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EDUCATION

- 2002 Cornell University, BA, Policy Analysis and Management
- 2004 The George Washington University, MPP, Public Policy
- 2008 Columbia University, PhD, Social Policy and Policy Analysis (Field: Health Economics)

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2008 – 2010 Research Investigator & NIA Postdoctoral Fellow, Population Studies Center, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
- 2010 – Present Faculty Affiliate, Population Studies Center, Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
- 2010 – 2013 Faculty Research Fellow, Survey Research Center, Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
- 2013 – Present Faculty Affiliate, Survey Research Center, Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
- 2013 – 2020 Assistant Professor, Health Policy & Management, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Baltimore, MD
- 2013 – Present Core Faculty, Roger C. Lipitz Center for Integrated Health Care, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Baltimore, MD
- 2013 – 2021 Core Faculty, Interdepartmental Program in Health Economics, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Baltimore, MD

2020 – 2021	Associate Professor, Health Policy & Management, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Baltimore, MD
2020 – Present	Pilot Core Deputy Director, Hopkins Economics of Alzheimer’s Disease And Services Center
2021 – 2023	Associate Professor, Health Systems, Management & Policy, University of Colorado School of Public Health
2021 – Present	Associate Professor by courtesy, Economics, University of Colorado Denver
2021 – 2022	Visiting Economist, Federal Reserve Board of Governors
2023 – 2024	Associate Professor, Division of Geriatric Medicine, Department of Medicine, University of Colorado Medical School
2023 – Present	Core Faculty, Center for Bioethics and Humanities, Department of Medicine, University of Colorado Medical School
2024 - Present	Professor, Division of Geriatric Medicine, Department of Medicine, University of Colorado Medical School

HONORS AND AWARDS

Graduate School Awards

2004 Columbia University Eveline M. Burns Award in Social Policy

2005 John A. Hartford Foundation Pre-Dissertation Award Program

Research Awards

2009 National Academy of Social Insurance John Heinz Dissertation Award

2009 A. Regula Herzog Young Investigators Award, Institute for Social Research

2010 Visiting Scholar, University of Iowa

2012 AcademyHealth Article of the Year Award

2013 American Geriatrics Society Presidential Poster Session (most highly ranked abstracts)

2014 HCUP Article of the Year Award

- 2014 Johns Hopkins Leadership Program for Women Faculty
- 2015 Johns Hopkins University Catalyst Award
- 2019 Excellence in Teaching Award, Johns Hopkins School of Public Health
- 2024 Excellence in Reviewing Award, JAMA Oncology

Elected and Honorary Society Memberships

- 2012- National Academy of Social Insurance
- 2015- Delta Omega Public Health Honor Society

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- 2003- AcademyHealth
- 2005- Association for Public Policy and Management
- 2007- American Economic Association
- 2008- American Society of Health Economists
- 2014- Association for Academic Surgery

PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE

Department: Admissions Committee, PhD Concentration in Health Economics and Policy, 2014 – 2020 (JHSPH)

Health Economics faculty search committee, 2014 (JHSPH)

Health Policy & Management Self Study Committee, 2015 – 2016 (JHSPH)

Director, PhD Concentration in Health Economics and Policy 2015 – 2020 (JHSPH)

Lipitz Faculty Search Committee, 2017 (JHSPH)

Associate Chair for Research 2021 – 2023 (CSPH)

Chair, Health Systems, Management & Policy Search Committee 2021 – 2022 (CSPH)

Admissions Committee, MPH Concentration in Health Systems, Management & Policy 2021 – 2023

School: Wellness Committee 2016 – 2020 (JHSPH)

Research Committee 2021 – 2023 (CSPH)

Associate Chair for Research, Department of Health Systems, Management & Policy
2021 – 2023, CSPH

University: Co-organizer of Hopkins Health, Labor, Education & Development Conference
2017 – 2020

Mentor, Palliative Care and Aging Research Training T32 grant, 2021 – Present

Executive Committee, Palliative Care and Aging Research Training T32, 2023 – Present

National: Social Security Administration Retirement and Disability Research Centers, 2008 –
Present

American Society of Health Economists Conference Program Committee, 2010 –
Present; Chair, Aging and Long-Term Care, 2023, 2024

International Health Economics Association Conference Program Committee, 2011 –
Present

AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting Conference Program Committee, 2012 – 2019
National Academy of Social Insurance Heinz Dissertation Award Selection Committee,
2017 – Present

Hospice Quality Reporting Program HEART Comprehensive Patient Assessment
Instrument Technical Expert Panel, 2017

Mentor: AcademyHealth, ASHEcon, Association for Public Policy & Management, 2018
– Present,

Mentor: Committee on the Status of Women in the Economics Profession (includes
participation in mentorship breakfasts and full-day workshops) 2021 – Present

Pilot Core Co-Director, Hopkins Economics of Alzheimer's Disease and Services Center,
2020 – Present

Visiting Economist, Federal Reserve Board of Governors, 2021 – 2022

Association for Policy Analysis & Management Annual Research Meeting Conference
Program Committee, 2021 – Present; Co-Chair, Health Policy, 2022, 2023

Co-Chair for Health Policy, Association for Policy Analysis & Management Annual
Research Meeting Conference, 2021 – Present

Technical Expert Panel: Patient-Centered Economic Outcomes, Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute, 2022

Technical Expert Panel, Real-World Data for AD/ADRD Research, National Institute on Aging, 2023

REVIEW AND EDITORIAL ACTIVITIES

Journal Editorial Board

Journal of Pain and Symptom Management, 2019 - Present

Journal Peer Review

American Journal of Managed Care, American Journal of Public Health, Demography, Economic Inquiry, Forum for Health Economics & Policy, Health Affairs, Health Economics, Health Services Research, JAMA, JAMA Health Forum, JAMA Internal Medicine, JAMA Network Open, JAMA Oncology, JAMA Surgery, Journal of the American Geriatrics Society, Journal of the Economics of Ageing, Journal of General Internal Medicine, Journal of Health Economics, Journal of Statistical Software, Labour Economics, Medical Care Research and Review, PLoS One

Ad-Hoc Grant Review Panels

National Institutes of Health (Training Grants (x2), Dementia (x3), Research Methods, SBIR Special Emphasis Panels, HSOD Member Conflict Panel, Program Projects, Organization and Delivery of Health Services), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, U.S. Department of Agriculture Economic Research Service

INVITED LECTURES, PRESENTATIONS AND WORKSHOPS

Invited Seminars (Universities and Government Agencies)

- 2012 **Nicholas LH.** “The Effect of Elective Surgery on Paid & Unpaid Work Amongst Older Adults,” RAND.
- 2012 **Nicholas LH.** “The Effect of Elective Surgery on Paid & Unpaid Work Amongst Older Adults,” Social Security Administration.
- 2012 **Nicholas LH.** “Economic Effects of Treatment Intensity: The Effect of Elective Surgery on Paid & Unpaid Work Among Older Adults,” University of Pennsylvania.
- 2012 **Nicholas LH,** Langa KM, Iwashyna TJ, Weir DR. “Regional Variation in the Association Between Advance Directives and End-of-Life Medicare Expenditures,” Dartmouth College.
- 2012 **Nicholas LH,** Langa KM, Iwashyna TJ, Weir DR. “Regional Variation in the Association Between Advance Directives and End-of-Life Medicare Expenditures,” National Institute on Aging Council.

- 2013 **Nicholas LH.** “Economic Effects of Treatment Intensity: The Effect of Elective Surgery on Paid & Unpaid Work Amongst Older Adults,” Columbia University.
- 2013 **Nicholas LH.** “Economic Effects of Treatment Intensity: The Effect of Elective Surgery on Paid & Unpaid Work Amongst Older Adults,” Emory Rollins School of Public Health.
- 2013 **Nicholas LH.** “Economic Effects of Treatment Intensity: The Effect of Elective Surgery on Paid & Unpaid Work Amongst Older Adults,” Harvard Medical School.
- 2013 **Nicholas LH.** “The Effect of Elective Surgery on Paid & Unpaid Work Amongst Older Adults,” Columbia University.
- 2013 **Nicholas LH.** “The Effect of Elective Surgery on Paid & Unpaid Work Amongst Older Adults,” University of Massachusetts Medical School.
- 2014 **Nicholas LH.** “Hospital Compare Scores and Long-Term Changes in Functional Status,” Center for Medicare & Medicaid Innovation.
- 2014 **Nicholas LH, Bynum JPW, Weir DR, Iwashyna TJ, Langa KM.** “Advance Directives and Nursing Home Stays Associated With Less Aggressive End-Of-Life Care For Severe Dementia Patients,” Health Affairs Alzheimer’s Briefing, Washington, DC.
- 2014 **Nicholas LH.** “Effects of Medicare Advantage Plan Rebates on enrollment and Beneficiary Health,” Indiana University.
- 2015 **Nicholas LH.** “Advance Directives and End-of-Life Care,” George Mason University.
- 2015 **Nicholas LH.** “Can Selective Referral Improve the Safety of Elective Surgery?” New York University.
- 2015 **Nicholas, LH.** “Unintended Effects of High-Stakes Performance Incentives: Evidence from Organ Transplant,” Temple University.
- 2017 **Nicholas LH.** “Lifetime Job Demands, Work Capacity and Disability at Older Ages,” University of New Mexico.
- 2017 **Nicholas LH.** “Labor Supply after Bariatric Surgery,” Social Security Administration.
- 2018 **Nicholas, LH.** “The impact of medical marijuana laws on the pain and labor supply of older adults,” Johns Hopkins School of Medicine Geriatrics Grand Rounds
- 2018 **Nicholas LH.** “Waitlist Patient Outcomes Under High-Stakes Performance Report Cards In Organ Transplantation,” The Penn State University.
- 2018 **Nicholas LH.** “Using Credit Data to Catch Signs of Cognitive Impairment,” Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

- 2018 **Nicholas LH.** “Using Credit Data to Catch Signs of Cognitive Impairment,” Social Security Administration.
- 2019 **Nicholas LH** and Hsu J. “Adverse Financial Events Before and After Dementia Diagnosis,” Georgia State University.
- 2019 **Nicholas LH** and Hsu J. “Adverse Financial Events Before and After Dementia Diagnosis,” Dartmouth College.
- 2020 **Nicholas LH and Hsu J.** “Adverse Financial Events Before and After Dementia Diagnosis,” Federal Interdepartmental Elder Justice Working Group.
- 2020 **Nicholas LH** and Hsu J. “Adverse Financial Events Before and After Dementia Diagnosis,” University of Colorado.
- 2022 **Nicholas LH.** How do surrogates make end-of-life decisions? University of Colorado Palliative Care Conference.
- 2023 **Nicholas LH,** Macis M. “How Do Surrogates Make Treatment Decisions for Patients with Dementia: An Experimental Survey Study.” Indiana University.
- 2023 **Nicholas LH.** “Financial Symptoms of Dementia.” University of Colorado Division of Geriatrics Grand Rounds.

Invited Talks at Scientific Meetings and Workshops (National & International audiences)

- 2017 **Nicholas LH.** “Out-of-Pocket Spending and Financial Burden Among Medicare Beneficiaries With Cancer”. ASCO Health Economics Meeting.
- 2017 **Nicholas LH.** “Potential of using Credit Reports and other Financial Data for Detecting Cognitive Impairment,” National Institute on Aging meeting on Passive Detection of Cognitive Decline Using Data from Multiple Low Cost Sources.
- 2020 **Nicholas LH.** “Detecting Cognitive Impairment in Credit Data.” Workshop on Applications of Machine Learning to Improve Healthcare Delivery for Older Adults
- 2021 **Nicholas, LH.** “Next Steps for Health Economics Survivorship Research.” National Cancer Institute Future of Cancer Health Economics Research Conference.
- 2021 **Nicholas, LH.** “Found Measures of Cognitive Impairment.” National Institute on Aging Conference on Non-pharmacological Approaches to the Early Prevention of AD/ADRD.
- 2021 **Nicholas, LH.** “When Should We Diagnose Cognitive Impairment?” National Academy of Sciences Meeting on Workshop on Biomarkers and Preclinical Diagnostics of AD & AD/RD.

- 2021 **Nicholas, LH.** “Careers in Health Economics.” Committee on the Status of Women in the Economics Profession Mentoring Conference for Women and Non-Binary PhD Students.
- 2021 **Nicholas LH** and Hsu J. “New Evidence on the Financial Symptoms of Dementia,” National Bureau of Economic Research Summer Institute.
- 2022 Li J, Kelley A, McGarry KM, **Nicholas LH**, Skinner JS. “Dementia and Long-run Trajectories in Household Finances,” National Bureau of Economic Research Summer Institute.
- 2022 Goda GS, Jackson E, **Nicholas LH**, Stith SS. “The Impact of Covid-19 on Older Workers' Employment and Social Security Spillovers: Evidence from Year 2,” National Bureau of Economic Research Summer Institute.
- 2022 **Nicholas LH.** "Financial Presentation of Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias," World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (organized by the National Adult Protective Services Association).
- 2022 **Nicholas LH.** “Comments on A Research Agenda for the Aging Workforce,” National Academies of Science, Engineering, & Medicine.
- 2022 **Nicholas LH.** “Marker of Disease and Economic Impacts,” National Bureau of Economic Research Conference on Financial and Economic Decision-Making, Alzheimer’s Disease, and Outcomes over the Lifecycle.
- 2023 **Nicholas LH.** “Clinical and “Real World” Measures of AD/ADRD,” National Institute on Aging Landscape of Early (Neuro)Psychological Changes in AD/ADRD Project.
- 2023 **Nicholas LH.** “The Impact of Covid-19 on Older Workers’ Labor Supply.” Venice International University Summer School on Aging.
- 2023 **Nicholas LH.** “Implications for SSA Related to the End of the COVID Public Health Emergency.” National Academies of Science, Engineering & Medicine Standing Committee of of Medical and Vocational Experts for the Social Security Administration’s Disability Programs.
- 2023 **Nicholas LH.** “Health and Equity Implications of Medicare Fraud.” Beazley Institute for Health Law and Policy Annual Health Law Symposium.
- 2023 **Nicholas LH**, Macis M. “How Do Surrogates Make Treatment Decisions for Patients with Dementia: An Experimental Survey Study.” National Bureau of Economic Research Summer Institute.

- 2023 **Nicholas LH**, “How Do Surrogates Make Treatment Decisions for Patients with Dementia: An Experimental Survey Study.” NBER-CAPRA Conference on Financial and Economic Decision-Making.
- 2023 **Nicholas LH**, “Did the COVID-19 Pandemic Change Site of Death for Older Europeans?” Gateway to Global Aging Long-Term Care Policy Conference.
- 2023 **Nicholas LH**, “Financial Symptoms of Dementia.” University of Colorado School of Medicine, Division of Geriatrics Grand Rounds.
- 2024 **Nicholas LH**, Macis M. “How Do Surrogates Make Treatment Decisions for Patients with Dementia: An Experimental Survey Study.” University of Colorado.
- 2024 **Nicholas LH**, Macis M. “How Do Surrogates Make Treatment Decisions for Patients with Dementia: An Experimental Survey Study.” University of Washington.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Colorado School of Public Health

Courses Taught: Primary Instructor

2022 Research Design & Proposal Preparation, Term 2. Enrollment: 5. **Redesigned existing course.**

2023 Research Design & Proposal Preparation, Term 2. Enrollment: 2.

Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health

Courses Taught: Primary Instructor

2020 PhD Seminar in Health Policy: Using Secondary Data to Conduct Health Policy Research, Term 1. Enrollment: 10

2020 Applied Econometrics for Health Policy Research, Term 4. Enrollment: 4

2019 PhD Seminar in Health Policy: Using Secondary Data to Conduct Health Policy Research, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Term 1. Enrollment: 8

2019 Applied Econometrics for Health Policy Research, Term 4. Enrollment: 5 **Excellence in Teaching Award**

2018 PhD Seminar in Health Policy: Using Secondary Data to Conduct Health Policy Research, Term 1. Enrollment: 8

2018 Applied Econometrics for Health Policy Research, Term 4. Enrollment: 8

2017 PhD Seminar in Health Policy: Using Secondary Data to Conduct Health Policy Research, Term 1. Enrollment: 12 **Redesigned existing course**

2016 Applied Econometrics for Health Policy Research, Term 2. Enrollment: 10

2015 Applied Econometrics for Health Policy Research, Term 2. Enrollment: 6

2014 Applied Econometrics for Health Policy Research, Term 2. Enrollment: 4 **Developed new course**

Courses Taught: Other Significant Teaching

Guest Lectures

- 2013 Innovations in Healthcare for the Elderly Guest Lecture (“Medicare Advantage”), Term 2
- 2013 Seminar in Public Health Economics Guest Lecture (“Research Overview”), Term 3
- 2013 Seminar in Health Services Research & Policy Guest Lecture (“Research Overview”), Term 3
- 2014 HPM PhD Seminar Guest Lecture (“Provider Behavior”), Term 2.
- 2019 JHSPH Schoolwide Causation Class Guest Lecture (Causation in Health Economics), Term 2.

Teaching Assistant Positions (Columbia University)

- 2005 Microeconomics and Public Policy, Term 2
- 2005 Research Methods, Term 1: Teaching Assistant
- 2006 Microeconomics for International Affairs, Term 2
- 2006 Microeconomics and Public Policy, Term 1
- 2007 Research Practicum in Poverty and Public Policy, Term 2
- 2008 Research Practicum in Poverty and Public Policy, Term 2

Academic Advisor

Masters

Jessica Hale, MSPH 2020
Mayumi Masumara, MPH 2020
Laurent Tsai, MPH 2020
Kelsey Edwards, MPH 2019
Daniel Gorbaty, MPH 2019
Sasmira Matta, MSPH 2019
Kathleen Taylor, MSPH 2019
Edward Juhn, MPH 2018
Anaeze Offodile, MPH 2017
John Fischer, MPH 2016
Margaret Gavor, MPH 2015

PhD

Lumin Shen, PhD 2019 - 2020
Kiefer Ahn, PhD 2018 – 2020
Debbie Bozzi 2016 – 2018
Marlena Fisher 2021 – Present

DrPH

Amanda Teeple, DrPH 2022

Research

Amol Narang, Radiation Oncology research year 2015

Fellowship

Qasim Syed Hussani, Oncology research year 2021
Shaowei Wan, Palliative Care T32 2021 - 2023

Capstone Advisor

Masters

Sasmira Matta, MHS 2019

Margaret Gavor, MPH 2015

PhD Dissertation Committees

Susan Christiansen, Population, Family & Reproductive Health
Nicolae Done, Health Policy & Management
Liming Dong, Mental Health
Kurt Herzer, Health Policy & Management
Lauren Kucirka, Epidemiology
Sonal Parasrampur, Health Policy & Management
Joyce Qian, Epidemiology
Ashton Shaffer, Epidemiology
Shannon Wu, Health Policy & Management

Additional Significant Mentorship

Mentorship in economics, econometrics, and health policy research to clinical fellows, junior faculty, and students participating in 1 or more research papers and projects:

K01 Mentor: Lorraine Dean (Johns Hopkins University)

Clinical Fellows: Amir Gahferi (University of Michigan), Amol Narang (Johns Hopkins University) Nicholas Osborne (University of Michigan), Terry Shih (University of Michigan) Vicente Valero (Johns Hopkins University)

Undergraduate and Medical Students: Rizwan Ahmad (Johns Hopkins University), Amanda Chen (Johns Hopkins University), Cole Friedes (Johns Hopkins University), Sarah Hazell (Johns Hopkins University), Tim Xu (Johns Hopkins University)

External Advisees: Jing Li (faculty, University of Washington); Sasmira Matta (PhD student, University of Pennsylvania), Rosemary Rhodes (research assistant, Mathematica); Madeline Yi (research assistant; Federal Reserve Board of Governors)

RESEARCH RECORD

Active Grants (total costs awarded)

2024 – 2029 Principal Investigator. “Care for Persons with Dementia in Medicare Advantage and Traditional Medicare: Family Spillovers and Disparities.” Funding Source: National Institute on Aging. \$3,143,766.

2022 – 2024 Co-Principal Investigator. “Making the Right Choice: Medicare Plan Selection and Access to Cancer Care.” Funding Source: The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, \$475,326.

- 2020-2025 Principal Investigator. Health and Financial Implications of Early-Stage Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias. Funding Source: National Institute on Aging (RF1 (R01 equivalent)). \$3,037,522 (additional \$500k will be awarded if requested in Year 4).
- 2020-2025 Co-Investigator (PIs Polsky, Wolff). Hopkins Economics of Alzheimer's Disease & Services Center (P01). Funding Source: National Institute on Aging. \$544,508 direct costs/year.
- 2018-2024 Principal Investigator. Understanding and Respecting End-of-Life Treatment Preferences Among Older Adults with Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias (R01). Funding Source: National Institute on Aging. \$2,569,076.

Completed Grants

- 2021 – 2023 Principal Investigator. Does Managed Care Improve End-of-Life Care for Medicare Beneficiaries? Funding Source: National Institute on Aging (R56). \$452,737.
- 2021 – 2022 Principal Investigator. Tracking Changes in the Composition of Social Security Disability Insurance and Supplement Security Income Following the COVID-19 Pandemic. Funding Source: Social Security Administration through Michigan Retirement & Disability Research Center. \$100,000.
- 2019-2020 Principal Investigator. Financial Consequences of Health and Healthcare Spending Among Older Couples. Funding Source: Social Security Administration. \$75,000
- 2017-2019 Principal Investigator. Adverse Financial Events Before and After Dementia Diagnosis: Understanding the Timing and Need for Representative Payees Among Households Impacted by Dementia. Funding Source: Social Security Administration. \$95,000.
- 2019-2020 Co-Investigator (PI Dy). Integrating Palliative Care with Chronic Disease Management in Ambulatory Care. Funding Source: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality. \$470,000.
- 2016-2019 Principal Investigator. Using Consumer Credit Data to Identify Precursors and Consequences of Cognitive Impairment. Funding Source: National Institute on Aging (R21). \$448,771.
- 2016-2017 Co-Principal Investigator. Design and Evaluation of Novel Metrics of Transplant Center Performance. Funding Source: Arnold Foundation. \$154,524.
- 2016-2020 Co-Investigator (PI Segev). Reducing Geographic Disparities in Kidney and Liver Allocation (R01). Funding Source: National Institute Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases. \$3.1M

- 2015-2019 Co-Investigator (PI Halpern). Default Palliative Care Consultation for Seriously Ill Hospitalized Patients. Funding Source: National Institute on Aging (UH1-3). \$2.4M
- 2015-2016 Principal Investigator. Using Consumer Data to Predict and Prevent Adverse Health Events Among Older Adults. Funding Source: Johns Hopkins University Catalyst Award. \$75,000.
- 2014-2016 Principal Investigator. Can advance planning reduce the long-term burden of cancer treatments on family health and financial well-being? Funding Source: State of Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Cigarette Restitution Fund. \$75,000.
- 2013-2015 Principal Investigator. Long-Term Health Impacts of Physical and Cognitive Occupational Exposures. Funding Source: National Institute on Aging (R03). \$73,193.
- 2012-2017 Principal Investigator. Geographic Variation in the Health and Economic Determinants and Outcomes of Elective Surgery. Funding Source: National Institute on Aging (K01). \$492,182.
- 2011-2016 Co-Investigator (PI Dimick). Evaluating Policies for Improving Surgical Care in the Elderly (K01). Funding Source: National Institute on Aging. \$2.4M.

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed (Author is student, fellow, or junior faculty mentee)*

1. Biles B, Dallek G, **Nicholas LH** (2005). Medicare Advantage: Déjà Vu all over Again? *Health Affairs* 24(1): 299.
2. Osborne NH*, **Nicholas LH**, Ghaferi AA*, Upchurch G, Dimick JB. (2010). Do Popular Media And Internet-Based Hospital Quality Ratings Identify Hospitals with Better Cardiovascular Surgery Outcomes? *Journal of the American College of Surgeons*. 210(1): 87 - 92.
3. **Nicholas LH**, Osborne* NH, Birkmeyer JD, Dimick JB (2010). Hospital Process Compliance and Surgical Outcomes in Medicare Beneficiaries, *Archives of Surgery*, 145(10): 999 - 1004.
4. Sakshaug JW*, Weir DR, **Nicholas LH** (2010). Validating Diabetes Disease Status in Claims and Survey Data, *Proceedings of the 2010 International Methodology Symposium: The Interplay among Censuses, Surveys and Administrative Data*, Statistics Canada, Ottawa.
5. **Nicholas LH**, Langa KM, Iwashyna TJ, Weir DR (2011). Regional Variation in the Association Between Advance Directives and End-of-Life Medicare Expenditures, *JAMA*,

306(13): 1447 - 1453. Abstract reprinted with accompanying editorial, *Archives of Internal Medicine*, 172(3): 266 - 268. **AcademyHealth Article of the Year Award, 2012**

6. **Nicholas LH** (2011). Modeling the Impact of Medicare Advantage Payment Cuts on Ambulatory Care Sensitive and Elective Hospitalizations, *Health Services Research*, 46(5): 1417 - 1435.

7. **Nicholas LH** (2011). Can Food Stamps Help to Reduce Medicare Spending on Diabetes? *Economics & Human Biology*, 9(1), 1 - 13.

8. **Nicholas LH**, Dimick JB, Iwashyna TJ (2011). Do Hospitals Alter Patient Care Effort Allocations Under Pay-for-Performance? *Health Services Research*. 46(1 part I): 61 – 81.

9. Osborne NH*, **Nicholas LH**, Ghaferi AA*, Dimick JB (2011). Evaluating Popular Media and Internet- Based Hospital Quality Ratings for Cancer Surgery. *Archives of Surgery*, 146(5): 600 -604.

10. Dimick JB, Staiger DO, Osborne NH, **Nicholas LH**, Birkmeyer JD (2012). Composite Measures for Rating Hospital Quality with Major Surgery. *Health Services Research*, 47(5): 1861 - 1879.

11. Dimick JB, **Nicholas LH**, Thumma, J, Ryan AR, Birkmeyer JD (2013). Bariatric Surgery Complications Before vs After Implementation of a National Policy Restricting Coverage to Centers of Excellence, *JAMA*, 309(8): 792 - 799. **HCUP Article of the Year Award, 2014.**

12. McInerney M, Mellor J, **Nicholas LH** (2013). Recession Depression? Mental Health Effects of the 2008 Stock Market Crash. *Journal of Health Economics*, 32(6): 1090 - 1104.

13. Norton EC, **Nicholas LH**, Huang SH* (2013). Informal Care and Inter-vivos Transfers: Results from the National Longitudinal Survey of Mature Women, *B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis & Policy*, 14 (2): 377 - 400.

14. **Nicholas LH** (2013). Better Quality of Care or Healthier Patients? Hospital Utilization by Medicare Advantage and Fee-for-Service Enrollees, *Forum for Health Economics and Policy*, 16(1): 137-161.

15. **Nicholas LH**, Dimick JB (2013). Bariatric Surgery in Minority Patients Before and After Implementation of a Centers of Excellence Program. *JAMA*, 310(13): 1399 - 1400.

16. Kelley AS, Langa KL, Covinsky K, Smith AK, Cagle J, Ornstein K, Silveira M, **Nicholas LH**, Ritchie CS (2014). Leveraging the Health and Retirement Study to Advance Palliative Care Research. *Journal of Palliative Medicine*, 17(5): 506 - 11.

17. Shih T*, **Nicholas LH**, Thumma JR, Birkmeyer JD, Dimick JB (2014). Does Pay-for-Performance Improve Surgical Outcomes? An Evaluation of Phase 2 of the Premier Hospital Quality Incentive Demonstration. *Annals of Surgery*, 259(4):677.

18. **Nicholas LH**, Bynum JPW, Weir DR, Iwashyna TJ, Langa KM (2014). Advance Directives And Nursing Home Stays Associated With Less Aggressive End-Of-Life Care For Severe Dementia Patients. *Health Affairs*, 33(4): 667 - 674.
19. **Nicholas LH** (2014). Will Medicare Advantage Benchmark Reforms Impact Plan Rebates and Enrollment? *American Journal of Managed Care*, 20(11): 917.
20. Schwartz DA*, Shah AA*, Zogg CK, **Nicholas LH**, Velopulos CG, Efron DT, Schneider EB, Haider AH (2015). Operative Delay to Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy: Racking Up the Cost of Healthcare. *Journal of Trauma and Acute Care Surgery*: 79(1): 15 - 21.
21. Schold JD, **Nicholas LH** (2015). Considering Potential Benefits and Consequences of Hospital Report Cards: What are the Next Steps? *Health Services Research*, 50(2): 321.
22. Kucirka LM*, Bowring MG, Massie AB, Luo X, **Nicholas LH**, Segev DL (2015). Landscape of deceased donors labeled increased risk for disease transmission under new guidelines. *American Journal of Transplantation*. 15(12):3215 - 3223.
23. Narang AK*, Wright AA, **Nicholas LH** (2015). Trends in Advance Care Planning in Patients With Cancer: Results From a National Longitudinal Survey. *JAMA Oncology*, 1(5):601 - 608.
24. Osborne NH, **Nicholas LH**, Thumma, J, Ryan AR, Dimick JB (2015). Association of Hospital Participation in a Quality Reporting Program with Surgical Outcomes and Expenditures for Medicare Beneficiaries. *JAMA*, 313(5):496 - 504.
25. Xu T*, Goldstein EV, Dzung E, Dy SM, **Nicholas LH** (2015). Public Attitudes on the Future Sustainability of Medicare. *Journal of Health Care Finance*. 42(1).
26. Oddo VM*, **Nicholas LH**, Bleich SN, Jones-Smith JC (2016). The impact of changing economic conditions on overweight risk among children in California from 2008 to 2012. *Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health*. 70(9): 874 - 880.
27. Courtright KR, Madden V, Gabler NB, Cooney E, Small DS, Troxel A, Casarett D, Ersek M, Cassel JB, **Nicholas LH**, Escobar G (2016). Rationale and Design of the Randomized Evaluation of Default Access to Palliative Services (REDAPS) Trial. *Annals of the American Thoracic Society*, 13(9): 1629 - 1639.
28. Narang, AK*. **Nicholas LH** (2017). Out-of-pocket spending and financial burden among Medicare beneficiaries with cancer. *JAMA Oncology*. 3(6): 757 - 765.
29. Ahmed R*, Chow EK, Massie AB, Anjum S, King EA, Orandi BJ, Bae S, **Nicholas LH**, Lonze BE, Segev DL (2016). Where the sun shines: industry's payments to transplant surgeons. *American Journal of Transplantation*. 16(1): 292 - 300.

30. Henke RM, Karaca Z, Gibson TB, Cutler E, Barrett ML, Levit K, Johann J, **Nicholas LH**, Wong, HS (2017). Medicare Advantage and Traditional Medicare Hospitalization Intensity and Readmissions. *Medical Care Research and Review*. 75(4): 434 - 453.
31. de Souza JA, Yap BJ, Wroblewski K, Blinder V, Araújo FS, Hlubocky FJ, **Nicholas LH**, O'Connor JM, Brockstein B, Ratain MJ, Daugherty CK (2017). Measuring financial toxicity as a clinically relevant patient-reported outcome: The validation of the COMprehensive Score for financial Toxicity. *Cancer*. 123(3): 476 - 484.
32. Bowring MG, Massie AB, Craig-Shapiro R, Segev DL, **Nicholas LH** (2018). Kidney Offer Acceptance Patterns at Programs Undergoing a Systems Improvement Agreement. *American Journal of Transplantation*. 18(9): 2182 - 2188.
33. Dean LT*. **Nicholas LH** (2018). Using Credit Scores to Understand Predictors and Consequences of Disease. *American Journal of Public Health*, 108(11):1503 - 1505.
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