

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

2011	PhD, Nursing Science Indiana University Indianapolis, IN
1999	MSN, Psychiatric Mental Health Indiana University Indianapolis, IN
1994	BSN, Nursing Indiana University Indianapolis, IN
1988	BS, Biochemistry University of Lagos Lagos, Nigeria

Certifications (Further education)

2026	Executive Leadership in Academic Health Centers Program
2021	Higher Education Resource Services (HERS) Leadership Institute
2021	The International Center, Indianapolis, Indiana James T. Morris Global Leadership Series (Inaugural Cohort)
2020	Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI) Next Generation 2.0 Leadership Initiative
2016	Early Career Investigator KL2 Scholar from Indiana Clinical and Translational Science Institute
2015	Translational Health Disparities Scholar from National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparity

BOARD CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE

Active

Board Certified, Psychiatric Mental Health Clinical Nurse Specialist (PMHCNS-BC) Child & Adolescent Psychiatric/Mental Health, American Nurses Credentialing Center, Exp. 11/2030

Clinical Nurse Specialist APRN, State of Florida, Exp. 07/31/2026
Registered Nurse, State of Florida, Exp. 07/31/2026
Registered Nurse, State of Indiana, Exp.: 10/2027

Inactive

Clinical Nurse Specialist APRN, State of Indiana, Expired 10/2023
Control Substance Registration, State of Indiana, Expired 10/2023
Control Substance License DEA), Expired 2023

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Academic

2025	Member, Cancer Institute Tampa General Hospital Tampa, FL
2022-Present	Gordon Keller Professor (tenured) University of South Florida Tampa, FL College of Nursing
2022-Present	Adjunct Faculty Indiana University Indianapolis, IN School of Nursing
2021-2022	Faculty Affiliate Center for Global Health Indiana University Indianapolis, IN
2019-2024	T32 Core Faculty, Science and Self-Management Interventions Indiana University Indianapolis, IN School of Nursing
2017-2022	Associate Professor (tenured) Indiana University Indianapolis, IN School of Nursing
2011-2017	Assistant Professor (tenure-track) Indiana University Indianapolis, IN School of Nursing
2013-2014	Program Co-Coordinator, Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Program Indiana University Indianapolis, IN

School of Nursing

1992-1999 Research Assistant, IU Center for Nursing Research
Indiana University
Indianapolis, IN
School of Nursing

Administrative

9/2025 – 4/2026 Senior Associate Dean of Research
University of South Florida
Tampa, FL
College of Nursing

2023-9/2025 Senior Associate Dean of Research & Director of the PhD Program
University of South Florida
Tampa, FL
College of Nursing

2021-2022 Special Advisor to the Dean on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
Indiana University
Indianapolis, IN
School of Nursing

2019-2022 Director of Global Programs
Indiana University
Indianapolis, IN
School of Nursing

Non-Academic

2008-2022 Certified Clinical Nurse Specialist, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry
Midtown Community Mental Health Center
Indianapolis, IN

2002-2008 Clinical Nurse Manager, Midtown Primary Care
Indianapolis, IN

2004-2006 Staff Nurse, part-time, Youth Services
Community Health Network
Indianapolis, IN

2001-2002 Clinical Nurse Specialist
Mercury Center, Inc.
Indianapolis, IN

1995-1999 Staff Nurse II, Medical-Surgical Unit, Psychiatric Unit
Wishard Health Service
Indianapolis, IN

1992-1994 Student Nurse Medical/Surgical Unit
Wishard Health Service
Indianapolis, IN

AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS

2026	Robert Croyle Behavioral Medicine Service Award Society of Behavioral Medicine (SBM)
2026	Fellow of International Society of Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing (FISPN) (Inaugural Cohort)
2025	Elected Member, Nominating Committee American Academy of Nursing
2024	Ambassador, Friends of the National Institute of Nursing (FNINR)
2023	International Nurse Researcher Hall of Fame Inductee, Sigma International
2022	ICSC and HDM Integrated Review Group, Appointed Member National Institutes of Health, Center for Scientific Review
2021	Health Care Hero's Award, Indianapolis Business Journal (IBJ)
2021	Edge Runners National Advisory Council, Appointed Member American Academy of Nursing
2020	Hospital & Health Care Heroes, U.S News & World Report
2020	COVID-19 Courage Award, American Academy of Nursing
2020	National Institute for Health Research, United Kingdom
2018	Trustees Teaching Award, IUPUI
2018	Indiana Protection and Advocacy Services (IPAS) Commission Gubernatorial Appointee Indiana State Governor Eric J. Holcomb
2018	Medicare Evidence Development & Coverage Advisory Board, Elected Department of Health and Human Services Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)
2018	Prestigious External Award Recognition (PEAR) Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI)
2017	Translating Research into Practice (TRIP) Scholar, IUPUI
2017	Fellow, American Academy of Nursing (FAAN) American Academy of Nursing
2017	Mary and John Barron Quality of Life Research Fund, IU School of Nursing
2016	Excellence in Nursing Award, IU School of Nursing, Alumni Association

2015	Tony and Mary Hulman Health Achievement Award in the category of Excellence in Public Health Research, Indiana Public Health Association
2015	NIMHD Translational Course, Scholar National Institute of Minority Health & Health Disparities, NIH
2014	Diversity and Equity Award for Outstanding Leadership in Promoting Culturally Sensitive Mental Health Services International Society of Psychiatric Mental Health Nurses
2013	Lilian Yeager Public Service Award, Indiana University School of Nursing
2011	Lee D. Fuller Award for Clinical Excellence in the Care of the Mentally Ill Indiana University School of Nursing
2010	Southern Region Education Board Scholar Institutionally Funded by Indiana University School of Nursing
2010	Janssen Scholar, American Psychiatric Nurses Association
2009	M. Elizabeth Carnegie Scholarship Award African American Memorial Nurses Educational Fund Inc.
2009	Lee D. Fuller Award for Clinical Excellence in the Care of the Mentally Ill Indiana University School of Nursing
2008	Diversity Scholarship Award, Nurse Practitioner Health Care Foundation/AstraZeneca
2007	Beacon of Hope Award, The Mercy Foundation Inc.
1999	Dart-Opie Research Award, Indiana University School of Nursing
1998	Graduate Nursing Scholarship, Indiana University School of Nursing
1998	Estelle Massey Osborne Scholar Award, Nurses Education Funds, Inc.
1998	Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges
1998	Professional Nurse Traineeship, Indiana University School of Nursing
1998	Chi Eta Phi Sorority Scholarship Award, Eta Chi Chapter
1994	Michelle White Research Award, Indiana University School of Nursing
1994	National Dean's List, Indiana University School of Nursing
1993	Chi Eta Phi Sorority Scholarship Award, Eta Chi Chapter

Books, Textbooks, Chapters

Under-review

Oruche, U. M., Khadija, K., Agbapuonwu, N., Sibeudu, F. T., Ogbanga, M., Kylolo, O, von Gaudecker, J., Our story on community-engaged research in nigeria: lessons learned for global interdisciplinary university research partnerships.

Oruche, U., Ojeleye, O., Agbapuonwu, N., Ita, E., Mrezcko, A., & Ojo, T. The state of mental health law, policy, and practice in West Africa: The case of nigeria.

Published

Oruche, U. M., von Gaudecker, J., Khadija, Khaja., Agbapunonwu, N., Ogbanga, M., Sibeudu, F., Sathisyaseelan, M., & Kylolo, B. (in review) Our Story on Community-Engaged Research in Nigeria: Lessons Learned for Global Interdisciplinary University Research Partnerships

Obichi, C.C, Anieche, J. E., Osuala, E. O., & Oruche, U. M. (2021). The role and practice of clinical nurse specialist in Nigeria. In J. Fulton & V. Holly (Eds), Clinical Nurse Specialist Role and Practice: An International Perspective (pp. 225-232). International Council of Nursing.

Obichi, C., Newton, A., Oruche, U. M., (2020). Interprofessionality: A pathway to a more sustainable national healthcare system. In R. S. Selladurai (Ed), Evaluating Challenges and Opportunities for Healthcare Reform (pp. 195-214). IGI Global. doi: 10.4018/978-1-7998-2949-2.ch00

Venter, I., Ferreira, S., & Oruche, U.M. (2017). Family stress and care in South Africa. In E. Yearwood & V. Hines-Martin (Eds), Handbook of Global Mental Health Nursing: Evidence, Practice and Empowerment (pp. 379-387). London and New York: Routledge an imprint of Taylor and Francis.

Manuscripts (under review)

Ojeleye O.A., Martinez-Tyson, D., Hernandez, Y., Wilson R.E., & Oruche U.M Centering their voices: perinatal mental health needs and care preferences of pregnant and parenting adolescents

Khadija, K., Agbapuonwu, N., Sibeudu, F. T., Ogbanga, M., Kylolo, O, von Gaudecker, J., *Oruche, U. M. Cultural attitudes toward the care of mental, neurological, and substance use conditions: a qualitative study from Anambra State, Nigeria

Ahmmad, R., Zhang, X., & Oruche, U. M. Substance Use and Co-occurring oppositional defiant disorder among u.s. high school students: evidence from balanced cohort and machine learning analysis

Ahmmad, R., Stearns, M., Khan, T. F., Faruque, F., Zhang, X., & *Oruche, U. M. Explore the impact of severe weather events on depression and anxiety signals over 2022-2025 in Florida using Twitter data

Publications (refereed; student)

Oruche, U. M., Nakash, O., Holladay, C., Chacko, A., Perkins, S.M., Tanner, A. L., & Draucker, C. B. (Accepted). Evaluation of provider training to improve behavioral health outcomes in children with disruptive impulse control disorder: The modified DECIDE Study. Journal of Psychosocial Nursing and Mental Health Services.

Ahmmad, R., & Kothiya, S. H., & Oruche, U. M. (2026). Substance use and co-occurring mental health disorders in the deep south united states: a comprehensive analysis of mental health client level data.

The American Journal of Drug and Alcohol Abuse, 1-12, <https://doi.org/10.1080/00952990.2026.2689327>. PMID: 42424513

Yan, K., Welch, G., Mills, L., Menon, U., Oruche, U. M., Burtzos, A., Asakitogum, D., Loerzel, V. (2026) Scene designs and user experience of VR interventions to manage symptoms among cancer populations: A systematic review of qualitative studies. *Frontiers in Virtual Reality*, 7(1862031). <https://doi.org/10.3389/frvir.2026.1862031>

Han, A., Hong, I., Wilroy, J. D., & Oruche, U. (2026). Cognitive fusion as a mediator between pain interference and depressive and anxiety symptoms among adults with spinal cord injury. *The Journal of Spinal Cord Medicine*. Advance online publication, 1-11. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10790268.2026.2663663>

Tanner, A., Oruche, U. M., & Draucker, C. B. (2025). Using a community-based online incentivized survey to describe the healthcare and school-based care of adolescents with functional seizures. *Epilepsy & Behavior*, 171(110636). <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.yebeh.2025.110636>. PMID: 40752238

Ojeleye O.A., Wilson R.E., & Oruche U.M. (2025). Perinatal depression and anxiety in adolescents: a comprehensive review of the knowledge gaps, mental health needs, barriers, and pathways to care. *Journal of American Psychiatric Nurses Association*, 32(1), 7-29. <https://doi.org/10.1177/10783903251398526>

Oruche, U. M., Nakash, O., Holladay, C., Chacko, A., Perkins, S.M., & Draucker, C. B (2024). Implementation of research in community mental health centers: the challenge of provider engagement. *Community Mental Health Journal*, 60(7), 1247-1254. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10597-024-01282-7>

Oruche, U. M., Holladay, C., Chacko, A., Nakash, O., & Draucker, C. B (2024). Development and acceptability of provider training to increase treatment engagement of parents in their children's behavioral health care need, *Journal of the American Psychiatric Nurses Association*, 30(6):927-939. <https://doi.org/10.1177/10783903241284014>

Ojeleye, O., Beckie, T., & Oruche, U. M. (2024). Psychosocial factors associated with perinatal anxiety and perinatal depression among adolescents: A Rapid Review. *Journal of Psychosocial Nursing and Mental Health Services*, 62(2), 13-24. <https://doi.org/10.3928/02793695-20230821-02>

Obichi, C.C, Omenka, O., Perkins, S. M., & Oruche, U. M. (2023). Experiences of minority frontline healthcare workers during the COVID-19 pandemic. *Journal of Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s40615-023-01833-w>

Oruche, U. M., Adams, N., Xu, J. Crowder, S. Cangany, M., Bracale, J., Ofner, S., & Fulton, J. S (2023). Substance Use Disorder Education: A Statewide Assessment of Core Content in Nursing Schools. *Journal of Psychosocial Nursing and Mental Health Services*, 61(9):15–23. <https://doi.org/10.3928/02793695-20230320-02>

Bonham, E., Snethen, J. A., Marino, M. A., Oruche, U. M., & Browne, N. T. (2022). American Academy of Nursing expert panel consensus statement on inequities in the juvenile justice system rooted in systemic and structural racism. *Nursing Outlook*, 71(1). *Journal of Psychosocial Nursing and Mental Health Services*, 0(0), 1-9. <https://doi.org/10.3928/02793695-20230320-02>

Von Gaudecker, J., Agbapuonwu, N., Kylolo, Sathiyaseelan, M., & Oruche, U. M. (2022). Barriers and facilitators to treatment seeking behaviors for depression, epilepsy, and schizophrenia in low- and

middle-income countries: A systematic review. *Archives of Psychiatric Nursing*, 41, 11-19.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.apnu.2022.07.006>

Tanner, A., von Gaudecker, J., Buelow, J., Oruche, U. M., & Miller, W. (2022). "It's Hard!": Adolescents' experience attending school with psychogenic nonepileptic seizures. *Epilepsy & Behavior*, 132,
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.yebeh.2022.108724>

Keen, A., Lu, Y., Oruche, U.M., Mazurenko, O, & Draucker, C.B. (2022). Activation of persons with opioid use disorder in intensive outpatient treatment. *Journal of the American Psychiatric Nurses Association*, 00(0). <https://doi.org/10.1177/10783903221096473>

Thoele, K., Dhillon, M., Yu, M., Comer, S., Maxey, H., Newhouse, R., & Oruche, U. M. (2021). Development and assessment of the usability of a web-based referral to treatment tool for persons with substance use disorders. *BMC Medical Informatics and Decision Making*, 21, 260.
<https://doi.org/10.1186/s12911-021-01620-9>

Keen, A., Thoele, K., Oruche, U., & Newhouse, R. (2021). Perceptions of the barriers, facilitators, outcomes, and helpfulness of strategies to implement screening, brief intervention, and referral to treatment in acute care. *Implementation Science*, 16(44). <https://doi.org/10.1186/s13012-021-01116-0>
PMID: 33892758

Knopf, A., Budhwani, H., Logie, C. H., Oruche, U. M., Wyatt, E., & Draucker, C. B. (2021). Nursing Position Statements on Racism Following the Murder of George Floyd and Other Black Americans. *Journal of the Association of Nurses in AID Care*, 32(4), 453-466. doi:
10.1097/JNC.0000000000000270

Oruche, U. M., Hone, A., Liu, J., Otey, T., Okwy, I., & Commodore-Mensah, Y. (2020). Community engagement to improve the management of non-communicable diseases: Experiences from medical service trips in southeastern Nigeria. *ENGAGE*, 1(3), 87-101

Afuseh, E., Pike, C., & Oruche, U. M. (2020). Individualized approach to primary prevention of substance use disorder: Age-related risks. *Substance Abuse Treatment, Prevention, and Policy*, 15(58). <https://doi.org/10.1186/s13011-020-00300-7>

Stafford, A., Aalsma, M., Bigatti, S. M., Oruche, U. M., & Draucker, B. C. (2019). Getting a grip of my depression: How Latina adolescents experience, self-manage, and seek treatment for depressive symptoms. *Qualitative Health Research*, 29(12). doi: 10.1177/1049732319831043.

Oruche, U. M., Robb, S., Draucker, Claire B., Aalsma, M., Pescosolido, B., Chacko, A., Ofner, S., & Bakoyannis, G., Brown-Pordgoski, B. (2018). Pilot randomized trial of a family management efficacy intervention for caregivers of African American adolescents with disruptive behaviors. *Child & Youth Forum*, 47(6), 803-827. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10566-018-9462-1>.

Oruche, U. M., Draucker, C., Robb, S., Aalsma, M., Pescosolido, B., & Brown-Pordgoski, B. (2017). Developing a multiple caregiver group for caregivers of adolescents with disruptive behaviors. *Archives of Psychiatric Nursing*, 31(6), 596-601. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.apnu.2017.08.006>.

Knopf, A. S., McNealy, K. R., Al-Khattab, H., Carter-Harris, L., Oruche, U. M., Naanyu, V., Draucker, C. B. (2017). Sexual learning among East African adolescents in the context of generalized HIV epidemics: A systematic qualitative metasynthesis. *PLoS One*, 12(3), e0173225. doi:
10.1371/journal.pone.0173225.

Oruche, U. M., Ross, S. E., Carpenter, J., & Renberger, J., (2016). Identifying genetic variants in adolescents with oppositional defiant disorders and/or conduct disorders: A brief report. *Journal of Child and Adolescent Psychiatric Nursing*, 29(3), 154-157.

Al-khattab, H., Oruche, U.M., Perkins, D., & Draucker, C. (2016). How African American adolescents manage depression: being with others. *Journal of American Psychiatric Nurses Association*, 22(5), 387-400. (Role: Contributed to data analysis, interpretation, writing and editing manuscript.)

Oruche, U. M., & Carpenter, J., S. Renberger, J., & Ross, S. E. (2016). Raising the level of nursing involvement in the national precision medicine initiative: An example. *Journal of Child and Adolescent Psychiatric Nursing*, 29(2), 85-88. doi: 10.1111/jcap.12141

Oruche, U. M., Draucker, C., Al-Khattab, H., Cravens, H., Lowry, B., & Lindsey, L. (2015). The challenges and needs of primary caregivers of adolescents with disruptive behavior disorders. *Journal of Family Nursing*, 21(1), 149-167. doi: 10.1177/1074840714562027. PMID: 25504213.

Oruche, U. M., Draucker, C., Al-Khattab, H., Knopf, A., & Mazurczyk, J. (2014). Interventions for family members of adolescents with disruptive behavior disorders. *Journal of Child and Adolescent Psychiatric Nursing*, 27(3), 99-108. doi: 10.1111/jcap.12078. PMCID: PMC4199581

Hanna, K. M., Weaver, M. T., Stump, T. E., Guthrie, D., & Oruche, U. M. (2014). Emerging adults with type I diabetes during the first-year post-high school: Perceptions of parental behaviors. *Emerging Adulthood*, 2, 128-137. doi.10.1177/2167696813512621. (Role: Contributed to interpretation, writing, and editing manuscript.)

Oruche, U. M., Down, S., Holloway, E., Draucker, C., & Aalsma, M. (2014). Barriers and facilitators to treatment participation by adolescents in a community mental health clinic. *Journal of Psychiatric and Mental Health Nursing*. 21(3), 241-248. doi: 10.1111/jpm.12076. PMID: 23682756

Oruche, U. M., Gerkenmeyer, J.E., Carpenter, J. S., Austin, J. K., Perkins, S., Rawls, S. M., & Wright, E. R. (2013). Predicting outcomes among adolescents with disruptive disorders being treated in a care system. *Journal of American Psychiatric Nurses Association*, 19(6), 335-344. doi.10.1177/1078390313498509. PMCID: PMC4030423

Gerkenmeyer, J. E., Johnson, C. S., Scott, E. L., Oruche, U. M., Lindsey, L., Austin, J. K., & Perkins, S. M. (2013). Problem solving intervention for primary caregivers of children with mental health problems. *Archives of Psychiatric Nursing*, 27(3), 112-120. PMC3697759 (Role: Contributed to conceptualization, data analysis, interpretation, writing and editing manuscript.)

Oruche, U. M., Gerkenmeyer, J., Austin, J., Perkins, S., Scott, Eric, Lindsey, L., & Armstrong, K. (2012). Recruitment strategies for caregivers of children with mental health problems. *Clinical Nurse Specialist: The Journal for Advanced Nursing Practice*, 26(4), 216-22. PMC4148133

Oruche, U., Gerkenmeyer, J., Stephan, L., Wheeler, C. & Hanna, K. (2012). Described experiences of caregivers of children with mental health problems. *Archives of Psychiatric Nursing*, 26(5), 382-39. PMCID: PMC4148133

Oruche, U. M. (2009). Research with cognitively impaired participants. *Journal of Nursing Law*, 13(3), 89-94. PMC3148014

Austin, J.K., Oruche, U.M., Dunn, D.W., & Levstek, D. A. (winter, 1995). New-onset childhood seizures: Parents' concerns and needs. *Clinical Nursing Practice in Epilepsy*, 8-10

Editorials

Oruche, U. M. (2025). A silent killer: Cumulative assault on mental health. *Journal of Psychosocial Nursing and Mental Health Services*.

Oruche, U.M. (2024, February). A village of mentors. [Editorial]. *Sigma Nursing Centered*. View (sigmanursing.org)

Oruche, U. M. (2022). The COVID-19 pandemic persists: What do we do to preserve mental health and well-being of populations. [Editorial]. *Journal of Psychosocial Nursing and Mental Health Services*, 60(10), 2-3 doi: 10.3928/02793695-20220909-02. Epub 2022 Oct 1.

Oruche, U., M. (2022, June). Thoughts and prayers: Lack of action. [Editorial]. *ISPN News*. Archives of Psychiatric Nursing, 39. [https://www.psychiatricnursing.org/article/S0883-9417\(22\)00064-4/pdf](https://www.psychiatricnursing.org/article/S0883-9417(22)00064-4/pdf).

Oruche, U. M., & Agor, D. (2022). Nurses' roles in caring for themselves to care for the global population [Editorial]. *Archives of Psychiatric Nursing*, 39, A1-A2. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.apnu.2022.04.009>

Oruche, U. M. (2022). Proactive and priority planning for care of the elderly is also mental health. *ISPN Newsletter*.

Oruche, U. M. (2022, June). ISPN President's Vision. [Editorial]. *ISPN News*. Archives of Psychiatric Nursing, 38, [https://doi.org/10.1016/S0883-9417\(22\)00038-3](https://doi.org/10.1016/S0883-9417(22)00038-3)

McBride, A. (2021). Nursing leadership in a changing world. Presented at Yale University. Role: Contributor to Wisdom Circle.

Carpenter, J S. (2021). Leadership corner: COVID courage awardees. *Nursing Outlook*, 69, 243-245. Role: provided written interview to highlight my receipt of an AAN COVID-19 courage award.

Oruche, U. M. & Zapolski, T. (2020, November). The role of nurses in eliminating health disparities and achieving health equity [Editorial]. *Journal of Psychosocial Nursing and Mental Health Services*, 58(12), 2-4. doi:10.3928/02793695-20201112-01

Tamika, Z. & Oruche, U. M. (2020, June 29). How racism in US health system hinders care and costs lives of African Americans. [Editorial]. (2020, June) *The Conversation*. <https://theconversation.com/how-racism-in-us-health-system-hinders-care-and-costs-lives-of-african-americans-139425>

Oruche, U. M. & Schwindt, R. (2019). Call for special issue on opioid epidemic: Response [Editorial]. *ISPN News*. Archives of Psychiatric Nursing, 33(5), 1-2. doi: 10.1016/j.apnu.2019.09.001

Oruche, U. M. & Schwindt, R. (2018, October). Tackling the opioid crisis: Who and what might we be missing [Editorial]. *ISPN News*. Archives of Psychiatric Nursing, 32(5), A5-A7. doi: [https://doi.org/10.1016/S0883-9417\(18\)30354-6](https://doi.org/10.1016/S0883-9417(18)30354-6)

Oruche, U.M. (2018). The other part of the picture on social justice [Editorial]. *ISPN News*. Archives of Psychiatric Nursing, 32(4), A6-A8. doi: [https://doi.org/10.1016/S0883-9417\(18\)30253-X](https://doi.org/10.1016/S0883-9417(18)30253-X)

Presentations Invited (*@ = keynotes, plenary or expert panels)

Regional

Oruche, U. M. (2023) Managing stress within and around us, UNISEN. Tampa FL

*@Oruche, U. M. (2022) Your multiple spheres of influence as a nurse to achieve health equity, Indiana University School of Nursing Pinning Ceremony. Fort Wayne, IN

*@Oruche, U. M. (2022) A program of research: Advancing mental health and wellbeing of children and families, Sigma Theta Tau International Eta Nu Chapter

*@Oruche, U. M., Fineran, K., Irving, S., & Smith, k. I. (2021) Fostering well-being through Community and Connections, Purdue System-Wide Forum

*@Oruche, U. M. (2021) Co-creating a satisfying patient/family & provider meeting, Hope Academy Recovery High School. Indianapolis, IN

Oruche, U. M. (2020) Updates on IUSON Diversity Council Initiatives, IUSON Board of Advisors. Indianapolis, IN

Oruche, U.M. (2019) Addressing life's anxieties, Alhuda Foundation. Fishers, IN

Oruche, U.M. (2019) Promoting mental health equity through research, Indiana University Center for Enhancing Quality of Life and Champion Center Training. Indianapolis, IN

*@Oruche, U. M. (2019) Inspiring next generation of multi-disciplinary health advocates promoting health equity and supporting the Sustainable Development Goals, Timmy Global Health Purdue University Student Chapter. West Lafayette, IN

Oruche, U.M. (2019) Promoting mental health equity through research, Indiana University Center for Enhancing Quality of Life and Champion Center Training. Indianapolis, IN

*@Oruche, U. M. (2019) Inspiring next generation of multi-disciplinary health advocates promoting health equity and supporting the Sustainable Development Goals, Timmy Global Health Purdue University Student Chapter. West Lafayette, IN

Oruche, U. M., & McCord, A. (2018) Responding to common mental health disorders in youth, Big Brothers and Big Sisters. Indianapolis, IN

*@Oruche, U. M. (2017) Attacking the drug epidemic: Health care delivery perspective, Indiana Health Workforce Collaborative: Transforming health workforce education, practice, and policy. Indianapolis, IN

Oruche, U. M. (2017) Development and testing of the Family Management Efficacy (FAME) intervention for African American families of adolescents with disruptive behavior disorders, Translating Research into Practice (TRIP) Scholars Show Case, Indianapolis, IN*

Ellis, R., B., Carter-Harris, L., Knopf, A., & Oruche, U.M. (2016) Dissemination and implementation research, IUSON Research Programming. Indianapolis, IN

Oruche, U. M. (2015) Living with and/or caring for adolescents' disruptive behavior disorders: Impact on family members, IUPUI Mental Wellness Week. Indianapolis, IN

*@Oruche, U. M. (2015) Partnering with families in care of their children with mental health needs – How would you grade your service? Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center. Cincinnati, OH

Oruche, U. M. (2014) Sustainable health care, openness to cultural diversity/fresh ideas, IUSON Board of Advisors. Indianapolis, IN

Oruche, U. M. (2013) The experiences and needs of families of adolescents with disruptive disorders, IUPUI, Assertive Community Treatment Center. Indianapolis, IN

Oruche, U. M. (2013) The experiences and needs of families of adolescents with disruptive behavior disorders, Presented to administrators and staffs Eskenazi Health Midtown Community Mental Health. Indianapolis, IN

Oruche, U. M., Gerkensmeyer, J., Austin, J., Scott, E., Perkins, S., & Calley, C (2012) Problem solving interventions for primary caregivers of children with mental health problems, Presented to administrators and staffs Midtown Community Mental Health Center. Indianapolis, IN

Oruche, U. M., & Aalsma, M, (2012) Identifying barriers to care for youth in a mental health program: A qualitative study, Presented at to staffs at Midtown Community Mental Health Center. Indianapolis, IN

Oruche, U. M. (2011) Use of psychiatric medications in children: Your role as advocates, 15th Annual Guardian Ad Litem/Court Conference. Indianapolis, IN

National

*@Oruche, U. M. (2023) Invite yourself to the table: Because you are needed, American Academy of Nursing, The Institute for Nursing Leadership Opening Session, Courageous Careers: Action through Boldness and Humility

*@Oruche, U. M. (2023) A Program of Research to Improve Mental Health of Children Through Parent Engagement: Lessons Learned, Children's Research Institute, Children's Wisconsin

*@Oruche, U. M. (2022) Research on Children with Disruptive Impulsive Control Disorders (DIC) and their Family Caregivers, University of South Florida College of Nursing

*@Oruche, U. M. (2022) A program of research to promote health equity in local and global communities, University of Miami School of Nursing and Health Studies, Dean's Lecture Series <https://vimeo.com/676394379/13dcae8261>

*@Oruche, U. M. (2021) Managing children's mental health: A pediatric hospital imperative, U.S. News & World Report

Oruche, U. M. (2017) Leading a health service project in Nigeria: A partnership Timmy Global Health, Timmy Global Health Student Chapter Retreat. Columbus, IN

International

*@Goldstein, ... Oruche, U. M., et al (2025). ISPN Presidents Panel: What we bring from the past as we advance – learning from wise caring psychiatric -mental health leaders.

*@Oruche, U. M., von Gaudecker, J., Agbapuonwu, N., Khaja, K., (2023) Improving access to care: Community-engaged needs assessment for adults with mental neurological and substance use (MNS) disorders in Nigeria, USF Health International

*@Oruche, U. M. (2023) A program of research to improve mental health of children and their families: My why. 34th International Nursing Research Congress in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

*@Oruche, U. M. (2022) Answering the call to serve and founding a non-profit: Filling gaps in NCDS management in Nigeria, Wake Forest University School of Medicine, Global Emergency Medicine Fellowship

*@Oruche, U. M. (2020) Creating inclusive healthcare environments, American Academy of Nursing Transforming Health, Driving Policy Conference. Virtual

*@Oruche, U. M. (2020) Improving access and quality of chronic disease management in rural southeastern Nigeria, IU Center for Bioethics and Global Health. Virtual

*@Oruche, U. M. (2019) Work life balance & self-preservation as a Nigerian immigrant, 1st Reunion Nnamdi Azikiwe University Medical Alumni Convention, North America Chapter. Indianapolis, IN

@Oruche, U. M. (2016) Meeting healthcare needs of vulnerable populations in Amichi and beyond, 1st Annual Conventions of Amichi USA. Atlanta GA

Presentations (refereed)

Regional

Rinaldi, K., Koerner, R., Marshall, V., Oruche, U. M. (2026). Engaging the next generation of Nurse Scientists Fellowship Program. Florida Nurses Association 12th Annual Research & Evidence-Based Conference. Orlando, FL.

Ojeleye O.A., Wilson R.E., Tyson D., Hernandez I. & Oruche U.M. (2025). Knowledge and perception of pregnant and parenting teens on depression and anxiety in Florida, United States. USF Health Research Day. Tampa, FL.

Ojeleye O.A., Wilson R.E., & Oruche U.M. (2024) Perinatal mental health knowledge, needs, preferences for care, access to care among adolescents with perinatal depression and perinatal anxiety: An integrative review. Interprofessional Deans' Inaugural Award. USF Health Research Day Tampa, FL*

Ojeleye, O. A., Beckie, T. B., Oruche, U. M. (2023) Psychosocial factors associated with perinatal anxiety and depression among adolescents: A rapid review. USF Health Research Day. Tampa, FL*

Ojeleye O.A., Reid C., Oruche U.M., & Kirby R.S. (2024) The Association Between Parental Mental Health and Adolescent Depression in the United States: A Secondary Data Analysis of a National Survey. Poster presentation. Southern Nursing Research Society 2024 Annual Conference*

Ojeleye O.A., Wilson R.E., & Oruche U.M. (2024) Perinatal Mental Health Knowledge, Needs, Preferences for Care, Access to Care Among Adolescents with Perinatal Depression and Perinatal Anxiety: An Integrative Review. USF Health Research Day *Interprofessional Deans' Inaugural Award*

Ojeleye, O. A., Beckie, T. B., Oruche, U. M. (2023) Psychosocial factors associated with perinatal anxiety and depression among adolescents: A rapid review, USF Health Research Day*

Oruche, U. M., Hone, A., Okwuchukwu, I., Liu, J., Otey, T., & Mensah-Commodore, Y. (2019) A Multidisciplinary health project in rural southeastern Nigeria: Our contribution to sustainable development goal 3, Indiana University Inaugural Global Health Scholars Day, Indianapolis, IN

Richardson, E.A., & Oruche, U.M. (2016) A review of the roles of community members and patients beyond advising in the research process, IUPUI Student Research Day, Indianapolis, IN

Richardson, E.A., Parker, K.A., & Oruche, U.M (2015) Impact of disruptive behavior disorders on siblings living with affected adolescents, IUPUI Student Research Day, Indianapolis, IN*

Richardson, E.A., Parker, K.A., & Oruche, U.M (2014) Chronic illness in children and adolescents: Research on the impact on their siblings, IUPUI Student Research Day, Indianapolis, IN*

Oruche, U. M. (2014) Developing the Family Management Efficacy (FAME) intervention for African American families of adolescents with disruptive behavior disorders, 6th Annual Conference of Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute, Indianapolis, IN*

Hanna, K. Weaver, M. T., Stump, T. E., Guthrie, D., & Oruche, U. M (2014) Evidence informing transitional care policy for emerging adults with type 1 diabetes and their parents, 38th Annual Conference of the Midwest Nursing Research Society, St. Louis, MI*

*@Oruche, U. M. (2014) Next generation: The key to sustainable healthcare? TEDx Indianapolis Conference. Indianapolis, IN

Oruche, U. M., Gerkensmeyer, J., Austin, J., Perkins, S; Scott, E., & Calley, C. (2013) A problem-solving intervention for primary caregivers of children with mental health problems, 37th Annual Conference of the Midwest Nursing Research Society, Chicago, IL*

Oruche, U. M. (2011) Predictors of treatment response in adolescents with serious emotional disturbance, Leadership Education in Adolescent Health disturbance, IU School of Medicine, Section of Adolescents Health. Indianapolis, IN

National

Ojeleye O.A., Hernandez I., Wilson R.E., Tyson D. & Oruche U.M. (2025). Navigating the maze: Barriers and facilitators in perinatal mental health care access for pregnant and parenting adolescents. American Psychiatric Nurses Association, New Orleans, LA (October 15 - 18)

Ojeleye, O. A., Beckie, T. B., Oruche, U. M. (2023) Psychosocial factors associated with perinatal anxiety and depression among adolescents: A rapid review. American Psychiatric Nurses Association (APNA) *

Crowder, S., Maxey, H.L., Oruche, U. M., Afuseh, E., Keen, K., Thoele, K., & Newhouse, R. (2020) Improving access to care and quality through comprehensive workforce planning for people that use substances. Academy Health*

Stafford, A., Aalsma, M., Bigatti, S. M., Oruche, U. M., & Draucker, C. B. (2019) Getting a grip on my depression: a grounded theory explaining how Latina adolescents experience, self-manage, and seek treatment for depressive symptoms, Society of Adolescent Health and Medicine. Washington, D.C.*

Phillips, J.M., Oruche, U.M., Shieh, C., & Moos, M.F. (2015) Advancing clinical excellence through nursing research and evidence-based practice: A model linking research to practice, Institute UT Health Science Center, San Antonio, TX*

Oruche, U. M., Ross, R. E., & Renbarger, J. (2015) The genetic variants in adolescents with Disruptive Behavior disorders, Council for the Advancement of Nursing Science - Special Topics Conference

Washington, D.C. *

Oruche, U. M., Robb, S., Aalsma, M., Pescosolido, B., & Draucker, C. B (2015) Collaborative development of the Family Management Efficacy (FAME) intervention, "Advancing Science, Improving Lives" the National Institute of Nursing Research's (FNINR) 30th Anniversary Scientific Symposium and Poster Session. Washington, D.C. *

Oruche, U. M., Parker, K., Richardson, E. (2015) Burdens experienced by siblings of adolescents with disruptive disorders, The Society for Adolescent Health & Medicine - Nursing Special Interest Group. Los Angeles, CA*

Oruche, U. M., AL-Khattab., H., Cravens, H., Lowry, B., Lindsey, L. & Draucker, C. (2013) The experiences and needs of families of adolescents with disruptive behavior disorders, 27th Annual Conference of the American Psychiatric Nurses Association. San Antonio, TX*

Oruche, U. M. (2011) Predictors of treatment response in adolescents with serious emotional disturbance, 25th Annual American psychiatric Association Conference, Anaheim, CA*

Gerkenmeyer, J., Oruche, U. M., Stephan, L., Al-Khattab, H., & Wheeler, C. (2009) Lived experiences of caregivers of children with mental health needs, 22nd Annual Research Conference - A System of Care for Children's Mental Health: Expanding the Research Base. Tampa, FL*

International

Ojeleye O.A., Wilson R.E., Tyson D., Hernandez I. & Oruche U.M. (2025). Knowledge and Perception of Pregnant and Parenting Teens on Depression and Anxiety in Florida, United States. Postpartum Support International, New Orleans, LA.

Ojeleye O.A., Tyson D., Hernandez I., Wilson R.E., & Oruche U.M. (2025). Perinatal mental health needs and care preferences of pregnant and parenting adolescents in Florida: a qualitative inquiry, International Society of Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurses, New Orleans, Louisiana. **Awarded ISPN First Place Poster Award.*

Ojeleye O.A., Wilson R.E., & Oruche (2024). Adolescent perinatal mental health: gaps and challenges, Postpartum Support International Conference. Washington D.C., USA.

Ojeleye O.A., Wilson R.E., & Oruche U.M. (2024) Perinatal mental health knowledge, needs, preferences for care, access to care among adolescents with perinatal depression and perinatal anxiety: An integrative review. *Rising Star Podium presentation, Sigma Creating Healthy Work Environment Conference* Washington D.C., USA.

Kyololo, B., Agbapuonwu, N., von Gaudecker, J., Kyololo., & Sathiyaseelan, M., Oruche, U. M., (2023) Barriers and facilitators to treatment seeking for children with epilepsy, depression, and schizophrenia in low- and middle-income countries, Africa Interdisciplinary Health Conference (AfIHC). Nairobi, Kenya*

Agbapuonwu, N., von Gaudecker, J., Kyololo., & Sathiyaseelan, M., Oruche, U. M., (2022) Treatment seeking behaviors for depression, epilepsy, schizophrenia in low- and middle-income countries: A systematic review, Sigma Theta Tau International Research Congress. Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates*

Agbapuonwu, N., von Gaudecker, J., Kyololo., Sathiyaseelan, M., & Oruche, U. M. (2022) Treatment seeking behaviors for depression, epilepsy, schizophrenia in low- and middle-income countries: A systematic review, Sigma Theta Tau International Research Congress. Edinburgh, Scotland*

Keen, A., Lu, Y., Oruche, U. M., Mazurenko, O., & Draucker, C (2022) Connecting and disconnecting: The intensive outpatient treatment experience of persons with opioid use disorder, Sigma Theta Tau International Research Congress. Edinburgh, Scotland*

Keen, A., Lu, Y., Oruche, U. M., Mazurenko, O., & Draucker, C (2022) A typology of patient activation instances in intensive outpatient treatment, Sigma Theta Tau International Research Congress. Edinburgh, Scotland*

Tanner, A., Oruche, U. M (2022) Adolescents' experience attending school with psychogenic nonepileptic seizures: Opportunities for innovative psychiatric-mental health nurse care coordination for student success, International Society of Psychiatric Mental Health Nurses*

Oruche, U. M. (2022) A Parent-Provider Interaction study to improve child and adolescents' behavioral outcomes embedded in a healthcare system: Lessons learned. 46th Annual Conference of the Midwest Nursing Research Society Family Research Interest Group Symposium. Schaumburg, IL. *

Oruche, U. M., DeRose, B., Moorman, M., King, G., Antisdal, J., & Moorman, M. (2022) Preparing nurse practitioner students to recognize health inequities and global health issues, Sigma Theta Tau International Research Congress, Scotland*

deRose, B., & Oruche, U.M. (2021) Virtual exchange in the classroom: Moving from pilot program to a global audience, Sigma Theta Tau International 46th Biennial Convention Advances in Education*

Flener, M., Draucker, C. B., & Oruche, U. (2021) Looking glass": A grounded theory study in transgender and gender diverse children navigating gender discovery, Sigma Theta Tau International Research Congress. Virtual*

Antisdal, J. L., Fulton, J. S. & Oruche, U. (2021) Cybervictimization In adolescents: An integrative review, Sigma Theta Tau International Research Congress. Virtual*

Crowder, S. J., Maxey, H.L., Oruche, U. M., Afuseh, E., Keen, A., Thoele, K., Newhouse, R (2021) Improving access to care and quality through comprehensive workforce planning for people who use substances, Sigma Theta Tau International Session, Beyond Boundaries-Indiana Academies Symposium. Indianapolis, Indiana **Cross Disciplinary Poster Award**

Oruche, U.M., Hone, A. & Henline, S (2020) Integrating the "cultural health capital" module throughout the psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner (PMHNP) module to promote students' abilities to reduce health and health care disparities, International Society of Psychiatric Mental Health Nurses Psychopharmacology Institute and Annual Conference*

Flener, M., Fulton, J. S. & Oruche, U. (2020) Lost in gender: A scoping review of parents' acceptance of gender nonconformity in prepubertal children, World Professional Association Transgender Health Scientific Symposium. Virtual*

Flener, M., Fulton, J. S. & Oruche, U. (2020) Lost in gender: A scoping review of parents' acceptance of gender nonconformity in prepubertal children, Sigma Theta Tau International. Virtual*

Oruche, U. M., Hone, A., & Henline, S. (2020) Integrating the “cultural health capital” module throughout the psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner (PMHNP) program to promote students’ abilities to reduce health and health care disparities, International Society of Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurses. Virtual*

Oruche, U.M. & Draucker, C. (2018) Intervention to improve parent interactions with child service systems: From initial development to refinement (Accepted but not presented), 29th International Research Congress Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing*

Giscombe, C. & Oruche, U.M. (2016) Key strategies for developing the next generation of ISPN members and psychiatric nurse leaders to address critical issues related mental health diversity and equity: a workshop, International Society of Psychiatric Mental Health Nurses Psychopharmacology Institute and Annual Conference, Minneapolis MN*

Knopf, A., Al-Khattab, H., McNealy, K., Carter-Harris, L., Oruche, U. M., & Naanyu. V., Draucker, C. (2016) Sexual learning of adolescents in East Africa: Implications for HIV prevention, International AIDS Society Meeting. Durban, South Africa*

Oruche, U. M., Robb, S., Aalsma, M., Pescosolido, B., & Draucker, C. (2016) Development and testing of the Family Management Efficacy (FAME) intervention for African American families of adolescents with disruptive behavior disorders, 27th International Research Congress Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing. Cape Town, South Africa*

Oruche, U. M., Robb, S., Aalsma, M., Pescosolido, B., & Draucker, C. (2016) Pilot testing of the Family Management Efficacy (FAME) intervention for African American families of adolescents with disruptive behavior disorders, International Society of Psychiatric- Mental Health Nurses Psychopharmacology Institute and Annual Conference. Minneapolis, MN*

Oruche, U. M., Draucker, C., & Al-Khattab, H. (2014) Understanding the families’ needs: Interventions for family members of adolescents with disruptive behavior disorders, 25th International Research Congress Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing. Hong Kong, China*

Oruche, U. M., Draucker, C., & Al-Khattab, H. (2014) The challenges and perceived needs for support of primary caregivers of adolescents with disruptive behaviors disorders, 15th International Society of Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurses Psychopharmacology Institute and Annual Conference. Greenville, SC*

Oruche, U. M., Draucker, C., & Al-Khattab, H (2013) The experiences and needs of families of adolescents with disruptive behavior disorders, III International Congress on Dual Disorders. Barcelona, Spain*

Oruche, U.M., Al-Khattab, H., Cravens, H., Lowry, B., Lindsey, L., & Draucker, C. (2013) The experiences and needs of families of adolescents with disruptive behavior disorders, 11th International Family Nursing Conference. Minneapolis, MN*

Gerkenmeyer, J., Oruche, U. M., Austin, J., Scott, E., Perkins, S., Calley, C., & Lindsey, L. (2012) 14th Annual Conference of the International Society of Psychiatric- Mental Health Nurses. Atlanta, GA*

Gerkenmeyer, J., Oruche, U. M., & Stephan, L. (2010) Lived experiences of caregivers of children with mental health needs, 12th Annual Conference of the International Society of Psychiatric Mental Health Nurses. St. Louis, MO*

Manuscripts

Invited Reviewer

2025-present	Community Mental Health Journal
2025	Journal of Health, Population and Nutrition
2023-present	Nursing Outlook
2023-present	PLOS One
2022-present	Journal of Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities
2021	BMC Psychiatry
2021	European Journal of Child and Adolescents Psychiatry
2019-present	Journal of Psychosocial Nursing & Mental Health Services
2019-present	Mental Health Services International Journal of Psychology
2018-present	Psychology Research and Behavior Management
2018-present	Journal of Child and Adolescent Psychiatric Nursing
2017	Pediatrics
2016	Pilot & Feasibility Study
2015-present	Journal of Family Nursing
2015	Western Journal of Nursing
2014	Child Psychiatry & Human Development
2012-present	Journal of American Psychiatric Nurses Association
2012-present	Archives of Psychiatric Nursing
2012-2013	Clinical Nurse Specialist
2012	Journal of Child and Adolescent Mental Health
2012	Research in Development Disabilities Journal

TEACHING

Guest Lectures

(2025, Fall) D721 Advanced Leadership in Complex Systems, IUSON

(2025, April) Doctoral Seminar II -Interviewing and Negotiating that first job interview post PhD program, USF CON PHD Program

(2024, Fall) D721 Advanced Leadership in Complex Systems, IUSON

(2024, October) Innovative Programs in Symptom Management Research, USF CON PHD Program

(2023, Fall) D721 Advanced Leadership in Complex Systems, IUSON

(2021, October) R702: Interpersonal Models: Patient-Provider Interaction Study, IUSON PhD Program

(2021, February) Primary, Secondary, and Tertiary Care in Nigeria, B234 Healthy Promotions Practicum

(2021, October) Primary, Secondary, and Tertiary Care in Nigeria, B234 Healthy Promotions Practicum

(2021, December) Primary, Secondary, and Tertiary Care in Nigeria, B235 Healthy Promotions for 2nd Degree Students

(2022, April) The Story of a Nigerian American Nurse, B444 Nursing Intensive: Managing Health & Illness

(2021, November) The Story of a Nigerian American Nurse, B444 Nursing Intensive: Managing Health & Illness

(2021, April) The Story of a Nigerian American Nurse, B444 Nursing Intensive: Managing Health & Illness

(2020, October) The Story of a Nigerian American Nurse, B444 Nursing Intensive: Managing Health & Illness

(2020, May) Global Programs, PHD Intensive Summer 2020

(2020, February) Working with Different Others, IUSON MSN Professional Day

(2019, November) R702: Biological and Behavioral Foundations of Self-Management, IUSON PhD Program Interventions

(2019) A Program of Research & Service in Mental Health: US and Abroad, Marion University Undergraduate Nursing Students NSG 335 Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing

(2019) Research Trajectory, IU School of Nursing, H498 4th Semester Honors Colloquium

(2018) A Program of Research & Service in Mental Health: US and Abroad, Marion University Undergraduate Nursing Students NSG 335 Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing

(2018) Research Trajectory, IU School of Nursing, H498 4th Semester Honors Colloquium

(2017) A Program of Mental Health Intervention & Research: Evolution of Theoretical Framework, Middle Range Theory, D608

(2016) Research Trajectory, IU School of Nursing, H498 4th Semester Honors Colloquium

(2016) A Framework to Study an Intervention Improve Outcomes for Families Who Have Children with Disruptive Behavior Disorders, Middle Range Theory, D608

(2015) Research Trajectory, IU School of Nursing, H498 4th Semester Honors Colloquium

(2015) Life after PhD, IU School of Nursing, PhD Summer Intensive Program

(2014) Research Trajectory, IU School of Nursing, H498 4th Semester Honors Colloquium

(2014) Integrated Primary and Behavioral Health Care, IU School of Nursing, F572 Primary Care of Adults, Family Nurse Practitioner, Graduate Students

(2013) Research Trajectory, IU School of Nursing, H498 4th Semester Honors Colloquium

(2013) Depression, Anxiety, and autism spectrum disorder in Children, IU School of Nursing, F574 Primary Care of Children, Family Nurse Practitioner, Graduate Students

(2012) The Mental Health System in the United States, IU School of Nursing, K434 Global Health Care: Issues & Policies Course

(2010) Care for the Health Care Provider, IU School of Nursing, P515 Assessment in Advanced Psychiatric Nursing

(2010) Caring for the Professional Caregiver, IU School of Nursing: P515 Assessment in Advanced Psychiatric Nursing

(2008) Thriving in A PhD Program, IU School of Nursing, PhD Summer Intensive Program

(2005) Drugs Use Among Youths, Christ the King Grade School Indianapolis, IN

TEACHING RESPONSIBILITIES

University of South Florida, College of Nursing

Graduate Courses

Dissertation Research (NGR 7980), Faculty of Record, Spring 2025

Dissertation Research (NGR 7980), Faculty of Record, Fall 2024

Dissertation Research (NGR 7980), Faculty of Record, Summer 2024

Advance Directed Research in Nursing (NGR 7915), Faculty Record, Spring 2024

Advance Directed Research in Nursing (NGR 7915), Faculty Record, Fall 2023

Advance Directed Research in Nursing (NGR 7915), Faculty Record, Fall 2023

Advance Directed Research in Nursing (NGR 7915), Faculty Record, Summer 2023

Indiana University, School of Nursing

Undergraduate Courses

Honors-Research Internship (H370), Instructor, Spring 2014

Nursing Research (H365), Faculty Record, Spring 2014

Nursing Research (H365), Faculty Record, Fall 2013

Nursing Research (H365), Faculty Record, Spring 2013

Nursing Research (H365), Faculty Record, Fall 2012

Nursing Research (H365), Faculty Record, Spring 2012

Nursing Research (H365), Instructor, Fall 2011

Graduate Courses

Independent Study (J692), Faculty Record, Spring 2022

Directed Research Practicum (D752), Faculty Record, Spring 2022

Quantitative Research Design and Methods (R603), Faculty Record, Spring 2022

Advanced Clinical Practice Family PMHNP I Across the Lifespan (P677),
Faculty Record, Summer 2020

Quantitative Research Design and Methods (R603), Faculty Record, Spring 2020

Advanced Clinical Practice Family PMHNP II Across the Lifespan (J692 PMHII),
Faculty Record, Fall 2019

Advanced Clinical Practice Family PMHNP I Across the Lifespan (J692 PMHI),
Faculty Record, Summer 2019

Advanced Clinical Practice Family PMHNP I Across the Lifespan (J692 PMHI),
Faculty Record, Summer 2018

Psychiatric Mental-Health Nursing with Families (P651), Faculty Record, Spring 2018

Assessment in Advanced Psychiatric Nursing (P515), Faculty Record, Fall 2017

Responsible Conduct of Research (D602), Faculty Record, Summer 2017

Advanced Psychiatric Mental-Health Across the Lifespan (P558), Faculty Record, Spring 2017

Psychiatric Mental-Health Nursing with Families (P651), Faculty Record, Spring 2017

Psychiatric Mental-Health Nursing with Families (P651), Faculty Record, Spring 2016

Psychiatric Mental-Health Nursing with Families (P651), Faculty Record, Spring 2015

Psychiatric Mental-Health Nursing with Families (P651), Faculty Record, Spring 2014

Assessment in Advanced Psychiatric Nursing (P558), Faculty Record, Spring 2014

Psychiatric Mental-Health Nursing with Families (P515), Faculty Record, Fall 2013

Assessment in Advanced Psychiatric Nursing (P651), Faculty Record, Spring 2013

Psychiatric Nursing-Nursing with Families (P515), Faculty Record, Fall 2012

Assessment in Advanced Psychiatric Nursing (P651), Faculty Record, Spring 2012

Assessment in Advanced Psychiatric Nursing (P651), Faculty Record, Spring 2011

ADVISING AND MENTORING

University of South Florida, College of Nursing

Post doctoral fellows

2026-2027, Bhamani Shireen, PhD, Msc, BScN, Intervention Development and Evaluation for Violence and Resilience in Women Across Low-Resourced Settings

Graduate

2025-2026, Heather Underwood, Improving Outcomes for Criminal Justice Involved Youths, USF

2024–2025, Amir Mohammed, App-Based Mindfulness Intervention for Anxiety, College of Nursing, USF

2024-2025, Kenneth Clark, Nutrition Psychiatry & Microbiomes, College of Nursing, USF

2022-2026, Angelina St Fleur, The Unanswered Questions of Hypertensive Disorders of Pregnancy, Committee Member, College of Nursing, USF

2022-2025, Olajumoke Ojeleye, Adolescent Perinatal Mental Health, Chair, College of Nursing, USF

Indiana University, School of Nursing

Graduate

2020-2024, J'Andra Antisdell, Cyber Victimization in Adolescents, Chair, College of Nursing, IU

2021-2023, Andrea Tanner, Family and self-management of psychogenic seizures in adolescents, Primary Mentor, Indiana University

2021-2022, Sherita House, Military and civilian healthcare professionals' experiences of relational coordination, job satisfaction, and intent to stay in a military treatment facility, Member, Committee, Indiana University

2019-2022, Mark Flener, Unfolding of Gender Identity in Gender Non-Confirming Prepubescent Children, Chair, College of Nursing, IU

2019-2022, Alyson Keen, Patient Activation in Adults with Substance Use Disorders, Committee Member, College of Nursing, IU

2019-2022, Lisa Geisler, Nursing Students' Preceptorship in Kenya, Committee Member, College of Nursing, IU

2016-2018, Isaac Omenka & Richard M. Fairbanks, Understanding the Health Care Needs of Nigerian Immigrants in the United States: A Sequential Exploratory Study, Committee Member, College of Public Health, IU

2015-2018, Carlos Janela, Health Related Quality of Life in Schizophrenia, Committee Member, College of Nursing, IU

2015-2018, Allison McCord, The Unfolding of Depressive Symptoms, Disease Self-Management, and Treatment Utilization for Latina Adolescents, Committee Member, College of Nursing, IU

2014-2015, Brienna Davis, Stop, Breathe, Respond: A support Program for Families of Children with Disruptive Behavior Disorders, Primary Advisor, College of Public Health, IU

2014-2015, Andrea Overman, Stop, Breathe, Respond: A support Program for Families of Children with Disruptive Behavior Disorders, Primary Advisor, College of Public Health, IU

2012-2016, Halima Al-Khattab, The Processes of Disease Management in African American Adolescents with Depression, Committee Member, College of Nursing, IU

2012-2016, Elizabeth Richardson, Impact of Illness on Siblings of Adolescents with Disruptive Behavior Disorders, Faculty Mentor, College of Public Health, IU

2012-2016, Katy McDonald Parker, Impact of Illness on Siblings of Adolescents with Disruptive Behavior Disorders, Faculty Mentor, College of Nursing, IU

TEACHING ADMINISTRATION

2013-2014 Program Coordinator, Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Indiana University

CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT

Advanced Training in Symptom Science and Self-Management Interventions, T32 Core Faculty, 2019-2022; Served as a mentor for IUSON pre-doctoral and postdoctoral fellows whose research is focused on a topic that matches my area of expertise. Attended two (2) Advisory Board meetings each year, in May and December, to provide feedback to the T32 trainees on their progress and to the directors to improve the program.

PhD Program Curriculum, Chair-elect & Chair, 2019-2020; As PhD Chair-Elect (AY 2018-2019), Chair (AY 2019-2020), and faculty, I am co-led faculty review of all courses including content, sequence, and overall structure of program continuum. Findings informed revisions as needed.

Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Program Track, 2017-2018; Revising the entire program curriculum to accommodate the burgeoning number of students, meet and maintain rigorous clinical placements. As a leader in the program, I provide historical context, course descriptions, and recommend revisions to course sequencing, alignments, and content to meet students' learning outcomes and readiness for workplace.

P651 Psychiatric Mental-Health Nursing with Families, 2016; Developed a module on Health/Mental Health Disparities complete with mini lectures, reading assignments, review, and critique of bills. The module and teaching strategies aims to reflect current trends in inter-professional approach to addressing mental health needs of all Americans. Highlights the clinician's appreciation of power to influence mental health outcomes through advocacy and policy activities in addition to direct patient care.

J692 Advanced Clinical Management PsychNP Role, 2012; Developed child and adolescent curriculum content on common mental disorder in children; Targeted for advanced practice registered nurses transitioning from Clinical Nurse Specialist to Nurse Practitioner roles.

Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Life Span Program, 2011; Transition of program from CNS to NP program, Prepared supporting document that described how the curriculum content and structure met lifespan training requirements. Facilitated program approval from accrediting agency.

Student Awards

University of South Florida, College of Nursing

2025	Olajumoke Ojeleye, International Society of Psychiatric Mental Health Nurses (ISPN) 1 st Place Research Poster Award
2024	Olajumoke, Ojeleye, American Psychiatric Nurses Association Research Award
2024	Olajumoke Ojeleye, International Society of Psychiatric Mental Health Nurses (ISPN) Foundation Mental Health Research Award
2024	Olajumoke Ojeleye, USF Health Research Day USF Health Dean's Interprofessional

	Research Award
2023	ISPN Foundation Student Conference Scholarship Award
2023	Women's Health Research Cluster Travel Award
2023	Olajumoke Ojeleye, USF Research Day Best Poster Award, Nursing
2023	Andrea Tanner, MNRS Early Career Award for the Adolescent Health Research Interest Group

Indiana University, School of Nursing

2022-2024	J'Andra Antisdell, Fellow, SAMHSA Minority Fellowship Program
2022	J'Andra Antisdell, Lee Dennison Fuller Dissertation Award
2021	Mark Flener, Lee Dennison Fuller Dissertation Award
2021	Mark Flener, Rising Star in Research and Scholarship, Indiana University, College of Nursing
2021	Mark Flener, Ruth M Deter Scholarship, Indiana University, College of Nursing
2021	Alyson Keen, Sherry Queener Graduate Student Excellence Award, Indiana University, College of Public Health
2020	Mark Flener, Rising Star in Research and Scholarship, Indiana University, College of Nursing
2019	Mark Flener, Midwest Nursing Research Society Student Poster, Indiana University, College of Nursing, Representative
2018	Jenny Bailey, Task Core Scholarship, Indiana University Health, Methodist Hospital
2016	Bubbala Madubansi, Cox Scholarship, Indiana University, College of Public Health
2016	Elizabeth Richardson, Lavern V. Sutton Award
2016	Oladele Oyedele, Michelle White Research Award, Indiana University, College of Public Health
2012-2014	Halima Al-Khattab, Spotlight on Nursing Graduate Scholarship
2012	Joy Lynn Sullivan, Veterans Affairs Learning Opportunity Residency Program (VALOR)

Media

(2025, September 17) When Science Meets Real-world Barriers: Lessons from the Frontlines of Mental Health <https://www.scipod.global/professor-ukamaka-oruche-when-science-meets-real-world-barriers-lessons-from-the-frontlines-of-mental-health/>

(2023, October 5) The Institute for Nursing Leadership Opening Session, Courageous Careers: Action through Boldness and Humility.
[HPC 2023 Day 1 - INL Courageous Careers: Ukamaka Oruche \(youtube.com\)](#)

(2023, March 30) Sigma Nursing Announces 2023 International Nurse Researcher Hall of Fame Inductees (including Dr. Oruche).
[Sigma Nursing Announces 2023 International Nurse Researcher Hall of Fame Inductees](#)

(2023, March 30) ISPN Let's Talk Mental Health Nursing. Interviews with diverse, seasoned and novice, mental health/psychiatric nurses will highlight the various roles/settings/and opportunities within mental health nursing, possible educational and career paths, and the unique challenges and invaluable rewards of a life in mental health/psychiatric nursing
<https://elfi.sh/LetsTalkMHNursing>

(2022, May 9) Oruche shares vision to strengthen mental health partnerships locally and globally.
<https://blogs.iu.edu/nursing/>

(2021, September 15) IBJ Health Care Heroes profile
<https://www.ibj.com/articles/2021-health-care-heroes-taking-mental-health-services-directly-to-children>

(2021, July 1) Health in prisons Sick: A new podcast by WFYI (Public Radio)
<https://sickpodcast.org/about>

(2021, May 13) Mental health awareness month On Radio One, Community Connections with Tina Cosby
<https://praiseindy.com/2352639/dr-ukamaka-oruche-joins-us-to-speak-on-the-importance-of-mental-health/>

(2021, April 7) What Can I Do? A Conversation on Health Inequities.
<https://youtu.be/22fvhpiKgx8>

(2021, March 6) Managing Children's Mental Health: A Pediatric Hospital Imperative
Here's a summary from March 4, 2021, of your US News & World Report webinar
<https://www.usnews.com/news/health-news/articles/2021-03-04/childrens-mental-health-crisis-could-be-a-next-wave-in-the-pandemic>

(2021, February 17) Article announcing Dr. Oruche participation in your U.S. News to Host Virtual 'Pediatric Priorities' Event Series Spotlighting Children's Hospital Responses to COVID-19, Health Equity, Mental Health
[Webinar: Managing Children's Mental Health: A Pediatric Hospital Imperative | U.S. News Live | US News](#)
<https://www.usnews.com/info/blogs/press-room/articles/2021-02-17/us-news-to-host-virtual-pediatric-priorities-event-series-spotlighting-childrens-hospital-responses-to-covid-19-health-equity-mental-health>

(2021, February 5) Leadership corner: COVID courage awardees. Nursing Outlook, 69, 243-245.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.outlook.2021.01.008>

(2020, November 25) Straying from holiday traditions can be fun, restorative, IU experts say
https://www.hoosiertimes.com/herald_times_online/news/covid19/straying-from-holiday-traditions-can-be-fun-restorative-iu-experts-say/article_cf9cd248-2db3-11eb-b336-4b304b6164fd.html

(2020, November 19) How Hoosiers are adjusting Thanksgiving for pandemic – and what experts say is safe
<https://www.indystar.com/story/news/local/2020/11/19/thanksgiving-safe-what-experts-say-holiday-amid-pandemic/3765680001/>

(2020, October 30) Ensuring kids with behavioral issues are not left behind in the pandemic
<https://health.usnews.com/hospital-heroes/articles/ensuring-kids-with-behavioral-issues-arent-left-behind-in-the-pandemic>

(2020, October 30) American Academy of Nursing COVID-19 Courage Awards
<https://www.aannet.org/covid19-courage-awards>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9xXTeqlroWo&t=195s>

(2020, September 10) Radio One Suicide Prevention Awareness Initiative Stop the Music-2.0
https://urbanone-my.sharepoint.com/:u:/g/personal/ewells_radio-one_com/ERtaF1mr7FdAkp5FIFy32XoBn1ChHbTi18Vu_pylu5_13A

(2020, June 29) How racism in US health system hinders care and costs lives of African Americans
<https://theconversation.com/how-racism-in-us-health-system-hinders-care-and-costs-lives-of-african-americans-139425>

(2020, May 27) Governor Holcomb Press Conference. Advise for caregiving and parenting children and mental health needs in era of COVID 19 pandemic and as we move into summer
<https://youtu.be/ld1M0JKPRh4>

(2020, May 27) WISH TV News Report Children face more trauma during coronavirus pandemic, Indiana leaders note
<https://www.wishtv.com/news/indiana-news/children-face-more-trauma-during-coronavirus-pandemic-indiana-leaders-note/>

(2020, May 27) Fox 59 article on your appearance in Gov. Holcomb's press briefing
<https://fox59.com/news/coronavirus/gov-holcomb-state-leaders-to-give-update-on-coronavirus-response/>

(2020, April 27) Interview RadioNow100.9 Impact of COVID19 on mental health and substance use
<https://praiseindy.com/2352639/dr-ukamaka-oruche-joins-us-to-speak-on-the-importance-of-mental-health/>

(2020, April 21) Be Well Indiana video Parenting children with behavioral challenges
[Be Well Indiana: Parenting Children With Behavioral Challenges https://youtu.be/mJBDH-tYSS8](https://youtu.be/mJBDH-tYSS8)

(2020, April 18) Interview Indiana State Nurses Association focused on mental health of nurses during COVID 19 Pandemic.
<https://www.facebook.com/IndianaNursesHQ/videos/848764935601701/?vh=e&d=n>
<https://www.indiananurses.org/>

(2020, March 30) Interview Indiana University Research Impact
<https://research.impact.iu.edu/coronavirus/ukamaka-oruche.html>

(2019, October 18) Interview Hope Academy Recovery High School. Radio One the Light 1310 AM with Tina Cosby Community Connection

(2019, September 10) Interview Suicide Prevention and Mental Awareness Day. Radio One the Light 1310 AM
<https://praiseindy.com/2186774/community-connection-tuesday-september-10/>

(2018, August 18) Indiana University School of Nursing. For the Love of Country: Providence Care Nigeria [Publication describing Dr. Oruche health service project in Nigeria]. The Pulse of Indiana Nursing, E-Volume 4. Retrieved from
https://nursing.iupui.edu/newsevents/newsletter/August_2018.shtml

(2017, July 18) Episode #1: IU School of Nursing Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioners
<http://nursing.iupui.edu/news-events/podcast/index.shtml>

(2016, March 1) IU School of Nursing. Meet Dr. Ukamaka Oruche: Learn how Dr. Oruche became interested in mental health of families of adolescents with disruptive behavior disorders [Video]. Retrieved from: <http://nursing.iupui.edu/research/oruche%20video.shtml>

(2014, November 14) TEDxIndianapolis. Next generation: The key to sustainable healthcare? [Video]. Retrieved from: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ek5JEcuP7I4&index=2&list=PLsRNoUx8w3rOYQoUM>

(2014, September 14) TEDxIndianapolis. The Visionaries Next Door [Newspaper article]. Retrieved from: <http://www.tedxindianapolis.com/2014/09/18/tedxindianapolis-2014-visionaries-next-door/>

(2013, May 13) Review article on Barriers and facilitators to treatment participation by adolescents in a community mental health clinic featured on MDLinx.com

RESEARCH GRANTS

Pending Grants (Submitted June 30, 2026)

Agency: NIH/NIGMS
I.D.# R25
Title: EMPOWER-DATA: Enhancing the Biomedical Workforce Through Training in Large Scale Data Utilization
Role: Principal Investigator
Percent effort: 30%
Total award: \$2,500,000
Project period: 7/2027 – 6/2031

Completed

Extramural Funding

Agency: National Institute of Minority Health and Health
I.D.# R21MD015150
Title: Modification And Evaluation of The DECIDE Intervention to Improve Parent-Provider Interactions in Low-Income Parents of Adolescents with Disruptive Impulse Control, and Conduct Disorders
Role: Principal Investigator
Percent effort: 20%
Total award: \$433,125
Project period: 4/2020 - 12/2022

Agency: Indiana Statewide Addiction Grand Challenge
Title: Workforce and Capacity Assessment for People Referred to Treatment Post Hospital Discharge
Role: Co-Investigator
Percent effort: 20%
Total award: \$500,000
Project period: 2018 - 12/2019

Agency: National Institute of Allergy & Infectious Disease
I.D.# 1R56AI108775-01 (Fortenberry; PI)
Title: Ethics and Perceptions of Stigma in African American Adolescents and Sexual Health
Role: Consultant
Percent effort: 20%
Total award: \$499,036
Project period: 2015– 2016

Agency:	National Institute of Health (Institutional CTSI)
I.D.#:	KL2TR001006 and UL1TR001108
Title:	Developing the Family Management Efficacy (FAME) Intervention for African American Families of Adolescents with Disruptive Behavior Disorders
Role:	Principal Investigator
Percent effort:	75%
Total award:	\$199,728
Project period:	2014 – 2016
Agency:	NIH/NINR (Gerkenmeyer; PI)
I.D.#	R21NR010593
Title:	Problem Solving Interventions for Primary Caregivers of Children with Mental Health Problems
Role:	Pre-Doctoral Fellow
Percent effort:	0%
Total award:	\$415,694
Project period:	2009 – 2012
Agency:	NIH/NINR Ruth L Kirschstein Research Service Award for Individual Pre-Doctoral Fellows in Nursing
I.D.#	F31NR011378
Title:	Predictors of Treatment Response in Adolescents with Serious Emotional Disturbances
Role:	Fellow Salary Stipend
Percent effort:	0%
Total award:	\$67,000
Project period:	2010 – 2011
Agency:	Midtown Community Mental Health Center (Aalsma, PI)
Title:	Identifying Barriers to Caring for Youth in a Mental Health Program: A Qualitative Study
Role:	Co-Investigator
Percent effort:	0%
Total award:	\$35,000
Project period:	2009 – 2011
Agency:	NINR, Institutional National Research Service Award
I.D.#:	T32NR07066 (Austin/Rawl, PI)
Role:	Pre-Doctoral Fellow
Percent effort:	0%
Total award:	\$89,679
Project period:	2007 – 2010
Agency:	Epilepsy Foundation Fellowship Award
Title:	Racial Differences in Adaptation to New Onset Seizures
Role:	Principal Investigator
Percent effort:	0%
Total award:	\$2,000
Project period:	1998

Intramural Funding

Agency: Indiana University
I.D.#: N/A
Title: SBIRT Adaptation for School Nurse use to Address Student Mental Health
Role: Co-Investigator
Percent effort: 0%
Total award: \$50,000
Project period: 7/2024 – 6/2025

Agency: Sigma Theta Tau International Honors Society of Nursing, Alpha Chapter
Title: Managing Adolescent Seizures Survey (MASS)
Role: Co-Investigator
Percent effort: 0%
Total award: \$5,000
Project period: 5/2022 - 4/2023

Agency: Indiana University Office of International Affairs
I.D.#: N/A
Title: Community Engaged Assessment of Mental Health Services and Research Infrastructure to Improve Access to Care for Adults with MH GAP Disorders in Nigeria
Role: Principal Investigator
Percent effort: 0%
Total award: \$25,000
Project period: 1/2022 – 12/2024

Agency: Indiana University Health Values Award
Title: SBIRT Dissemination: A Phased Cluster Approach Across Five Regions in Indiana University Health System
Role: Co-Investigator
Percent effort: 12.5%
Total award: \$300,000
Project period: 9/2020 - 12/2022

Agency: N/A
Title: Challenges with Mental Health, Advocacy, and Health Care System During the COVID-19 Pandemic: The Experiences of “Minority” Frontline Health Care Workers.
Role: Co-Investigator
Percent effort: 0%
Total award: Non-funded
Project period: 9/2022 - 12/2022

Agency: IUPUI Office of International Affairs
Title: Engaging IUSON Undergraduate Students to Increase Parental Education on Nutrition to Sustain Good Health and Well-being of Children in a Providence Care Clinic in Nigeria
Role: Principal Investigator
Percent effort: 0%
Total award: \$1,500
Project period: 1/2022 - 12/2022

Agency:	Sigma Theta Tau International Honors Society of Nursing, Alpha Chapter
Title:	Substance Abuse Disorder Competency Education in Indiana Schools of Nursing: Assessing Core Nurse Competencies for Managing Persons with Substance Abuse Disorder
Role:	Principal Investigator
Percent effort:	0%
Total award:	\$5,000
Project period:	2/2019 – 10/2022
Agency:	Rose M. Mays Excellence in Teaching Diversity Fund
Title:	Educational Quality-improvement in APRN Learning: Reducing Health Inequities For ALL Program (EQUAL-ALL Program)
Role:	Principal Investigator
Percent effort:	20%
Total award:	\$30,000
Project period:	06/2020 – 12/2022
Agency:	Rose M. Mays Excellence in Teaching Diversity Fund
Title:	Integrating the Cultural Health Capital Module Throughout the Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Program to Promote Students' Abilities to Reduce Health and Healthcare Disparities
Role:	Principal Investigator
Percent effort:	20%
Total award:	\$15,000
Project period:	06/2018 – 05/2020
Agency:	Population Sciences Project Development Team
Title:	Developing Video Series for Use in the Parent Voices (PAVE) Intervention to Improve Interactions with Professionals Across Child-Serving Systems
Role:	Principal Investigator
Percent effort:	0%
Total award:	\$20,000
Project period:	2018 – 2020
Agency:	Indiana University Center for Enhancing Quality of Life Grant
Title:	Refining A Brief Intervention to Improve Parent-Provider Interaction Across Child Mental Health Systems of Care
Role:	Principal Investigator
Percent effort:	0%
Total award:	\$4,500
Project period:	2017 – 2018
Agency:	Office of Vice Chancellor for Research, IU Release Time for Research Award
Title:	Family Management Efficacy (FAME) Intervention: Proposal Development for Larger Clinical Trial
Role:	Principal Investigator
Percent effort:	20%
Total award:	\$10,000
Project period:	2016 – 2017

Agency:	Indiana University Center for Enhancing Quality of Life
Title:	Pilot Testing the Family Management Efficacy (FAME) Intervention for Family Members of Adolescents with Disruptive Behavior Disorders
Role:	Principal Investigator
Percent effort:	0%
Total award:	\$40,534
Project period:	2015 – 2016
Agency:	Indiana University Center for Enhancing Quality of Life Grant
Title:	Experiences and Needs of Family Members of Adolescents with Disruptive Behavior Disorders
Role:	Principal Investigator
Percent effort:	0%
Total award:	\$20,000
Project period:	2012 – 2013
Agency:	IUPUI Office of Vice Chancellor for Research
Title:	Enhancing Mentorship Program with Opportunities for Ways to Excel in Research
Role:	Scholar
Percent effort:	0%
Total award:	\$5,000
Project period:	2012
Agency:	Indiana University School of Nursing Research Incentive Fellowship
Title:	The Association between Levels of Caregiver Depression and Child Behavioral Functioning
Role:	Principal Investigator
Percent effort:	0%
Total award:	\$10,000
Project period:	2010 – 2011
Agency:	Indiana University School of Nursing, Research Incentive Fellowship Award
Title:	The Lived Experiences of Caregivers of Children with Mental Health Problems
Role:	Principal Investigator
Percent effort:	0%
Total award:	\$10,000
Project period:	2009 – 2010
Agency:	Indiana University School of Nursing Research Incentive Fellowship Award
Title:	Problem Solving Interventions for Caregivers of Children and Adolescents w/ Mental Health Problems
Role:	Co-Investigator
Percent effort:	0%
Total award:	\$10,000
Project period:	2008 – 2009
Agency:	Indiana University School of Nursing Research Incentive Fellowship Award
Title:	Problem Solving Interventions for Caregivers of Children and Adolescents w/ Mental Health Problems
Role:	Co-Investigator
Percent effort:	0%
Total award:	\$10,000

Project period: 2008 – 2009

Agency: Indiana University School of Nursing, Research Incentive Fellowship Award
Title: Factors Associated with Clinical Outcomes in Research in Children and Adolescents with Mental Health Problems After Discharge from Community-Based Treatment

Role: Principal Investigator

Percent effort: 0%

Total award: \$10,000

Project period: 2007 – 2008

Agency: Summer Research Opportunity Fellowship

Title: Concerns of Children Who Have Seizures

Role: Principal Investigator (Mentor: Austin, J.)

Percent effort: 0%

Total award: \$3,000

Project period: 1993

Submitted Grants (not funded)

Extramural Funding

Agency: Florida Behavioral Health Workforce

Title: From Burnout to Empowerment: Peer-led Behavioral Health Support for Florida Emergency Medical Services (EMS)

Role: Principal Investigator

Percent effort: 20%

Total award: \$300,000

Project period: 04/2026 - 03/2028

Agency: Wellcome Fund

Title: Leading with Youth to Advance Mental Health Well-being in South-Eastern Nigeria

Role: Principal Investigator

Percent effort: 20%

Total award: \$250,000

Project period: 04/2026 - 03/2027

Agency: Florida Blue Foundation

Title: From Surviving to Thriving: Equipping Pregnant and Postpartum Mothers with Mental Health Skills

Role: Principal Investigator

Percent effort: 20%

Total award: \$400,000

Project period: 04/2026 - 03/2030

Agency: National Institute of Nursing Research

Title: UNITE-SDOH: Uniting Nurse Scientists in Interdisciplinary Training and Education in Social Determinants of Health

Role: Principal Investigator

Percent effort: 15%

Total award: \$750,000

Project period: 04/2025 - 03/2028

Service (Selected)

College

University of South Florida

2023-8/2026	Appointed Chair, Search and Screen Committee (Tenure Track)
2023-5/2026	Member, Executive Council
2024- 2025	Academic Operations Committee
2023-2024	Appointed Member, Strategic Planning
2022	Appointed Member, Distinguished Professor Review Committee
2022	Member, PhD CSA Committee

University

University of South Florida

2026 –	Member, USF/TGH Steering Committee: TGH Nursing Research Fellowship
2026-	Member, MCOM Faculty Development Steering Committee
2025-5/2026	Co-Chair, Associate Deans of Research
2023-5/2026	Member, Associate Deans of Research (ADRs)
2023-9/2025	Member, Graduate Program Directors

Indiana University

2022	Invited Expert, Indiana Clinical and Translational Institute (ICTSI) Scientific Panelist
2021-2022	Elected Member, APT Committee
2021-2022	Chair, Search and Screen IUPUI
2020-2022	Appointed Member, IUPUI Office of International Affairs Curriculum Internationalization Committee
2020-2022	Appointed Member, Inaugural Public and Engaged Review Committee (PERSC)
2020-2021	Invited Member, Our Commitment to You
2019-2022	Appointed Member, Study Abroad Advisory Committee
2019-2022	Appointed Member, International Representative
2019-2021	Elected Member, Primary Committee
2019-2024	Appointed Member, NIH T32 Advisory Board
2019-2020	Appointed Member, Fort Wayne
2019-2022	Appointed Member, Post-Doctoral Fellowship
2019-2021	Elected Member, APT Committee
2019-2020	Appointed Member, Diversity Council
2019-2020	Chair, PHD Curriculum/Student Affairs
2019	Research Workshop Planning Committee, Member
2018-2019	Chair-elect, PHD Curriculum/Student Affairs
2018	APT, Interim Member
2018	Search & Screen Appointed Member
2018	Grant Reviewer, Indiana University Health Values Fund
2017-2020	Appointed Member, Search and Screen IUPUI
2017-2018	Invited Member, Bowen Center for Health Workforce Research and Policy State Mental Health Workforce, Nursing Advisory Council

2017-2018	Faculty Awards Committee, Chair
2016-2017	Faculty Awards Committee, Chair-elect
2015-2016	Strategic Planning Leadership, Appointed Member
2014-2020	Elected Member, Faculty Council Student Affairs Committee
2014	Workshop Planning Committee, Member
2013-2022	Faculty Mentor, Indiana University Diversity Scholars Program
2013-2018	Member, Global Affairs Committee
2013-2014	Planning Committee MSN Orientation, Member
2013	Workshop Planning Committee, Member
2012-2022	Abstract and Grant Reviewer for EQL
2011-2013	BSN APG, Elected Member
2011-2013	PhD Minority Faculty Liaison, Career Connects
2008-2022	Invited Member, Eskenazi Health Midtown Mental Health Clinical Outcomes Research Oversight

**Professional
Regional**

2026- 2018-2020	Board of Directors, Victory Recovery Schools Gubernatorial Appointee (Gov. Eric Holcomb) Indiana Protection and Advocacy Services Commission Indiana State
2017-2020	Member, Opioid Legislative Group Academic-Practice Collaboration
2016-2020	Elected Member, Archdiocese of Indianapolis Catholic School Commission
2016-2017	Appointed Member (Gov. Mike Pence) State Mental Health Governor Health Council Workforce Council Behavioral Health Taskforce. Indiana State
2015-2021	Elected Member, Fairbanks Hope Academy Recovery High School Board of Directors
2014-2018	Secretary, Bishop Chatard High School, Board of Regents
2013-2019	Elected Member, Bishop Chatard High School, Board of Regents
2013-2015	Member, Indiana Action Coalition Inter-Professional Education Action Committee

National

2025 -2027	Elected Member, Nominating Committee, American Academy of Nursing
2022-2026	Appointed Member, Interdisciplinary Clinical Care in Specialty Care Settings Study Section (ICSC), Healthcare Delivery and Methodologies Integrated Review Group (HDM)
2021-2025	Appointed Member, American Academy of Nursing Edge Runners National Advisory Council
2021	Invited Reviewer, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, NIH
2021	Invited Reviewer, National Institute of Health (NIH) Center for Scientific Review
2020	Appointed Member, 100 Champions for Telehealth, Centerstone of America
2019-2020	Chair, American Academy of Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health & Substance Use Expert Panel

2018-2021	Elected Member, HHS, CMS Medicare Evidence Development & Coverage Advisory Board (MEDCAC)
2018-2019	Co-Chair, American Academy of Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health & Substance Use Expert Panel
2017-Present	Member, American Academy of Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health & Substance Use Expert Panel (reorganized as thought leaders since 10/2025)
2013	Invited Key Informant, Evidence-Based Center, Vanderbilt University Agency of Healthcare Research and Quality (ARHQ) Effective Health Care (EHC) Program-Disruptive Behaviors Disorders Topic Refinement
2012	Member, Content Expert Registry Content Expert Panelist-Mental Health Nursing Standard Setting Study, American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC)
2011	Field Test Participant, Mental Health Certification Exam, American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC)
2011	Invited Speaker, Student Nurse Forum, National Black Nurses Association

International

2025-2026	Member, Fellow Selection Committee, International Society of Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing (ISPN)
2023-2024	Past President, International Society of Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing
2022-2023	President, International Society of Psychiatric Nursing
2021-2022	President-Elect, International Society of Psychiatric Nursing
2021-2022	Expert Reviewer, National Institute for Health Research Global Health Research Programme. United Kingdom
2020- Present	Founder & President, Board of Directors, The Village Community Health Initiative (CHI), Inc. 501c3 Charity Organization https://www.villagechi.org/ Flagship program is Providence CHI
2019-2022	Member, AMPATH Mental Health Work Group Kenya https://www.ampathkenya.org/
2019-2022	Member, AMPATH Nursing Consortium
2018- Present	Member, Journal of Psychosocial Nursing & Mental Health Services, Editorial Board
2018-2019	Guest Editor, Archives of Psychiatric Nursing Special Issue on Opioid Epidemic
2017-2024	Member, Board of Directors, International Society of Psychiatric Nursing
2015-2017	Chair, Awards Committee, International Society of Psychiatric Nursing
2010- Present	Abstract Reviewer, Grant Reviewer, Sigma Theta Tau International
2004- Present	Founder & CEO, Providence Community Health Care Initiative (CHI) Non-governmental Organization. Nigeria http://www.providencechi.com/

Patient Care & Clinical

2026-	Volunteer, TGH-USF Care Clinic
2014- Present	Founder & CEO, Providence Care Community Health

2020- Present	Initiative Non-Governmental Organization Amichi, Nnewi Local Government Area Anambra State, Nigeria Founder President & Board of Directors, Village CHI Inc. (501c3) (https://www.villagechi.org/)
2004-2014	Director, Mercy Missions, Amichi Timmy Global Health

Professional Organizations

2023-Present	Florida Nurses Association
2023-Present	Society of Behavioral Medicine
2023-Present	Southern Nursing Research Society
2017-Present	American Academy of Nursing
2016-Present	American Nurses Association
2016-2022	Indiana State Nurses Association
2015-2020	American Public Health Association
2012-2019	International Family Nursing Association
2010-Present	American Psychiatric Nursing Association
2009-Present	International Society of Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing,
2008-2023	Midwest Nursing Research Society, Mount Laurel, NJ
1995-Present	Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing,

Professional Development

2024	Microbiome Research Institute Town Hall University of South Florida
2023	CIMER Entering Mentoring Training – Optimizing Mentoring Relationships University of South Florida
2022	Community-Based Global Learning The Community-Based Global Learning Collaborative Institute (https://www.cbglcollab.org/blog)
2021	Identity and Voice Higher Education Resources Services (HERS) Leadership Institute
2021	Inclusive Leadership HERS Leadership Institute
2021	Legal Issues HERS Leadership Institute
2021	Systemic and Structural Changes HERS Leadership Institute
2021	Creative Collaboration and Culture HERS Leadership Institute
2021	Budget and Finance HERS Leadership Institute

2020	Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders in Era of COVID-19: With a Special Focus on the Impact of the Pandemic on Communities of Color: Part 3 National Academy of Medicine
2020	Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders in Era of COVID-19: With a Special Focus on the Impact of the Pandemic on Communities of Color: Part 2 National Academy of Medicine
2020	Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders in Era of COVID-19: With a Special Focus on the Impact of the Pandemic on Communities of Color: Part 1 National Academy of Medicine
2020	Bridging a Gap in Universal Health Coverage for the Poorest Billion: Launch of the NCDI Poverty Network Lancet Non- Communicable Diseases & Injuries (NCDI) Poverty Commission
2020	Global Competency The International Center
2020	Government as a Global Partner The International Center
2020	Global Good The International Center
2020	Global Business The International Center
2020	Global Leadership The International Center
2020	WHO State of the World's Nursing and Midwifery Report – Strengthening Nursing Education, Employment and Leadership Consortium of Universities for Global Health
2020 2020	Leading Through Change: Injustice and Race. Webinar Salesforce The One Health Opportunity- A Powerful Mechanism to Improve Global Health Outcomes Consortium of Universities for Global Health
2020	Tackling the COVID-19 Pandemic: Experiences from Asia. Webinar Consortium of Universities for Global Health
2020	Productive Conflict: Leadership in Negotiation and Conflict Resolution IUPUI Next Generation 2.0
2020	Navigating Organizational Structure and Culture

IUPUI Next Generation 2.0

2020	Managing and Strategizing Change IUPUI Next Generation 2.0
2020	What is Your Value Statement? Telling Your Story IUPUI Next Generation 2.0
2019	Optimizing and Operationalizing the Benefits of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in a Leadership Position IUPUI Next Generation 2.0 Leadership Program
2019	Principles for Positive Engagement and Maximal Experience IUPUI Next Generation 2.0 Leadership Program
2019	Diversity: Understanding and Engaging Multiple Stakeholders IUPUI Next Generation 2.0 Leadership Program
2019	“To Thyself Be True”: Self-Assessing Change Styles and Skill Sets for Leadership IUPUI Next Generation 2.0 Leadership Program
2019	Finances Matter: Financial Management in Higher Education IUPUI Next Generation 2.0 Leadership Program
2019	Addressing Health Equity in Research Challenges and Opportunities Indiana University School of Nursing CEQL and Champion Center
2018	Designing and Testing Intervention Studies to Improve Health Outcomes Part II Indiana University Purdue University. Indianapolis, Indiana
2018	Take Your Online Teaching to the Next Level Indiana University Purdue University. Indianapolis, Indiana
2018	Addictions Grand Challenge Scoping Sessions-Responding to the Addictions Crisis Indiana University Purdue University. Indianapolis, Indiana
2017	Designing and Testing Intervention Studies to Improve Health Outcomes Center for Enhancing Quality of Life Indiana University School of Nursing
2016	Cultivating Health Populations: Inspiring a Collective Vision Indiana University School of Nursing Indianapolis, IN Distinguished Lectureship Conference
2016	Writing A Teaching Statement Indiana University – Purdue University. Indianapolis, IN
2016	Conducting High Impact Research Through Collaboration Center for Enhancing Quality of Life. Indiana University School of

Nursing

2015	Willian Plater Institute on the Future Teaching and Learning – Teaching & Learning Unscripted Indiana University – Purdue University. Indianapolis, IN
2015	Teaching in Canvas Indiana University School of Nursing
2015	Scientific Writing from the Readers Perspective Scientific Writing from the Readers Perspective Eskenazi Health, Midtown CMHC, Indianapolis, IN
2015	DSM V- Brief Overview Indiana University School of Nursing
2015	NP Program Clinical & Diagnostic Reasoning – Teaching Strategies Indiana University
2015	Faculty Development in Simulation: Assessment, Research, & Sustainability The Simulation Center at Fairbanks Hall. Indianapolis, IN
2015	NIH Mock Study Section Association of Clinical and Translational Science Conference. Washington, DC
2015	Writing an R Grant Association of Clinical and Translational Science Conference. Washington, DC
2015	Youth Justice, Youth of Color and Health Policy Implications US Department of Health & Human Services-National Partnership to End Health Disparities/Webinar
2014	Biostatistics for Healthcare Researchers: A Short Course Indiana University School of Medicine. Indianapolis, IN
2014	Grant Writing Workshop Center for Enhancing Quality of Life, IU School of Nursing. Indianapolis, IN
2014	Conceptual & Methodological Challenges of Family Research International Family Nursing Association. Chapel Hill, NC
2013-2014	Leadership Development Workshop Indiana University School of Nursing. Indianapolis, IN
2013	Leading Change, Advancing Mental Health American Psychiatric Association. San Antonio, TX
2013	DSM-5: What You Need to Know

American Psychiatric Association & Indiana Psychiatric Society.
Indianapolis, IN

- 2013 Pharmacogenomics in Clinical Practice
Indiana Institute of Personalized Medicine. Indianapolis, IN
- 2013 Research Intensive Workshop: Nuts & Bolts of Designing,
Conducting,
Analyzing and Funding Intervention Studies
Ohio State University, College of Nursing. Cincinnati, OH
- 2011 Strategies for Achieving Remission of Major Depressive Disorder
Boston University School of Medicine. Boston, MA
- 2011 Turning Back the Tide: Applying Clinical Scientific Advances to the
Treatment of MDD
Indiana Psychiatric Society. Indianapolis, IN
- 2011 Indiana Psychiatric Society Symposium
Indiana Psychiatric Society. Indianapolis, IN
- 2011 Family Research: Conceptual and Methodological Issues
University of North Carolina School of Nursing

Consultantships

- 2021 Translational Research & Content Expert “The nurse’s role in
advancing mental health and well-being of children and families”
Wisconsin Children’s Hospital, Madison, WI
- 2021 Translational Research & Content Expert “Evaluator, Give an
Hour Real Girls Feel Program to evaluate program impact on
social and emotional well-being of girls in two Indianapolis Public
Schools”
Give an Hour, Indianapolis, IN
- 2020 Translational Research & Content Expert “Evaluator, Give an
Hour Real Girls Feel Program to evaluate program impact on
social and emotional well-being of girls in two Indianapolis Public
Schools”
Give an Hour, Indianapolis, IN
- 2019 Research & Content Expert, “Assessing and addressing mental
health and substance use needs among students at the University
of Lagos, Nigeria – in hopes of replicating it across the country”
University of Lagos, Lagos, Nigeria
- 2015 Content Expert, “Educational brochure - Guide to children’s
mental health family interaction with police”
Indiana Bar Association Bar Leaders,
Youth Mental Health Small Group Community Service Project
Indianapolis, IN

2015	Content Expert, "Early intervention for children with behavior problems" Eskenazi Health. Indianapolis, IN
2012	Content expert, "Psychiatric medications use in children" Special Advocates Appointed. Indianapolis, IN