ELIZABETH MITCHELL

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EDUCATION

Ph.D.	**Emory University**, Atlanta, GA	2022 Cohort
	Health Services Research and Health Policy, Economics Concentration	
	Dissertation Advisors: Drs. Hui Shao, Maria Dieci, & Courtney Yarbrough	
	Dissertation Topic: Enhancing access to GLP-1RA and SGLT2i among Medicare beneficiaries with type 2 diabetes in the "missing middle" with low- to middle-incomes not enrolled in the Part D Low Income Subsidy.	
	Research Interests: Chronic disease management, health equity, Medicare policy, pharmacoeconomics	
B.A.	**Swarthmore College**, Swarthmore, PA	May 2019
	Economics and Philosophy	

FELLOWSHIPS

- NIH NHLBI T32 Multidisciplinary Research Training to Reduce Inequalities in Cardiovascular Health (METRIC) Fellowship, 2025-2027
- John W. Nason Community Service Fellowship, Swarthmore College, 2018

AWARDS AND HONORS

- Livingston Scholarship, selected as one of seven top performing doctoral students in the Emory University Rollins School of Public Health, 2025-2026
- Georgia Clinical and Translational Science Alliance, Biostatistics and Epidemiology Research Design (BERD) Program student poster competition and travel award, 2024

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Doctoral Student Researcher, *Emory University*
Atlanta, GA   2022-present
Conduct studies using national datasets to contribute to the fields of health services research and health economics in the areas of health equity, medication access, and outcomes research.
    Research Assistant to Dr. Hui Shao on projects focused on diabetes and cardiovascular disease care, pharmacoeconomics, and quantitative research methods.   May 2024-present

Research Assistant, *Economics Department, Behavioral Economics Lab*
Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, PA   2017
Analyzed vignette survey data on retirement timing decisions with another RA under Dr. Syon Bhanot. Helped prepare a grant proposal for continued research.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant, *Department of Health Policy and Management*
Emory University, Atlanta, GA   2024

Selected as teaching assistant for Quantitative Methods in Health Services Research, a core course for HPM graduate students. Designed and led monthly review and discussion sections for students in addition to weekly office hours. Updated course materials and graded problem sets and exams.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Policy Analyst, *Robert J. Margolis, MD, Center for Health Policy at Duke University*
Washington, DC 2021-2023
Wrote white papers, policy briefs, and comment letters about payment, coverage, and competition issues as a member of the Medical Products and Payment team. Focus areas included payment and financing for cell and gene therapies, biosimilar market challenges, and insurance coverage of novel Alzheimer's disease treatments. Facilitated convenings of manufacturers, payers, and CMS and FDA about value-based payment models and patient access to innovative medical products.

Associate, *Charles River Associates*
Washington, DC 2020-2021
Provided research, analysis, and project management for global policy and government affairs projects with pharmaceutical companies and industry association clients. Conducted qualitative interviews with government officials, industry executives, and NGOs.

Analyst, *Charles River Associates*
Washington, DC 2019-2020
Provided data management, analysis, and background research for economic expert witness reports in pharmaceutical industry intellectual property disputes and antitrust litigation.

Health Consumer Center Intern, *Legal Aid Society of San Mateo County*
Redwood City, CA 2018
Lowered health care costs for clients as a liaison with the Department of Health Care Services and Human Services Agency. Wrote legal memos and case summaries and conducted client intakes.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

1. **Elizabeth Staton** and Sungchul Park, "Associations of Medicare Advantage Enrollment Duration with Health Insurance Literacy and Access to and Affordability of Health Care," *Journal of General Internal Medicine (2025):* 1-10.
2. **Elizabeth Staton** and Heeju Sohn, "Prescription drug affordability for older adults: Examining racial and ethnic inequalities in managing prescription drug costs," *Journal of Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities* (2025): 1-13.
3. Piaopiao Li, Zhiyan Li, **Liz Staton**, Guillermo Umpierrez, Georgia Davis, Hui Shao, and Francisco Pasquel, "The Increasing Adjuvant Use of GLP-1 Receptor Agonists and SGLT2 Inhibitors in People with Type 1 Diabetes in the United States," *JAMA* 332 (19) (2024): 1667-1669.
4. Jingxuan Zhao, **Elizabeth Staton**, Alex Soltoff, Paul George, and K Robin Yabroff, "Association of Family Member Incarceration During Childhood and Health Behaviors, Access to Care, and Functional Status Among Adults in the United States," *Journal of General Internal Medicine* (2024): 1-10.
5. Brian Canter, Sabine Sussman, Stephen Colvill, Nitzan Arad, **Elizabeth Staton**, and Arti Rai, "Introducing biosimilar competition for cell and gene therapy products," *Journal of Law and the Biosciences* 11.2 (2024): lsae015.

WORKS IN PROGRESS AND ABSTRACTS

- "Estimated 5-Year Impact of Universal GLP-1RA Access Globally: A Microsimulation Study," with Piopiao Li, Jieun Lee, KM Venkat Narayan, Mohammed K Ali, Ilana Graetz, Guillermo E Umpierrez, Usha Ramakrishnan, and Hui Shao. Manuscript drafting in progress.
- **Elizabeth Staton,** Jieun Lee, Zhiyan Li, Piaopiao Li, Carl Yang, Jithin Sam Varghese, Young-Rock Hong, Ilana Graetz, Hui Shao. "Reweighting All of Us Research Program Data to Correct for Sampling Bias—A Novel Machine Learning–Based Approach," *Diabetes* 2024;74(Supplement_1):1054-P.
- Jieun Lee, Qiaochu Xue, Piaopiao Li, **Elizabeth Staton**, Young-Rock Hong, Jingchuan Guo, Mohammed K. Ali, and Hui Shao. "Heterogeneous Treatment Effects of Intensive Blood Pressure Control (IBP) on Major Adverse Cardiovascular Events (MACE) and Cardiovascular-Kidney-Metabolic (CKM) Syndrome in People with Hypertension," *Diabetes* 2024;74(Supplement_1):445-P.
- Qiaochu Xue, Piaopiao Li, **Elizabeth Staton**, Mohammed K. Ali, Rosette Chakkalakal, K M Venkat Narayan, Young-Rock Hong, Megha K. Shah, Ping Zhang, Meda E. Pavkov, Lawrence S. Phillips, Hui Shao. "Weight Loss Maintenance following Semaglutide Discontinuation—The Role of Concurrent Lifestyle Intervention," *Diabetes* 2024;74(Supplement_1):2199-LB.

OTHER MEDIA

- HCP Live, "Universal Semaglutide Access Could Save 28 Million Lives in 5 Years, Study Finds," Patrick Campbel, June 22, 2025.
- News media interviews at the 2025 American Diabetes Association Scientific Sessions: ABC News, Health Day, Healio News, and Everyday Health

POLICY PUBLICATIONS

- Nitzan Arad, **Elizabeth Staton**, Marianne Hamilton Lopez, Samson Goriola, Aparna Higgins, Mark McClellan, and Barak Richman, "Realizing the Benefits of Biosimilars: Biosimilars and Rebate Walls," Duke-Margolis and The Commonwealth Fund, March 2022.
- Nitzan Arad, **Elizabeth Staton**, Marianne Hamilton Lopez, and Mark McClellan, "Monoclonal Antibody Treatments for Alzheimer's Disease: Key Considerations for Medicare Coverage with Evidence Development," Duke-Margolis, 2023.
- Mark McClellan, Marianne Hamilton-Lopez, Beena Bhuiyan Kahn, Nitzan Arad, **Elizabeth Staton**, and Hannah Graunke, Comment Letter to CMS Re: National Coverage Analysis (NCA) Proposed Decision Memo for Monoclonal Antibodies Directed Against Amyloid for the Treatment of Alzheimer's Disease (CAG-00460N), Duke-Margolis, February 2022.

PRESENTATIONS

- **Elizabeth Staton**, Piaopiao Li, Jieun Lee, KM Venkat Narayan, Mohammed K Ali, Ilana Graetz, Hui Shao. "Universal Access to GLP1-RAs Could Reduce Global Obesity Prevalence by 20% and Save 28 Million Lives over Five Years—A Microsimulation Study," Poster presentation delivered at the American Diabetes Association Scientific Sessions, Chicago, IL (June 2025)
- **Elizabeth Staton**, Jieun Lee, Zhiyan Li, Piaopiao Li, Carl Yang, Jithin Sam Varghese, Young-Rock Hong, Ilana Graetz, Hui Shao. "Reweighting All of Us Research Program Data to Correct for Sampling Bias—A Novel Machine Learning–Based Approach," Poster presentation delivered at the American Diabetes Association Scientific Sessions, Chicago, IL (June 2025)

- **Elizabeth Staton** and Heeju Sohn, "Prescription drug affordability for older adults: Examining racial and ethnic inequalities in managing prescription drug costs," Poster presentation delivered at the Population Association of America meeting, Columbus, OH (April 2024)
- **Elizabeth Staton**, "Health Insurance Literacy and Prescription Drug Access Among Older Medicare Enrollees with Type 2 Diabetes," Poster presentation delivered at the Georgia Clinical & Translational Science Alliance Health Services Research Day, Atlanta, GA (May 2024), and the Southeast Regional Clinical & Translational Science Conference, Pine Mountain, GA (February 2024)

GRANT APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED

- NIH National Heart, Lung, & Blood Institute, METRIC T32, December 2024. (Awarded)
- NIH National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, F31, December 2024. (Not awarded)
- PhRMA Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship in Value Assessment-Health Outcomes Research, November 2024. (Not awarded)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Manuscript reviewer: Journal of General Internal Medicine, Journal of Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities
- PhD Student Representative, Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging Committee, HPM Department, Emory University (2023-2025)
- Organized and led monthly HPM PhD Student Professional Development Lunch Series (2024-2025 AY)

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- AcademyHealth
- American Diabetes Association
- Emory Global Diabetes Research Center
- Georgia Center for Diabetes Translation Research