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CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

2020 – 2022	Postdoctoral Fellow	Yale AIDS Prevention Training Program (Y-APT). Center for Interdisciplinary Research on AIDS (CIRA). Yale School of Public Health
2019 – 2020	Postdoctoral Fellow	The State University of New York at Albany School of Social Welfare
2019	PhD	Binghamton University Major: Community and Public Affairs Sub-specialty: Community Sustainability and Population Health
2017	MA	Binghamton University Major: Urban Planning and Applied Geography Sub-specialty: Health Geography
2013	BS	University for Development Studies Ghana Major: Planning

AWARDS/SCHOLARSHIPS

2022	Inaugural Harriet J. Kitzman Endowed Fellow in Global Health Research – School of Nursing, University of Rochester
2019	Graduate Student Excellence in Service/Outreach, Binghamton University
2017-19	Ph.D. Tuition Scholarship, College of Community & Public Affairs, Binghamton University
2016	Masters Tuition Scholarship, Geography, Binghamton University.
2015	Partial Masters Tuition Scholarship, Geography, Binghamton University
2016	1st Place Position, Student Paper Competition Race, Ethnicity, and Place. Conference Kent State University, Kent Ohio.

CERTIFICATIONS

2021	Stigma Reduction Trainer Certificate, Promoting Reduction in Intersectional Stigma in Multi-Level Settings, Yale University, University of Ghana, RTI, EARC.
2019	Online Teaching Certification, Center of Teaching and Learning, Binghamton University.
2016	Emergency Management Certification, Broome County Health Department. Binghamton, New York

EMPLOYMENT**A. Academic Full Time**

- 2022 Assistant Professor, School of Nursing, University of Rochester Medical Center, University of Rochester, New York.
- 2020 Assistant Professor (joint) , School of Public Health Sciences, University of Rochester Medical Center, University of Rochester, New York.
- 2020 - 2022 Project Director, Promoting Intersectional Stigma Reduction – PRISM Ghana. National Institute of Nursing Research grant R01NR019009 PI: Nelson, Nyblade, Torpey.

B. Academic Temporary

- Summer 2022 Consultant – Coordinator – Implementation of Nyansapo, Adapted Many Men Many Voices intervention to reduce intersectional stigma and increase HIV testing among men who have sex with men in Ghana. Promoting Intersectional Stigma Reduction – PRISM Ghana. National Institute of Nursing Research grant R01NR019009 PI: Nelson, Nyblade, Torpey.
- Fall 2021 Co-Instructor, NURS6260 Emancipation and Justice I: Critical Theory and Perspective in Advance Practice Nursing (Graduate level). Yale University School of Nursing.
- Spring 2020 Adjunct Assistant Professor, Introduction to Research Methods for Social Welfare. School of Social Welfare, the State University of New York at Albany.
- 2019 – 2022 Adjunct Assistant Professor, Environmental Health, Law, and Justice
Graduate-level departments: (1) Master's in Human Rights, (2) Community Research Action Doctoral Program.
Undergraduate level departments: (1) Human Development, (2) Environmental Study
- 2017 - 2020 Adjunct Assistant Professor, Social Science Research Design and Methods (Undergraduate Level) Department of Human Development, Binghamton University
Adjunct Assistant Professor, GIS for Natural and Social Scientist (Master's Level) Departments: (1) Sustainable Communities, (2) Public Administration, Binghamton University
- 2015 - 2017 Lab Instructor, Department of Geography, Binghamton University Courses included:
1. Environmental Health Disparities
2. Urban Geography
3. Multicultural Geography of the US
4. Physical Geography
5. Introduction to Geography
6. World Regional Geography

B. Non-Academic

- 2016 Intern, Neighborhood Health Program, Broome County Health Department, Binghamton, NY.
- 2013 – 2015 National Service Person, Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development Ghana, Urban Development Unit; Policy Planning and Monitoring and Evaluation Department.

RESEARCH AND OTHER GRANTS

A. Grants Funded

A1. PI/MPI

- 2021 **Abubakari G.M.R.**, Donaldson F. C. Nelson E.L., Raul U.H.R., Torpey, K.
Title: Formative research to adapt a community-based HIV self-testing education and promotion (STEP) intervention for men who have sex with men (MSM) living in slum settlements in Ghana

Role: PI
 Sponsor: National Institute of Mental Health Grant/Center for
 Interdisciplinary Research on AIDS
 Amount: \$25,000

2021 **Abubakari, G.M.R.** & Nelson, E.L.
 Title: Stigma, HIV risk and HIV testing prevalence among men who have sex with men (MSM)
 in slum/informal communities in Ghana – West Africa
 Role: PI
 Sponsor: Yale University FLAGS grant
 Amount: \$3,600

2021 Turner, D., **Abubakari, G.M.R.**, Vitalis, D., Layland, E., Edelman, J.,
 Title: Evaluating the transition to telehealth services: Exploring the needs and experiences of
 LGBTQ+ clients engaged in community care
 Role: PI
 Sponsor: Yale University FLAGS grant
 Amount: \$3,300

2018 **Abubakari M. R.**, & Homsy G. C.
 Title: Assessing community acceptable alternative in meeting transportation needs of a low-
 income area in Binghamton, NY.
 Role: PI
 Sponsor: Town and Gown Board, Binghamton.
 Amount: \$20,000

A2. Co-I

2022-2025 Title: Understanding the role of neighborhoods on substance use and mental health among Urban
 Youth: A community-based substance use prevention project
 PI: Opara, I.
 Role: Co- I
 Sponsor: NIH Director's Early Independence Award (DP5OD029636)
 Effort: 10%
 Amount \$1,848,275
 Start Date: Fall 2022

B. Under Preparation.

2022 Title: Testing the feasibility of implementing a community acceptable intervention to address
 intersectional stigma, low HIV testing, and linkage to care among adolescent men in
 socially vulnerable communities in Ghana (ItsHIVCare Study)
 Role: PI
 Sponsor: NIMH KO1 Research Scientist Development Award - Research & Training

PUBLICATIONS

A. Published

- 17 Nyblade, L Stockton, M, Saalim, K, Clay, S; Chonta, M, Dada, D, **Abu-Ba'are G. M. R.**, Mankattah, E; Vormawor, R; Appiah, P, Boakye, F, Akrong, R; Manu, A; Gyamera, E, Turner, D, Sharma, K, Torpey, Kwasi, Nelson, L. (2022). Using a Mixed-methods Approach to Adapt an HIV Stigma Reduction to Address Intersectional Stigma Faced by men who have sex with men in Ghana. *The Journal of the International AIDS Society*
- 16 Boyd, D.T.; **Abubakari, G.M.**; Turner, D.; Ramos, S.R.; Hill, M.J.; Nelson, L.E. (2022) The Influence of Family Bonding, Support, Engagement in Healthcare, on PrEP Stigma among Young Black and Latino Men Who Have Sex with Men: A Path Analysis. *Children* 9, 330. <https://doi.org/10.3390/children9030330>
- 15 **Abubakari, G. M. R.**, Smith, M. D., Boyd, D. T., Ramos, S. R., Johnson, C., Benavides, J. L., ... & Quinn, C. R. (2022). Assessing different types of HIV communication and sociocultural factors on perceived HIV stigma and testing among a national sample of youth and young adults. *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*, 19(2), 1003.
- 14 Ajiboye, A., Nelson, L., Odhiambo, A., Yusuf, A., Djiadeu, P., Turner, D., **Abubakari, G. M. R.**, Pedersen, C., Brown, R., Guillaume, G, Lofters, L., Williams, G. (2021). Decision conflict and the decision support needs of PrEP-eligible Black patients in Toronto regarding the adoption of PrEP for HIV prevention. *Journal of the International Association of Providers of AIDS Care*, DOI: 10.1177/23259582211073399/ ID: JIAPAC-21-1333.R3.
- 13 **Abubakari, G. M. R.**, Owusu-Dampare, F., Ogunbajo, A., Gyasi, J., Adu, M., Appiah, P., ... Nelson, L. E. (2021). HIV Education, Empathy, and Empowerment (HIVE3): A Peer Support Intervention for Reducing Intersectional Stigma as a Barrier to HIV Testing among Men Who Have Sex with Men in Ghana. *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*, 18(24), 13103. doi:10.3390/ijerph182413103
- 12 Guillaume, G., Ramos, S. R., **Abubakari, G. M. R.**, Turner, D. E., Ajiboye, W., Yusuf, A., ... & Nelson, L. E. (2021). Barriers and facilitators to providing human immunodeficiency virus pre-exposure prophylaxis decision support to black patients in Canada: a cross-sectional study. *International Health Trends and Perspectives*, 1(3), 345-367.
- 11 Ogunbajo, A., Oke, Okanlawon, K., **Abubakari, G.M.R.**, Oginn, O. (2021). Religiosity, and conversion therapy is associated with psychosocial health problems among sexual minority men (SMM) in Nigeria. *Journal of Religion and Health*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10943-021-01400-9>
- 10 **Abubakari, G. M. R.**, Dada, D., Nur, J., Turner, D., Otchere, A., Tanis, L. & Nelson, L. E. (2021). Intersectional stigma and its impact on HIV prevention and care among MSM and WSW in sub-Saharan African countries: a protocol for a scoping review. *BMJ Open*, 11(8), e047280.
- 9 **Abubakari, G.M.R.**, Turner, Ni, Z., Conserve, D.F., Dada, D., Otchere, A., Amanfoh, Y., Boakye, F., Torpey, K., Nelson, L.E., (2021) Community-based interventions as opportunities to increase HIV self-testing and linkage to care among men who have sex with men – lessons from Ghana, West Africa. *Frontiers in Public Health* (9)581 DOI=10.3389/fpubh.2021.660256

- 8 **Abubakari, G.M.R.**, Turner, D., Nelson, L.E., Odhiambo, AJ, Boakye, F., Manu, A., Torpey, T., Wilton L. (2021). An application of the ADAPT-ITT model to an evidence-based behavioral HIV prevention intervention for men who have sex with men in Ghana. *International Health Trends and Perspectives*, 1(1), 1-12
- 7 **Abubakari, MR.** (2021). Grocery stores or convenience stores? The food accessibility situation of a Rust Belt city in Upstate New York. *Praxis: A Journal of Gender and Cultural Critique* (In Press)
- 6 Nelson L, Nyblade, Torpey K., Carmen L, Han-Zhu Q, Adom M., Emma G., Francis B. Patrick A. Turner D., **Abubakari, GMR.**, Stockson M., David V. (2021) Multi-level Intersectional Stigma Reduction Intervention to Increase HIV Testing among Men who have Sex with Men in Ghana: Protocol for a Cluster Randomized Controlled Trial *PONE-D-21-31954*
- 5 **Abubakari, G.M.R.**, Nelson, L.E., Ogunbajo, A., Boakye, F, Appiah, P., Odhiambo, A., Sa, T., Zhang, N., Ngozi, I., Scott, A., Maina, G., Manu, A., & Torpey, K. (2020). Implementation and evaluation of a culturally grounded group-based HIV prevention programme for men who have sex with men in Ghana. *Global Public Health*. DOI: 10.1080/17441692.2020.1832555
- 4 Ogunbajo, A., **Abubakari, G.M.R.**, Edeza, A., Iwuagwu, S., Williams, R., Biello, K., & Mimiaga, M. J. (2020). Transactional sex is associated with income level and psychosocial health problems among gay and bisexual men (GBM) in Nigeria, Africa. *The Journal of Sex Research*, 1-7.
- 3 Ogunbajo, A., Restar, A., Edeza, A., Goedel, W., Jin, H., Iwuagwu, S., Williams, R., **Abubakari, M.R.**, Biello, K. and Mimiaga, M., (2020). Poor sleep health is associated with increased mental health problems, substance use, and HIV sexual risk behavior in a large, multistate sample of gay, bisexual and other men who have sex with men (GBMSM) in Nigeria, Africa. *Sleep Health*, 6(5), pp.662-670.
- 2 **Abubakari, M. R.**, DiNicola, K., & Lee, W. (2020). Empirical insights on technology use for navigating human services. *Journal of Technology in Human Services*, 38(4), 331-351.
- 1 **Abubakari, M. R.** (2018). Towards an interdisciplinary approach to food accessibility research. *Global Journal of HUMAN-SOCIAL SCIENCE: H Interdisciplinary*, 18 (1)

B. Submitted Manuscripts

- 5 Boyd, D, **Abubakari, G. M. R.**, Turner, D, Hill, M, John, P. McGovern, Nelson, L. The influence of family bonding, support, engagement in healthcare, on PrEP stigma among Black and Latino Men who have Sex with Men: A path analysis. *Children* (under review)
- 4 Nelson, L., Ogunbajo, A., Abubakari, **G. M. R.**, Conserve, D.C., Wilton, L., Jackson J.D., Dow, D., Arrington-Sanders, R., Appiah, P., Tucker, J., Nam, S., Garafolo, R. using the implementation research logic model as a lens to view experiences of implementing HIV prevention and care interventions with adolescent sexual minority men – A Global Perspective. *AIDS and Behavior Special Issue on Adolescent HIV Prevention and Care* (Status: abstract accepted, manuscript under review)

- 3 Boyd, D. T., Quinn, C.R., Waller, B., **Abubakari GMR.**, Ramos. SR Sources of HIV education, personal agency on HIV testing among youth and young adults: A path analysis. BMC Public Health. (Under review, status; revise and submit)
- 1 Nguemo D., Joseph B., Mashoud, W. I; Mohamud, H., **Abubakari, G.M.R**, Dada, D., Mequanent W., F., Nelson, L. E. "Individuals' experiences of the integration of substance use/addiction and HIV/AIDS services in community settings: a qualitative systematic review." *Journal of Substance Use (under review)*

CONFERENCES, TRAINING, AND OTHER PRESENTATIONS

A. Conferences

- 2018 Abubakari, MR. "Towards an Interdisciplinary Approach to Food Accessibility Research". Association of Interdisciplinary Studies Conference, October 2018. Detroit, Michigan.
- 2017 Abubakari, MR. Food accessibility: Grocery store locations and neighborhoods in Binghamton, New York Applied Geography Conference. Special Session, October 2017, Kent, Ohio
- 2016 Abubakari, MR. Ethnic conflict and its impact on basic education: The case of Bawku municipality in Ghana. Race Ethnicity, and Place Conference, October 2016, Kent State University, Kent, Ohio,

B. Internal Presentations

- 2019 Abubakari, G.M.R. A mixed-methods study of food environments in Broome County New York: Analyses from social epidemiology and feminist geography framework. Dissertation defense, August 2019. College of Community and Public Affairs, Binghamton University.
- 2018 Abubakari, G.M.R. Review of fresh fruits, broken bones. Qualitative Methods Class. Spring 2018, College of Community and Public Affairs. Binghamton University
- 2017 Abubakari, G.M.R. Food accessibility situation in Broome County, NY. Seminar. Spring 2017, College of Community and Public Affairs. Binghamton University
- 2016 Abubakari, G.M.R. Neighborhood and health: Food retail environments. Environmental health and hazards class, Fall, 2016. Geography, Binghamton University

C. Invited Lectures/Presentations

- 2019 Quantitative design and analysis in community-based research. Master of Science in Human Rights Research Design Class. Fall 2019. Binghamton University.
- 2018 Incorporating Geographic Information Systems in Community Inquiries, Community Research, and Action Ph.D. Program. Research and Community Inquiry Class. Fall 2018. Binghamton University
- 2017 Quantitative Data Analysis in Social Work; Primary Data Cleaning and Analysis. Master of Social Work Department. Research Design and Methods Class, Fall 2017. Binghamton University

D. Facilitated Workshops/Trainings

- Oct. 2020 Training of Data Collection Research Assistants; Promoting Reduction in Intersection Stigma – PRISM, Ghana
- Aug. 2021 Training for Peer Mentors: HIV, Education, Empathy, and Empowerment (HIVE³) Intervention. Promoting Reduction in Intersectional Stigma in Ghana. Accra Kumasi
- Aug. 2021 Training of Facilitators: Nyansapo Intervention: Adapted Many Men Many Voices to Improve Sexual Health and Increase HIV Testing among MSM in Ghana. Kumasi Ghana

- Dec. 2021 Refresher Training for Peer Mentors: HIV, Education, Empathy, and Empowerment (HIVE³) Intervention. Youth Alliance on Health and Human Rights – Kumasi Ghana.
- Dec. 2021 Training of Peer Mentors; HIV, Education, Empathy, and Empowerment (HIVE³) Intervention. Priorities on Rights and Sexual Health - Accra Ghana

SERVICE/OUTREACH

A. Community Service

- 2016-present Founder/Director, Jama'a Action. Focus: Community sustainability, health planning, improvement, and participatory action research in Zongos Slums of Ghana, West Africa.
- 2017 - 2018 Member, Binghamton Food Steering Committee. Focus: eliminating food desert in Binghamton, New York

B. Scholarly Service

- 2021 Peer Reviewer, Frontiers in Public Health
- 2019-Present Peer Reviewer, Journal of Urban Health
- 2018-present Peer Reviewer, BMC Public Health
- 2018-present Peer Reviewer, Global Public Health

C. University Service

- 2015-2019 Member, Town and Gown Advisory Board, Binghamton University
- 2017-2019 Member, Poverty, and Inequality Working Group College of Community and Public Affairs, Binghamton University
- 2016-2017 President, Grad African Student Organization, Binghamton University
- 2016-2017 Vice President, Geography Grad Student Organization, Binghamton University

Professional Memberships

- 2021-Present Member, Association of Nurses in AIDS Care
- 2016-Present Member, American Planning Association
- 2015-Present Member, Applied Geographers
- 2017-Present Member, Association of Interdisciplinary Studies
- 2018-Present Member, Black Doctoral Network