

# Nazeera Dawood, M.B.B.S., M.P.H., CCRC

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## EDUCATION & CREDENTIALS

Master of Public Health (MPH) 1999  
Health Policy & Administration  
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Medical Doctor Degree (MBBS) 1997  
Bangalore University, Karnataka India  
Medical License, India, #48046

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Fulton County Board of Commissioners, Office of the Chairman, Atlanta, GA 2016 – August 2017  
**Chief of Staff**

- Assisted the Chairman in meeting departmental goals and objectives; Ensured that specific projects are executed efficiently, effectively and in a timely manner in accordance with the policies and procedures
- Provided overall management support for projects to ensure projects are moving forward in a timely and efficient manner.
- Coordinated with other county departments and management to resolve problems and expedite work.
- Represented the Chairman in community meetings and act as a health liaison

Fulton County Health Services, Atlanta, GA 2010- 2015  
**Health Promotion Division, Manager**

- Managing a team of health care professionals with direct responsibility of operations, program development and fiscal duties for the Health promotion division to achieve our long term goal to be the healthiest county in Georgia
- Identify and develop funding sources to support existing planned program activities as well as coordinate the development, writing and submission of grant proposals
- Serve as a preceptor for Fellows and thirty interns completing their MPH program

### Strategic Planning/Evaluation

- Convener & facilitator for the Fulton County Health Promotion Advisory Council (HPAC) which represents private, nonprofit, fourteen municipal and local government sectors
- Developed a strategic plan with stakeholders' input for HPAC, Conduct process evaluation using the six steps of the CDC evaluation framework
- Facilitated internal collaboration among various health department programs & facilitated external collaboration with various agencies, institutions and coalitions
- Developed logic model for integrating various chronic disease prevention programs and Helped identify mechanisms for administering and coordinating integrated work plans/strategic plans for coalitions to broaden their mission to address multiple issues
- Written S.M.A.R.T. (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic, and Timed) Objectives, implemented a SWOT (Strength, Weakness, Opportunities and Threat) analysis & used the social ecological model in planning programs, interventions or policy initiatives

### Coalition Building/Infrastructure

- Established and manage diabetes, healthy heart, smoke free, safe kids, asthma and faith based coalitions of Fulton County
- Developed recruitment and retention strategies for coalitions, Assessed coalition member's needs, assets and interests, organized coalition trainings and developed a coalition

sustainability plan (i.e. funding, etc.) & utilized train-the-trainer models with partners to build their capacity

#### Media/Communications

- Produced videos (i.e. documentary, instructional or educational), purchased placements for ads, billboards, etc., produced newsletters, utilized social media in promoting programmatic activities or success stories, developed / maintained a website
- Use social marketing principles to promote chronic disease prevention programs
- Co hosted Fulton County Government Common Ground shows & appeared on regional TV and radio stations

#### Environmental Policy/Systems Change

- Initiated and implemented population based approaches to policy change in public health settings (i.e. Health Department, ), school settings(asthma flag program) , faith-based institutions (i.e. Breastfeeding policies, healthy weight initiative) & in worksites (i.e. physical fitness, smoke free air), community settings access to healthy foods and physical activity(i.e. joint use agreement etc.)

Emory University, Atlanta, GA

2009 - 2010

#### **Research Programs Manager**

- Managed all aspect of daily operations for three National Institute of Health (NIH) funded research projects,
- Developed standard operation procedure manuals, and all study documents; surveys, questionnaires, and other evaluation tools for the conduct of the study
- Developed guidelines and procedures for the day to day operations for research coordinators, nursing staff, and research assistants
- Maintain and monitor all study data collection and entry, Train and supervise research staff on data collection and date entry
- Analyze data and develop weekly reports to assess and monitor study progress, efficacy of treatment interventions, and ensure study timelines are on target
- Assisting in the preparation of tables and graphs for publication and presentation.

Emory University, Atlanta, GA

2009 - 2009

#### **Research Fellow**

- Developed all study documents, survey questionnaire, standard operating procedure ,manual for the American Heart Association funded randomized clinical trial & NIH funded observational studies
- Prepared guidelines on the day to day operations of the study procedures for research coordinator, nursing staff, research assistants
- Implemented and coordinated all aspects of the clinical trial
- Screened, enrolled and randomized patients for the clinical trial, and conducted follow ups. Abstracted pertinent information from medical records i.e. reading ECGs,
- Development of Access database and analysis of data using SAS, Trained and supervised research staff on data collection and date entry
- Monitored and evaluated research milestones and adjustment of protocol as needed Authored an abstract, coauthored three scientific papers
- Presented research finding at American Heart Association Scientific Sessions

Emory University, Grady Memorial Hospital, Atlanta, GA

2005 - 2008

#### **Senior Research Specialist**

- Screened and enrolled African American patients with cardiovascular diseases, and

- conducted follow ups for three NIH funded observational studies.
- Coordinated all aspects of the three NIH funded research studies
- Prepared guidelines on the day to day operations of the study procedures for research coordinator, nursing staff, research assistants
- Maintained all regulatory documentation for the three research studies
- Abstracted pertinent information from medical records i.e. reading ECGs,
- Administered various survey instruments on study participants such as SAQ for chest pain severity, MFT for nicotine dependence, HAM-D for rating depression, REALM for health literacy
- Development of Access database and analysis of data using SAS ,Trained and supervised research staff on data collection and data entry
- Monitored and evaluated research milestones
- Authored a manuscript and two abstracts, coauthored five scientific papers and four abstracts Presented the findings at the American Heart Association Scientific Sessions 2008

Kasturba Hospital, Gandhigram, TamilNadu, India

2002 - 2004

**Medical Officer** / Program Manager -Prevention of Parent to Child Transmission of HIV (PPTCT)  
UNICEF funded

- Clinical care of patients in the department of Medicine, Obstetrics & Gynecology, Pediatric & Neonatology
- Presented program evaluation results and updates at quarterly meetings with the government officials from National AIDS Control Organization(NACO), TamilNadu State AIDS Control Society (TANSACS)
- Provided training and education for 200 hospital staff on the day to day operations of the Prevention of Parent to Child Transmission of HIV (PPTCT) program. The other key program that was correlated to this program included Voluntary Counseling and Treatment (VCT)
- Implemented, supervised and evaluated the (PPTCT) at the Kasturba Hospital and education, program consulting for the satellite programs in the rural areas
- Developed guidelines in the areas of HIV/AIDS prevention program surveillance, monitoring and evaluation, and data needs for program planning and development
- Submitted quarterly report to NACO, TANSACS on the progress of the PPTCT and budget evaluation
- Monitored PPTCT at the hospital and provided education, program consulting to the satellite program on HIV preventive services in the rural areas
- Development of the staff's training on blood bank errors, report of errors and review of reports. Developed reporting tool, recommend policy/procedural changes
- Implemented policy changes that improved the screening of HIV positive mothers from 5% to 95% Established a treatment protocol for treating HIV positive mothers

University of North Carolina Hospitals, Chapel Hill, NC

2001 - 2003

**Study Coordinator**, Infectious Diseases Department

- Screened, recruited participants living with HIV for HIV related studies Created survey questionnaire for the participants in the HIV studies
- Medical chart abstraction and data entry & created summary reports

University of North Carolina Hospitals, Chapel Hill, NC

1998-2001

**Research Assistant**, Maternal and Child Health

- Assisted in identifying the key risk factors associated with cardiovascular diseases in a particular African American community
- Attended meetings with the community leaders to brainstorm ideas on effectively screening small business employees for cardiovascular health
- Assisted in conducting survey for more than 600 participants of the study Performed statistical analysis on study data using SAS

- Created a database in Microsoft Access and used Microsoft Excel to generate the charts for this project.

Sree Siddhartha Medical College and Hospital, Tumkur, India  
Medical Intern

1995-1997

- Medicine, Obstetrics & Gynecology, Pediatrics, Community Medicine,
- Surgery- assessed as dedicated physician, educator, social service, excellent patient manner, clinical competence and judgment
- Designed and developed information-education-communication materials as part of intervention strategies and activities- community medicine & Conducted risk assessments

Santhini Clinic, Dindigul, TamilNadu  
Volunteer

1995

- Provided prenatal care to pregnant mothers, conducted normal deliveries and assisted in cesarean section, hysterectomy, vasectomy and tubectomy
- Counseled antenatal mothers on HIV transmission and prevention.
- Designed the questionnaire and pre and post knowledge assessment tools for antenatal mothers.

### MANUSCRIPT REVIEWER

2009 - Present

Journal of Public Management & Practice  
Journal of General Internal Medicine  
Circulation: Cardiovascular Quality and Outcomes  
Archives of Internal Medicine  
Circulation: Heart Failure  
NACCHO Model Practice Reviewer

### PROFESSIONAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP

2008- Present

National Public Health Information Coalition  
Georgia Public Health Association  
Association of Clinical Research Professionals  
American Heart Association  
American College of Health Care Executives  
Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine  
American Tamil Medical Association

### PUBLICATIONS

Akintobi TH, Dawood N, Blumenthal DS: An Academic-Public Health Department Partnership for Education, Research, Practice, and Governance. Journal of Public Health Management and Practice May 2014

Parashar, S, Dawood, N, Reid, K, Spertus J, Vaccarino, V The Presence of Tobacco Cessation Programs Is Not Sufficient for Low-Income Hospitalized Smokers—Reply  
Arch Intern Med. 2009;169(9):902-903.

Parashar, S, Spertus, J, Rumsfeld, D, Kimberly J. Reid, Buchanan, D, Dawood, N, Khizer S, Lichtman, J, Vaccarino, V and PREMIER Registry Investigators “Impact of Depression on Sex Differences in Outcome After Myocardial Infarction” Circulation Cardiovascular Quality & Outcomes published January 7, 2009, doi:10.1161/circoutcomes.108.818500

Dawood, N., V. Vaccarino, K. Reid, J. Spertus, A. Amin, N. Hamid, S. Parashar, “Predictors of Smoking Cessation After a Myocardial Infarction: The Role of Institutional Smoking Cessation Programs in Improving Success,” Archives of Internal Medicine, 2008, 168 (18): 1961-1967

Parashar, S., J.S. Rumsfeld, K.J. Reid, J.A. Spertus, D. Buchanan, N.K. Wenger, Dawood, N., S. Khizer, B.V. Khan, C. Decker, L. Garavalia, H.M. Krumholz, J.H. Lichtman, K. Champney, R.N. Bazari., V. Vaccarino, “Woman Depression, and Outcome of Myocardial Infarction,” Circulation, February 27, 2007, 115 (8): E216-E217.

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Myocardial Infarction,” Archives of Internal Medicine, October 9, 2006, 166 (18): 2035-2043.

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Dawood, N., S. Parashar, V. Vaccarino, S. Khizer, V.L. Welch, “Does Smoker’s Paradox Exist in African Americans with Myocardial Infarction?” Circulation, October 2008, 118: S\_668.

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Jackson, C.F., T. Wang, K. Reid, V. Vaccarino, P. Grow, V. Bavikati, L. Sperling, Dawood, N., S. Khizer, G. Reeves, J. Spertus, S. Parashar, “Association Between Cardiac Rehabilitation and Healthy Lifestyle After Acute Myocardial Infarction,” Circulation, May 29, 2007, 115 (21): E598.

Jackson, F., V. Vaccarino, K. Reid, P. Grow, V. Bavikati, L. Sperling, Dawood, N., S. Khizer, J. Spertus, S. Parashar, “Association of Cardiac Rehabilitation and Healthy Lifestyle After Acute Myocardial Infarction,” Journal of General Internal Medicine, April 2007, 22: 36, Suppl. 1. Parashar, S., K.J. Reid, T.M. Maddox, V. Vaccarino, Dawood, N., S. Khizer, A. Amin, J.A. Spertus, “The Contribution of Depression to Myocardial Infarction Outcomes Among Caucasians and African Americans,” Circulation, 2007, 116: II 812.

Mallik, S., J.A. Spertus, K.J. Reid, J. Lichtman, Dawood, N., N. Wenger, V. Vaccarino, “Younger Menopause Age Predicts Adverse Outcome After Myocardial Infarction,” Atherosclerosis Supplements, June 2006, 7 (3): 82.

Mallik, S., J. Spertus, K. Reid, J.H. Lichtman, Dawood, N., N.K. Wenger, V. Vaccarino, “Early Menopause Predicts Adverse Outcomes After Myocardial Infarction,” Journal of General Medicine, April 2006, 21: 43-44 Suppl. 4.

Dawood, N., S. Mallik, K. Reid, J. Spertus, A. Amin, N.I. Hamid, “Patients with Lower Socioeconomic Status and Low Psychosocial Support are Less Likely to Quit Smoking Post-AMI,” Circulation, October 25, 2005, 112 (17): U485 2063, Suppl. 2.

## ARTICLES PUBLISHED

- Simplicity is My Best Policy: Yale Journal for Humanity Medicine

<http://yjh.yale.edu/essays/ndawood20130303.htm>

- My turn- Human race or race relations

[http://www.khabar.com/magazine/features/my\\_turn\\_human\\_race\\_or\\_race\\_relations](http://www.khabar.com/magazine/features/my_turn_human_race_or_race_relations)

- My dad, my career and the D word - North Fulton.com:

<http://www.northfulton.com/Articles-TOP-STORIES-c-2013-08-23-200293.114126-sub-My-dad-my-career-and-the-D-word.html>

- Prescription for Hope:

[http://neighbornewspapers.com/view/full\\_story/21032754/article-Column--Prescription-for-hope](http://neighbornewspapers.com/view/full_story/21032754/article-Column--Prescription-for-hope)

- Getting Smokers to have a Change of Heart :

<http://www.northfulton.com/Articles-COLUMNISTS-c-2013-02-19-197498.114126-sub-Getting-smokers-to-have-a-change-of-heart.html>

- Sarah’s Call- Summons to Action – GA Health News

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- <http://dph.georgia.gov/blog/2013-09-03/shifting-sickness-and-disease-wellness-and-prevention>
- <http://www.naco.org/newsroom/countynews/Current%20Issue/12-16-13/Pages/Volunteer-committees-help-fix-health-disparities,-relationship-with-municipalities.aspx>

## PRESENTATIONS / TALKS

Co presented County Health Rankings – Focus on Action at Augusta Perinatal Symposium	2013
Health Promotion <a href="#">weekly conference call CDC presentation</a> on Interfaith Coalition	2013
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation <a href="#">Asthma webinar presentation</a>	2013
Health Promotion Strategies Panelist at the <a href="#">Georgia State University Urban Summit</a>	2013
Barriers & Bridges in building coalition to combat tobacco use poster presentation	2012

National Conference on Tobacco or Health Sustainable Changes in a Local Health Department, National Association of City & County Health Officials, NACCHO Health Promotion Strategies: Change is in the Air Session Oral Presentation at the Georgia Public Health Association (GPHA) Conference	2012
Community Health Connections, Radio WYZE 1480 AM	2011
Cohosted 'Common Ground' Fulton County Government Television shows on diabetes Sessions and heart disease	2011
Lung Cancer & Tobacco, Morehouse School of Medicine CEED presentation	
Kodai- FM Radio - "Prevention of common medical problems in Indian Youth"	2010
Moderated poster presentation, "Patients with lower socioeconomic status and low psychosocial supports are less likely to quit smoking post-AMI"	2008
American Heart Association Annual Scientific Sessions moderated poster	2008

### HONORS AND AWARDS

Atlanta Indian Naari – NRI	2017
Ms. October 2017 – Saris to Suits Iconic Women calendar	2016
Graduate Fellow of NACCHO's Strive and Thrive Program	2014
Team lead for the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Coalition Building Leadership Atlanta Team	2014
County Liaison - Health Promotion Action Coalition (HPAC)	2014
Board Member – Georgia Health Literacy Association	2013
Elected Board of Directors for South Asian Public Health Association (SAPHA)	2013-2015
Appointed to serve on National Association for City & County Health Officials (NACCHO)	2012-2015
Local Health Department National Coalition for Health Equity Workgroup	
Professional Development Scholarship from National Public Health Information Coalition to attend the NACCHO conference	2012
Team leader for the Collaborate for Healthy Weight Phase II Fulton team sponsored by HRSA/ NICHQ to form an interfaith group to address obesity	2012
Team leader for the National Leadership Association for Public Health Fulton team to combat asthma	2012

### PRECEPTOR

- Directors of Health Promotion & Education Fellow	
- CDC Public Health Prevention Service Fellow	
- CDC Public Health Associate Program Fellow	
- 30 Interns graduating the MPH program	
Emory University, Atlanta, GA	
Supervisory Teacher	
- Supervisory training for four students who entered residency programs	
- Graduate student who completed master's degree	
Kasturba Hospital, Gandhigram, India	2004
Instructor	
- Taught Anatomy to Clinical Assistant students.	
- Sree Siddhartha Medical College and Hospital, India	1996

### TRAINING & CERTIFICATION

Asset based community development workshop: Mobilizing the gifts of young people, organizations, & communities, GA Dept of Public Health	2013
Supervisory Development Program certification at Fulton County Government	2012
- Shaping Policy for health Training offered through Directors of Health Promotion & Education (DHPE) Domains 2, 3 & 4	2012
CDC Public Health Leadership Training, Bridging Gaps, forging partnerships and leading	201
2 change for the future of public health	
Be Our Voice, Online Advocacy Training. National Institute for Child Healthcare Quality	2012
National Leadership Academy for the Public's Health (NLAPH) program, CDC, Office of State, Tribal, Local and Territorial Support (OSTLTS).	2012
Certified Clinical Research Coordinator, Association of Clinical Research Professionals	2011
Supervisor Development Program certification at Emory University	2009

- BLS CPR, American Heart Association

**COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES / OTHER EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

Johns Creek Leadership Program Graduate	2014
Johns Creek Citizens Police Academy	2014
Rotary Club Program Committee, Chair & Paul Harris Fellow	2014
Board Member Secretary / Treasurer for American Tamil Medical Association (ATMA)	2012
Communications/ Website Committee Chair, American Tamil Medical Association	2012
Vice President, Ann Foundation	2010
Communications Director (ATMA)	2009- 2010
National ATMA Website Coordinator	
Editorial Board for Journal of American Tamil Medical Association	

**ADDITIONAL SKILLS**

Computer Skills: Microsoft Word, Video Editing, Creating Web site, Power Point, Excel, Access and SAS  
Linguistic Skills: English, Tamil, Hindi, Urdu, Kannada, Telugu & Arabic