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EXPERIENCE

May 1997 to present — Freelance Health Policy Analyst, Researcher, and Writer
(formed company in June 1999: LRJ Research & Consulting, Texas HUB #1203155877300)

Selected projects include the following (for full list and more information see www.lrjconsulting.com):

May 1997 to present – LBJ School of Public Affairs, The University of Texas at Austin: Editing and formatting books on health and policy topics; worked on many reports, conference proceedings, and other similar writing, research, and editing projects; notable projects include work on two white papers that became appendices in the influential Code Red report on health insurance in Texas first published in 2006, and research and writing on the Economic Impact of Cancer in Texas report that won a research award from the American Society for Public Administration

Jan 2012 to Aug 2016 (and previously in 2001-2002 and 2006-2008) – Texas Health Institute: Worked on several large grant-funded projects involving researching and reporting on the implementation and impact of provisions of the Affordable Care Act of 2010 on health care disparities, language/cultural competency, and the health care safety net; previously wrote parts of grant applications and researched and wrote policy briefs for forums on the uninsured in Texas, health information technology training, and mental health care system transformation in Texas

Aug to Dec 2011 – Sendero Health Plans (subcontracted through Dennis Edmonds & Associates LLC): Assisted new Medicaid/CHIP HMO owned by Central Health, the Travis County hospital district, in developing internal policies and procedures required for operations and for state reviews

Mar to June 2009, Feb to Aug 2001, Aug to Sept 2000 – Integrated Care Collaboration of Central Texas: Wrote two grant applications to foundations and one federal grant application; researched how other communities' volunteer physician indigent care programs work and the feasibility of implementing a similar program in Central Texas

Jan to April 2009 – Entrepreneurs Foundation of Central Texas: Wrote a case study to document the successes of the foundation's Breast Cancer Services Project that was a collaboration of local health and social services agencies

May to Oct 2005 – St. David's Community Health Foundation: Worked with staff to write a journal article to document the successes of the Theo Project, a collaboration to bring mobile dental services to underserved children in Austin-area schools

Dec 2001 to Mar 2003 – Traumatic Brain Injury Project, Texas Department of Health: Contracted to be the independent evaluator for the TBI project as required by its federal grant; developed and implemented evaluation and monitoring systems and did monthly and then quarterly evaluation reports; presented findings at several TBI Advisory Council meetings

Mar 1998 to Jan 1999 – Bureau of State Health Data and Policy Analysis, Texas Department of Health: Performed work associated with House Concurrent Resolution 44 of the 95th Texas Legislature on how to improve the public health system in Texas; initially wrote a white paper and used this, input from the HCR 44 workgroup's monthly meetings, and additional research to write the report required by HCR 44, and oversaw its printing and distribution to the governor, the legislature, and other interested groups

EDUCATION **Master of Public Affairs (MPAff)**

LBJ School of Public Affairs, The University of Texas at Austin

Public Health Certificate (*five graduate courses in the core disciplines of public health*)

School of Public Health, Health Science Center, The University of Texas at Houston

Bachelor of Arts in Biology, Minor in Chemistry

College of Natural Sciences, The University of Texas at Austin

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS AND REPORTS

- Lauren R. Jahnke, Nadia J. Siddiqui, and Dennis P. Andrulis. “Evolution of Health Insurance Marketplaces: Experiences and Progress in Reaching and Enrolling Diverse Populations.” Texas Health Institute, Austin, Texas. July 2015. (online at http://www.texashealthinstitute.org/uploads/1/3/5/3/13535548/thi_marketplaces_&_diverse_populations_july_2015_-_full_report.pdf)
- Lauren Jahnke, Nadia Siddiqui, Dennis Andrulis, and Swapna Reddy. “Snapshot of Medicaid 1115 Waiver and Other State-Based Delivery System Transformations.” Texas Health Institute, Austin, Texas. January 2015. (online at http://www.texashealthinstitute.org/uploads/1/3/5/3/13535548/snapshot_of_medicaid_1115_waiver_state_delivery_transformation.pdf)
- Lauren R. Jahnke, Nadia J. Siddiqui, and Dennis P. Andrulis. “Marketplace Consumer Assistance Programs and Promising Practices for Enrolling Racially and Ethnically Diverse Communities.” For the San Francisco Foundation. Texas Health Institute, Austin, Texas. May 2014. (online at http://www.texashealthinstitute.org/uploads/1/3/5/3/13535548/tsff_thi_report_on_marketplace_outreach_diverse_populations_may_2014.pdf)
- Dennis P. Andrulis, Lauren R. Jahnke, Nadia J. Siddiqui, and Maria R. Cooper. “Implementing Cultural and Linguistic Requirements in Health Insurance Exchanges.” The Affordable Care Act & Racial and Ethnic Health Equity Series, Report No. 1. Texas Health Institute, Austin, Texas. March 2013. (online at http://www.texashealthinstitute.org/uploads/1/3/5/3/13535548/thi-kp_exchange_report-9.18.13_final.pdf)
- David C. Warner and Lauren R. Jahnke. “Impact of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act on Various Population Groups in Texas, Final Preliminary Report.” Report to the Hobby Center for the Study of Texas at Rice University and Methodist Healthcare Ministries. August 2010. (online at <http://www.lrjconsulting.com/reports/rice.pdf>)
- Lauren R. Jahnke. “Case Study of the Breast Cancer Services Project.” Entrepreneurs Foundation of Central Texas, Austin, Texas. April 2009. (online at <http://www.lrjconsulting.com/reports/bcscasestudy.pdf>)
- David M. Jackson, Lauren R. Jahnke, Lisa Kerber, Genie Nyer, Kammi Siemens, and Carol Clark. “Creating a Successful School-Based Mobile Dental Program.” *Journal of School Health*, vol. 77, no. 1, January 2007, pp. 1-6. (online at <http://www.lrjconsulting.com/reports/dental.pdf>)
- David C. Warner, Lauren R. Jahnke, and Kristie Kimbell. “Appendix B: Medicaid and the State Children’s Health Insurance Program in Texas: History, Current Arrangements, and Options,” and “Appendix C: An Analysis of Reform Options Developed by Other States” of the 2006 report. In *Code Red: The Critical Condition of Health in Texas*. The University of Texas System. 2006. (online at <http://www.coderedtxas.org>)
- David C. Warner and Lauren R. Jahnke, *U.S./Mexico Border Health Issues: The Texas Rio Grande Valley*. Regional Center for Health Workforce Studies, Center for Health Economics and Policy, The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. April 2003. (online at <http://www.uthscsa.edu/rchws/reports/NAFTA2.pdf>)
- David C. Warner and Lauren R. Jahnke, “Toward Better Access to Health Insurance Coverage for U.S. Retirees in Mexico.” *Salud Pública de México*, vol. 43, no. 1, January-February 2001, pp. 59-66. (online at <http://www.saludpublica.mx/index.php/spm/article/view/6290/7537>)
- Roy R. McCandless, Lauren R. Jahnke, David C. Warner, Sarah Widoff, and Michael Johnsrud. “Direct and Indirect Costs, 1998.” Lauren R. Jahnke and David C. Warner. “Literature Review and Analysis on Cancer Prevention and Cost-Effectiveness.” In *The Cost of Cancer in Texas, 2nd ed.* Texas Comprehensive Cancer Control Coalition, Austin, Texas. December 2001. (online at <http://www.lrjconsulting.com/reports/costcancer.pdf>)
- Lauren R. Jahnke as co-author with large committee (main researcher and writer of report as a staff member for the HCR 44 workgroup of stakeholders). *The State of Public Health: Local and State Government Issues in Texas*. Report resulting from HCR 44 of the 75th Legislature. Texas Department of Health, Austin, Texas. December 1998. (online at <http://www.lrjconsulting.com/reports/HCR44.pdf>)