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Research interests: maternal and child health; health disparities; global health; methods for impact evaluation

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Instructor (tenure-track) Rutgers School of Public Health; Health Behavior, Society, & Policy	New Brunswick, NJ 08/2019 – present
Visiting Scientist Harvard T. H. Chan School of Public Health, Global Health and Population	Boston, MA 08/2018 – present

POST-DOCTORAL TRAINING

Post-Doctoral Fellow in Health Economics University College Dublin, Geary Institute for Public Policy	Dublin, Ireland 07/2016 – 08/2019
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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Harvard University Health Policy, Evaluative Sciences and Statistics	Cambridge, MA 05/2016
M.S., Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health Global Health & Population	Boston, MA 05/2012
B.S., University of Maryland, College Park Mathematics	College Park, MD 05/2005

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

1. **Rokicki, S.**, Mwesigwa, B., Schmucker, L., Cohen, J. (2019). [Shedding light on quality of care: A study protocol for a randomized trial evaluating the impact of the Solar Suitcase in rural health facilities on maternal and newborn care quality in Uganda](#). *BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth*. 19(306).
2. **Rokicki, S.** and McGovern, M.E. (2019). [Heterogeneity in Early Life Investments: A Longitudinal Analysis of Children's Time Use](#). *Review of Income and Wealth*.
3. Carvalho, N. and **Rokicki, S.** (2018). [The Impact of India's Janani Suraksha Yojana Conditional Cash Transfer Programme: A Replication Study](#). *Journal of Development Studies*, 55(5), 989-1006.
4. Klein, N., Kneib, T., Marra, G., Radice R., **Rokicki, S.**, McGovern, ME. (2018). [Mixed Binary-Continuous Copula Regression Models with Application to Adverse Birth Outcomes](#). *Statistics in Medicine*, 38(3), 413-436.
5. **Rokicki, S.** and Merten, S. (2018). [The Context of Emergency Contraception Use Among Young Unmarried Women in Accra, Ghana: A Qualitative Study](#). *Reproductive Health*. 15(212).
6. **Rokicki, S.** and McGovern, M.E. (2018). [Unequal Opportunities for Play? How Children Spend Their Time in Ireland](#). *Children's Research Digest*, 5(2), 11-19.
7. **Rokicki, S.**, Cohen, J., Fink, G., Salomon, J.A., & Landrum, M.B. (2018). [Inference With Difference-in-Differences With a Small Number of Groups: A Review, Simulation Study, and Empirical Application Using SHARE Data](#). *Medical Care*, 56(1), 97-105.
8. **Rokicki, S.** and Fink, G. (2017). [Assessing the Reach and Effectiveness of mHealth: Evidence from a Reproductive Health Program for Adolescent Girls in Ghana](#). *BMC Public Health*, 17(969).

9. **Rokicki, S.**, Cohen, J., Salomon, J. A., & Fink, G. (2017). [Impact of a Text-Messaging Program on Adolescent Reproductive Health: A Cluster-Randomized Trial in Ghana](#). *American Journal of Public Health*, 107(2), 298-305.
10. **Rokicki, S.**, Adamkiewicz, G., Fang, S. C., Rigotti, N. A., Winickoff, J. P., & Levy, D. E (2016). [Assessment of Residents' Attitudes and Satisfaction Before and After Implementation of a Smoke-free Policy in Boston Multiunit Housing](#). *Nicotine & Tobacco Research*, 18(5), 1282-1289.
11. Fang, S. C., Chen, S., Trachtenberg, F., **Rokicki, S.**, Adamkiewicz, G., & Levy, D. E. (2016). Validity of self-reported tobacco smoke exposure among non-smoking adult public housing residents. *PloS one*, 11(5), e0155024.
12. **Rokicki, S.**, Montana, L., & Fink, G. (2014). [Impact of Migration on Fertility and Abortion: Evidence from the Household and Welfare Study of Accra](#). *Demography*, 51(6), 2229-2254.
13. Raifman, J. R., Lanthorn, H. E., **Rokicki, S.**, & Fink, G. (2014). [The Impact of Text Message Reminders on Adherence to Antimalarial Treatment in Northern Ghana: A Randomized Trial](#). *PloS one*, 9(10), e109032.

WORKING PAPERS

1. Cost-effectiveness of a mobile Health-supported lifestyle intervention for preventing gestational diabetes mellitus (R&R, with F. McAuliffe and E. O'Sullivan)
2. Do maternity providers do what they know?: Know-do gaps in the quality of maternal and newborn care in rural Uganda (with Jessica Cohen)
3. Influence of early life factors on BMI trajectories in childhood: Evidence from two cohort studies
4. The long run returns to being breastfed: effects on economic and cognitive outcomes (w/ M. McGovern)
5. The impact of family law reform on adolescent health in Ethiopia: a quasi-experimental study
6. [The Great Recession, Household Income, and Children's Test Scores](#) (under review, w/ M. McGovern)

HONORS AND DISTINCTIONS

- Irish Economic Association Conniffe Award for best paper by an early career economist, 2016
- Population Reference Bureau U.S. Policy Communication Training Fellowship, 2015 – 2016
- Harvard Global Health Institute Advanced Doctoral Research Award (tuition and stipend), 2014 – 2015
- Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality Training Grant (tuition and stipend), 2012 – 2014

RESEARCH SUPPORT

Pending:

Co-Investigator: Comparative Effectiveness of Perinatal Psychiatry Access Programs, 2020-2023
 Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute; Pending review
 Total budget \$4,200,000; Salary support 13%

Active:

Co-Investigator: Implementation Action to Prevent Diabetes from Bump 2 Baby, 2020-2025
 Horizon 2020 Implementation research for maternal and child health; Pending review (Stage 2)
 Total budget €4,318,737; Salary support 20%

Co-Principal Investigator: We Care Solar Evaluation Project, 2017 – 2020
 UBS Foundation: Total Grant \$479,720; Salary support \$23,703

Completed:

Principal Investigator: Study on mHealth and Reproductive Health in Teens, 2013 – 2016

Weiss Family Fund for Research in Development Economics: Total Grant \$59,698

Additional support from: Lab for Economic Applications and Policy Grant: \$5,140

Additional support from: Institute for Quantitative Social Science Graduate Research Grant: \$3,000

Co-Principal Investigator: Impact of India's JSY cash transfer programme: a replication study, 2013 – 2015

The International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (3ie) Replication Grant: Total \$15,000; Salary \$7,500

Principal Investigator: Residential Mobility in Accra, 2011

The Population Council Research Award: \$5,000

OUTREACH AND MEDIA

Public engagement:

- Presented work on the benefits of breastfeeding to the Parliament of Northern Ireland, Knowledge Exchange Seminar Series. The workshop brings together policymakers, community orgs, & academics.
- Authored blog post for the International Women's Health Coalition: [Let's Text About Sex: A Mobile Phone Program Delivers Sexuality Education](#).
- Founder of *UCD Breakout Research*, a group which organizes events for academics to present their research in public spaces

Research featured in the Media:

- Irish Independent: [Middle-aged still enjoy brain power benefits of being breastfed as babies](#), 12/2017
- Washington Post: [Why 2016 Was Actually One of The Best Years on Record](#), 12/2016
- Pulse.gi: [IPA research reveals how mobile phones improve reproductive health knowledge](#), 04/2016
- World Bank Development Impact Blog: [The Opposite of Sexting: Using Text Messages to Reduce Adolescent Pregnancy in Ghana](#), 10/2015

TEACHING AND SUPERVISION

Teaching:

- Guest Lecturer for Prof Jessica Cohen - *Econometric Methods in Impact Evaluation* (Harvard 2019)
- Lecturer - *Health Economics* (UCD 2017 Semester 2; UCD 2018 Semester 2)
- Guest Lecturer for Prof Paul Walsh - *Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals* (UCD 2017; 2019)
- Teaching Fellow for Prof David Cutler - *The Business and Politics of Health* (Harvard, Fall 2014)
- Teaching Assistant for Prof Joshua Salomon - *Measuring Population Health* (Harvard, Spring 2012)
- Instructor - *Math Camp for first-year doctoral students* (Harvard, Summer 2014)

Supervision:

- Co-supervisor for doctoral student, University College Dublin School of Public Health

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY

- Peer reviewer for: Medical Research Council; Journal of Health Economics; Demography; The Economic and Social Review; Statistics and Public Policy; PLOS One; Journal of Contemporary African Studies, International Journal of Public Health
- Presented at over 25 national and international conferences and universities including:
 - International Health Economics Association World Congress (2019)
 - Population Association of America (2013, 2015, 2016, 2017)
 - Irish Economic Association (2016, 2018)
 - Improving Maternal Health – From Evidence into Action (2018)

- U21 Early Career Researcher Workshop (2017)
- Economics and Human Biology (2016)
- Advances in Field Experiments (2016)
- North East Universities Development Consortium (2015)
- Centre for Study of African Economies at Oxford University (2015)
- Global Health Metrics and Evaluation Conference (2013)
- Maynooth University (seminar - Economics, *invited speaker*)
- Harvard University (seminars - Economics; Health Policy; Health Care Policy Health Economics)
- University College Dublin (seminars - Geary Institute, Childhood and Human Development Research Centre)
- Queen's University Belfast (seminar - Economics; conference - Global Health Symposium)
- Trinity College Dublin (seminar- Global Health Institute)
- Member of Centre for Health Research at the Management School (CHaRMS) at Queen's University Belfast
- Member of Childhood and Human Development Research Centre (CHiLD) at University College Dublin
- President of Harvard Global Health Graduate Student Research Seminar (2014 – 2016)
- President of Harvard School of Public Health Africa Health Forum (2010 – 2012)
- Conference organizer for Harvard African Development Conference (2012)

REFERENCES

David Cutler: dcutler@fas.harvard.edu

Otto Eckstein Professor of Applied Economics, Harvard University

Joshua Salomon: salomon1@stanford.edu

Professor of Medicine, Stanford University

Jessica Cohen: cohenj@hsph.harvard.edu

Associate Professor of Global Health, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health

Günther Fink: guenther.fink@swisstph.ch

Associate Professor and Head of Dept., Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute & University of Basel

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Innovations for Poverty Action

Research assistant

Cape Coast/Tamale, Ghana

05/2011 – 08/2011

Harvard Decision Science Lab

Research assistant

Cambridge, MA

02/2011 – 03/2013

Vertex Pharmaceuticals

Senior Research Associate

Cambridge, MA

08/2008 – 08/2010

United States Peace Corps

Math Teacher and Community Organizer

Brouwal Tappé, Guinea

06/2005 – 03/2007

LANGUAGES

English (native), French (Earned DALF C1), Polish