



DURHAM CENTER OF INNOVATION
TO ACCELERATE DISCOVERY AND
PRACTICE TRANSFORMATION

IMPLEMENTATION & IMPROVEMENT SCIENCE LAB

CORE MEMBER PORTFOLIO

Last	First	VA Role	Email	Current VA Projects/ Implementation Science Roles (PI)	General Areas of Interests
ANDERSON	SUMMER	Project Coordinator	Summer.anderson@va.gov	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✚ Dynamic Diffusion Network QUERI Program (Jackson, Crowley, Cutrona, Nieuwsma)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✚ Implementation facilitation✚ Qualitative work✚ Intersection of policy, health, healthcare, and research
BALLENGEE	LINDSAY	(Former) VA Quality Scholars Fellow	lindsay.ballengee@duke.edu	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✚ Implementation of Psychologically Informed Physical Therapy Training for VA PT's✚ AIM-Back (Nicki Hastings), STEP-KOA (Kelli Allen)✚ Function QUERI: Group PT (Kelli Allen)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✚ Pain management, nonpharmacological interventions✚ Anything implementation
BEAVER	TIFF	Project Coordinator	tiffany.beaver@va.gov	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✚ ACDC, PRACTICE-DM, Implementing ACDC✚ MESH✚ QUERI ADIL✚ Rolling Out PRIDE	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✚ LGBTQIA+✚ PTSD✚ Cultural Adaptation✚ Health Equity

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Equity-Focused Implementation of LGBTQ-Affirmative Cognitive Behavioral Therapy: A Hybrid Implementation-Effectiveness Trial 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Community Engagement ✚ Implementation ✚ Qualitative
BOSWORTH	HAYDEN	Core investigator, Deputy Director	Hayden.bosworth@duke.edu Hayden.bosworth@va.gov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ TEAM (Goldsein/Bosworth) ✚ V-EXTRA-CVD ✚ NHLBI K12 DISCO ✚ Function QUERI 2.0 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Pragmatic trials ✚ Intervention adaptation ✚ evaluation
BOUCHER	NATHAN	Core Investigator	nathan.boucher@duke.edu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Navigating Advanced Illness for Caregivers of Older Veterans (Boucher)* 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Lay navigation ✚ Older adults ✚ Caregiver support ✚ Care delivery improvement
BURKE	COLLEEN	VA Quality Scholars Fellow	colleen.a.burke@duke.edu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Improving the Efficiency of Outpatient Ambulatory Physical Therapy Using a Phone Screening Process (Co-PI w/Sharpe) ✚ AIM-Back (Hastings) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Healthcare Utilization and Access ✚ Non-Pharmacologic Pain Intervention ✚ Health Behavior ✚ Quality improvement and Implementation Sciences
CHOATE	ASHLEY	Implementation Specialist & Acting Innovation Specialist	Ashley.Choate@va.gov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Function QUERI (Hastings) ✚ AIM-Back (Hastings) ✚ Implementation Science Lab PC (Jackson) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Program implementation ✚ Innovation

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Innovators Network (Crews) + Rapid Response Review PC (King) 	
COPE	TYLER	Implementation Clinical Research Associate	Tyler.cope@va.gov Tyler.cope@duke.edu	+ AIM-Back (Hastings)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Innovation development and implementation + Health behavior + Health technology
DOMLYN	ARIEL	VA Quality Scholars Fellow	Ariel.Domlyn@va.gov Ariel.Domlyn@duke.edu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Dynamic Diffusion Network QUERI Program (Jackson, Crowley, Cutrona, Nieuwsma) + Health Equity REACH (Wilson) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Implementation stages + Community engagement + Health equity + Program evaluation + Mixed methods & Complexity science
DRAKE	CONNOR	Research Health Scientist	Connor.Drake@va.gov	+ Function QUERI 2.0, Implementation Core (Hastings)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Implementation science + Chronic illness care + Social determinants of health/ social care integration
FRANCE	COURTNI	Research Health Science Specialist	Courtini.france@va.gov	+ AIM-Back (Hastings)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Women's Health + Health Services + Mobilized health service delivery + Mixed method models + RWE development, readiness/preparedness
JACKSON	GEORGE	Research Health Scientist and Implementation and Improvement	george.jackson3@va.gov george.l.jackson@duke.edu	+ Dynamic Diffusion Network QUERI Program (Jackson, Crowley, Cutrona, Nieuwsma)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Healthcare epidemiology + Implementation science + Health administration

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		Science Lab Director		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ QUERI SHAARK Partnered Evaluation (Jackson, Cutrona, Damschroder) Enhancing Quality of Prescribing Practices for Older Adults Discharged from the Emergency Department (EQUIPPED) (Vaughn & Jackson) ✚ Function QUERI Program (Hastings, Allen, Van Houtven) ✚ Innovation Ecosystem-Office of Research & Development Collaboration (Jackson) ✚ Innovators Network (Crews) ✚ Rapid Response Review (King) ✚ TECNO (Crowley) ✚ Teledermatology Mobile Apps: Implementation and Impact on Veterans' Access to Dermatology. (Oh; Whited Durham PI) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Innovation development and implementation ✚ Team-based care ✚ Chronic illness care and prevention

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ CSP 2019 - Basal Cell Carcinoma Chemoprevention Trial (B3C) (Weinstock & Dellavalle ; Jackson-Implementation Science Lead) 	
KING	HEATHER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Research Health Scientist ✚ Co-Director Implementation and Improvement Science Lab ✚ Scientific Director, Qualitative Core (effective FY26) 	Heather.king2@va.gov heather.king@duke.edu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Rural WAVE (Wellness and Veteran Engagement) Initiative ✚ Maximizing Ongoing Development and Educational Leadership (MODEL) for VHA Hospitalists (MODEL) (ORH EWI) leader of evaluation team ✚ Improving dermatology access by direct-to-patient teledermatology and computer-assisted diagnosis (site PI Durham) ✚ Teledermatology Enterprise Wide 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Qualitative and mixed methods ✚ Measurement ✚ Health-related quality of life ✚ Rural health ✚ Partner engagement

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initiative (evaluation lead Durham) + Dynamic Diffusion Network (DDN) QUERI Program (co-leader of implementation core) 	
KIRSHNER	M. AMY	Project Coordinator	Miriam.Kirshner@va.gov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Innovation Ecosystem-Office of Research & Development Collaboration (Jackson) + QUERI SHAARK (Jackson) + DDN QUERI (Jackson) + VISN 6 Innovation Ecosystem/Learning Health System (Jackson) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Intervention adaptation + Implementation strategy design + Innovation development and implementation + Chronic illness care and prevention
LOPEZ	JIM	Research Associate	Jim.lopez@duke.edu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + QUERI SHAARK Partnered Evaluation (Jackson) + Enhancing Quality of Prescribing Practices for Older Adults Discharged from the Emergency Department (EQUIPPED) (Vaughn, Jackson) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health systems research • Implementation science • Global health + Preventive strategies for chronic disease

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				Innovation Ecosystem-Office of Research & Development Collaboration (Jackson)	
LYNCH	CHANEE	Project Coordinator	Chanee.Lynch@va.gov	Rural Veterans Wellness Initiative/Moral Injury (King, Parry, Nieuwsma) AIM-Back (Hastings) Tele-self CBTI (Ulmer) Telehealth STEP-KOA (Allen)	Stakeholder engagement, Program implementation Community capacity building
MAJETTE	NADYA	Project Coordinator	Nadya.Majette@va.gov	VA CARES – QUERI PEI (Van Houtven) Diabetes Staging System Study (Dar)	Program evaluation Partnered research Healthcare Equity
MIAO	JONATHAN	Research Health Science Specialist	Jonathan.Miao@va.gov	Telehealth STEP-KOA (Allen) Rural WAVE (Wellness and Veteran Engagement) Initiative (King, Parry) Alcohol and CVD Management & Engagement (ACME_TM) (Blalock)	Program implementation Community partner engagement Physical activity and exercise Chronic disease management and prevention
MORRIS	ISIS	Project Coordinator	isis.morris@va.gov	Enhancing Quality of Prescribing Practices for Older Adults Discharged from the	Stakeholder engagement Partnered research

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				Emergency Department (EQUIPPED) (Vaughn & Jackson) Teledermatology Mobile Apps: Implementation and Impact on Veterans' Access to Dermatology. (Oh; Whited Durham PI)	
MURRAY	RYAN	Research Associate	Ryan.murray2@va.gov	Adapting Treatment Delivery to Improve Retention in Evidence-Based PTSD Treatment Multi-site Feasibility of Compassion Meditation for Veterans with PTSD Protocol Innovation Collaboration Workgroup	Mental Health Care and Research Healthcare Equity Implementation Research
SALES	LALITA	Innovation Specialist	Lalita.Sales@va.gov	Spark-Seed-Spread Greenhouse Initiatives Innovation Ecosystem/Innovators Network HCD 3 Box Solution Storytelling	Way finder for Innovative ideas/process/products

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SCHEXNAYDE R	JULIE	Postdoctoral Fellow	Julie.Schexnayder@va.gov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + TEAM (Goldstein/Bosworth) + V-EXTRA-CVD (Bosworth) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Intervention adaptation + Implementation strategy design + Mixed method evaluations
SMIGELSKY	MELISSA	Psychologist	Melissa.smigelsky@va.gov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Dynamic Diffusion Network QUERI Program (Jackson) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Mental health + Spirituality + Intervention development
WELLS	STEPHANIE	Research Psychologist	Stephanie.wells2@va.gov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Compassion Meditation (Wells - Site PI) + PTSD Massed Delivery (Wells) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Mental health + Implementation + Mixed Methods + Access and engagement in PTSD treatment + Pragmatic trials
WHITE	BRANDOLY N	Project Coordinator	Brandolyn.white@va.gov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + QUERI SHAARK Partnered Evaluation (Jackson) + Dynamic Diffusion Network QUERI Program (Jackson) + Implementation Lab PC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Stakeholder engagement + Partnered research

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