UNC Health Behavior Dissertations List

Health behavior doctoral dissertations and the abstracts completed since 2006 are made available online in the Carolina Digital Repository. This page lists graduates, dissertation titles and advisers for students completed during the last few years. Links are added when they become available.

2018

**Gabriela Arandia.** Understanding Relationships Between Child Care Workers’ Eating Habits and Spatial Access to Food Outlets around Workers’ Homes, Workplaces, and along Commutes. [Abstract] Adviser: Laura Linnan, PhD

**Michael Close.** Identifying and Describing Segments of Office Workers by Activity Patterns: Associations with Demographic Characteristics, Levels of Physical Activity, and Body Mass Index. [Abstract] Adviser: Leslie Lytle, PhD

**Sarah Kowitt.** Do Neighborhood Characteristics Matter for Older Adults Living in Primarily Rural Neighborhoods, and if so, How and for Whom? [Abstract] Adviser: Edwin Fisher, PhD

**Cara Person.** Resilience and Vulnerability Factors Associated with Experiencing Intimate Partner Violence by Multiple Abusive Partners: A Mixed-Methods Study. (Embargoed until 2020) Adviser: Beth Moracco, PhD

**Parth Shah.** The Role of Pharmacy in HPV Vaccination of US Adolescents. [Abstract] Adviser Noel Brewer, PhD

**Yael Symes.** Smoking Cessation in Cancer Survivors: Exploring Psychosocial Wellbeing, Beliefs About Smoking, and E-cigarette Use. [Abstract] Adviser: Shelley Golden, PhD

**Laura Villa Torres.** Living Undocumented: An Ethnographic Study of the Mental Health and Well-being of Undocumented Mexican Migrant Men. [Abstract] Adviser: Clare Barrington, PhD

2017


**Leslie Cofie.** A Mixed-Methods Study of Social Network Characteristics and Health Facility Delivery Among Women in Rural Ghana. [Abstract] Adviser: Clare Barrington PhD

**Marissa Hall.** Understanding the Role of Reactance to Pictorial Warnings on Cigarette Packs. [Abstract] Adviser: Noel Brewer, PhD

**Lauren Hill.** Mental Health and Sexual Risk Behaviors Among Social Networks of Young Tanzanian Men. [Abstract] Advisers: Vivian Go, PhD and Suzanne Maman, PhD

**Catherine L. Jo.** The Effect of E-cigarette Print Advertisements on Smoking Cessation. [Abstract] Adviser: Kurt M. Ribisl, PhD

**Marta Malawa.** A Mixed-Methods Study of Intimate Partner Violence Among Men in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. [Abstract] Adviser: Suzanne Maman, PhD


**Allison Schmidt.** Psychological Health and Smoking in Young Adulthood: Smoking Trajectories and Responsiveness to State Cigarette Excise Taxes. [Abstract] Adviser: Shelley Golden, PhD
2016

Christine Agnew-Brune. “It’s a Bad Thing … but it’s a Good thing Too:” A Mixed-Methods Examination of Technology Use and Cyber Dating Abuse Perpetration In Adolescent Romantic Relationships. Abstract Adviser: Clare Barrington, PhD

Melissa Cox. Examining Bidirectional Relationships Between Parental Socialization Behaviors and Adolescent Alcohol Misuse Across Early and Middle Adolescence. Abstract Adviser: Susan Ennett, PhD

Meridith Eastman. Profiles of Reactivity to Bullying Victimization: Genetic and Family Environment Predictors. Abstract Adviser: Vangie Foshee, PhD


Brooke T. Nezami. Healthy Weight Behaviors and Weight Change in Parents and Preschool-Aged Children. Abstract Adviser: Deborah Tate, PhD


2015

Heather D’Angelo. An Examination of Community and Consumer Tobacco and Food Retail Environments. Abstract Adviser: Kurt Ribisl, PhD

Melissa Crane. Improving Men’s Health Through Weight Control: Randomized Trials Testing Recruitment Messages and a Novel Weight Loss Intervention. Abstract Adviser: Deborah Tate, PhD

Paul Fleming. The Role of Masculine Gender Norms in HIV Vulnerability Among Dominican Men Enrolled in a Circumcision Feasibility Trial. Abstract Adviser: Clare Barrington, PhD


Larry Scholl. Parenting for the Learner Stage of Graduated Driver Licensing. Abstract Adviser: Susan Ennet, PhD

Angela Stover. One Size Does Not Fit All: Predicting Subgroups of Breast Cancer Survivors Who Report Different Physical Activity and Sedentary Behavior Patterns from Pre-Diagnosis to Ten Years Post-Diagnosis. Abstract Adviser: Christine Rini, PhD

2014

Ling-Yin Chang. Examining the Direct, Indirect, and Moderated Effects of Neighborhood Characteristics on Trajectories of Dating Violence Perpetration. Abstract Adviser: Vangie Foshee, PhD

Stacey Cutbush. Teen Dating Violence Perpetration Among Middle School Youth: The Role of Bullying, Sexual Harassment, and Gender. Abstract Adviser: Vangie Foshee, PhD

Emily Elstad. Cancer Screening Benefits and Harms: News Coverage and Provider Perceptions. Abstract Adviser: Noel Brewer, PhD
Ann Gottert. Gender Norms, Masculine Gender-Role Strain and HIV Risk Behaviors Among Men in Rural South Africa. Abstract Adviser: Clare Barrington, PhD

Sean M. Hanley. Community-Based Approaches to Prevention: Linking Coalition Capacity, Community Readiness, and Implementation to Reductions in Adolescent Alcohol Use. Abstract Adviser: Michael Bowling, PhD


Jiang Li. Understanding Pathways to Weight Loss among Employees and Organizations Enrolled in the WAY to Health Worksite-Based Weight Loss Study. Abstract Adviser: Laura Linnan, ScD


Stephanie Baker White. School racial climate and racial disparities in youth sedentary behavior. Abstract Adviser: Susan Ennet, PhD