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WHO WE ARE

UNIVERSITY CENTER FOR SOCIAL AND URBAN RESEARCH

The University Center for Social and Urban Research (UCSUR) was established in 1972 to serve as a resource for researchers and educators interested in the basic and applied social and behavioral sciences. As a hub for interdisciplinary research and collaboration, UCSUR promotes a research agenda focused on the social and economic issues most relevant to our society, including children, youth, and families; regional economic analysis and forecasting; the psychosocial impacts of aging; intergenerational relations; and environmental resource management. UCSUR maintains a permanent research infrastructure available to faculty and the community with the capacity to:

- Carry out all types of survey research.
- Conduct regional econometric modeling.
- Obtain, format, and analyze spatial data and integrate it with other types of data.
- Acquire, manage, and analyze large data sets including the Census data.
- Conduct evaluation research.

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR



RICHARD SCHULZ

I am pleased to share with you an update of activities and accomplishments of the Center for the academic year 2001-2002. The Center continues to aggressively pursue opportunities to enhance its research infrastructure, broaden the range of support services available to faculty and the community, expand the participation of faculty and graduate students in Center research programs, and strengthen University-community collaborations. We have expanded and enhanced the survey research capacity of the Center through the acquisition of state-of-the-art computer hardware, software, and hiring talented new personnel. We have greatly enhanced our web-based survey research capacity, strengthened our modeling ability, and integrated Geographic Information System (GIS) resources with the survey research capabilities. The availability of these services, briefly described in the first section of this report, has in turn enhanced the number and diversity of faculty and graduate students that work with us. Indeed, the Center has become a major resource in mentoring and supporting the research careers of junior faculty and graduate students, and it has become the interdisciplinary crossroads for the professional schools of the University.

The Center has always had a strong presence in the community through its regional economic modeling activities and its focus on pressing social issues facing the region. Our reputation in this area has been further enhanced by several publications, including the Pittsburgh Economic Quarterly, a survey of the region's elderly residents, and by our work in evaluating and running community demonstration programs. The range and diversity of projects are illustrated throughout this report.

Many of you know us through local and national media. Our work regularly appears in local press and occasionally in the New York Times, USA Today, and Time Magazine. Less visible are the many peer reviewed professional publications that reflect the academic contributions of staff and faculty of the Center, listed at the end of this report. The Center remains committed to continued self-assessment and improvement, and we look to your guidance for shaping the future development of the Center.

WHAT WE DO: CENTER RESOURCES

SURVEY RESEARCH SERVICES AND CAPABILITIES

UCSUR provides survey research services through the Survey Research Program (SRP). SRP maintains a highly experienced staff of survey professionals, trained interviewers, and data management specialists. SRP services are available to faculty, staff, and students throughout the University and to local, state, and federal agencies and others working in the public interest.

SRP is able to carry out any or all phases of a survey research project, including sample design, questionnaire design, data collection, data processing, statistical analysis, and reporting. SRP staff have the training and experience to design scientifically valid studies customized to client research needs. SRP can help clarify study objectives, and provide advice on how to obtain the highest quality data within available resource constraints. More specifically, SRP provides assistance in the following areas:

Sample Design

SRP staff provide advice on sampling methodology and sample size to meet study objectives and budget. Services include in-house development of specialized sample frames, or consultation with commercial sampling firms to obtain an appropriate sample. Examples of the types of samples provided include:

- **Random digit dialing (RDD) samples:** particularly suited for telephone surveys of the general population, computer-generated telephone numbers are used to target specific geographic areas, including both listed and unlisted phone numbers. RDD sampling for any region of the United States is available.
- **Targeted/listed samples:** samples to reach specific subgroups or rare populations. These are useful for telephone recruitment of participants for larger studies. They are also used for supplementing RDD samples with oversamples of rare populations.



Data Collection Methodology

SRP staff can provide:

- Advice on the most productive and cost-effective method of data collection (mail, telephone, in-person, or internet/web-based).
- Specification of procedures for maximizing response rates within the framework of available resources. For example, recommended number of attempts to contact respondents, securing initial cooperation, following-up incomplete interviews, converting refusals into acceptances, and use of mixed-mode designs.

Questionnaire Development

SRP staff can provide assistance with all aspects of the development of a reliable and valid instrument, including:

- Writing, formatting, and ordering questions.
- Asking sensitive questions.
- Instrument pre-testing.

Interviewing and Data Collection

SRP conducts local, regional, and national telephone and mail surveys with both the general and special populations, as well as in-person surveys in the Southwestern Pennsylvania region. SRP also conducts internet/web-based surveys.

SRP relies on a pool of experienced interviewers for telephone and in-person surveys. These include both undergraduate and graduate students, as well as non-students under the management of senior field work supervisors.

Interviewer training and quality control:

Interviewers are trained in general and project-specific interviewing techniques, such as maintaining objectivity, reading questions as written, and securing respondent cooperation. Training involves a combination of lecture, written handouts, video instruction, and role-playing. Interviewers are continuously monitored during data collection for quality assurance, and periodic re-training sessions occur as necessary.

Computer-assisted telephone interviewing: A thirty-two line phone bank at UCSUR is dedicated to a computer-assisted telephone interviewing (CATI) system. Interviewers read questions as they appear on the screen and enter the respondent's answers directly into the computer. CATI allows complex question contingencies, sample management, and call scheduling to be handled automatically.

Web-based data collection: SRP has the capability to conduct web-based surveys and other online data collection and management. UCSUR operates secure servers that host such activities.

Additional data collection services: Telephone surveys using paper/pencil methodology, mail surveys, and in-person surveys in the Southwestern Pennsylvania region, are also available.

Data Management

Using a variety of computer programs, languages, data base management software, and operating systems, SRP staff are available to perform a number of data management functions, including data base development, editing, coding, and survey data processing.

SRP staff also have the capability to integrate survey respondent data with GIS-based spatial data, and with other secondary data sources.

Statistical Analysis of Survey Data

SRP staff can perform statistical analyses of survey data, ranging from simple tabulations to relatively complex statistical modeling using a variety of statistical packages. Analytic capabilities include:

- Descriptive statistical analyses of survey responses, including calculations of sampling error, and statistical adjustments for unequal selection probabilities and non-response.
- Cross-classification analyses with demographic or other predictive factors.
- Multivariate analyses, including ANOVA, factor analysis, linear and non-linear regression, logistic regression, categorical methods, and structural equation modeling.
- Longitudinal analyses.

Report Preparation and Presentation

SRP staff have experience in the production of a variety of reports, including:

- Simple tabulations.
- Executive summaries.
- In-depth narrative report.
- Oral presentation of results to interested parties.

WHAT WE DO: CENTER RESOURCES...CONTINUED

ENVIRONMENTAL DECISION SUPPORT

Geographic Information Services

Geographic Information Services are available to faculty at the University of Pittsburgh and to non-profit organizations through the Environmental Decision Support (EDS) Program at UCSUR. The intent of these services is to meet the growing needs for spatially represented data and analysis in many disciplines. While there is a variety of Geographic Information Systems (GIS) skills across the University, there is no single unit dedicated to meeting GIS research and teaching needs of the faculty.

Appropriate spatial data are critical to GIS. EDS can provide assistance in obtaining and formatting data. Some commonly used data sets are available within the University, and others are available at state and federally sponsored web sites.

EDS seeks to offer services that are not available elsewhere at the University. Due to limited resources, services are not available to students. Services may be provided free, or for a fee that covers costs, depending upon the magnitude and complexity of the service provided.

Services Provided

- Assistance in obtaining spatial data and converting to appropriate GIS formats (e.g., MapInfo to ArcView).
- Spatial mapping of GIS data.
- Assistance in creating presentations meeting client needs.
- Assistance in obtaining, formatting, and projecting spatial data for faculty use in classrooms.
- Assistance in combining spatial and non-spatial data.
- Limited spatial analysis of data, depending upon complexity and time.
- Full color printing of maps at fees sufficient to cover costs.
- Digital scanning and creation of digital files in formats appropriate for client use.
- Digitizing of spatial features.

Equipment and Software Services

At this time, EDS is able to provide full ArcView and limited ArcInfo based services. The equipment is high quality, but not designed for large, complex GIS tasks. The equipment includes:

- Gateway GP7-750MHz Pentium III with 256MB SDRAM, 34GB Ultra ATA hard drive, IOMEGA 250MB internal ZIP, R/W/R CD drive and Windows NT.
- Medium format EPSON Stylus Pro 5000 printer capable of 1440x720 dpi resolution, six color inking, and 13x19" (A3) prints.
- Medium-size Epson 836XL scanner, capable of 1200dpi and 12x17" scan.
- Altek/Kurta DT-4 digitizer capable of 1000 pt/inch resolution with a 24x36" active digitizing area.

REGIONAL ECONOMIC ANALYSIS

UCSUR studies major economic and demographic trends in the Pittsburgh region in the national context. The policy consequences of these shifts, especially the strategies for economic development and job creation are analyzed. In addition to the performance of the regional economy, specific economic sectors that are considered promising are chosen for in-depth studies. The results of such studies are disseminated widely to the region's policymakers and relevant organizations. The program also fosters the development of new methods of data collection and analysis as well as scholarly publications by the graduate students and the participating faculty.

Urban Regional Analysis has been an important element of UCSUR's commitment to providing regional economic policy analysis capabilities to policymakers and the academic community.

The Pittsburgh Regional Economic Model

This project involves the support and application of a large-scale regional econometric model. This model was developed by Regional Economic Models Inc. (REMI) and is supported by UCSUR in partnership with the Southwestern Pennsylvania Regional Planning Commission. The REMI model provides a powerful framework for economic analysis related to structural change in the Pittsburgh region and complements a variety of activities undertaken by the Center. The Center continues to maintain this model and provide support to local agencies as needed as part of the need for quality regional economic forecasting and impact analysis in the region.

The Pittsburgh REMI model is calibrated by UCSUR staff based on local conditions and our 10 years of experience with applying the model to the Pittsburgh region. This capability to forecast future regional economic conditions and conduct detailed impact analysis of potential changes in the regional economy is unique in the region.

The model has been expanded from what had been a six-county region forming the core of the Pittsburgh Metropolitan region (Allegheny, Beaver, Butler, Washington, Westmoreland, and Armstrong counties) to also include three additional counties that make up Southwestern Pennsylvania (Fayette, Greene, and Indiana counties). This extends the capability of the model to look at economic and demographic impacts across a wider region.

Support of the Southwestern Planning Commission (SPC)

UCSUR continues to support the Southwestern Planning Commission (SPC) in developing its forecast of regional population and employment for the region. This is a primary function of the REMI model, which is essential to this project because of its extensive demographic modeling capability. UCSUR staff provide both technical and research consulting to SPC to aid its use of the REMI model and in producing as accurate a forecast as is possible for the region. The SPC needs these baseline forecasts and the REMI model in order to evaluate a range of transportation projects for the region and decide on funding priorities. The SPC is also required by federal mandate to provide 30-year projections of population and employment to the Department of Transportation as part of their planning process.

WHAT WE DO: CENTER RESOURCES...CONTINUED

Workforce Development and Labor Demand Tracking

The Center is in the process of setting up an ongoing project to track ES-202 employment data collected by the state of Pennsylvania. This data will provide a crucial source of labor supply information needed by local business and government leaders. As the labor supply tightens both nationally and locally, the ability to attract new businesses is growing more and more dependent on the quality and quantity of the local labor force. This data source has yet to be fully developed by the state, and the Center believes that there is an opportunity that can be taken up by the Center's faculty and staff to make it into an information resource for the policymaking organizations in the region.

Pittsburgh Economic Quarterly

In 2000, UCSUR began a new publication to support organizations and staff involved with economic development throughout the region. The goal of the Pittsburgh Economic Quarterly (PEQ) has been to highlight the important economic trends that impact the regional economy and the competitiveness of local industries. This is an extension of the continuing work done at UCSUR. Each issue will include the latest data on regional employment and economic conditions. Feature articles will cover a variety of issues relating to regional industries and how they are changing and other economic and social factors that directly impact the future of the region. The PEQ will focus entirely on the local economy. Significant positive response to the PEQ has resulted and has filled a major need in the region for ongoing study of current economic trends. Future issues of the PEQ will center on these key issues:

- Industries that are driving economic growth in the region.
- Changing workforce in Western Pennsylvania.
- Analysis of the latest economic and demographic data affecting the regional economy.

Pittsburgh Region: 10 Year Baseline Forecasts		
Cumulative Growth Predicted 2000-2010		
	Woods & Poole Forecast	REMI Model Forecast
Total Population	0.4%	0.1%
Total Employment	7.2%	5.5%
Agricultural Services	22.2%	19.4%
Mining	4.9%	-18.2%
Construction	8.1%	-0.9%
Manufacturing	-7.9%	-7.0%
Transportation/Utilities	13.3%	3.1%
Wholesale Trade	10.2%	-1.8%
Retail Trade	2.7%	-3.2%
Finance/Insurance/Real Estate	19.6%	0.6%
Services	10.4%	17.8%
Personal Income*	15.1%	15.2%
Income Per Capita*	14.7%	15.0%

*Inflation Adjusted

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REGIONAL POPULATION CHANGES 2000-2001

The U.S. Census Bureau estimates the population of the Pittsburgh Metropolitan Region on July 1, 2001 at 2,356,275, a decline of 0.4 percent over the previous year. The decline is attributed to a combination of net out-migration from the region and natural population decline. The relatively large, elderly population in the region produces a higher mortality rate and lower birth rate as compared to regions of similar size. The Pittsburgh region is one of only a few metropolitan regions that is experiencing a natural population decline where the number of deaths exceeds births each year. Within the region, Butler County experienced the fastest annual growth at +1.1 percent, and Fayette County the largest decline at -0.8 percent over the year.

These county and regional level population estimates are some of the first demographic statistics to reflect changes in the region since the Decennial Census in 2000. The Census Bureau provides annual estimates of population for all counties in the United States. A complete count of the U.S. population takes place only once every 10 years as part of the Decennial Census. The Census Bureau's annual population estimates are calculated from a number of data sources.

Population Change: July 1, 2000 through July 1, 2001

Source: Census Bureau Annual Population Estimates

NEW FROM THE CENSUS: THE AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY

You won't have to wait until 2012 for the next chance to get comprehensive demographic and economic characteristics about your community once the final Census 2000 data emerge. If the Census approves the U.S. Census Bureau's plans to re-conduct the Census, the American Community Survey (ACS) will provide information every year instead of every ten years.

In 1996, the ACS began in four sites. Beginning in 2000, the ACS will be conducted in every county, American Indian and Alaska Native area, and Hawaiian home land in the United States and Puerto Rico. With some three million addresses per year, it will be the largest household survey ever conducted in this country (outside a Decennial Census).

With its potential to assist with everything from emergency preparedness and recovery to program planning and evaluation, the ACS will provide what states and local governments have requested for years - an up-to-date information base. The ACS is one of the essential elements in the Census Bureau's plan to re-engineer the 2010 Census. The other elements are early planning and recovery in the Bureau's geographic systems, popularly known as MAFFTRER.

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ACQUISITION AND MANAGEMENT OF SECONDARY DATA

UCSUR provides assistance for secondary data acquisition and management to the academic community and to the Pittsburgh region as a whole. As an affiliate of the Pennsylvania State Data Center, the official source of demographic and economic data for the state, UCSUR is a repository for electronic and printed Census information, including Census 2000 data. UCSUR also acquires and maintains a variety of government statistics, economic and labor market data, and other types of secondary information on a regular basis. This information is available to the academic community and to the general public.

The data acquisition and management services UCSUR provides include:

- Assistance in acquiring secondary data stored at UCSUR to interested individuals and organizations.
- Assistance in locating and acquiring a variety of other types of secondary information.
- Expertise and consultation in the appropriate use and understanding of various secondary data sources.
- Evaluation and interpretation of policy relevant secondary information data for government, business, labor, media and other organizations.

UCSUR also conducts demographic, economic and policy research and analysis and reports on secondary data and data trends relevant to the Pittsburgh region, both alone and in combination with various primary data sources. This research is reported through a number of venues, including research reports and newsletters, such as the Pittsburgh Economic Quarterly.



WHAT WE DO: CENTER RESOURCES...CONTINUED

PROGRAM EVALUATION SERVICES

The University Center for Social and Urban Research (UCSUR) can assist faculty at the University of Pittsburgh and community agencies with their program evaluation needs. The planning and evaluation function provides technical assistance on designing evaluation plans, identifying evaluation consultants with expertise in the area to be evaluated, and conducting program evaluations in fields related to children, youth, family services, and the elderly. Depending on the focus of the project, these services can be provided by the Office of Child Development, Gerontology Program, or Generations Together.

UCSUR's interdisciplinary staff has academic training in psychology, public health, and child/family studies, and has evaluation experience in a wide range of content areas including social service programs, behavioral and mental health services, public health programs, and educational services. More specifically, UCSUR has conducted evaluations on family support, home visiting, after school and youth development, conflict resolution, developmental disabilities, maternal and child health, fatherhood, and parent education programs, among many others.

In addition, UCSUR has expertise in child and family indicators, management information systems, and needs assessments. UCSUR provides training and technical assistance to increase the capacity of staff to conduct monitoring and evaluations, either independently or in collaboration with program evaluation specialists.

Specific evaluation services offered include:

- Development of evaluation designs, including process and outcome evaluations.
- Assistance with program design, focusing on connecting program activities to expected outcomes (program logic models).
- Needs assessments.
- Selection of appropriate outcomes and measurement methods.
- Identification of assessment instruments.
- Development of surveys for program evaluation.
- Data analysis consultation and research design.
- Referral to evaluation consultants with expertise in specific content areas.

PROGRAMS

In response to faculty interests and current domestic policy issues, UCSUR develops interdisciplinary research programs that address regional and national policy issues. The resources described in the previous section are provided by one or more of these programs. As new policy issues emerge, UCSUR is prepared to facilitate and coordinate the development of additional programs identified by interested faculty. Existing research programs include:

Environmental Decision Support (EDS)

Stephen C. Farber: Program Director

A new program established in response to a regional need for environmental resource management decision support. Researchers from a broad range of natural sciences, social sciences, and engineering disciplines focus on complex environmental issues using Geographic Information Systems as a tool for data integration and modeling.

Gerontology

Richard Schulz: Program Director

Lynn Martire: Associate Program Director

Acts as a catalyst and coordinator for the multidisciplinary study of aging. It aids communication and proposal development and operates as the information hub for research, training, and aging-related services throughout the University. While the main focus of the program remains on the psychosocial and health policy aspects of aging, faculty are also actively involved in gerontology training, basic cognitive science research, and epidemiologic studies of the elderly.

Generations Together (GT)

James McCrea: Program Director

An intergenerational studies program that furthers the development, training, evaluation, research, technical support, and information dissemination on intergenerational programs, and prepares multidisciplinary professionals for work in the intergenerational field.

Projects conducted in all these areas illustrate the Center's commitment to enhancing scientific understanding of social phenomena while generating information for improved policymaking in both the public and private sectors.

Office of Child Development (OCD)

Christina J. Groark: Co-Program Director

Robert B. McCall: Co-Program Director

Promotes interdisciplinary research and educational programs pertaining to children, youth, and families; stimulates and manages interdisciplinary and multi-institutional educational, research, service demonstration, and program evaluation projects; provides needs assessment research, background information, and policy analyses; and disseminates research and professional information on children, youth, and families.

Survey Research Program (SRP)

Scott Beach: Program Director

Maintains a highly experienced staff of survey professionals, trained interviewers, and data management specialists. SRP services are available to faculty, staff, and students throughout the University and to local, state, and federal agencies and others working in the public interest. SRP offers the capability to execute any or all phases of a survey research project, including sample design, questionnaire construction, data collection, data processing, statistical analysis, and reporting.

Urban and Regional Analysis (URA)

Ralph L. Bangs: Co-Program Director

Sabina Deitrick: Co-Program Director

Promotes scholarly analysis of urban and regional problems. Its multidisciplinary research, which is local, national, and international in character, touches on issues that further our understanding of the causes and consequences of economic and social change, enhances the analytical basis for public policy decisions, and aids in the evaluation of policy alternatives.

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FACULTY DEVELOPMENT AWARDS

In memory of Steven D. Manners, who began working at the Center in 1974 and served as its Assistant Director from 1989 until his death in September 2000, UCSUR has initiated a Faculty Development Awards program in recognition of Mr. Manners' contributions to the Center and the University community.



Steven D. Manners

UCSUR will offer annually two awards of up to \$10,000 each. Faculty may apply for awards in two categories: (1) Research Development Grants to support pilot research in the social, behavioral, and policy sciences; and (2) Infrastructure Development Awards aimed at enhancing faculty capabilities to carry out interdisciplinary research in the social, behavioral, and policy sciences.

In June 2002, UCSUR awarded the second Steven Manners Faculty Development Awards to:

Maureen Porter, Assistant Professor, Administrative and Policy Studies, for her proposal entitled "Building Capacity For An Interdisciplinary Approach To Documenting The Politics And Possibilities Of Incorporating Indigenous Dance Into School Programs."

Scott F. Kiesling, Assistant Professor, Department of Linguistics, for his proposal entitled "Pittsburgh's Linguistic Identities."

Awardees in 2001 were Miriam Hertz, Assistant Professor of Health Information Management/ Rehabilitation Science and Technology, and Paul E. Griffiths, Professor of History and Philosophy of Science.

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Bruce Pollock	<i>Psychiatry</i>
Charles F. Reynolds III	<i>Psychiatry</i>
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David Marsh	<i>Psychology-Greensburg</i>
Daniel Shaw	<i>Psychology</i>
Steven E. Stern	<i>Psychology-Johnstown</i>
Gregg Margolis	<i>Rehabilitation Science and Technology</i>
Walter Antonio Bretz	<i>Restorative Dentistry</i>
Nancy Condee	<i>Slavic Languages and Literatures</i>
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Katie Greeno	<i>Social Work</i>
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Esther Sales	<i>Social Work</i>
Edward W. Sites	<i>Social Work</i>
Tracy M. Soska	<i>Social Work</i>
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Jorge Reyes	<i>Surgery</i>
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PROJECTS*

Diversity in Leadership

PI: Ralph Bangs, URA, UCSUR
Funders: Sustainable Pittsburgh
Executive Women's Council
Pittsburgh Foundation
Period: 06/02-12/02

Data will be gathered on African American and women representation among elected officials in the Pittsburgh region and recommendations will be made for increasing representation.

Neighborhood and Community Indicators

PI: Ralph Bangs, URA, UCSUR
Funder: UPMC Department of Community Initiatives
Period: 01/02-06/02

This project provides current social, economic, and health data on neighborhoods and communities in Allegheny County.

One Economy African Americans

PI: Ralph Bangs, URA, UCSUR
Funders: Pittsburgh Foundation
RK Mellon Foundation
Period: 07/99-06/02

Research designed to monitor the economic conditions of African Americans in the Pittsburgh Region and improve local strategies and programs for addressing these conditions.

Social Plan for Homewood

PI: Ralph Bangs, URA, UCSUR
Funders: BTC Center, Inc.
Pittsburgh Foundation
Period: 09/01-12/01

This report will provide current data on social, economic, and health conditions in the Homewood neighborhood and will interview social program managers in the neighborhood about service needs and gaps.

Mercy Care and Prevention Program Evaluation

PI: Wendy Barnard, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: Mercy Children's Medical Center
Period: 09/01-09/02

Evaluation of an abstinence-based comprehensive pregnancy prevention program that targets adolescents living in high poverty neighborhoods in Pittsburgh. Survey information, participant clinic/hospital records, home visitation records, and school indicators will be collected and analyzed.

Children of Bipolar Parents: A High Risk Follow-Up Study

PIs: Scott Beach, SRP, UCSUR
Boris Birmaher, Psychiatry
Funder: National Institutes of Health
Period: 03/02-02/05

Telephone recruitment of community control families in Western Pennsylvania, Ohio, and West Virginia with 6-18 year olds suitable for follow-up comparisons to cases.

Community Care Behavioral Health Annual Membership and Provider Satisfaction Surveys

PIs: Scott Beach, SRP, UCSUR
James Schuster, Community Care Behavioral Health
Funder: Community Care Behavioral Health
Period: 08/01-03/02

Mail and telephone surveys with Allegheny County Medicaid recipients regarding satisfaction with behavioral health treatment received and Community Care Behavioral Health (CCBH) services. Mail surveys with CCBH behavioral health treatment providers regarding satisfaction with CCBH services.

***In alphabetical order by UCSUR PI**

Family and Peer Risk Factors for Pre-Adolescent Drinking Screening Survey

PIs: Scott Beach, SRP, UCSUR

John Donovan, Psychiatry

Funder: National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism

Period: 04/00-03/05

UCSUR is assisting the Department of Psychiatry in a telephone survey to identify families with 8-10 year olds suitable for intensive interviewing regarding risk factors for early alcohol use.

Impact of Computers in Medicine

PIs: Scott Beach, SRP, UCSUR

Cynthia Gadd, Medical Informatics

Funder: UPMC Income Account

Period: 04/99-12/01

Analyze the results of surveys assessing the impact of an electronic medical records system on physicians and patients.

Medical Education in End-of-Life Care

PIs: Scott Beach, SRP, UCSUR

Bob Arnold, School of Medicine

Funder: Last Acts

Period: 03/02-05/02

National mail, web-based, and telephone surveys of fellows in geriatric and renal medicine regarding experiences with and attitudes towards training received in end-of-life care.

Office of Child Development Early Childhood Task Force Surveys

PIs: Scott Beach, SRP, UCSUR

Christina Groark, OCD, UCSUR

Robert McCall, OCD, UCSUR

Robert Nelkin, OCD, UCSUR

Funder: State of Pennsylvania

Period: 05/02-09/02

Statewide telephone surveys with childcare provider centers/home-based child care providers and web-based surveys of colleges and universities who offer training and degrees in early childhood education. The goal of the study was to gather information about statewide needs for early childhood care and education.

Pittsburgh Digital Greenhouse System on Chip Continuing Education Survey

PIs: Scott Beach, SRP, UCSUR

David Landis, Pittsburgh Digital Greenhouse

Funder: Pittsburgh Digital Greenhouse

Period: 04/02-05/02

Web-based survey targeting local technical professionals' needs, interests, preferences, and plans regarding continuing education centered around System on Chip design.

Qualitative Research on Battering, Work, and Welfare

PIs: Scott Beach, SRP, UCSUR

Lisa Brush, Sociology

Funder: Institute for Justice

Period: 04/99-12/01

Qualitative research study focusing on violence against women and its effects on labor force participation, economic well being, and welfare-to-work transition.

Racial Polarization

PIs: Scott Beach, SRP, UCSUR

Jonathan Hurwitz, Political Science

Funder: National Science Foundation

Period: 09/99-05/02

Study designed to explore interracial differences in evaluations and perceptions of the criminal justice system, and to determine the precise nature of the cynicism found among many African Americans.

PROJECTS. . . CONTINUED

**School of Nursing Continuing
Education Survey**

*PIs: Scott Beach, SRP, UCSUR
Lynda Davidson, School of Nursing
Funder: School of Nursing,
University of Pittsburgh
Period: 03/02-06/02*

Mail and web-based survey of UPMC RNs focusing on needs, interests, preferences, and plans regarding continuing education.

**Association of Neuroscience Departments
and Programs (ANDP) Member Survey**

*PIs: Michael Bridges, SRP, UCSUR
Edward Stricker, Neuroscience
Funder: ANDP
Period: 07/01-06/02*

Web-based/email survey of members of the ANDP concerning graduate and undergraduate educational programs and issues.

Career and Location Decision Project

*PIs: Michael Bridges, SRP, UCSUR
Susan Hansen, Political Science
Leonard Huggins, GSPIA
Funder: GSPIA
Period: 05/02-10/02*

Web-based survey assessing the factors that influence career and location decisions among recent new-hires to the Pittsburgh Metropolitan Area.

**Council of Academic Programs in Communi-
cation Science and Disorders (CAPCSD)
Survey of Programs**

*PIs: Michael Bridges, SRP, UCSUR
Roy Shinn, Edinboro University
Funder: CAPCSD
Period: 04/02-08/02*

Statistical analysis, data preparation, and report generation for CAPCSD annual Survey of Programs.

**Emergency Department Triage of
Community-Acquired Pneumonia (EDCAP)**

*PIs: Michael Bridges, SRP, UCSUR
Michael J. Fine, Medicine
Funder: Agency for Health Care,
Research, and Quality
Period: 07/01-06/02*

Thirty-day follow-up telephone interview regarding vital status, functional status, and follow-up treatment among pneumonia patients in a multi-site clinical trial of treatment protocols for CAP.

**Genetic and Inflammatory Markers
of Sepsis (GenIMS)**

*PIs: Michael Bridges, SRP, UCSUR
Derek C. Angus, Medicine
John A. Kellum, Jr. Medicine
Kelly A. Wood, Medicine
Funder: National Institutes of Health
Period: 02/02-11/02*

Thirty-day follow-up telephone interview in a study investigating the risk factors for sepsis, the leading cause of death in noncoronary intensive care unit patients nationwide.

**Telephones, TV and the Internet:
The Impact of Information Technology
in the Home on Social Involvement
and Psychological Well-being**

*PIs: Michael Bridges, SRP, UCSUR
Vicki Helgeson, Carnegie Mellon University
Sara Kiesler, Carnegie Mellon University
Robert Kraut, Carnegie Mellon University
Funder: National Science Foundation
Period: 12/01-11/03*

National paper and pencil survey of households to examine how, if at all, household computing and the Internet are changing the social and psychological well-being of the American family. In addition, a secondary goal is to compare the influence of these new technologies with the influence telephones and televisions had in the past.

**University of Pittsburgh Community
Service Survey**

*PIs: Michael Bridges, SRP, UCSUR
G. Reynolds Clark, Community and
Governmental Relations
John M. Wilds, Community and
Governmental Relations
Stephen P. Zupcic, Community and
Governmental Relations
Funder: Community and Governmental
Relations, University of Pittsburgh
Period: 1/02-12/02*

A web-based survey of University of Pittsburgh faculty to determine the extent and nature of the benefit of faculty-based research on the community.

Veterans Aging Cohort Study (VACS)

*PIs: Michael Bridges, SRP, UCSUR
Amy Justice, Medicine
Joseph Conigliaro, Medicine
Funder: National Institute on Alcohol Abuse
and Alcoholism (National Institutes of Health)
Period: 02/02-08/02*

Telephone interview assessing 30-day alcohol history, 30-day medical adherence, and lifetime drinking history in a multi-center study designed to understand how alcohol use and abuse interacts with HIV infection and treatment.

**Commodity Flow Study for Allegheny
County, Pennsylvania**

*PI: Louise Comfort, EDS, Graduate School of
Public and International Affairs
Funder: Allegheny County Emergency
Management Agency
Period: 02/02-08/02*

Identify the flow of hazardous materials through Allegheny County by facilities that produce, store, ship, or use commodities that have been identified as hazardous by the EPA.

**Interactive, Intelligent, Spatial Information
System (IISIS): A Community Model**

*PI: Louise Comfort, EDS, Graduate School of
Public and International Affairs
Funder: Public Entity Risk Institute
Period: 02/01-01/02*

Develop interactive Geographic Information Systems emergency management system for Pittsburgh.

PROJECTS. . . CONTINUED

Interactive, Intelligent, Spatial Information System (IISIS): Planning Grant for Philadelphia Implementation

*PI: Louise Comfort, EDS, Graduate School of Public and International Affairs
Funder: Public Entity Risk Institute
Period: 09/01-04/02*

Develop a second trial demonstration project for an IISIS in the Philadelphia Metropolitan Region. This planning grant will be used to develop the organizational and financial support needed to implement a working prototype IISIS in the larger, more complex Philadelphia Metropolitan Region in 2002.

Quick Response Study: The Gujarat, India Earthquake

*PI: Louise Comfort, EDS, Graduate School of Public and International Affairs
Funder: National Science Foundation
Period: 06/01-11/02*

Quick response trip to Gujarat, India to do field research on the uses of information technology in mobilizing responses to the earthquake.

Allegheny Works

*PI: Anne Farber, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: Alcoa Foundation
Period: 10/00-09/02*

Initiative to improve employment, literacy, and job readiness skills of residents of the Northside. This evaluation assesses individual grants funded through the initiative, the community funding model, and impacts on the broader community.

Comprehensive Service Alliance

*PI: Anne Farber, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: Comprehensive Service Alliance
Period: 09/99-08/02*

Develop an evaluation plan that will include identification of audiences for evaluation reports, piloting of data collection tools, a system to track data collection, and a strategy to collect for program implementation and outcomes indicators.

Interdisciplinary Fellowships in Evaluation

*PI: Anne Farber, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: Howard Heinz Endowment
Period: 08/01-07/03*

Interdisciplinary fellowship training program in policy and evaluation. The fellowship program will provide an advanced interdisciplinary apprenticeship program in human service program evaluation and policy, with a focus on services for children and families.

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Period: 08/01-07/03*

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Pittsburgh Action Against Rape Enhanced Safety for South Pittsburgh Communities Evaluation

*PI: Anne Farber, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: Birmingham Foundation
Period: 01/01-12/03*

Evaluation to assess the impact of education and training efforts on the Southside through assessment of the education program's impact on individual participants, changes in community awareness obtained through interviews with community leaders, and increased usage of PAAR's services.

Victim Offender Evaluation
PI: Anne Farber, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: Pittsburgh Mediation Center
Period: 07/00-06/03

Review the logic model, analyze data, develop report, collect feedback, and conduct a survey for the Victim Offender Program.

Rails to Trails
PI: Stephen Farber, GSPIA, UCSUR
Funder: Regional Trail Corporation
Period: 04/02-02/03

The project will survey trail users to determine frequency of use, place or origin, and local expenditures to determine the implications of rails-to-trails as an economic development opportunity in rural areas.

Evaluation of Relatives as Caregivers for At-risk Children in West Virginia
PI: David Fetterman, GT, UCSUR
Funder: West Virginia University Extension Service
Period: 09/01-08/04

Evaluation of program that provides support services to relatives who are providing care for children of women who are substance abusers and/or HIV positive. Collaboration includes West Virginia University Extension Service, West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, and Mission West Virginia, Inc.

GrandKIN Raising GrandKIDS
PI: David Fetterman, GT, UCSUR
Funders: Brookdale Foundation
Period: 07/00-06/02
Pittsburgh Foundation
Period: 06/99-06/02
Allegheny County Department of Human Services
Period: 06/99-07/04

Collaborative project that provides support and services for parenting grandparents and their grandchildren in Allegheny County, Pennsylvania. Current services include support groups, respite care, and a telephone information/referral/support service.

Early Childhood Initiative Demonstration Project (ECIDP)
PIs: Christina Groark, OCD, UCSUR
Laurie Mulvey, OCD, UCSUR
Funders: Heinz Endowments
United Way
RK Mellon Foundation
Period: 04/01-03/04

ECIDP's goals are to ensure neighborhood-designed, high quality early childhood services that are integrated across all domains, including health, education, and welfare. Formulate and conduct strategies that will improve the early childhood field in the region at the provider level and at the systems level.

Early Head Start
PIs: Christina Groark, OCD, UCSUR
Laurie Mulvey, OCD, UCSUR
Funders: Department of Health and Human Services ACYF/Head Start Bureau
Period: 09/00-09/03
Heinz Endowments
Period: 10/98-09/03

Early Head Start program of services for families and children ages birth to three. The objectives of this project are to optimize early child development; to support and enhance family development, stability, and self-sufficiency; and to ensure ongoing program improvement and staff development.

PROJECTS . . . CONTINUED

Early Identification and Intervention in Children's Behavioral Health

PI: Christina Groark, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: Jewish Healthcare Foundation
Period: 03/01-12/03

Connect parents, childcare workers, and pediatricians in determining whether a problem exists, its severity, and appropriate interventions.

Early Literacy

PIs: Christina Groark, OCD, UCSUR
Robert Nelkin, OCD, UCSUR
Funders: Heinz Endowments
Period: 05/99-10/03
Grable Foundation
Period: 08/99-08/03

Public awareness and engagement campaign to improve the language skills and learning readiness of young children by creating an environment where reading and learning are valued and supported.

Early Literacy Summit 2000

PIs: Christina Groark, OCD, UCSUR
Robert Nelkin, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: Heinz Endowments
Period: 12/99-09/03

Summit to define and address challenges faced in the area of literacy in early education. The Summit will serve as a call to action to motivate the target audience to achieve a region-wide continuum of effort and level of coordination that will support every child's journey to reading.

Effects of Improving Caregiving – Russia

PIs: Christina Groark, OCD, UCSUR
Robert McCall, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: National Institute of Child Health and Human Development
Period: 01/00-12/04

Intervention project in Baby Homes of St. Petersburg, Russia. Study to look at stability and consistency of caregivers and socially responsive and developmentally appropriate caregiving behaviors.

Family Support Principles

PIs: Christina Groark, OCD, UCSUR
Robert Nelkin, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: Copeland Foundation
Period: 01/00-12/03

Study to assess the feasibility of dramatically increasing the number of children and families positively affected by family support principles. As a result, a broader movement will advocate for children, families, and communities through a preventative, strengths-based, culturally competent approach.

Governors Early Childhood Task Force Phase I & II

PIs: Christina Groark, OCD, UCSUR
Robert Nelkin, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: UCPC
Period: 03/02-12/02

This collaboration with Penn State will examine evidence-based strategies of early care and education through surveys, literature reviews, and expert opinion. It will target children ages birth to 8 years and examine national best practices and existing services.

Matching Funds for Improving Caregiving – Russia

PIs: Christina Groark, OCD, UCSUR
Robert McCall, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: Heinz Endowments
Period: 05/99-04/04

Matching funds for Baby Homes Intervention in St. Petersburg, Russia.

<p>Office of Child Development-Core <i>PIs: Christina Groark, OCD, UCSUR</i> <i>Robert McCall, OCD, UCSUR</i> <i>Funders: RK Mellon Foundation</i> <i>Period: 01/98-12/04</i> <i>Heinz Endowments</i> <i>Period: 01/99-12/04</i></p>	<p>General support for the Office of Child Development.</p>
<p>Partnerships for Family Support <i>PIs: Christina Groark, OCD, UCSUR</i> <i>Laurie Mulvey, OCD, UCSUR</i> <i>Funders: Allegheny County Department</i> <i>of Human Services</i> <i>Period: 06/01-07/03</i> <i>Heinz Endowments</i> <i>Period: 01/02-12/03</i></p>	<p>Enhance strong intervention system in Allegheny County by implementing family support principles, which highlight governed, designed, and improved services and activities.</p>
<p>Senator John Heinz Memorial <i>PI: Christina Groark, OCD, UCSUR</i> <i>Funder: Heinz Endowments</i> <i>Period: Ongoing</i></p>	<p>Advance the welfare of children, youth, and families through interdisciplinary study, training, and programs.</p>
<p>Arthritis Education Project <i>PI: Lynn Martire, Gerontology, UCSUR</i> <i>Funder: National Heart, Lung, and</i> <i>Blood Institute</i> <i>Period: 09/99-09/04</i></p>	<p>Study to assess the efficacy of an educational intervention for older osteoarthritis patients and their spousal caregivers.</p>
<p>Caplan Early Childhood Education and Parenting Fund <i>PI: Robert McCall, OCD, UCSUR</i> <i>Funder: Frank and Theresa Caplan</i> <i>Period: Ongoing</i></p>	<p>Provide scholarly or applied experience in training parent educators and guiding parents in the development of infants and children.</p>
<p>Effects of Caregiving on Early Mental Health <i>PIs: Robert McCall, OCD, UCSUR</i> <i>Christina Groark, OCD, UCSUR</i> <i>Funder: National Institute of Child Health and</i> <i>Human Development</i> <i>Period: 06/00-05/05</i></p>	<p>Research supplement for under-represented minorities for the development and implementation of the follow-up of children adopted into the United States, particularly children from the three baby homes in St. Petersburg, Russia.</p>
<p>Welfare Indicators <i>PI: Robert McCall, OCD, UCSUR</i> <i>Funder: Heinz Endowments</i> <i>Period: 05/98-04/02</i></p>	<p>Chart the progress of parents toward financial and psychological self-sufficiency and the corresponding development of their children.</p>

PROJECTS. . . CONTINUED

Intergenerational Service-Learning in Gerontology

*PI: James McCrea, GT, UCSUR
Funder: Association for Gerontology in
Higher Education
Period: 09/98-08/03*

Seeks to create an intergenerational service-learning infrastructure in gerontology education through the provision of grants to colleges and universities to develop service-learning courses, partner with community agencies, and engage students in service to older adults.

Management Enhancement Grant

*PI: James McCrea, GT, UCSUR
Funder: The William J. Copeland Fund
Period: 09/01-09/02*

Supports the creation of a strategic plan and a fund development plan that includes internal/external research and the development of goals, objectives, outcomes, and an action plan.

Family Support Expansion

*PI: Laurie Mulvey, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: Heinz Endowments
Period: 07/01-12/03*

Provide technical assistance and startup funds to communities that articulate a desire for and can bring resources to the development and oversight of a family support center.

Gaps

*PI: Laurie Mulvey, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: The Pittsburgh Foundation
Period: 01/02-07/03*

Emergency funds in family support centers in Allegheny County to help families access money that will result in increased employment retention for parents transitioning from welfare to work.

Reinvestment Project With Family Support

*PI: Laurie Mulvey, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: Community Care Behavioral Health
Period: 01/02-12/03*

To establish working agreements in four communities in Allegheny County between family support centers and substance abuse treatment agencies to improve the treatment success for mothers from those communities who are receiving substance abuse treatment and who have young children.

Public Attitudes Towards Death and Organ Donation

*PIs: Donald Musa, SRP, UCSUR
Laura Siminoff, Case Western
Reserve University
Funder: National Institutes of Health
Period: 04/99-09/01*

Study to examine the American public's understanding, conceptualization, and reaction to the determination of death and its effects on the willingness to donate organs and to support organ procurement policies.

Public Perception of and Reaction Toward PA's Voluntary Benefits

*PIs: Donald Musa, SRP, UCSUR
Cindy Bryce, Medicine
Funder: Greenwall Foundation
Period: 01/01-12/01*

Assess opinions about organ transplantation/donation and knowledge of the PA Voluntary Benefits Program for families of organ donors.

Self Care: Comparison of African Americans and Whites

*PIs: Donald Musa, SRP, UCSUR
Myrna Silverman, Health Services Administration
Funder: National Institute on Aging
Period: 09/00-08/04*

Study of self-care behaviors and their stability or change over time among older black and white adults with chronic disease.

Casey Foundation Core Support

*PI: Robert Nelkin, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: Annie E. Casey Foundation
Period: 01/02-12/02*

Work to provide leadership development and training to parents, and inform policymakers and community organizations of data, research, and best practices in the areas of health, behavioral health, early care and education, responsible parenthood, early literacy, and youth development.

Collaborative on Child and Family Policy

*PI: Robert Nelkin, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: Alcoa Foundation
Period: 01/01-12/03*

Develop network of local leaders who will articulate and advocate for policy change to improve outcomes for children based on programmatic experiences of Allegheny County initiatives.

Early Literacy Leaders

*PI: Robert Nelkin, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: Alcoa Foundation
Period: 01/01-12/03*

Enhance role of parents as a force to bring about key elements necessary for any community in the nation (or elsewhere) to prepare children to be ready for school success.

Infant Mental Health

*PI: Robert Nelkin, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: The Staunton Farm Foundation
Period: 09/01-10/03*

A pilot project to expand and improve the availability of infant mental health services for children from birth to age three, to promote access to infant mental health services to enhance current services with the varied child/family support agencies located throughout Allegheny County.

YouthPlaces

*PI: Robert Nelkin, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: Vira Heinz
Period: 11/98-11/03*

YouthPlaces is a major initiative of Youth Crime Prevention of Allegheny County. Design and implement evaluation and technical assistance plan for YouthPlaces, the local model of community-wide youth development.

Intergenerational Programming Quarterly Journal

*PI: Sally Newman, UCSUR
Funder: Omidyar Foundation
Period: 09/02-09/03*

Support for the development of an editorial board structure and article solicitation process that results in successful and timely publication of this new Haworth Press journal.

Cyber Start Evaluation

*PI: Jennifer Pelkoswki, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: The Pennsylvania State University
Period: 01/02-07/02*

Project with Penn State University to evaluate the use of technology in Cyber Start classrooms. PEP was responsible for coordinating classroom observations at sites in Western Pennsylvania.

PROJECTS . . . CONTINUED

Executive Services Corps of Western Pennsylvania, Management Assistance Program Evaluation

*PI: Jennifer Pelkoswki, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: Executive Service Corps of Western Pennsylvania
Period: 02/02-06/02*

Great Pittsburgh Community Food Bank Evaluation

*PI: Jennifer Pelkoswki, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank
Period: 10/02-09/02*

Kids Voice

*PI: Jennifer Pelkoswki, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: Kids Voice
Period: 03/02-03/03*

Pittsburgh Action Against Rape, Sexual Violence Information and Support Services for Women With Disabilities Evaluation

*PI: Jennifer Pelkoswki, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: Federation of Independent School Alumnae
Period: 04/01-06/03*

Access and Visitation

*PI: Kathryn Rudy, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare
Period: 09/01-09/03*

Promoting Responsible Parenting Through Father Involvement

*PI: Kathryn Rudy, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: Howard Heinz Endowment
Period: 07/02-06/04*

Act 13/Elder Abuse

*PIs: Richard Schulz, Gerontology, UCSUR
Kathy Segrist, Temple University
Funder: Temple University
Period: 04/98-03/02*

Evaluation of consultative services provided to clients through the Management Assistance Program of Executive Service Corps.

PEP is evaluating the Food Bank's nutrition education programs for senior citizens and for children. PEP is responsible for analyzing and reporting on data collected by the Food Bank to assess the impact of information learned in the nutrition education programs. PEP is also interviewing participants in the senior citizens' program following completion of the training to determine how their behavior relating to nutrition has changed.

Process and outcomes evaluation of the implementation of multidisciplinary teams within Kids Voice to carry out the activities outlined in the Guardian Ad Litem Law.

PEP is working with PAAR to evaluate the effectiveness of their sexual violence prevention training for PAAR staff, other professionals working with women with disabilities, and the disability community.

Provide services to non-custodial fathers that increase their access and visitation to their children and families.

Increase efforts in engaging non-custodial and custodial fathers in positive parenting with their children and families. Seeking to expand parenting services and to broaden the target population.

Management/training assistance in the provision of Act 13 Elder Abuse Awareness training modules.

<p>Adjustment to Breast Cancer <i>PIs: Richard Schulz, Gerontology, UCSUR</i> <i>Vicki Helgeson, Carnegie Mellon University</i> <i>Funder: National Cancer Institute</i> <i>Period: 07/98-04/02</i></p>	<p>Primary aim is to examine the long-term effects of education and peer discussion intervention on psychological and physical adjustment to breast cancer and conference with follow-up care.</p>
<p>Caregiver Health Effects Study <i>PI: Richard Schulz, Gerontology, UCSUR</i> <i>Funder: National Institute of Mental Health</i> <i>Period: 06/97-05/03</i></p>	<p>Multi-year study investigating the health effects of caregiving in a population-based sample of spousal caregivers using a wide array of objective and self-report physical and mental health outcome measures.</p>
<p>Coordinating Center for Caregiver Intervention Trial <i>PI: Richard Schulz, Gerontology, UCSUR</i> <i>Funders: National Institute on Aging</i> <i>National Institute of Nursing Research</i> <i>Period: 09/95-08/04</i></p>	<p>Works with selected intervention sites/program administrators of the NIA to carry out social/behavioral research on interventions designed to enhance family caregiving for Alzheimer's disease and related disorders (ADRD).</p>
<p>Dynamics of Health, Aging, and Body Composition (Health ABC) <i>PIs: Richard Schulz, Gerontology, UCSUR</i> <i>Anne Newman, Medicine</i> <i>Funder: National Institute on Aging</i> <i>Period: 03/96-04/04</i></p>	<p>Investigate body composition and its relation to disability, mobility, and mortality in a cohort of individuals aged 70 years and over.</p>
<p>Geriatric Education Center of Pennsylvania <i>PI: Richard Schulz, Gerontology, UCSUR</i> <i>Funder: Health Resources and Services Administration</i> <i>Period: 09/96-08/02</i></p>	<p>Maintain/improve the health and well-being of Pennsylvania's elderly population by increasing levels of geriatric expertise among existing as well as future health care professionals.</p>
<p>Mental Health Intervention Research Center for the Study of Late-Life Mood Disorders <i>PIs: Richard Schulz, Gerontology, UCSUR</i> <i>Lynn Martire, Gerontology, UCSUR</i> <i>Charles Reynolds, Psychiatry</i> <i>Funder: National Institute of Mental Health</i> <i>Period: 03/00-02/05</i></p>	<p>Major research mission is to describe pathways and to characterize variation in outcomes for geriatric depression such as wellness, recurrence of depression, suicide, and placement in long-term care.</p>
<p>Pittsburgh NIA Career Leadership Award <i>PI: Richard Schulz, Gerontology, UCSUR</i> <i>Funder: National Institute on Aging</i> <i>Period: 07/99-06/04</i></p>	<p>Project integrates and enhances existing programs of aging research/training.</p>

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Quality of Informal Care and Caregiving Transitions

*PIs: Richard Schulz, Gerontology, UCSUR
Gail Williamson, University of Georgia
Funder: National Institute on Aging
Period: 09/97-07/07*

Longitudinal study to assess the level of depression, anger, and anxiety in a sample of caregivers of elderly family members.

Understanding Shared Psychobiological Pathways-Core B

*PIs: Richard Schulz, Gerontology, UCSUR
Karen Matthews, Psychiatry
Funder: National Heart, Lung, & Blood Institute
Period: 09/99-09/04*

Provide a data management infrastructure and serve as a resource for the selection and development of appropriate psychosocial measures for multidisciplinary center.

Dedicated and Devoted Dads Project (DADDs) Evaluation

*PI: Debra Stark, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: National Fatherhood Initiative of Greater Pittsburgh
Period: 01/02-12/02*

PEP is working with the National Fatherhood Initiative of Greater Pittsburgh to assist with the development of an evaluation plan and survey tools and to conduct a process evaluation of a new faith based initiative for fathers.

Pennsylvania Governor's School for Health Care

*PI: Debra Stark, OCD, UCSUR
Funder: National Fatherhood Initiative of Greater Pittsburgh
Period: 01/02-06/02*

PEP is analyzing survey data of three alumni cohorts (1992, 1994, 1998) to learn what their educational, career, and employment goals are and how they may have been influenced by their PGSHC experience.

Council Arts Program

*PI: Gina Thorpe-Bradley, GT, UCSUR
Funder: Jewish Association on Aging
Period: 04/01-08/02*

Recruit, train, and match high school teens, resource artists, and senior clients to work as intergenerational teams to produce art projects at five JAA sites in Allegheny County. The project is designed to integrate the creative and expressive arts into the lives of all the participants while developing sustained intergenerational relationships between the seniors and teens.

Intergenerational Arts and Education Program

*PI: Gina Thorpe-Bradley, GT, UCSUR
Funder: Heinz Endowments
Period: 10/00-09/04*

Foster the development of literacy skills in elementary school age children through interdisciplinary instruction using older artists. A variety of intergenerational activities are integrated with existing curricula to deepen student understanding and promote new relationships.

**Intergenerational Early
Childhood Program**

*PI: Gina Thorpe-Bradley, GT, UCSUR
Funder: Allegheny County
Area Agency on Aging
Period: 10/02-06/03*

Prepares older adults over 55 years of age to work in child care. Using a curriculum developed by Generations Together, older students are trained in early childhood development and then placed in employment. The model also includes supports to help the graduates remain employed.

Comprehension Impairment

*PI: Connie Tompkins, Gerontology, UCSUR
Funder: National Institutes of Health
Period: 09/97-08/03*

Discourse comprehension problems often follow right brain damage, but they are poorly understood. This project is designed to contrast "suppression deficit" and "inference failure" hypotheses as factors in poor comprehension performance, and to gauge the attentional demands of suppression function.

Carrick High School Mentoring Program

*PI: Merrille Weissman, GT, UCSUR
Funder: Pennsylvania Department of Education
Period: 07/02-06/03*

Recruits, trains, and matches older adults to serve as mentors to 9th and 10th graders at Carrick High School. In addition to mentoring activities, the older adults tutor students in subjects such as math and science.



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