

Julie M. Kafka, PhD, MPH – Curriculum Vitae

Postdoctoral Scholar, Firearm Injury and Policy Research Program

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EDUCATION:

July 2022 – Present	Postdoctoral Training, Firearm Injury & Policy Research Program Department of Pediatrics, School of Medicine University of Washington, Seattle, WA
Aug. 2018 – Aug. 2022	PhD, Health Behavior Gillings School of Global Public Health University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC
Aug. 2016 – May 2018	MPH, Health Behavior Gillings School of Global Public Health University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC
Aug. 2008 – May 2012	BA, Global Studies Colby College, Waterville, ME

HONORS AND AWARDS:

March 2023	Dean's Distinguished Dissertation Award in the Social Sciences, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC
Oct. 2022	Travel Award, National Research Conference on Firearm Injury Prevention, Washington DC
April 2019 – April 2022	Injury Prevention Research Fellow, University of North Carolina Injury Prevention Research Center, Chapel Hill, NC
May 2021 – Aug. 2021	Summer Research Fellowship, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC
Oct. 2020	Lyndon Haviland Scholarship, American Public Health Association, Washington, DC
March 2019	Jamie Kimble Scholarship for Courage, Jamie Kimble Foundation, Charlotte, NC
May 2019 – Aug. 2019	Richard Bland Fellowship, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC
Oct. 2018	Transportation Grant, Gillings School for Global Public Health, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC
Oct. 2018	Jo Anne Earp Travel Award, Gillings School for Global Public Health, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC

Aug. 2018 – May 2019	Doctoral Merit Award, Gillings School for Global Public Health, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC
May 2018	Honoree, inductee, Delta Omega Honorary Society in Public Health, Washington DC,
Aug. 2016 – May 2017	MPH Merit Award, Gillings School for Global Public Health, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC
May 2012	Cum Laude graduate, Colby College, Waterville, ME

GRANTS / FUNDING

Active

May 2023 – April 2024	Risk factors for intimate partner homicide: A case-control study focused on male perpetrators of intimate partner violence and the role of firearms <u>Funding source:</u> Grandmothers Against Gun Violence, \$22,000. <u>Role:</u> PI, Mentor: Frederick Rivara
Jan. 2023 – Dec. 2025	Firearm rights restoration and risk for subsequent firearm and non-firearm violence <u>Funding source:</u> Fund for a Safer Future, \$250,000 <u>PI:</u> Ali Rowhani-Rahbar <u>Role:</u> PI in-kind

Prior

Mar. 2022 – Mar. 2023	Using data linkage to assess suicide risk in vulnerable populations <u>Funding source:</u> American Public Health Association & the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Injury and Violence Prevention Data Science Demonstration Project, \$150,000. <u>PI:</u> Stephen W. Marshall <u>Role:</u> Doctoral trainee/consultant
July 2021 – July 2022	Intimate partner violence and firearm suicide: Using text mining to bridge a critical gap in united states data systems <u>Funding source:</u> National Collaborative for Gun Violence Research, Dissertation Fellowship, \$25,000 <u>Role:</u> PI, Mentor: Kathryn E Moracco
Jan. 2019 – Dec. 2019	Disarming abusers: Domestic violence protective order firearm restriction processes and outcomes <u>Funding source:</u> UNC Injury Prevention Research Center, Exploratory Research Project, \$10,200 <u>Role:</u> PI
Nov. 2021 – Sep. 2023	The Effects of Electronic Filing of Domestic Violence Protective Orders in a Pandemic <u>Funding source:</u> Office of Violence Against Women, Research and Evaluation Initiative Grant Program, \$450,000 total costs.

PI: Kathryn E Moracco

Role: Co-investigator

Nov. 2019 – Oct. 2021 Evaluation of electronic filing for domestic violence protective orders in North Carolina

Funding source: Office of Violence Against Women, Research and Evaluation Initiative Grant Program, \$449,981 total costs.

PI: Kathryn E Moracco

Role: Co-investigator

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS / WORK EXPERIENCE

July 2022 – Present **Postdoctoral Scholar**, Firearm Injury & Policy Research Program, University of Washington (UW)

Aug. 2012 – May 2022 **Research Assistant**, Gillings School for Global Public Health, Department of Health Behavior, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC

May 2018 – Sept. 2018 **Data Analyst / Project Coordinator**, North Carolina Department of Public Health, Injury & Violence Prevention Branch, Raleigh, NC

May 2019 – Aug. 2019 **Data Analyst**, Colorado Department of Health & Environment, Center for Health and Environmental Data, Denver, CO

May 2017 – Aug. 2017 **Research Assistant II**, innovation Research & Training (iRT), Media Literacy & Sexual Health Division, Durham, NC

Oct. 2012 – Aug 2013 **Research Assistant**, Education Development Center (EDC), Center for the Application of Prevention Technologies (CAPT), Waltham, MA

Oct. 2012 – Aug 2013 **Administrative Assistant II**, Education Development Center (EDC), Center for the Application of Prevention Technologies (CAPT), Waltham, MA

Oct. 2012 – Aug 2013 **Administrative Assistant**, Education Development Center (EDC), National Center for Early Childhood Mental Health, Waltham, MA

Additional community outreach and collaborations:

Oct. 2018 – May 2020 **Consultant**, North Carolina Department of Public Health, Injury & Violence Prevention Branch, Raleigh, NC

Sept. 2017- May 2018 **Student evaluator**, Children's Home Society of North Carolina, Greensboro, NC

Sept. 2016 – May 2017 **Consultant**, Education Development Center, Center for the Application of Prevention Technologies (CAPT), Waltham, MA

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Spring, 2021	Guest lecturer, <i>HBHE 788: From Data to Action: Analyses to Link Public Health Research and Policy Decision-Making</i> . Recorded lecture, “Racist algorithms and how to stop them,” 15-20 students.
Spring, 2020	Teaching Assistant, <i>HBEH 761: General Linear Models, Mediation, and Moderation</i> , 9 doctoral students.
Fall, 2019	Teaching Assistant, <i>HBEH 760: Advanced Research Methods & Health Behavior Applications</i> , 9 doctoral students.
Spring, 2019	Guest lecturer, <i>EPID 750: Fundamentals of Public Health Surveillance</i> . Recorded lecture, “Violent death surveillance,” 15-20 students.
Fall 2017	Teaching Assistant, <i>HBEH 750: Applied Research Methods</i> , 45 MPH students.

PEER-REVIEWED MANUSCRIPTS

1. **Kafka, J. M.**, Moracco, K.E., Graham, L., AbiNader, M.A., Fliss, M.D. & Rowhani-Rahbar. (2023). “Intimate partner violence circumstances for fatal violence in the US.” *JAMA Network Open*. doi:10.1001/jamanetworkopen.2023.12768
2. Alsinai, A., Reygers, M., DiMascolo, L., **Kafka, J. M.**, Rowhani-Rahbar, A., Adhia, A. Bowen, D; Shanahan, S, Dalve, K., & Ellyson, A. M. (2023). “Use of Immigration Status for Coercive Control in Domestic Violence Protection Orders.” *Frontiers in Sociology*. doi.org/10.3389/fsoc.2023.1146102
3. AbiNader, M. A., Graham, L. M. & **Kafka, J. M.** (2023) “Examining intimate partner violence-related fatalities: Past lessons and future directions using U.S. national data.” *Journal of Family Violence*. doi.org/10.1007/s10896-022-00487-2
4. **Kafka, J. M.**, Fliss, M.D., Trangenstein, P.J., McNaughton Reyes, L., Pence, B. W. & Moracco, K.E., (2022). “Detecting intimate partner violence circumstance for suicide: Development and validation of a tool using natural language processing and supervised machine learning in the National Violent Death Reporting System.” *Injury Prevention*. doi.org/10.1136/ip-2022-044662
5. Houang, S. T., **Kafka, J. M.**, Choi, S.K., Meanley, S. P., Muessig, K. E., Bauermeister, J.A. & Hightow-Weidman, L.B., (2022). “Co-Occurring Epidemic Conditions among Southern US Black Men Who Have Sex with Men in an Online mHealth Intervention.” *AIDS and Behavior*. doi.org/10.1007/s10461-022-03799-y
6. Boggs, J. M., & **Kafka, J. M.** (2022). “A critical review of text-mining methods and applications for suicide research.” *Current Epidemiology Reports*. doi.org/10.1007/s40471-022-00293-w
7. Blackwatters, C. R., **Kafka, J. M.**, Moracco, K.E. & Corbo, A. (2022) “‘Hey buddy, give me your guns:’ Sheriffs’ officers’ strategies to ensure compliance with domestic violence protective order firearm restrictions.” *Journal of Family Violence*. doi.org/10.1007/s10896-022-00411-8
8. **Kafka, J. M.**, Moracco, K.E., Taheri, C., Young, B. R., Graham, L. M., Macy, R. J., & Proescholdbell, S. (2022). “Intimate partner violence victimization and perpetration as precursors to suicide.” *SSM: Population Health*. doi.org/10.1016/j.ssmph.2022.101079

9. **Kafka, J. M.**, Moracco, K.E., Williams, D., & Hoffman, C. (2022.) “Disarming abusers: Domestic violence protective order firearm restriction processes and dispositions.” *Criminology and Public Policy*. doi.org/10.1111/1745-9133.12581
10. Graham, L. M., **Kafka, J. M.**, AbiNader, M. A., Lawler, S. M., Gover-Chamlou, A. N., Messing, J. T., & Moracco, K. E. (2021). Intimate partner violence-related fatalities among US youth ages 0-24, 2014-2018. *American Journal of Preventive Medicine*. doi.org/10.1016/j.amepre.2021.09.018
11. **Kafka, J. M.**, Moracco, K.E., Williams, D., & Hoffman, C. (2021). “What is the role of guns in nonfatal intimate partner violence? Findings from civil protective order case data.” *Social Science and Medicine*. doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2021.114212
12. **Kafka, J. M.**, Moracco, K.E., Young, B. R., Taheri, C., Graham, L. M., Macy, R. J., & Proescholdbell, S. (2021). “Fatalities related to intimate partner violence: towards a comprehensive perspective.” *Injury Prevention*. doi.org/10.1136/injuryprev-2020-043704
13. Scull, T.M., Keefe, E. M., **Kafka, J. M.**, Malik, C.V., & Kupersmidt, J. B. (2020). “The understudied half of undergraduates: Prevalence and predictors of risky sexual behaviors among community college students.” *Journal of American College Health*. doi.org/10.1080/07448481.2018.1549554
14. **Kafka, J. M.**, Moracco, K.E., Barrington, C. & Mortazavi, A. (2019). “Judging domestic violence from the bench: A narrative analysis of judicial anecdotes about domestic violence protective order cases.” *Qualitative Health Research*, 29(8), 1132–1144. doi: 10.1177/1049732318821691.

MANUSCRIPTS UNDERGOING PEER REVIEW

- Kafka, J. M.**, Moracco, K.E., Pence, B.W., Trangenstein, P.J., Fliss, M.D. & McNaughton Reyes, L. “Intimate partner violence as a precursor for suicide: An analysis of National Violent Death Reporting System data from 43 states.” *Injury Prevention*.
- Kafka, J.M.**, Martin, D., Rivara, F.P., Mustafa, A., & Rowhani-Rahbar, A. “Deaths related to domestic violence in Washington state: Prior system involvement and opportunities for prevention.” *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*.
- Kafka, J.M.**, Rivara, F., Ross, R., & Rowhani-Rahbar, A. “A systematic review of empirical literature on firearm rights restoration.” *Injury Prevention*.
- Moracco, K.E., **Kafka, J.M.**, Redding, E., Hudhud, M., & Ranapurwala, S. “Saving Time and Serving Protection: An Evaluation of Electronic Filing for Domestic Violence Protective Orders in North Carolina.” *Interpersonal Violence*.
- Moracco, K.E., **Kafka, J.M.**, Blackwatters & C. Corbo, A. “Critical junctures for implementation and enforcement of firearm restrictions in domestic violence protective orders: The role of Sheriff’s Offices.” *Criminology and Public Policy*.
- Dalve, K. Ellyson, A.M., Bowen, D., **Kafka, J.M.**, Rhew, I., Rivara, F., Rowhani-Rahbar, A. “Suicide-related behavior and firearm access among individuals subject to Domestic Violence Protection Orders.” *Preventative Medicine*.

GOVERNMENT AND POLICY REPORTS

- Quinlan, K., Nickerson, K., Alexander, M., Ross, A. R., Flaherty, L. C., Kinnard, R., Hamilton, E. L., **Kafka, J. M.**, (2021) “A Comprehensive Approach to Suicide Prevention within a Public Health Framework.” American Public Health Association Policy Statement no. 20213. <https://www.apha.org/policies-and-advocacy/public-health-policy-statements>
- Kafka, J. M.**, Jamison, E. & Bol, K. (2019). “Mortality from intimate partner violence in Colorado, 2007-2017, Colorado Violent Death Reporting System.” Health Watch Report, no.11. <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/colorado-violent-death-reporting-system>

INVITED TALKS AND TRAININGS

- “Firearm-related intimate partner violence.” INSIGHT Summer Research Program for undergraduate students in Seattle, WA, July 2023.
- “Quasi-experimentation: Study designs for analyzing policy effects.” Virtual training at SAVIR (Society for the Advancement of Violence and Injury Research), March 2022.
- “Data user support tools to promote visibility, accessibility, and usability of North Carolina Violent Death Reporting System (NC-VDRS) data.” Workshops for 30-40 attendees including students and public in Greenville, NC in March 2019 (cancelled due to covid-19); Chapel Hill, NC in October 2019; Chapel Hill, NC in March 2019.
- “Publishing qualitative research.” Invited panelist, Fall 2020 & Fall 2021, *HBEH 860: Professional Development*, 9 doctoral students.
- “Publishing as a doctoral student.” Invited panelist, Fall 2019, *HBEH 875: Advanced Qualitative Research Methods*, 15 MPH and doctoral students.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- Kafka, J. M.**, Mustafa, A., Moracco, K. E., Fliss, M. D., Pence, B. W., Trangenstein, P. J., McNaughton Reyes, L. (April 2023). “Intimate partner violence as a precursor for suicide among women: Incidence and distinguishing factors to inform prevention and enhanced data collection.” Oral presentation at the *Society for the Advancement of Violence and Injury Research*. Denver, CO.
- Kafka, J. M.**, Mustafa, A., Rowhani-Rahbar, A., Martin, D., Rivara, F. P., (April 2023). “Domestic violence-related deaths and prior system involvement: Findings from Washington State’s Violent Death Reporting System.” Poster presentation at the *Society for the Advancement of Violence and Injury Research*. Denver, CO.
- Cheung, A., **Kafka, J. M.**, Keswa, M., Prater, L. (April 2023). “Female Firearm Suicides and Child Protective Services or Preceding Custody Issues: A Descriptive Analysis using the National Violent Death Reporting System.” Oral presentation at the *Society for the Advancement of Violence and Injury Research*. Denver, CO.
- Kafka, J. M.**, (November 2022). “The contribution of intimate partner violence to fatal firearm deaths: A comprehensive approach using the National Violent Death Reporting System.” Oral presentation at the *National Research Conference on Firearm Injury Prevention*. Washington DC.
- Kafka, J. M.**, Ranapurwala, S. I., Redding, E., Hudhud, M., McCort, A., Moracco, K. E. & Campbell, J. (October 2021). “Saving time and serving protection: An evaluation of

- electronic filing for DVPO cases in NC.” Oral presentation at the *American Public Health Association* virtual conference.
- Williams, D., **Kafka, J. M.**, Hoffman, C., Morocco, K. E. & Barrington, C. (October 2021). “Sheriff’s officer beliefs and perceptions of domestic violence protective orders.” Oral presentation at the *American Public Health Association* virtual conference.
- Kafka, J. M.**, Morocco, K.E., Williams, D. & Hoffman, C. (April 2021). “Nonfatal gun use in coercive control.” Oral presentation at the *Society for Advancement of Injury and Violence Research* virtual conference.
- Embry, V., Morocco, K.E., & **Kafka, J. M.** (April 2021). “Examination of Minor Children Involvement in North Carolina Domestic Violence Protective Order Requests.” Oral presentation at the *Academic & Health Policy Conference on Correctional Health*. Raleigh, NC.
- Kafka, J. M.**, Morocco, K.E., Young, B. R., Taheri, C., Graham, L. M., Macy, R. J., & Proescholdbell, S. (October 2020). “Using the violent death reporting system to identify fatalities related to intimate partner violence.” Oral presentation at the *American Public Health Association* virtual conference.
- Williams, J. Alam, I.O., Ranapurwala, S., Caves, J., **Kafka, J.M.** (October 2020). “Longitudinal prescription opioid use among patients experiencing interpersonal violence.” Oral presentation at the *American Public Health Association* virtual conference.
- Kafka, J.M.**, Morocco, K.E., Watters, C., & Corbo, A. (November 2019). “Gun access restrictions for Domestic Violence Protective Orders: A report on sheriff’s office implementation efforts.” Oral presentation *American Public Health Association* annual conference. Philadelphia, PA.
- Morocco, K.E., Watters, C., **Kafka, J.M.**, & Corbo, A. (November 2019). “Hey buddy, give me your guns: Sheriff’s Office strategies to ensure compliance for Domestic Violence Protective Order (DVPO) gun access restrictions.” Oral presentation at the *American Society of Criminology* annual conference. San Francisco, CA.
- Kafka, J.M.**, Proescholdbell, S., Morocco, K.E., Marshall, S., & Dixon, K. (September 2019). “An ICRC/Core SVIPP partnership to strengthen violence prevention research, training, and programming: North Carolina Violent Death Reporting System (NC-VDRS) in action.” Oral presentation at the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)’s Core SVIPP and ICRC Joint Awardee Meeting. Atlanta, GA.
- Young, B.R., Marshall, S. W., Morocco, K.E., **Kafka, J.M.**, & Wilkins, N.J. “Applying systems thinking to multilevel and multisector partnerships: Development and application of an integrative model for an academic injury and violence prevention research center.” Oral presentation at the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)’s Core SVIPP and ICRC Joint Awardee Meeting. Atlanta, GA.
- Kafka, J.M.**, & Morocco, K.E. (April 2019). “‘Psychotic ex-wives’ or ‘poor victims’: Judicial perceptions of survivors in domestic violence protective order cases” Oral presentation at the UNC Gender-Based Violence Symposium - Systems (in)Justice: Unpacking institutional responses to sexual violence to inform research and practice. Chapel Hill, NC.
- Kafka, J.M.**, Morocco, K.E., Barrington, C. & Mortazavi, A. (November 2018). “Judicial bias in domestic violence protective order cases: Implications for policy and practice.” Oral

presentation at the Annual Conference for the *American Public Health Association*. San Diego, CA.

Kafka, J.M., Moracco, K.E., Barrington, C. & Mortazavi, A. (November 2018). “Applying domestic violence protective order -related firearm restrictions to disarm domestic violence abusers: courtroom procedures and practices.” Oral presentation at the Annual Conference for the *American Public Health Association*. San Diego, CA.

Friederic, K., & **Kafka, J.M.** (May 2012). “¡El Machismo es Violencia! Interrogating cultures of gendered violence within Ecuador’s pluriculturalist state.” Oral presentation at the annual *Latin American Studies Association* conference. San Francisco, CA.

SELECTED PUBLICITY / MEDIA COVERAGE

Q&A with Dr. Kafka, Recipient of the 2023 UNC Dean’s Distinguished Dissertation Award:
<https://iprc.unc.edu/news-events/kafka-receives-2023-deans-distinguished-dissertation-award/>

Firearm use is more prevalent than thought in intimate partner violence <https://sph.unc.edu/sph-news/firearm-use-is-more-prevalent-than-thought-in-intimate-partner-violence/>

Narrative analysis of interviews with judges shows reliance on biases, stereotypes, and myths to determine Domestic Violence Protective Order cases <https://iprc.unc.edu/news-events/narrative-analysis-of-interviews-with-judges-shows-that-they-may-rely-on-biases-stereotypes-and-myths-to-determine-domestic-violence-protective-order-cases/>

Featured Research: Disarming abusers with protective order gun restrictions
<https://iprc.unc.edu/news-events/apha-2018-featured-research-applying-domestic-violence-protective-order-related-firearm-restrictions-to-disarm-domestic-violence-abusers/>

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Ad-hoc Reviewer

- *American Journal of Preventative Medicine*
- *Homicide Studies*
- *Injury Epidemiology*
- *Injury Prevention*
- *Journal of Family Violence*
- *JAMA Network Open*
- *Qualitative Health Research*
- *Women’s Health Issues*

Memberships

- 2021-2022 Society for the Advancement of Injury Research
- 2020-2021 Safe States
- 2016-2020 American Public Health Association