Nicole A. Perales

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EDUCATION

University of California at Berkeley

PhD candidate, Health Policy/Health Economics, expected 2023

Advisors: Hilary Hoynes, Elizabeth Linos, Paul Gertler, Jonathan Kolstad

Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health (HSPH)

MSc, Global Health and Population, 2017

Georgetown University

BSc, International Health, 2012

RESEARCH **AREAS**

Economics: Welfare Economics, Health Economics, Applied Microeconomics

Public policy: Social Safety Net, Health

WORKING **PAPERS**

Perales, Nicole. "Do higher wages improve service quality? Evidence from foster care in California using a regression discontinuity design." (Job market paper.)

Perales, Nicole, and Elizabeth Linos. "Unpacking the learning curve: Child safety and on-the-job experience of social workers in child welfare investigations."

Perales, Nicole, and Claire Boone. "Increasing the intensity of physical education reduces student enrollment: Evidence from synthetic difference-in-differences."

ONGOING RESEARCH

Perales, Nicole. "Behavioral responses to transitional services for foster youth."

Perales, Nicole. "Heterogenous foster care effects using generalized random forests."

Chioda, Laura, Paul Gertler, Nicole Perales, and Dana Carney. "Leadership training for youth in Uganda: Gender differentiated social spillover."

PUBLICATIONS Perales, N, D Wei, A Khadka, HH Leslie, S Hamadou, GC Yama, PJ Robyn, G Shapira, ME Kruk, & G Fink. "Quality of clinical assessment and child mortality: A three-country cross-sectional study." Health Policy and Planning 35, no. 7. (2020).

> Wei, D, R Brigell, A Khadka, N Perales, & G Fink. "School-based health programs, child morbidity, and nutritional status: Evidence from Zambia." PLoS ONE 14, no.5 (2019).

> Khadka, A, N Perales, DJ Wei, AD Gage, N Haber, S Verguet, B Patenaude, & G Fink. "Malaria control across borders: Quasi-experimental evidence from the Trans-Kunene malaria initiative (TKMI)." Malaria Journal 17, no. 224 (2018).

> Chang, AY, C Riumallo-Herl, N Perales, S Clark, A Clark, D Constenla, T Garske, ML Jackson, K Jean, M Jit, EO Jones, X Li, C Suraratdecha, O Bullock, H Johnson, L Brenzel, & S Verguet. "The equity impact vaccines may have on averting deaths and medical impoverishment in developing countries." Health Affairs 37, no. 2 (2018).

> Kripke, K, N Perales, J Lija, B Fimbo, E Mlanga, H Mahler, J Juma, E Baingana, M Plotkin, D Kakizibar, I Semini, D Castor, & E Njeuhmel. "The economic and epidemiological impact of focusing voluntary medical male circumcision for HIV prevention on specific age groups and regions in Tanzania." PLoS ONE 11, no.7 (2016).

EMPLOYMENT Research:

2020-2022 RA to Elizabeth Linos, The People Lab at Goldman School of Public Policy

2018-2022 RA to Paul Gertler, UC Berkeley Haas School of Business 2018 RA to Will Dow, UC Berkeley School of Public Health

2016-2017 RA to Stéphane Verguet, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health

2016 RA to William Hsiao, Harvard University (Malaysia)

2016 Short-term consultant to Global Financing Secretariat, World Bank

2012-2015 Health Scientist, The Palladium Group

2011 Int'l Cooperation Program Researcher, Oswaldo Cruz Foundation (Brazil)

Teaching:

Fall 2021, 2022 Quantitative Methods for Impact Evaluation (Graduate Student

Instructor for P. Gertler)

Fall 2016 Economic Analysis (Graduate Teaching Fellow for D. Hemenway)

AWARDS 2022-2023 Dissertation Fellowship (Institute for Research on Labor and Employment)

2021-2022 Dissertation Year Fellowship (UC Berkeley Office for Graduate Diversity)

2021 Graduate Fellowship Grant (California Policy Lab)

2017-2021 Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality Pre-Doctoral Fellowship 2019-2020 Mentored Research Award (UC Berkeley Office for Graduate Diversity)

2016-2017 Merit-based Departmental Tuition Award (HSPH) 2016 Maternal Health Task Force Grant Recipient (HSPH)

CONFERENCES AND INVITED TALKS

2022 California Policy Lab Research Seminar

American Society of Health Economists Conference Goldman School of Public Policy Research Seminar

2021 Goldman School of Public Policy Research Semin American Public Health Association Conference

AHRQ National Research Service Award Trainees Research Conference

2018 AHRQ National Research Service Award Trainees Research Conference

2014 Global Symposium on Health Systems Research

International AIDS Conference Water and Health Conference

White Ribbon Alliance National Champions Panel

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Mentorship:

Aidan Gauper, Undergraduate Research Apprentice Program, 2021-2022 Samantha Warren, Undergraduate Research Apprentice Program, 2021-2022 Jiayi Zhu, Undergraduate Research Apprentice Program, 2021

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Judy Wang, Undergraduate Research Apprentice Program, 2020-2021 Jerry Zhu, Undergraduate Research Apprentice Program, 2020-2021

Committees:

2020-2021 Leadership board of Berkeley Economists for Equity

2020-2021 Leadership board of Health Policy Anti-Racism Action Committee

2019-2021 Health Policy Executive Committee
2018, 2022 Health Policy Admissions Committee
2017-2023 Member of Berkeley Economists for Equity

OTHER INFORMATION

Software skills: Proficient in Stata, R, and LATEX. Working knowledge: SurveyCTO, Python, ArcGIS.

Languages: English (Native), Spanish and Portuguese (working)

Citizenship: United States