

**College of Health and Human Development
Faculty Research Themes**

Healthcare Organizations and Systems

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Research Interests	Measuring quality of care in long-term care settings; inter-organizational relationships; payment policies for long-term care; and integrating acute, post-acute and long-term care.	
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<i>Jami Dellifraire</i>	Assistant Professor Health Policy & Administration	Email Address: jld40@psu.edu
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<i>Elizabeth Farmer</i>	Associate Professor Health Policy & Administration	Email Address: emf13@psu.edu
Research Interests	Children's mental health services, effectiveness of mental health interventions, mental health in life course trajectories, community-based services for youth, role of schools in children's mental health services.	
<i>Marianne Hillemeier</i>	Assistant Professor Health Policy & Administration	Email Address: MMH18@PSU.EDU
Research Interests	Disparities in child and adolescent health; effects of context on health and health-related behavior; disparities in children's health care access and utilization; provider-family interaction in health care encounters; chronic conditions among children and adolescents including asthma and	
<i>Rukmalie Jayakody</i>	Associate Professor Human Development & Family Studies	Email Address: RXJ9@PSU.EDU
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<i>Dennis Scanlon</i>	Associate Professor Health Policy & Administration	Email Address: DPSCANLON@PSU.EDU
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<i>Steven Zarit</i>	Professor and Department Head Human Development & Family Studies	Email Address: Z67@PSU.EDU
Research Interests	Mental health and aging, especially the stress of caregivers, functioning of the oldest old, innovative models of service delivery.	