

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

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EDUCATION/TRAINING <i>(Begin with baccalaureate or other initial professional education, such as nursing, and include postdoctoral training.)</i>			
INSTITUTION AND LOCATION	DEGREE <i>(if applicable)</i>	YEAR(s)	FIELD OF STUDY
University of Alaska, Anchorage, AK	BA	1989	Business
University of Colorado, Boulder, CO	MA	1993	Economics
University of Colorado, Boulder, CO	PhD	1997	Economics

A. Positions and Honors.

- 1989-1993 Research Assistant, Population Program, Institute of Behavioral Science, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO
- 1992-1993 Economic Consultant, Rocky Mountain HMO, Grand Junction, CO
- 1993-1994 Economic Consultant, State of Colorado, Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, Denver, CO
- 1994-1997 Clinical Profiles Analyst, Kaiser Permanente, Colorado Region, Denver, CO
- 1997-Present Investigator and Health Care Economist, Clinical Research Unit, Kaiser Permanente, Colorado Region, Denver, CO

B. Selected Peer-Reviewed Publications (in chronological order).

1. Bograd H, **Ritzwoller DP**, Calonge N, Shields K, Hanrahan M (1997). Extending health maintenance organization insurance to the uninsured: A controlled measure of health care utilization. *Journal of the American Medical Association*, 277, 1067-72.
2. **Ritzwoller DP**, and Sandelin EJ (2000). Asthma disease management program. *The Permanente Journal*, 4.
3. Platt R, Bocchino C, Caldwell B, Harmon R, Kleinman K, Lazarus R, Nelson F, Nordin JD, **Ritzwoller DP**, and Yih K (2003). Syndromic surveillance using minimum transfer of identifiable data: The example of the national bioterrorism syndromic surveillance demonstration program. *Journal of Urban Health*, 80, i25-31.
4. Saver BJ, **Ritzwoller DP**, Maciosek M, Goodman JG, et al. (2004). Does payment drive procedures? Payment for specialty services and procedure rate variations in three HMOs. *American Journal of Managed Care*, 10, 229-237.
5. Solberg LI, Quinn VP, Stevens VJ, Vogt TM, Rigotti NA, Zapka JG, **Ritzwoller DP**, and Smith KS (2004). Tobacco control efforts in managed care: What do the doctors think? *American Journal of Managed Care*, 10, 193-8.
6. **Ritzwoller DP**, Shetterly S, Yamasaki K, France E. Assessment of the Effectiveness of the 2003-04 Influenza Vaccine Among Children and Adults – Colorado, 2003. *Morbidity Mortality Weekly Report*. 2004; 53:707-708.
7. Yih K, Bocchino C, Caldwell B, Lazarus R, Nordin J, Richter B, **Ritzwoller DP**, Platt R. The National Bioterrorism Surveillance Demonstration Project. *Morbidity Mortality Weekly Report* 2004 / 53(Suppl);43-49).
8. Mouchawar J, Hensley-Alford S, Laurion S, Ellis J, Kulchak-Rahm A, Finucane ML, Meenan R, Axell L, Pollack R, **Ritzwoller D**. Impact of direct-to-consumer advertising for hereditary breast cancer testing on genetic services at a managed care organization: A naturally-occurring experiment. *Genet Med*. 2005 Mar;7(3):191-197.

01 CHD Lifestyle Modification for Latinas with Diabetes (Viva Bien!)

The primary goal of this project is to extend a promising lifestyle change program to an underserved population at high risk for CHD--Hispanic Americans. Dr. Ritzwoller is responsible for the economic and cost-effectiveness analyses.

PENDING

(Glasgow, RG) 9/1/05 – 8/31/10 10%

NIH/NIDDK

Diabetes and Depression Quality Improvement

This project will conduct a randomized evaluation of a diabetes and depression care quality improvement program(DDQI) in a large managed care organization. Dr. Ritzwoller will be responsible for the economic and cost-effectiveness analyses.

COMPLETED

1 RO1HS11314-01 Fishman (PI) 5/1/9/01 – 10/31/03

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)

Assessing Medical Need among Children in Managed Care

The major goals of this four site collaborative project were to determine how well different risk assessment instruments predict medical need among children and families, how additional health status information improves predictive performance of models currently available, and to evaluate the financial implications for health plans that enroll children and families if capitated payments are based on alternative risk assessment instruments.

Role: Co-Investigator

U19CA79689 Wagner (PI) 1/1/99 – 12/31/02

National Cancer Institute (NCI)

Increasing Effectiveness of Cancer Control Interventions: Cancer Research Network

The major goal of this grant was to take advantage of the HMO Research Network, a consortium of non-profit HMOs, to study issues related to cancer prevention.

Role: Co-Investigator

109021 Saver (PI) 5/1/98 – 10/31/01

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Investigation into Specialist Payment: Effects on Cost and Treatments

The major goal of this project was to study how the different mechanisms HMOs use to pay for specialty services affect the costs of care and the treatments and outcomes for the patients.

Role: Co-Investigator

200-95-0953 Beck (PI) 7/1/99 – 9/30/01

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

Assessing the Effectiveness of the Arthritis Self-Help Course (ASHC) in a Managed Care Setting

The major goal of this project was to assess the effectiveness of Arthritis Self Help class in a managed care setting.

Role: Co-Investigator