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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Health Policy (Organizations and Management), University of California, Berkeley	Expected 2027
MPH (Biostatistics, Epidemiology), Tufts University	2021
BA (Economics, Community Health), Tufts University	2020

Publications

Journal Publications

Chen, S., Guadamuz, J. S., Rodriguez, H. P., & Schifferdecker, K. E. (2025). U.S. Primary Care Practice Capabilities Linked to Language Services for Patients with Limited English Proficiency. *Journal of General Internal Medicine*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11606-025-09968-8>

Chen, S., & Staiger, B. (2025). Medicaid expansion increased income among newly eligible adults. *Health Affairs Scholar*, 3(5), qxaf091. <https://doi.org/10.1093/haschl/qxaf091>

Rodriguez, H. P., Epstein, S. D., Brewster, A. L., Brown, T. T., **Chen, S.**, & Bibi, S. (2024). Launching Financial Incentives for Physician Groups to Improve Equity of Care by Patient Race and Ethnicity. *The Milbank Quarterly*, 102(4), 944–972. <https://doi.org/10.1111/1468-0009.12720>

Rodriguez, H. P., Xu, S., Brewster, A. L., Brown, T. T., **Chen, S.**, & Epstein, S. D. (2024). Accountable care organization changes in equity of ambulatory care quality by patient race and ethnicity, 2019–2022. *Health Affairs Scholar*, 2(12), qxae155. <https://doi.org/10.1093/haschl/qxae155>

Nguyen, K., **Chen, S.**, Morris, K., Chui, K., Allen, J., (2021) Mental health symptoms and association with COVID-19 vaccination receipt and intention to vaccinate among adults, United States, *Preventive Medicine*, vol. 154, 2021. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ypmed.2021.106905>

Priebe Rocha, L., Soares, C., McGregor, A., **Chen, S.**, Kaplan, A., Rose, R. R., Galvão, H., Siqueira, C. E., & Allen, J. D., (2021) Understanding Health Priorities, Behaviors, and Service Utilization Among Brazilian Immigrant Women: Implications for Designing Community-Based Interventions, *Journal of racial and ethnic health disparities*, 9(1), 135–145, 2021 <https://doi.org/10.1007/s40615-020-00936-y>

Technical Papers

Chen, S., Rajput Z., and Persing, N., “Federated Approaches to Observational Research-Technical Considerations,” MITRE Engenuity Technical Report., 2022.

Conference Presentations

Chen, S., Staiger, B., “Medicaid Expansion Increased Income...” *American Society of Health Economists*, 2025.

Chen, S., Guadamuz, J., “Mixed Citizenship Households...,” *Academy Health Annual Research Conference*, 2024.

Chen, S., Qin, H., Champney, T., Hartman, R., Menon, S., Munro, M., Quach, Y., “A Multi-Factored Mechanism to Distribute Health Emergency Funds,” *Federal Committee on Statistical Methodology (FCSM)*, 2023.

Conference Posters

Chen, S., Guadamuz, J., “Association of Child and Parental Citizenship Status on Healthcare Access, 2010–2022” *Academy Health Annual Research Conference*, 2024.

Chen, S., Liu, J., and Davine, J., Lee, R., Geller, A., Rees, V., “Future Intentions to Quit and Access to Cessation Resources among Smokers in Low-Income Housing,” *Society for Research on Nicotine and Tobacco (SRNT)*, 2021.

Liu, J., **Chen, S.**, , and Davine, J., Lee, R., Geller, A., Rees, V., “Perceptions and Use of E-Cigarettes as a Cessation Strategy Among Smokers in Low-Income Housing,” *Society for Research on Nicotine and Tobacco (SRNT)*, 2021.

Work Experience

Impact of Immigrant-Inclusive Health Policies on Equitable Cancer Screening Graduate Student Researcher	Berkeley, CA 2024-present
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- Funder: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Health Equity Scholars for Action
- PI: Jenny Guadamuz

- Used machine learning imputation and mediation analysis approaches to evaluate inequities in cancer screening associated with immigration status, nationally and by state

Center for Health Management and Policy Research
Graduate Student Researcher

Berkeley, CA
 2023-2024

- Funder: Commonwealth Fund
- Conducted stakeholder interviews and qualitative analysis to evaluate a novel Pay-for-Equity alternative quality contract to close racial inequities in quality of care

The MITRE Corp.
Health Economist

Bedford, MA
 2021-2023

- Linked 95 million longitudinal administrative records and Census survey data to generate a set of publicly available income mobility datasets for researchers
- Developed and conducted assessments to support health centers participating in Health Resource Services Administration (HRSA) Optimizing Virtual Care grant program. Performed quantitative and qualitative data management and analysis
- Implemented qualitative analysis of Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Workplace Flexibility Pilot. Created qualitative codebooks, code survey responses using NVivo, and contribute to final report and recommendation
- Policy research and data synthesis to provide recommendations to Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to reduce beneficiary failed transitions for Medicaid, Medicare, and Marketplace insurance programs (Policy analysis)
- Created machine learning federated analytics toolkit and demonstration for analysis of Real-World Evidence, including leading a technical readiness evaluation of a start-up privacy platform

Tufts University & U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
Graduate Student Researcher

Boston, MA
 2021

- Analyzed U.S. household pulse survey on COVID-19 vaccine hesitancy among populations experiencing mental health symptoms

Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health
Research Assistant

Boston, MA
 2019-2021

- Survey data collection, interviews, data management, and analysis in Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funded study to evaluate implementation of a smoke-free policy in affordable housing

Tufts University
Research Assistant

Medford, MA
 2018-2020

- Conducted community-based participatory research with immigrant nonprofit partners to find barriers in educational achievement for immigrants and their children in local public schools
- Course development with community organizations and university (syllabus development) for community based research: CH 180 + PH 289
- Designed culturally responsive survey tools and synthesize qualitative research to understand health priorities, behaviors, and service utilization among Brazilian immigrant women

Awards and Fellowships

University of California Chancellor's Predoctoral Fellowship	2025-2027
Shortell Schaeffler Health Policy Fellowship - UC Berkeley School of Public Health	2024
Blue Cross California Health Policy Fellowship - UC Berkeley School of Public Health	2024
AHRQ NRSA T32 Pre-Doctoral Fellowship	2023

Teaching

Tufts University	
Graduate TA: Research Field Course— Instructor: Carolyn Rubin PhD	Fall 2021
Undergraduate TA: Community-based Participatory Research — Instructor: Shalini Tendulkar ScD	Fall 2019

Service

UC Berkeley	2024-2026
Student Health Fee Advisory Board	
UC Berkeley Division of Health Policy and Management	2025
PhD Admissions Committee (Organizations and Management)	
Boston Chinatown Neighborhood Center	2021-2023
College Access Program Mentor	