compensation, and Labor Supply in the Home Health Care Sector", Southern Economic Association, Tampa, FL.

2. 2025   "Wage Pass-Through Policies, Direct Care Worker Compensation, and Labor Supply in the Home Health Care Sector", American Society of Health Economists Annual Conference, Nashville, TN.

3. 2025   "Associations Between Rural Hospital Closures and Acute and Post-Acute Care Access and Outcomes", American Society of Health Economists Annual Conference, Nashville, TN.

4. 2024   "Wage Pass-Through Policies, Direct Care Worker Compensation, and Labor Supply in the Home Health Care Sector", Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, Washington, DC.

5. 2024   "Skilled Home Health Care Specialization and Implications for People Living with Dementia", CAPRA-NBER Scientific Meeting: Financial & Economic Decision-making, Alzheimer's Disease, and Outcomes Over the Lifecycle, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

6. 2024   "Skilled Home Health Care Specialization and Implications for People Living with Dementia", International Conference on Evidence-based Policy in Long-term Care, Bilbao, Spain.

7. 2024   "'Learning by Doing' in Home Health Care and Implications for Dementia Populations", AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting, Baltimore, MD.

8. 2024   "'Learning by Doing' in Home Health Care and Implications for Dementia Populations", American Society of Health Economists Annual Conference, San Diego, CA.

9. 2024   "'Learning by Doing' in Home Health Care and Implications for Dementia Populations", ASSA American Economic Association, San Antonio, TX.

10. 2023   "Racial-Ethnic Differences in Home Health Care Uptake: The Role of Financial Incentives in Hospitals", Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, Atlanta, GA.

11. 2023   "Bundled Payment Incentives Improves Uptake of Prescribed Post-Acute Home Health Care for White and Black Patients Undergoing Joint Replacement Surgery", State Society on Aging, Saratoga Springs, New York.

12. 2023   "Public Reporting of Quality Ratings and Consumer Demand in the Home Health Care Sector", International Health Economics Association, Cape Town, South Africa.

13. 2023   "Does Bundled Payment Reduce Disparities in Home Health Care Receipt Among Medicare Patients?", American Society of Health Economists Annual Conference, St. Louis, MO.

14. 2023   "Effects of Star Ratings in Home Health on Medicare Beneficiaries' Use of Care", ASSA American Economic Association, New Orleans, LA.

15. 2022　　　"Increasing Access to SNAP for Older Adults through the Standard Medical Deduction", Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, Washington DC.

16. 2022　　　"Public Reporting and Consumer Demand in the Home Health Sector", International Conference on Evidence-based Policy in Long-term Care, London, UK.

17. 2022　　　"Unmet Functional Needs and Care Support in the Last Decade", American Society of Health Economists Annual Conference, Austin, TX.

18. 2022　　　"Medicare's Home Health Star Ratings Program Has Not Shifted Patients into Higher-Rated Agencies", Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, Austin, TX.

19. 2021　　　"Medicare's Home Health Star Ratings Program Has Not Shifted Patients into Higher-Rated Agencies", American Society of Health Economists Annual Conference, Virtual.

20. 2020　　　"Choosing Home Health Care on the Basis of Medicare Star Ratings: Is There Value in Picking the Best?" Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, Virtual.

21. 2020　　　"Effects of Medicare's Home Health Star Ratings on Patient Admissions, a Regression Discontinuity Approach", American Society of Health Economists Annual Conference, St. Louis, MO. (Cancelled due to COVID)

22. 2019　　　"Pay-for-performance in Health Care: Evidence from a Nationwide Randomized Experiment in the Home Health Sector", American Society of Health Economists Annual Conference, Washington DC.

23. 2018　　　"Effects of Major Joint Replacement Bundled Payments on Medicare and Commercial Post-Discharge Spending", American Society of Health Economists Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA.

24. 2018　　　"Pay-for-Performance and Long-Term Care", American Society of Health Economists Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA.

25. 2018　　　"Effects of Major Joint Replacement Bundled Payments on Medicare and Commercial Post-Discharge Spending", AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting, Seattle, WA.

INVITED TALKS

2025　　　"Wage Pass-Through Policies, Direct Care Worker Compensation, and Labor Supply in the Home Health Care Sector", The Gateway to Global Aging Data Long-Term Care Seminar Series, online.

2024	"Medicare Policies and Implications for Health System Functioning and Patient Welfare", Department of Medicine and Epidemiology, University of California-Davis.
2022	"Disparities in Home Health Visits", Quality Measures Technical Forum. Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.
2022	"Home Health Star Ratings and Consumer Demand", Department of Economics, University of New Hampshire.
2020	"Value-Based Payments in Health Care: Evidence from a Nationwide Randomized Experiment in the Home Health Sector." Department of Economics, University of Kansas.

GRANTS

2026 (ongoing)	Principal Investigator. Lerner Center Faculty Fellows Grant Program (Internal), Lerner Center for Public Health Promotion & Population Health, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY. $24,990.
2026–2027 (ongoing)	Co-Investigator. **Health Services Research in Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorder Program (HSR-ADRD)**, Alzheimer's Association. $49,603 sub-award.
2025 (ongoing)	Co-Investigator. **R56 High Priority, Short Term Project Award (NIH, R56AG094634-01).** $60,127 sub-award.
2025 (ongoing)	Co-Principal Investigator. **R24 Pilot Grant (NIH, R24045061)**, Network on Life Course Health Dynamics and Disparities in 21st Century America. Multiple sites. $49,983.
2025 (ongoing)	Co-Principal Investigator. Maxwell's COVID-19 Policy Impacts Project (Internal), Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY. $24,895.
2024	Principal Investigator. Aging Studies Institute Summer Project Assistantship (Internal), Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY. $2,000.
2022–2024	Principal Investigator. **P30 Pilot Grant (NIH, P30AG066582)**, Center to Accelerate Population Research in Alzheimer's. University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan. $29,800.
2023	Principal Investigator. Maxwell Dean's Office Summer Project Assistantships (Internal), Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY. $2,000.
2022–2023	Principal Investigator. Appleby-Mosher Fund for Faculty Research (Internal), Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY. $1,500.
2021–2023	Principal Investigator. **Health Services Research Grant (Foundation, AOTFHSR21LI)**, American Occupational Therapy Foundation, Rockville, MD. $100,000.

2021–2022	Principal Investigator. **P30 Pilot Grant (NIH, P30AG066583)**, Center for Aging and Policy Studies, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY. $33,912.
2021–2022	Co-Principal Investigator. **P30 Pilot Grant (NIH, P30AG066583)**, Center for Aging and Policy Studies, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY. $30,000.
2020–2021	Co-Principal Investigator. Walter J. McNerney Award (Internal). University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI. $4,000.
2019–2020	Principal Investigator. **R36 Health Services Research Dissertation Grant (AHRQ, R36HS026836)**, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, Rockville, MD. $42,240.

RESEARCH HONORS AND AWARDS

2026	Cordelia Myers *AJOT* Best Article Award, American Occupational Therapy Association, Anaheim, CA
2024	Early Investigator Outstanding Paper Award, Health Economics Interest Group, AcademyHealth, Baltimore, MD
2021–2022	Associate Member, National Academy of Social Insurance
2021	Honorable Mention, John Heinz Dissertation Award, National Academy of Social Insurance
2021	Honorable Mention, PhD Dissertation Award, Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management
2019–2020	Rackham Predoctoral Fellowship, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
2016–2017	Collaborative Doctoral Scholars Program, Institute for Healthcare Policy and Innovation, Ann Arbor, MI

TEACHING AWARDS

2024	Center for Disability Resources Annual Faculty and Staff Recognition Award, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY
2021	Laura and J. Douglas Meredith Teaching Recognition Award for Early Performance, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY

TEACHING

Syracuse University, Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse, NY

2020–2025	Introduction to Statistics (Masters) 2020 (Fall), 2021 (Fall), 2022 (Fall), 2023 (Fall), 2024 (Fall), 2025 (Spring, Fall)
2020–2025	The Changing American Health Care System (Masters) 2020 (Fall), 2021 (Fall), 2022 (Fall), 2023 (Fall), 2024 (Fall), 2025 (Fall)

2021–2025   Health Economics and Policy (Masters)
              2021 (Spring), 2025 (Spring)

PHD ADVISING AND OTHER MENTORING

Dissertation Committee Member. Syracuse University, Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse, NY

Mitch McFarlane (PhD Candidate, started 2025), Halim Yoon (PhD Candidate, started 2024), Bo Zheng (PhD Candidate, started 2023), Abdela Alite Hilo (PhD, graduated 2025), Catherine L. Annis (PhD, graduated 2022)

NIA Demography & Economics of Aging Emerging Scholars Mentor (2025-2026). Center to Accelerate Population Research in Alzheimer's (CAPRA), University of Michigan, Michigan Medicine.

SERVICE TO THE FIELD

Journal Peer Reviewer

Health services and policy. *Health Affairs, Health Affairs Scholar, Health Services Research, Medical Care, Medical Care Research and Review, Applied Network Science*
Health economics. *Journal of Health Economics, Health Economics, American Journal of Health Economics, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, Journal of Population Economics*
Clinical and public health. *JAMA Network Open, Journal of General Internal Medicine, Journal of the American Geriatrics Society, PLOS ONE, BMC Health Services Research, BMJ Open Quality, The Joint Commission Journal on Quality and Patient Safety*

Conference Discussant

American Society of Health Economists (2020–2023, 2025), Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (2022), Southern Economic Association (2025)

Conference Abstract Reviewer

American Society of Health Economists Annual Conference (2023, 2024, 2025)

Grant and Funding Reviewer

Sustainable Health Care Funding Scholarship of the American Australian Association (2021–2023), American Occupational Therapy Foundation Grants (2024)

PUBLIC OUTREACH PUBLICATIONS

Yuwei Zhang[†], Jun Li, Dongmei Zuo[†], and Colleen Heflin. (2024). Adopting the Standard Medical Deduction Increased SNAP Enrollment and Benefits. Lerner Center Population Health Research Brief Series. Research Brief #115. Accessed at: https://surface.syr.edu/lerner/250/

Jun Li and Meher Chahal[†], "Financial Rewards Tied to Quality Measures Lead Home Health Agencies to Exaggerate Their Improvements" (2023). *Population Health Research Brief Series*. 223. Accessed at: https://surface.syr.edu/lerner/223

Jun Li, Mingyu Qi, and Rachel Werner, "Many Older Americans Do Not Receive the Recommended Home Health Care After Hospitalization" (2020). Population Health Research Brief Series. 22. Accessed at: https://surface.syr.edu/lerner/22

† Student collaborator

MEDIA AND POLICY APPEARANCES

"Joint replacement model increases home health uptake, study finds." Adam Healy. *McKnight's Long-Term Care News*, February 4, 2025. https://www.mcknightshomecare.com/news/joint-replacement-model-increases-home-health-uptake-study-finds/

"Caregivers Can Soon Call Uber Rides and Order Groceries for Senior Patients." Interview by John Loeppky. *VeryWellHealth*, May 29, 2024. https://www.verywellhealth.com/uber-caregiver-8653502

"Among Older Americans, Black and Hispanic People Are Much More Likely to Need Help at Home—and Go Without It." Interview by Paola Scommegna. *Population Reference Bureau*. March 21, 2024. https://www.prb.org/articles/among-older-americans-black-and-hispanic-people-are-much-more-likely-to-need-help-at-home-and-go-without-it/der-americans-black-and-hispanic-people-are-much-more-likely-to-need-help-at-home-and-go-without-it/

"ACA Fails to Reduce Racial Disparities in Elderly Care." Interview by Laura Bailey. *Mirage News*, November 11, 2023. https://www.miragenews.com/aca-fails-to-reduce-racial-disparities-in-1121364/

"Racial, Ethnic Disparities in Long-Term Care Remain Among Older Adults Despite Passage of ACA." Interview by Laura Bailey. *MyScience*, November 9, 2023. https://www.myscience.org/en/news/wire/racial_ethnic_disparities_in_long_term_care_remain_among_older_adults_despite_passage_of_aca-2023-umich

"Top Ratings for Home Health Align with Patient Outcomes." Interview by Ellen James-Mbuque. *Futurity*, October 20, 2023. https://www.futurity.org/home-health-ratings-2989442-2/

Cited reference in written testimony: Before the United States Senate Finance Subcommittee on Health Care, 117, (2023). Tracy Mroz, ex.

"How Hospitals Respond to Value Base Payment." Blog post by Yaa Akosa Antwi. *Tradeoffs*, September 20, 2022. https://tradeoffs.org/2022/09/20/hospitals-respond-value-based-payments/

"Half of Patients Referred to Home Health Don't Receive Services – But Providers Can Change That." Interview by Joyce Famakinwa. *Home Health Care News*, September 18, 2020. https://homehealthcarenews.com/2020/10/half-of-patients-referred-to-home-health-dont-receive-services-but-providers-can-change-that/

 "System grading doctors is inefficient, needs revisions." Interview by Nardy Baeza Bickel. *Michigan News*, May 7, 2019. https://news.umich.edu/system-grading-doctors-is-inefficient-needs-revisions/

"US government website for comparing doctors lack data on most MDs." Interview by Lisa Rapaport. *Reuters Health News*, May 6, 2019. https://www.reuters.com/article/us-health-physicians-reporting-idUSKCN1SC24K/

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS (CURRENT AND PAST)

AcademyHealth, American Economic Association, American Society for Health Economists, Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, International Health Economics Association, International Long-term Care Policy Network, State Society on Aging of New York