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EDUCATION

2008 PhD, Health Policy and Management, Saint Louis University, St. Louis, MO
 2002 MA, Health Psychology, Texas State University, San Marcos, TX
 1999 BA, Psychology, Texas State University, San Marcos, TX

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2023 – Present **Professor**, Department of Public Health, College of Health, Policy, and
 Community
 2023 – Present **Chair**, Department of Public Health, College of Health, Policy, and Community
 2019 – 2023 **Coach and Group Facilitator**, National Center for Faculty Development and
 Diversity
 2017 – 2023 **Associate Professor with Tenure**, Department of Health Sciences, School of
 Health Professions University of Missouri
 2009 – 2017 **Assistant Professor**, Department of Health Sciences, School of Health
 Professions University of Missouri
 2016 – 2023 **Research Affiliate**, Population, Education, and Health (PEHC), University of
 Missouri
 2011 – 2014 **Assistant Professor**, Masters of Public Health Program, University of Missouri
 2010 – 2023 **Research Faculty**, Thompson Center for Autism and Neurodevelopmental
 Disorders, University of Missouri
 2009 – 2023 **Fellow**, University of Missouri Interdisciplinary Center of Aging
 2008 – 2009 **Research Manager**, Metro Saint Louis HIV Planning Council, School of Public
 Health, Saint Louis University

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

2022 **Lewis and Clark Discovery Award**, School of Health Professions, University
 of Missouri
 2021 **Mentoring Certificate**, Center for the Improvement of Mentored Experiences
 in Research (CIMER), University of Missouri
 2019 – Present **Doctoral Faculty**, University of Missouri
 2018 – Present **Chair-Elect**, Maternal and Child Health Section, American Public Health
 Association
 2018 – Present **Communications Chair**, Maternal and Child Health Section, American Public
 Health Association
 2018 **Leadership Development Program Scholar**, University of Missouri System
 2016 – 2017 **Invited Expert**, Interagency Autism Coordinating Committee Strategic Plan for
 Autism Spectrum Disorders Research

2016	Lewis and Clark Discovery Award , School of Health Professions, University of Missouri
2015	Young Professional Award , Maternal and Child Health Section, American Public Health Association
2015 – 2018	Maternal and Child Health Section Councilor , Maternal and Child Health Section, American Public Health Association
2015 – Present	Executive Committee , International Health Care Transition Research Consortium
2014	LGBTQ Resource Center’s Catalyst Award , University of Missouri
2013	Invited Expert , Interagency Autism Coordinating Committee Strategic Plan for Autism Spectrum Disorders Research
2013	Excellence in Teaching with Technology Award Finalist , University of Missouri
2013	Inclusive Excellence Award Nominee , University of Missouri
2012	School of Health Professions Mentorship Award , University of Missouri
2010	Faculty Grant Writing Institute Fellow , University of Missouri
2010	Wakonse Teaching Fellow , Wakonse Summer Teaching Institute, University of Missouri
2008	Dr. James R. Kimmey Service Leadership Award , Saint Louis University
2006 – 2008	American Cancer Society Congressional Representative , Missouri Chapter of American Cancer Society
2006	Mary Gumble Levy Award for Outstanding Doctoral Student , Saint Louis University
2001	Recipient , International Student Award for Academic Achievement, University of Kent, Canterbury

GRANTS

Submitted

2024 – 2028	Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI), Improving Transition Services and Readiness for Autistic Youth Role: PI Award: \$6,000,000, (25% FTE)
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2021 – 2023	Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI), EASC-IDD-00233 Harnessing the Project ECHO Framework to Build Capacity for Patient-Centered Outcomes Research in IDD Role: Consultant Award: \$250,000
2022 – 2023	Autism Intervention Research Network on Physical Health (AIR-P) Scholars program Healthcare Transition (HCT) for Adolescents and Young Adults (AYA) with Autism in Primary Care Setting Role: Research advisor/Mentor Award: \$47,250 (0% FTE)

- 2022-2023 Organization of Autism Research (OAR) Graduate Research Grant
Betwixt and Between: Exploration of Liminal Experiences for Families of Children with Autism Throughout the Diagnostic and Initiation of Intervention Processes
 Role: Research advisor/Mentor
 Award: \$2000 (0% FTE)
- 2020 – 2022 University of Missouri System, Research and Creative Works Strategic Investment Tier 3
Health Care Transition Planning for Youth with Autism
 Role: PI
 Award: \$30,000 (GRA support)
- 2019 – 2023 Department of Defense, Autism Research Programs (ARP), Clinical Translational Award
A Novel Provider-Focused Training Program to Serve Transition-Age Youth and Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder
 Role: Co-I
 Award: \$500,000 (5% FTE)
- Completed**
- 2020 – 2021 Health Research and Service Administration, Autism Secondary Data Analysis Research (SDAR) Program
Assessing and Improving Health Care Transition Services for Youth with Autism Spectrum Disorder
 Role: PI
 Award: \$100,000 (25% FTE)
- 2017 – 2018 Population, Education, and Health Care Center's (PEHC) Small Grant
Disparities in Access and Utilization in Healthcare Services for Children with and without Special Healthcare Needs and their Caregivers: Does Physician Supply Play a Role?
 Role: PI
 Award: \$15,000 (Post-doctoral support)
- 2017 – 2018 University of Missouri Patient-Centered Outcomes Research (PCOR) Small Project
Assessing and Promoting Health-Related Independence in Youth with Autism Spectrum Disorder
 Role: PI
 Award: \$5,000 (0% FTE)
- 2017 Winn Feline Foundation
Shelter Cat Adoption in Families of Children with Autism: Impact on Cat Stress and Children's Social Skills and Anxiety.
 Role: Co-I
 Award: \$25,000 (0% FTE)

- 2014 – 2017 Department of Defense, Autism Research Programs (ARP), Idea Development Award, W81XWH-13-ARP-IDA
Improving Health Care Transition Planning and Health-related Independence for Youth with ASD and Their Families
 Role: PI
 Award: \$506,507 (30% FTE)
- 2014 – 2017 Autism Speaks Autism Treatment Network and Health Resources and Services Administration
Autism Treatment Network: Cooperative Multi-Center Program for Comprehensive Care & Treatment of Autism
 Role: Co-I (PI, Kristin Sohl)
 Award: \$495,000 (5% FTE)
- 2012 – 2013 Richard Wallace Faculty Incentive Grant
A Picture's Worth 1000 Words: A Photovoice Exploration of the Needs of Autism Youth with Autism Spectrum Disorder
 Role: PI
 Award: \$4,000 (GRA support)
- 2013 School of Health Professions Research Faculty Funds
A Picture's Worth 1000 Words Project, Supplemental funds
 Role: PI
 Award: \$1,150
- 2011 – 2012 University of Missouri – Research Council
Utilization of Transition Services for Youth with Autism Spectrum Disorder
 Role: PI
 Award: \$7,133 (10% FTE)
- 2010 – 2012 Missouri Foundation for Health
Health Literacy for Allied Health Professionals
 Role: Co-I (PI, Brick Johnstone)
 Awarded: \$366,738 (17.5% FTE)
- 2008 – 2009 African American AIDS Alliance, The Teleios Project
Needs Assessment for Prevention and Treatment of HIV/AIDS in African Americans
 Role: PI
 Awarded: \$30,000 (25% FTE)
- 2008 Health Resources and Services Administration, H89HA00033-15-00
Ryan White Treatment Modernization Act Grant
 Role: Co-I (PI, Amber Wagner)
 Awarded: \$5,450,000 (50% FTE)

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS*

Cheak-Zamora NC, Golzy M., Mandy T,* Deroche C (in press). Development and Psychometric Testing of a Health Care Transition Service Measure in the National Survey. *Academic Pediatrics*.

Mazurek M, **Cheak-Zamora N**, Sadikova E, Hardin A, Huerta I, Sohl K, Malow B (in press). Healthcare Needs, Experiences and Perspectives of Autistic Adults. *Autism in Adulthood*.

Cheak-Zamora NC, Betz C, Mandy T* (2022). Measuring Health Care Transition: Across Time and into the Future. *Journal of Pediatric Nursing*, 64, 91-101.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.pedn.2022.02.018>

Cheak-Zamora NC, Odunleye O* (2022). Stress and Coping in Autistic Young Adults. *Autism in Adulthood*. Online ahead of print. <http://doi.org/10.1089/aut2021.0043>

Cheak-Zamora NC, Tait A,* Coleman A* (2021) Assessing and Promoting Independence in Young Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder. *Journal of Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics*. 43(3):130-139. DOI: 10.1097/DBP.0000000000001021

Mazurek MO, Sadikova E,* **Cheak-Zamora N**, Hardin A,* Huerta I, Sohl K, Malow B (2021). They deserve the “same level of care that any other person deserves:” Caregiver perspectives on healthcare for adults on the autism spectrum. *Research in Autism Spectrum Disorders*. 89.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.rasd.2021.101862>

Cheak-Zamora N, Nowell K,* Helterbrand E,* Tait A* (2021). Investigating Health-Related Knowledge and Independence for Physical and Mental Health Conditions in Young adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder. *Research in Autism Spectrum Disorder*, 28, 1-10. DOI: 10.1016/j.rasd.2021.101801

Carlisle GK, Johnson RA, Koch CS, Lyons LA, Wang Z, Bibbo J, **Cheak-Zamora N** (2021). Exploratory study of fecal cortisol, weight and behavior as measures of stress and welfare in shelter cats during assimilation into families of children with autism spectrum disorder. *Frontiers in Veterinary Science, section Animal Behavior and Welfare*, 6(8):643803. DOI: 10.3389/fvets.2021.643803

Carlisle GK, Johnson RA, Wang Z, Bibbo J, **Cheak-Zamora N**, Lyons LA (2021). Exploratory study of cat adoption in families of children with autism: Impact on children's social skills and anxiety. *Journal of Pediatric Nursing*, 58: 28-35. DOI: 10.1016/j.pedn.2020.11.011

Cheak-Zamora N, Petroski G, Maurer-Batjer A,* Beversdorf D, Farmer J (2020). Validation of the Health-Related Independence for Young Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder Measure-Caregiver Version. *Journal of Autism and Developmental Disability*, 1-11. DOI: 10.1007/s10803-020-04690-2

Cheak-Zamora N, Farmer J,* Crossman MK, Malow BA, Mazurek MO, Kuhlthau K, Stobbe G, Loftin R, Mirza-Agrawal MM, Tapia M, Hess A, Davis K, Sohl K (2020). Provider

*Undergraduate or graduate student protégé

Perspectives on the ECHO Autism: Transition to Adulthood Program. *Journal of Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics*, 42(2):91-100. DOI: 10.1097/DBP.0000000000000872

Cheak-Zamora N, Teti M, Tait A* (2020) Development and initial testing of a Health-Related Independence Measure for Autistic Young Adults as Reported by Caregivers. *Autism in Adulthood*, 2(3), 255-267

Cheak-Zamora NC, Teti M, Maurer-Batjer A,* O'Connor KV, Randolph JK (2019). Sexual and relationship interest, knowledge, and experiences among young adults with autism spectrum disorder. *Archives of Sexual Behavior*. 48(8):2605-2615. DOI: 10.1007/s10508-019-1445-2

Mazurek MO, Stobbe G, Loftin R, Malow BA, Agrawal MM, Tapia M, Hess A, Farmer J,* **Cheak-Zamora N**, Kuhlthau K, Sohl K (2019). ECHO Autism Transition: Enhancing healthcare for adolescents and young adults with autism spectrum disorder. *Autism*, 24(3): 633-644. DOI: 10.1177/1362361319879616

Cheak-Zamora NC, Maurer-Batjer A,* Malow B, Coleman A* (2019). "Self-determination in Young Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder." *Autism* 24(3): 05-6161. DOI: 10.1177/1362361319877329

Teti M, **Cheak-Zamora NC**, Maurer-Batjer A,* Bauerband L (2018). A qualitative comparison of caregiver and youth perspectives on sexuality and relationships among youth with autism. *Journal of Developmental & Behavioral Pediatrics*. 40(1):12-19. DOI: 10.1097/DBP.0000000000000620

First J,* **Cheak-Zamora NC**, Teti M (2018). Youth perceptions of stress and coping when transitioning to adulthood with Autism: A Photovoice Study. *Qualitative Social Work*. 0(0):1-20. DOI: 10.1177/1473325018757078

Cheak-Zamora NC, Teti M, Maurer-Batjer A,* Koegler E* (2017). Exploration and comparison of adolescents with autism spectrum disorder and their caregiver's perspectives on transitioning to adult health care and adulthood. *Journal of Pediatric Psychology*. 42(9): 1029-1039. DOI: 10.1093/jpepsy/jsx075

Cheak-Zamora NC, Teti M, Peters C, Maurer-Batjer A* (2017). Financial capabilities among youth with autism spectrum disorder. *Journal of Children and Family Studies*. 26:1210-1317. DOI: 10.1007/s10826-017-0669-9

Cheak-Zamora NC, Thullen MJ (2016). Disparities in quality of healthcare and community-based services for children with developmental disabilities. *Maternal and Child Health Journal*. 21(1): 36-44. DOI: 10.1007/s10995-016-2091-0

Cheak-Zamora NC, Teti M, Maurer-Batjer A* (2016). Capturing youth with ASD's experiences via photo exploration: Challenges and resources becoming an adult. *Journal of Adolescent Research*. 33(1):117-145. DOI: 10.1177/0743558416653218

- Teti M, **Cheak-Zamora NC**, Lolli B* (2016). Reframing autism: Young adults with autism share their strengths through photo-stories. *Journal of Pediatric Nursing*. 31(6):619-629. DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.pedn.2016.07.002>
- First J,* **Cheak-Zamora NC**, Teti M (2016). A qualitative study of stress and coping with transitioning to adulthood with autism spectrum disorder. *Journal of Family Social Work*. 19(3):220-236. DOI:10.1080/10522158.2016.1185074
- Cheak-Zamora NC**, Teti M, Maurer-Batjer A* (2016). “Snapshots of growing up: Youth with autism explore adulthood through Photovoice.” *Journal of Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics*. 37(6):433-41. DOI:10.1097/DBP.0000000000000313
- Cheak-Zamora NC**, Teti M, First J* (2015). “Transitions are scary for our kids, and they’re scary for us”: Family member and youth perspectives on the challenges of transitioning to adulthood with autism. *Journal of Applied Research in Intellectual Disabilities*. 28(6):548-60. DOI: 10.1111/jar.12150
- Cheak-Zamora NC**, Farmer J (2015). The impact of the medical home on access to care for children with autism spectrum disorders. *Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders*. 45(3):636-44. DOI: 10.1007/s10803-014-2218-3
- Cheak-Zamora NC**, & Teti M (2014). “You think it’s hard now...It gets much harder for our children”: Youth with autism and their caregiver’s perspective of health care transition services. *Autism: The International Journal of Research and Practice*. 19(8):992-101. DOI: 10.1177/1362361314558279
- Cheak-Zamora NC**, Farmer J, Mayfield WA, Clark MJ, Marvin AR, Law JK, Law PA (2014). Health care transition services for youth with autism spectrum disorder. *Rehabilitation Psychology*. 59(3):340-348. DOI: 10.1037/a0036725
- Farmer J, Clark MJ, Mayfield WA, **Cheak-Zamora NC**, Marvin AR, Law JK, Law PA (2014). The relationship between the medical home and unmet needs for children with autism spectrum disorders. *Maternal and Child Health Journal*. 18(3):672-680. DOI: 10.1007/s10995-013-1292-z
- Cheak-Zamora NC**, Xuejing Y,* Farmer J, Clark M (2013). Disparities in transition planning for youth with autism spectrum disorder. *Pediatrics*. 131(3):447-454. DOI: 10.1542/peds.2012-1572
- Teti M, Massie J,* **Cheak-Zamora NC**, Binson D (2012). Photos to ‘show the world what we’re going through’: Women use images to talk about living with HIV/AIDS. *The Journal of Applied Arts in Health*. 3(2):163-182. DOI: 10.1386/jaah.3.2.163_1
- Tregnago M,* **Cheak-Zamora NC** (2012). A systematic review of the disparities in health care utilization, expenditures, and access for individuals with autism spectrum disorders. *Research in Autism Spectrum Disorders*. 6(3):1023-1031. DOI: 10.1016/j.rasd.2012.01.005

Reid-Arndt S, Stucky K, **Cheak-Zamora NC**, DeLeon PH, Frank RG (2010). Investing in our future: Unrealized opportunities for funding graduate psychology training. *Rehabilitation Psychology*. 55(4):321-330. DOI: 10.1037/a0021894

Cheak-Zamora NC, Wyrwich K, McBride T (2008). Establishing reliability and validity of the SF-12v2 in the MEPS. *Quality of Life Research*. 18(6):727-735. DOI: 10.1007/s11136-009-9483-1

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW*

Mazurek MO, Malow BA, Stobbe G, Agrawal MM, Loftin R, Caudel D, Hess A, Westphal A, Smith J, Shouse J, **Cheak-Zamora N**, Sohl K (Under-review 2023). ECHO Autism Adult Healthcare: Training Community Clinicians to Provide Quality Care for Autistic Adults. *Autism Research*.

PEER-REVIEWED BOOK CHAPTERS

Cheak-Zamora NC, Reid-Arndt S, Hagglund K, Frank RG (2012). Health legislation and public policies. In P. Kennedy (Ed.), *The Oxford Handbook of Rehabilitation Psychology*. New York: Oxford University Press

Teti M, Majee W, **Cheak-Zamora NC**, Maurer-Batjer A* (2019). Understanding health through a different lens: Three applications of Photovoice in public health. *Research Methods in Health and Social Sciences, Volume 3: Innovative Research Methods in Health Social Science*, Springer Publications

INVITED PRESENTATIONS (Regional and National)

Cheak-Zamora NC (Sept 2022) *To Independence and Beyond: Facilitating the Transition to Adulthood for Autistic Youth*. Distinguished Lecture. Children's Specialized Hospital. Online.

Cheak-Zamora NC (Oct 2021) *Intersectionality of Special Health Care Needs and Race/Ethnicity*. American Public Health Association. Denver, Colorado

Cheak-Zamora NC (April 2022). *Improving the Transition Issues to Adulthood and Adult Primary Care for Young Adults with ASD*. Road Map for Missouri Planning Meeting, Missouri Commission on Autism Spectrum Disorder. Jefferson City, MO

Cheak-Zamora NC (Oct 2021) Martha May Eliot Forum: 100 Years of Maternal and Child Health-Looking Back, Moving Forward. American Public Health Association. Denver, Colorado

Cheak-Zamora NC (Oct 2021) How can MCH Section Support Members and Improve Public Health. American Public Health Association. Denver, Colorado

Cheak-Zamora NC (Oct 2021) *Intersectionality of Special Health Care Needs and Race/Ethnicity*. American Public Health Association. Denver, Colorado

- Cheak-Zamora NC** (2021) *Coffee Talk with MCH Chair. American Public Health Association*. Poster Presentation. October 22, 2021. Denver, Colorado
- Cheak-Zamora NC** (Dec 2020). *Transition Issues in Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics for Primary Care*. Developmental and Behavioral Virtual Course, American Academy of Pediatrics. Online (moved from Washington, DC due to COVID-19)
- Cheak-Zamora NC** (Oct 2019). *Providing and assessing health care transition in youth and young adults with autism spectrum disorder and other developmental disabilities*. Illinois Statewide Transition Conference. Collinsville, IL
- Cheak-Zamora NC** (Oct 2019). *Promoting Independence of Young Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder through the Health Care System*. Autism Speaks Leadership Summit. Washington, DC
- Cheak-Zamora NC** (Sep 2019). *Promoting Independence of Young Adults with Disabilities through the Health Care System*. University of Missouri System Summit. Kansas City, MO
- Cheak-Zamora NC** (Jan 2017). *Creating a measure of Health-Related Independence among young adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder*. Podium presentation, Transition Research Consortium Meeting. Teleconference
- Cheak-Zamora NC** (Feb 2016). *Autism: The teenage years and beyond*. Podium presentation, Thompson Foundation for Autism. Mercy Hospital, Creve Coeur, MO
- Cheak-Zamora NC** (May 2014). *Transition of care from pediatric- to adult-centered care*. Podium presentation, Glennon Foundation, and Saint Louis University Grand Rounds Lecture Series. St. Louis, MO
- Cheak-Zamora NC** (Nov 2013). *Parents' and youth with ASD's perspective of the health care transition process: Qualitative findings*. Podium presentation, Transition Research Consortium Meeting. Teleconference
- Law P, Farmer J, Mazurek M, Clark M, & **Cheak-Zamora NC** (Oct 2012). *LAN- Missouri research partnerships*. Podium presentation, Autism Intervention Conference. Columbia MO
- Cheak-Zamora NC** (Oct 2011). *Communication between medical providers and families and youth with autism spectrum disorder: How does it affect quality and access to care?* Podium presentation, 7th Annual Health Ethics Conference. Columbia, MO

PEER-REVIEWED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS*

- Zhang, E., Kaiser, E., Hunley, S., Witzgall, A., Engel, I., Nelson, E., & **Cheak-Zamora, N.** (2023). *Healthcare Transition for Autistic Adolescents and Young Adults: Rural and Urban Areas*. Poster session. Autism Across the Life Span Conference, March 24, Kansas City, MO
- Cheak-Zamora NC**, Boccardi L, Bertucci G,* (2023) *Improving Health Care Services for Autistic Young Adults: Development and Use of a Self-Reported Health Care Transition Readiness*

- Assessment. International Society for Autism Research. Poster Presentation. May 5, 2023. Stockholm, Sweden
- Mazurek M, **Cheak-Zamora NC**, Huerta I, * Dare N,* Sadikova E, Stobbe G, Loftin R, Mirza-Agrawal M, Hess A, Westphal A, Caudell D, Shore S, Sohl K, Malow B. (2023) Iterative Development of an ECHO Autism Program to Improve Healthcare for Autistic Adults. Poster Presentation. May 5, 2023. Stockholm, Sweden
- Cheak-Zamora NC** Golzy M, Mandy T,* Deroche C (2022). *Disparities and Predictors of Transition Planning for Youth with and without Special Health Care Needs*. Podium Presentation. American Public Health Association. November 2022 Boston, MA
- Cheak-Zamora NC** (2022) *Promoting Autonomy and Independence for Autistic Youth through the Health Care System*. Podium Presentation. American Public Health Association. November 2022 Boston, MA
- Zhang, E., Kaiser, E., Hunley, S., Engel, I., Nelson, E., & **Cheak-Zamora, N.**(2022). *Healthcare Transition (HCT) for Adolescents and Young Adults (AYA) with Autism in Rural Areas*. Poster session. AIR-P Research Day. Association of University Centers on Disabilities Conference, November 2022. Washington, D.C.
- Cheak-Zamora NC**, Boccardi L,.Bertucci G,* . (2022) *Development of an Autistic Young Adult self-reported Health Care Transition Readiness Assessment*. *Health Care Transition Research Consortium*. Podium Presentation. October 2022. Virtual Conference. Online
- Cheak-Zamora NC**, Golzy M, Mandy T,* (2022) *Comparing rates of health care transition across youth with ASD, SHCN, and youth with typical development*. International Society for Autism Research. Poster Presentation. May 14, 2022. Austin, Texas
- Malow B, Sohl K, **Cheak-Zamora NC**, Shouse J, Mazurek M, (2022) *Project ECHO Autism Adult Healthcare: A Novel Learning Community for Primary care Providers*. International Society for Autism Research. Poster Presentation. May 14, 2022. Austin, Texas
- Sohl K, Brown R, **Cheak-Zamora NC**, Noguez N, Mazurek M, (2022). *Echo Autism: Innovations in Workforce Development to Bridge the Specialty to Generalist Gap and Optimize the Continuum of Autism Care*. International Society for Autism Research. Poster Presentation. May 14, 2022. Austin, Texas
- Cheak-Zamora NC**, Golzy M, Mandy T,* Deroche C (2021) *Validation of a health care transition measure for young adults with and without special needs in a national survey*. American Public Health Association. Poster Presentation. October 22, 2021. Denver, Colorado
- Cheak-Zamora NC**, Golzy M, Mandy T,* Deroche C (2021) *Health Care Transition Services for Young Adults: Validation of its use in the National Survey of Children's Health*. Health Care Transition Research Consortium. Podium Presentation. October 27, 2021. Virtual Conference. Online

- Sadikoca E,* **Cheak-Zamora N**, Malow B, Sohl K, Mazurek (2021) Perspectives of Adults with Autism on Healthcare Experiences. Poster Presentation, Gatlinburg Conference
- Cheak-Zamora NC**, Odunleye O,* Tait A* (Nov 2020). Understanding the stress and coping strategies of young adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Poster Presentation, American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. Online
- Cheak-Zamora N**, Farmer J, Crossman MK, Malow BA, Mazurek MO, Stobbe G, Loftin R, Mirza-Agrawal MM, Tapia M, Hess A, Davis K, Kuhlthau K, Sohl K (Nov 2020). 'Before, I didn't really know a whole lot about it': Provider perspectives on the echo autism: Transition to adulthood program Poster Presentation, American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. Online
- Tait A,* **Cheak-Zamora NC** (Nov 2020). Assessing and Promoting Independence in Young Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Presentation, University of Missouri, Health Sciences Research Day. Online
- Cheak-Zamora N**, Farmer J, Crossman MK, Malow BA, Mazurek MO, Stobbe G, Loftin R, Mirza-Agrawal MM, Tapia M, Hess A, Davis K, Kuhlthau K, Sohl K (Jun 2020). *Provider Perspectives on the ECHO Autism: Transition to Adulthood Program*. Poster session, International Meeting for Autism Research. Online
- Cheak-Zamora N**, Coleman A,* Tait A* (Nov 2019). Assessing and Promoting Independence in Young Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Podium Presentation, American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA
- Cheak-Zamora NC**, Maurer-Batjer A,* Teti M, Petroski G (Nov 2019). Development and Validation of a Health-Related Independence measure for young adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Podium Presentation, American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA
- Cheak-Zamora NC**, Maurer-Batjer A* (May 2019). Predictors of Self-Determination in Young Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Podium Presentation, International Meeting for Autism Research. Montreal, Canada
- Malow BA, Stobbe G, **Cheak-Zamora NC**, Curran A, Davis K, Hess A, Loftin RL, Mazurek MO, Mirza-Agrawal M, Tapia M, Sohl K (May 2019). Echo Autism Transition: An Innovative Approach for Increasing Access to Healthcare for Adolescents and Young Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Poster Presentation, International Meeting for Autism Research. Montreal, Canada.
- Coleman, A,* **Cheak-Zamora NC** (Oct 2018). Assessing and Promoting Independence in Young Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Poster presentation. 13th Annual Thompson Center Conference. St. Louis, MO
- Cheak-Zamora NC**, Maurer-Batjer A* (Oct 2018) Mixed method approach to examining sexual and relationship health in adolescents with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Podium Presentation, American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. San Diego, CA

- Cheak-Zamora NC, Ojinnaka C*** (Oct 2018) Disparities Healthcare Utilization among Children with and without Special Healthcare Needs. Podium Presentation, American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. San Diego, CA
- Cheak-Zamora NC, Maurer-Batjer A*** (Oct 2018) Disparities in self-determination in young adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Poster Session, American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. San Diego, CA
- Cheak-Zamora NC, Maurer-Batjer A*** (May 2018). Assessing and Comparing Health-Related Independence for Physical and Mental Health Conditions in Youth with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Poster session, International Meeting for Autism Research. Rotterdam, Netherlands
- Cheak-Zamora NC, Teti M, Maurer-Batjer A*** (May 2018). Adolescents with Autism Spectrum Disorder and their Caregiver's Perspectives on Adolescents' Sexuality and Relationships. Poster session, International Meeting for Autism Research. Rotterdam, Netherlands
- Cheak-Zamora NC, Teti M, Maurer-Batjer A*** (Nov 2017). Transitioning to adult health care and adulthood: Adolescents with Autism Spectrum Disorder and their caregivers' perspectives. Podium Presentation, American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA
- Cheak-Zamora NC, Teti M, Maurer-Batjer A*** (Nov 2017). Assessing Mental Health Conditions Prevalence, Knowledge, and Care Seeking Behaviors in Youth with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Poster Session, American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA
- Cheak-Zamora NC, Teti M, Maurer-Batjer A*** (May 2017). Development and testing of a Health-Related Independence measure for young adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Poster session, Pediatric Academies Societies Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA
- First J,* **Cheak-Zamora NC, Teti M** (Jan 2017). *Picturing Resilience: Using Photovoice to identify factors that support resilience among youth living with Autism Spectrum Disorder*. Podium presentation, Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference. New Orleans, LA
- Cheak-Zamora NC, Teti M, Regan C*** (Oct 2016). *Sexual and relationship interest, knowledge, and experiences among young adults with autism spectrum disorder*. Podium presentation, American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. Denver, CO
- Cheak-Zamora NC, Teti M, Regan C*** (Oct 2016). *A patient-centered, collaborative approach to creating a measure of health independence among young adults with autism spectrum disorder*. Podium presentation, American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. Denver, CO
- Teti M, **Cheak-Zamora NC, Koegler E*** (Oct 2016). *"Breaking the mold of what an 'Aspy' has to be": Youth with autism inform health promotion through photo-stories*. Poster session, American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. Denver, CO
- Cheak-Zamora NC** (Oct 2016). *Equity, diversity, and inclusion in maternal and child health*. Session moderator, American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. Denver, CO

- Cheak-Zamora NC**, Teti M, Regan C* (Oct 2016). *Sexual and relationship interest, knowledge, and experiences among young adults with autism spectrum disorder*. Podium presentation, Health Care Transition Research Consortium Research Symposium. Houston, TX
- Cheak-Zamora NC**, Teti M, Regan C* (Oct 2016). *A patient-centered, collaborative approach to creating a measure of health independence among young adults with autism spectrum disorder*. Poster session, Health Care Transition Research Consortium Research Symposium. Houston, TX
- Cheak-Zamora NC**, Teti M, Regan C* (Apr 2016). *Relationship interest, knowledge, and experiences among young adults with autism spectrum disorder*. Poster session, International Meeting for Autism Research. Baltimore, MD
- Cheak-Zamora NC**, Teti M, Regan C* (May 2016). *Relationship interest, knowledge, and experiences among young adults with autism spectrum disorder*. Poster session, Pediatric Academies Societies Annual Meeting. Baltimore, MD
- First J,* **Cheak-Zamora N.C.** (Jan 2016). *“Becoming an adult is a big step for me”: Youth and caregiver perspectives on coping with the challenges of transitioning to adulthood with autism*. Poster session, Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference. Washington, DC
- Cheak-Zamora NC**, Teti M, Maurer-Batjer A* (Oct 2015). *Snapshots of growing up: Youth with autism explore adulthood through Photovoice*. Poster session, American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL
- Cheak-Zamora NC**, Teti M, Maurer-Batjer A* (Sep 2015). *Snapshots of growing up: Youth with autism explore adulthood through Photovoice*. Poster session, Healthcare Transition Research Consortium. Houston, TX
- Kwedat K,* Engelhardt C,* **Cheak-Zamora NC**, Mazurek M, Sohl K (Apr 2015). *Bridging the gap: Primary care physician self-efficacy in assessing and treating sleep problems in children with ASD*. Poster session, Pediatric Academic Societies Annual Meeting. San Diego, CA
- Kwedat K,* Engelhardt C,* **Cheak-Zamora NC**, Mazurek M, Sohl K (May 2015). *Bridging the gap: Primary care physician self-efficacy in assessing and treating sleep problems in children with ASD*. Poster session, International Meeting for Autism Research. Salt Lake City, UT
- Cheak-Zamora NC** (Nov 2014). *Disparities in quality of healthcare and community-based services for children with developmental disabilities*. Podium presentation, American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA
- Cheak-Zamora NC** (Oct 2014). *Access to coordinated, family-centered, community-based care for children with special healthcare needs*. Poster session, Healthcare Transition Research Consortium. Houston, TX
- Cheak-Zamora NC** (Nov 2013). *Today’s challenges tomorrow’s promise: Children with special healthcare needs worldwide*. Session moderator, American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. Boston, MA

- Cheak-Zamora NC**, Farmer J, Clark M (Nov 2013). *Importance of a medical home on access to care for children with autism spectrum disorder*. Poster session, American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. Boston, MA
- Cheak-Zamora NC**, Teti M (Oct 2013). *Transition planning for youth with physical health conditions, mental health conditions, developmental disabilities, and autism spectrum disorders: A comparison*. Poster session, Healthcare Transition Research Consortium. Houston, TX
- Rowles S,* **Cheak-Zamora NC** (Nov 2012). *Financial burden of autism spectrum disorder on the family*. Poster session, Health Sciences Research Day. Columbia, MO
- Cheak-Zamora NC**, Yang X* (Oct 2012). *Disparities in transition services: Why don't youth with autism spectrum disorder receive the services needed to transition into adult care and life?* Podium presentation, American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA
- Cheak-Zamora NC**, Teti M (Oct 2012). *"He's not ready for the world and the world is not ready for him": Parents and youth perspectives on the challenges of transitioning to adulthood with autism*. Poster session, American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA
- Cheak-Zamora NC**, Teti M (Oct 2012). *"Transitions are scary for our kids and they're scary for us": Family member and youth perspectives on the challenges of transitioning to adulthood with autism*. Poster session, Healthcare Transition Research Consortium. Houston, TX
- Farmer J, Clark M, Mayfield W, **Cheak-Zamora NC** (May 2012). *The medical home for ASD: A bridge to comprehensive and coordinated care*. Poster session, International Society for Autism Research Annual Conference. Toronto, Canada
- Farmer J, **Cheak-Zamora NC**, Mayfield W, Marvin A, Law K, Clark M (May 2011). *Unmet healthcare needs of children with autism spectrum disorder and their families*. Poster session, International Society for Autism Research Annual Conference. Toronto, Canada
- Cheak-Zamora NC**, Farmer J, Clark M, Mayfield W (May 2011). *Provision of transition services for children with autism spectrum disorder*. Poster session, International Society for Autism Research Annual Conference. San Diego, CA
- Smarr S,* Smarr K, **Cheak-Zamora NC** (Sep 2010). *Asperger's Syndrome (AS) in girls and women*. Podium presentation, Celebrate Ability Week. Columbia, MO
- Cheak-Zamora NC** (Nov 2010). *Definitions matter: Exploring uninsurance duration estimates and characteristics associated with long-term uninsurance*. Podium presentation, American Public Health Association Annual Conference. Denver, CO
- Cheak-Zamora NC** (Jun 2010). *Definitions matter: Exploring uninsurance duration estimates and characteristics associated with long-term uninsurance*. Poster session, Academy Health Annual Research Meeting. Boston, MA

Johnston B, Brandt L, **Cheak-Zamora NC**, Deidrick K, Goldberg H, Hogan R, Kabel A (Jun 2010). *University of Missouri health professions health literacy training program*. Poster session, Health Literacy Summit. Columbia, MO

Gardner J,* **Cheak-Zamora NC** (Apr 2010). *Hispanic subgroups: How does their diversity affect their access to health care?* Poster session, University of Missouri Spring Undergraduate Research and Creative Achievements Forum. Columbia, MO

Cheak NC, McBride T (Jun 2009). Examination of chronically uninsured with chronic medical conditions. Poster session, Academy Health Annual Research Meeting. Chicago, IL

McBride T, **Cheak NC** (Jun 2008). *Uninsured spell durations: An update and a comparison of two surveys*. Poster session, Academy Health Annual Research Meeting. Washington, DC

TEACHING

University of Missouri

Undergraduate Courses

2020 – Present	Contemporary Health Issues In-person and online format;
2019	Chronic Disease in Public Health Online format;
2018 – Present	Autism Spectrum Disorder and Public Health [‡] Online format;
2014 – 2019	Health Promotions and Practice [‡] Online format
2010	Research Methods, [‡] developed not taught In-person format, Writing-intensive
2009 – 2020	Public Health Principles in Practice [‡] In-person, online, and hybrid format; Writing-intensive and Non-writing intensive sections
2009 – 2011	Introduction to Health Professions In-person format

Graduate Courses

2021 – Present	Research in Health Rehabilitation Sciences
2021 – Present	Problems in Health and Rehabilitation Sciences
2011-2014	Health Care in the US [‡] In-person and online format

Harris-Stowe State University

Undergraduate Courses

2004-2005	Research Methodology In-person format
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STUDENT MENTORSHIP

Postdoctoral Position

2021 – Present Adaobi Anakwe, Department of Health Sciences
 2016 – 2018 Chinedum Ojinnaka, Department of Health Sciences and Population, Education
 and Health Center Scholar
 2018 Dean’s Award for Graduate Student Research, School of Health Professor

PhD Advisor

2020 – Present Nathan Dare, Health and Rehabilitation Science PhD program

Dissertation Committee

2020 – Present Daphne Chakurian, Nursing, Resilience of family caregivers of adults with
 Autism Spectrum Disorder
 2013 – 2014 Jane Scharff, Nursing, Worksite intervention to increase physical activity in
 sedentary individuals

Graduate Student

2023 – Present Kelechi Adejo, Occupational Therapy, Research Mentee
 2022 – Present Rafaella Elger, Public Health, University of South Florida, Maternal and Child
 Health Professional Development Mentee
 2021 – Present Luigi Boccardi, Public Health, Internship Preceptor
 2020 – 2022 Olakunle (Kunle) Odunleye, Occupational Therapy, Research Mentee
 2020 – 2021 Josette Hartnett, Maternal and Child Health Professional Development Mentee
 2020 – 2021 Trevor Mandy, Health Informatics, Graduate Research Assistant
 2014 – 2019 Jennifer First, Social Work, Study Researcher
 2016 – 2019 Anna Maurer-Batjer, Public Health and Social Work, Graduate Research
 Assistant
 2015 – 2016 Katie Regan, Health Management Informatics, Graduate Research Assistant

Undergraduate Student

2023-Present Megan Sabo, Health Sciences
 2021 – Present Grant Bertucci, Health Sciences
 2019 – 2020 Olakunle (Kunle) Odunleye, McNair Scholar Program
 2018 – 2021 Andrew Tait, Physics, Research Volunteer
 2020 Dean’s Award for Student Research, School of Health Professor
 2017 – 2019 Ann Coleman, Health Sciences, Independent Study Student and Research
 Internship
 2017 – 2018 Emily Helterbrand, Public Health, Independent Study Student
 2016 Bridget Lolli, Health Sciences and Nursing, Research Volunteer
 2012 Sasha Rowles, Health Sciences, Independent Study Student, Undergraduate
 Mentorship Grant Program
 2012 Dean’s Award for Student Research, School of Health Professor
 2010 Jasmine Gardner, Health Sciences, Research Internship
 2010 Rachel Slansky, Health Sciences, Honors College Project

GRADUATE ADVISING

2012 – 2014 Scott Meyer, MPH advisee
 2012 – 2014 Melissa Dockery, MPH advisee
 2012 – 2014 Virginia Chadwick, MPH advisee

‡Newly developed course or online format of course

2012 – 2014	Sarah Burnett, MPH advisee
2011 – 2013	Kelsey Russler, MPH advisee
2011 – 2013	Jamie Powers, MPH advisee
2011 – 2013	Stephanie Okamura, MPH advisee
2011 – 2013	Kimberly Notle, MPH advisee

NATIONAL COMMITTEES AND SERVICE

Professional Affiliations

2020 – Present	Chair of Maternal and Child Health , Maternal and Child Health Section, American Public Health Association
2018 – 2020	Chair-Elect of Maternal and Child Health , Maternal and Child Health Section, American Public Health Association
2015 – 2018	Section Councilor , Maternal and Child Health Section, American Public Health Association
2015 – Present	Administration Team , Health Care Transition Research Consortium
2012 – Present	Member , Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Committee, American Public Health Association
2012 – Present	Member , Disability Section, American Public Health Association
2011 – Present	Member , International Health Care Transition Research Consortium
2011 – Present	Member , Health Planning and Policy Development (CHPPD) Section, American Public Health Association
2009 – Present	Member , American Public Health Association
2009 – 2011	Member , Academy Health

Editorial Activities

Editorial Board

2022– Present	Editorial Board member, Health Care Transition Journal
2017 – Present	Editorial Board member, Autism in Adulthood Journal

Ad Hoc Reviewer

American Review of Public Administration
 Arthritis Care and Research
 Autism Intervention Research on Physical Health (AIR-P)
 Autism: The International Journal of Research and Practice
 Disability and Rehabilitation
 Frontiers Oncology
 Journal of Adolescent Health
 Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders
 Journal of Clinical Medicine
 Journal of Clinical Psychiatry
 Journal of Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics
 Journal of Pediatric Nursing
 Journal of Sexual Research
 Maternal and Child Health Journal
 Medical Care
 Pediatrics
 Physical Therapy

Rehabilitation Psychology

National Service Activities

- 2020 Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics Course Instructor, American Academy of Pediatrics
- 2020 Chapter Reviewer, *Building Health & Resilience in Communities at Risk: Negotiating the Challenge and Finding Reward in Community-based Research* (Volume 5)
Volume Editors: Kelli E. Canada & Clark M. Peters
- 2019 Ad Hoc Grant Reviewer, Organization for Autism Research
- 2018 Ad Hoc Grant Reviewer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health
- 2015 – Present Abstract Reviewer, Children with Special Health Care Needs Section of Maternal and Child Health, American Public Health Association
- 2015 – Present Abstract Reviewer, Health Care Transition Research Consortium
- 2015 Ad Hoc Grant Reviewer, Bureau of Primary Health Care, Health Research and Services Administration
- 2010 – Present Ad Hoc Grant Reviewer, Maternal and Child Health Research Program, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI SERVICE

University Committee Service

- 2022 – Present Member, Committee for Persons with Disabilities, University of Missouri
- 2020 – Present Member, Promotion and Tenure Committee, School of Health Professions
- 2019 – Present Member, Campus Faculty Committee on Tenure
- 2019 – Present Chair, Diversity Inclusion Committee, Department of Health Sciences
- 2018 – 2019 Member, Faculty Incentive Committee
- 2018 – 2019 Member, Faculty Development Advisory Committee
- 2018 – 2018 Chair of Committee of Review, Tenure Track Candidate, Department of Health Sciences
- 2018 – 2018 Chair of Committee of Review, Tenure Track Candidate Third-year review, Department of Health Sciences
- 2017 – 2019 Member, Equity Resolution Hearing Panelist
- 2017 – 2019 Non-tenure track Promotion Committee, School of Health Professions
- 2016 Grant Reviewer, Patient-Centered Outcome Research Institute
- 2015 – Present Chair, Policy Committee, Department of Health Sciences
- 2015 – Present Member, Diversity Inclusion Committee, Department of Health Sciences
- 2012 – 2015 Committee Co-chair, Integrating LGBT Health Issues into the Health Sciences Curriculum, University of Missouri
- 2011 – 2013 Ad-hoc committee member, Promotion and Tenure guidelines development group, Department of Health Sciences
- 2011 – 2015 Member, Faculty Policy Committee, School of Health Professions
- 2011 – 2014 Member, Public Health Program Advisory Committee, Graduate School
- 2010 – 2012 Member, New Faculty Search Committee (6 hires), Department of Health Sciences
- 2010 – 2011 Ad-hoc committee member, Secure Department Status for Health Science program, School of Health Professions

- 2010 – 2011 Faculty Advisor, Student professional society (Phi Epsilon Kappa), School of Health Professions
- 2010 Ad-hoc committee member, Promotion and Tenure Guidelines Development Group, Department of Health Psychology
- 2010 Chair, Search Committee for Institutional Designer Specialist, School of Health Professions
- 2010 Member, Grant Writing Specialist Search Committee, School of Health Professions
- 2009 – 2011 Member, Student Affairs Committee, School of Health Professions

Other University Service Activities

- 2016 Ad Hoc Grant Reviewer, Patient-Centered Outcome Research Institute (PCORI)
- 2011 Judge, Campus Dining Services Students Employee Scholarship Committee
- 2010 – 2020 Facilitator, Mizzou Reads, University of Missouri
- 2010 – 2012 Representative, Summer Welcome Speaker, School of Health Professions
- 2010 – 2011 Judge, Mizzou Scholars Awards Interviewer
- 2009 – 2010 Judge, Health Sciences Research Day, School of Health Professions