BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

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NAME	POSITION TITLE
Faith, Myles S.	Associate Professor
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EDUCATION/TRAINING *(Begin with baccalaureate or other initial professional education, such as nursing, include postdoctoral training and residency training if applicable.)*

INSTITUTION AND LOCATION	DEGREE *(if applicable)*	MM/YY	FIELD OF STUDY
Rutgers University	B.A.	1989	Psychology
Hofstra University	M.A.	1990	Clinical Psychology
Hofstra University	Ph.D.	1995	Clinical Psychology

A. Personal Statement

Faith studies familial influences on the development of child eating patterns, weight status, and obesity. His research also focuses on lifestyle interventions for childhood obesity treatment/prevention, having received funding from the NIH and the American Diabetes Association to investigate these issues in 4 to 8 year old obese youth. He also has been the PI on subcontracts to study a middle school intervention for type 2 diabetes prevention and a lifestyle intervention for obesity prevention in primary care settings. Faith is active in different professional organizations concerning child health and development, and is past Chair of the "Pediatric Obesity Interest Group" for the North American Association for the Study of Obesity (NAASO), The Obesity Society. He served on the Nutrition Committee for the American Heart Association's Council on Nutrition, Physical Activity and Metabolism (NPAM), and was a standing member of the NIH Psychosocial Risk and Disease Prevention Study Section. These experiences make Faith very well suited to work on the proposed study.

B. Positions and Honors

Positions and Employment

1995-1998 Post-doctoral Research Fellow, NY Obesity Research Center
1998-2002 Associate Research Scientist, St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital Center; Assistant Prof of Psychology in Psychiatry, Columbia University College of Physicians & Surgeons.
2002-2004 Instructor, Department of Psychiatry, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine
2004-5/2011 Assistant Professor, Department of Psychiatry, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine
6/2011- Associate Professor, Department of Nutrition,The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

C. Selected Peer-reviewed Publications (Selected from 80 peer-reviewed publications)

On the topic of pediatric obesity:

1. Pinelli, L., Elerdini, N., Faith, M.S., et al. (1999). Childhood obesity: Results of a multicenter study of obesity treatment in Italy. Journal of Pediatric Endocrinology and Metabolism, 12, 795-799.
2. Faith, M.S., Berman, N., Heo, M., Pietrobelli, A., Gallagher, D., Epstein, L.H., Eiden, M.T., Allison, D.B. (2001). Effects of Contingent-TV on physical activity and TV-Viewing in obese children. Pediatrics, 107, 1043-1048.
3. Faith MS, Heshka S, Keller KL, Sherry B, Matz PE, Pietrobelli A, Allison DB. (2003). Maternal-child feeding patterns and child body weight: Findings from a population-based sample. Archives of Pediatric and Adolescent Medicine, 157,926-932.
4. Faith MS, Berkowitz RI, Stallings VA, Kerns J, Storey M, Stunkard AJ. (2004). Parental feeding attitudes and styles and child body mass index: Prospective analysis of a gene-environment interaction. Pediatrics, 114, e429-436.
5. Faith MS, Scanlon K, Birch LL, Francis LA, Sherry B. (2004) Parent-child feeding strategies and their relationships to child eating and weight status. Obesity Research, 12:1711-1722.
6. Faith MS, Kerns J. Infant and child feeding practices and childhood overweight: the role of restriction. Matern Child Nutr. 2005 Jul;1(3):164-8. Review. PubMed PMID: 16881896.
7. Faith MS, Dennison BA, Edmunds LS, Stratton HH. (2006). Fruit juice intake predicts increased adiposity gain in children from low-income families: Weight status-by-environment interaction. Pediatrics. 188: 2066-75.
8. Faith MS, Storey M, Kral TV, Pietrobelli A. The feeding demands questionnaire: assessment of parental demand cognitions concerning parent-child feeding relations. J Am Diet Assoc. 2008 Apr;108(4):624-30. PubMed PMID: 18375218; PubMed Central PMCID: PMC2917044.
9. Gidding, S.S., Lichtenstein, A.H., Faith, M.S., Karpyn, A., Mennella, J.A., Popkin, B., Rowe, J., Van Horn, L., Whitsel, L. (2009). Implementing American Heart Association pediatric and adult nutrition guidelines: a scientific statement from the American Heart Association Nutrition Committee of the Council on Nutrition, Physical Activity and Metabolism, Council on Cardiovascular Disease in the Young, Council on Arteriosclerosis, Thrombosis and Vascular Biology, Council on Cardiovascular Nursing, Council on Epidemiology and Prevention, and Council for High Blood Pressure Research. Circulation 119: 1161-1175.
10. Sud S, Tamayo NC, Faith MS, Keller KL. Increased restrictive feeding practices are associated with reduced energy density in 4-6-year-old, multi-ethnic children at ad libitum laboratory test-meals. Appetite. 2010 Oct;55(2):201-7. Epub 2010 Jun 1. PubMed PMID: 20594990.

D. Research Support

Ongoing Research Support

Active

1U01HL103561-01 (Stevens) 5/1/11-4/30/17 0.6 calendar
NIH/NHLBI $683,346
Childhood Obesity Prevention and Treatment Research Coordinating Unit (COPTR)

This U01 will support a Research Coordinating Unit that will support and enhance a consortium of 4 field centers conducting trials of obesity prevention or treatment in children.

Completed Research Support

R01-DK080909 Lowe (PI) 4/10/2009 – 3/31/2014
NIH
A Test of Nutritional Intervention to Enhance Weight Loss Maintenance
To compare three interventions for adulthood obesity in terms of initial weight loss and longer-term maintenance.
Role: PI, Subcontract [Note: This study is ongoing. Dr. Faith withdrew from the project when he left the University of Pennsylvania to come to UNC-Chapel Hill].

R34-DK080473 Faith (PI) 6/1/08 – 3/31/11
NIH
Treatment of Early Childhood Overweight in Primary Care: Pilot Study
To implement a behavioral modification program for pediatric overweight in the primary care setting, targeting 4 to 8 year old youth.
Role: PI

R21-DK079075 Faith (PI) 6/1/08 – 2/28/11

NIH
Beverage Choice and Lifestyle Modification for Childhood Overweight Treatment
To develop and test a "Beverage Choice and Lifestyle Modification" (BCLM) intervention that targets 4 to 8 year old children who are overweight and consume large amounts of sugar sweetened beverages.
Role: PI

R01-HL084056 Stettler (PI) 3/23/05 – 5/31/11
NIH
Primary Care Obesity Prevention: One or Multiple Targets
To compare behavioral interventions for obesity prevention conducted in primary care settings, targeting 8 to 12 year olds who are not yet obese.
Role: PI, Subcontract

U01 DK 61230-02 Foster (PI) 3/01/04 – 2/28/10
NIH
School Based Prevention of Type 2 Diabetes in Children and Adolescents STOPP-T2D
A multi-center trial designed to prevent type 2 diabetes onset in children using a comprehensive school-based intervention.
Role: PI, Subcontract

ADA Faith (PI) 1/1/08 – 12/31/10
American Diabetes Association
Lifestyle Modification for Type 2 Diabetes Prevention in Young Overweight Youth
To test a family-based intervention that targets excess weight grain, metabolic profile, physical activity, and diet quality in 4-8 year old youth who are overweight and have a family history of obesity and Type 2 diabetes.

Role: PI

R01 DK068899 Faith (PI) 07/01/04 - 07/31/10
NIH
Clinical and Experimental Study of Human Obesity
The major goals of this project are to determine the role of energy expenditure and feeding styles in the development of obesity by studying infants born to lean and obese mothers.
Role: PI

R01-HD042169 Faith (PI) 7/1/03 – 6/30/08
NIH
Food Substitution for Child Nutrition/Obesity Prevention
To develop a home-based obesity prevention study that targets large and sustained increases in daily fruit and vegetable intake.
Role: PI

R01-DK054713 Berkowitz (PI) 6/1/05 – 5/31/07
NIH
Behavioral & Pharmacologic Therapy of Adolescent Obesity
To continue efforts to improve the treatment of obese adolescents.
Role: Co-Investigator