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EDUCATION

Postdoctoral Fellowship (2012). Public Health Sciences Department and Medical Investigation of Neurodevelopmental Disorders (M.I.N.D) Institute, University of California, Davis, CA

PhD Nutrition (2009). University of California, Davis, CA

Dietetic Internship (2000). San Diego State University, San Diego, CA

BS Foods and Nutrition (1999). San Diego State University, San Diego, CA

PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE

Registered Dietitian, Commission on Dietetic Registration # 892525

POSITIONS and APPOINTMENTS

2023 – present ***Director Translational Nutrition Sciences Center of Excellence,***
Institute for Rehabilitation Science and Engineering
Madonna Rehabilitation Hospitals, Lincoln, NE

2021 - 2023 ***Associate Professor***
Department of Nutrition and Health Sciences
University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE

2015 – 2021 ***Assistant Professor***
Department of Nutrition and Health Sciences
University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE

- 2012 - 2014 ***Evaluation Analyst***
University of California CalFresh Nutrition Education Program, State Office
University of California Davis, Davis, CA
- 2011 - 2012 ***Nutrition Consultant***
Sacramento Employee Training Agency
Head Start, Sacramento, CA
- 2008 - 2012 ***Health Education Instructor***
Worksite Wellness Programs
Kaiser Permanente, Sacramento, CA
- 2001 - 2003 ***Clinical Dietitian***
Tri-City Medical Center
Oceanside, CA

CONTRACTS and GRANTS

Current Research

Development and Implementation of a Model System of Rehabilitation Care for Patients Post-COVID-19. Role: Director Translational Nutrition Sciences Center. U.S. Department of the Treasury, Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds via subaward from Department of Health and Human Services (FAIN: SLFRP1965). 2022 to 2024.

Developing a Model System of Rehabilitation Care for Patients Post-COVID-19. Role: Director Translational Nutrition Sciences Center. U.S. Department of the Treasury, Rescue Act Funds via subaward from Douglas County, NE (FAIN: SLFRP1615). 2022 to 2026.

Select Examples of Previous Research

Nebraska Community Action Research for Equity and Sustainability (NE CARES) Hub. Co-Role: Principal Investigator. University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Grand Challenges Initiative Planning Grant. 2022 to 2024.

Systems-based Community Intervention Development: A Multilevel CBPR Approach to Enhancing Health Care Services and Communication in Meatpacking Communities. Role: Co-Principal Investigator. University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Office of Research and Economic Development (ORED) COVID-19 Rapid Response Grant. 2020 to 2021.

Mobilizing a Community of Practice for COVID-19 Social Support, Detection, and Disease Management among Im/migrant and Refugee Populations in Lincoln, Nebraska. Role: Co-Investigator. University of Nebraska-Lincoln, COVID-19 Rapid Response Grant. 2020 to 2021.

Identifying the Interrelationships between Social Determinants, Self-Identity, and Public Health in Minority Rural Communities: Photovoice + Random Spatial Sampling Survey. Role: Co-Investigator. University of Nebraska, Rural Future Institute (RFI) Research and Engagement Competitive Award. 2016.

Community Health Workers: Building a workforce to improve health disparities. Role: Principal Investigator. Layman Seed Award, University of Nebraska-Lincoln. 2016 to 2017.

Community Health Worker Qualitative Research. Role: Principal Investigator. Social and Behavioral Science Research Consortium, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 2015 to 2016.

HONORS and AWARDS

- 2022 *Top 3 Paper*, Annual International Communication Association (ICA) Conference, Applied Communication Division. Palmer-Wackerly AL, Coffey J, Stefka C, Gonzalez L, **Chaidez V**, Wheeler LA, Acosta L, Chai W. Using narrative mapping to center rural, Latinx adolescent voices in co-creating a research agenda.
- 2020 *Courtesy Appointment*, Department of Communication Studies, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.
- 2019 *Strengthening the Community Health Worker Workforce to Improve Maternal and Child Health in Nebraska: A State-Wide Assessment of Needs, Barriers, and Assets*. (2019). Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health. Acknowledgements, page 4. Available: <http://dhhs.ne.gov/MCAH/CHW-Workforce-Assessment-Report.pdf>.
- 2019 University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Parent's Recognition Award. Available: <https://newsroom.unl.edu/announce/cehs-news/9296/54505>.
- 2018 *Top 3 Paper*, Annual International Communication Association (ICA) Conference, Intergroup Communication Interest Group. Palmer-Wackerly AL, Wayment C, Adams A, **Chaidez V**. Addressing intergroup communication barriers through the voice of community health workers: The meaning of shared language in improving health disparities.
- 2015-2017 Fellow, Scholarly Enhancement Program, College of Education and Human Sciences, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.
- 2013 [Autism Speaks](#) Top Ten Research Advances of 2013.
- 2009 *Minority Access to Research Careers (MARC) Program Travel Award*, Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology (FASEB)
- 2007-2008 *Peter J. Shields and Henry A. Jastro Research Award*, Department of Nutrition, University of California, Davis, Davis, CA.
- 2007 *Western Center for Agricultural Health and Safety Seed Grant*. University of California Davis, Davis, CA.
- 2006-2007 *Peter J. Shields and Henry A. Jastro Research Award*, Department of Nutrition, University of California Davis, Davis, CA.
- 2006-2007 *University of California Institute for Mexico and the United States (UCMEXUS) Dissertation Research Grant*, University of California.
- 2006-2007 *Alliance for Graduate Education and the Professoriate (AGEP) Fellowship*. University of California, Davis, Davis, CA.
- 2005-2006 *Food Stamp and Nutrition Education Program (FSNEP) Collaboration Proposal*. University of California, Davis, Davis, CA.
- 2004-2005 *Gustavus and Louise Pfeiffer Research Fellowship*, Department of Nutrition, University of California, Davis, Davis, CA.
- 2003-2004 *Gustavus and Louise Pfeiffer Research Fellowship*. Department of Nutrition, University of California, Davis, Davis, CA.

- 1999 *McNair Scholar*, San Diego State University, San Diego, CA.
- 1997 *McNair Scholar*, San Diego State University, San Diego, CA.
- 1997 *Hughes Network Systems Book Award*, San Diego State University, San Diego, CA.

PUBLICATIONS (peer-reviewed)

1. Bearss B, Martin A, Dorsey Vinton S, **Chaidez V**, Palmer-Wackerly AL, Mollard E, Edison-Soe L, Chan N, Estrada Gonzalez E, Carter M, Coburn K, Xia Y, Tippens JA (2023). "Too many jobs and not enough hands": Immigrant and refugee community health workers at the frontlines of the COVID-19 pandemic. *Qualitative Health Research*. 2023 Oct 20:10497323231204741. doi: 10.1177/10497323231204741. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 37863477.
2. Trout KE, **Chaidez V**, Ern J, Bremer M, Karsting K, Su D (2023). Differences in role and support between volunteer and paid community health workers in the state of Nebraska. *Journal of Community Health*. 2023 Oct 17. doi: 10.1007/s10900-023-01289-3. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 37848655.
3. Ern J, **Chaidez V**, Trout KE, Karsting K, Su D (2023). Perspectives on certification of community health workers: A statewide mixed-methods assessment in Nebraska. *Public Health Nursing*. <https://doi.org/10.1111/phn.13198>.
4. Toney AM, Martin T, Sanchez S, Kelley MS, Palmer-Wackerly AL, **Chaidez V** (2022). Examining the macrosystem level of influence on community health worker effectiveness in the state of Nebraska: A qualitative approach. *Journal of Community Health*, doi:10.1007/s10900-022-01075-7. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 35244819; PMCID: PMC8894838.
5. Schlange SA, Palmer-Wackerly AL, **Chaidez V** (2022). A Narrative review of medical interpretation services and their effect on the quality of health care. *Southern Medical Journal*, 115(5), 317-321. doi:10.14423/SMJ.0000000000001392.
6. **Chaidez V**, Qiu Y, Palmer-Wackerly AL, Tippens JA, Parra GR, Soliz J, Pytlik Zillig LM, Habecker PN, Gocchi Carrasco K, Dombrowski K (2021). Ethnic differences in perceptions of well-being, community support and financial stressors in a majority-minority Midwest city. *Journal of Sociology & Social Welfare*, Vol. 48, Iss.1, Article 6. <https://scholarworks.wmich.edu/jssw/vol48/iss1/6/>.
7. Mulcahy Toney A, Fox D, **Chaidez V**, Ramer-Tait AE, Chung S (2021). Immunomodulatory Role of Urolithin A on Metabolic Diseases. *Biomedicines*, 9(2), 192. doi:10.3390/biomedicines9020192.
8. Mulcahy Toney A, Albusharif M, Works D, Polenz L, Schlange S, **Chaidez V**, Ramer-Tait AE, Chung S (2021). Differential effects of whole red raspberry polyphenols and their gut metabolite urolithin A on neuroinflammation in BV-2 microglia. *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*, 18(1), 68. doi:10.3390/ijerph18010068.
9. Erwin S, Peters J, Dalla R, **Chaidez V**, Encinger A, Kreimer L (2020). Identifying and assisting human trafficking survivors: a post-training analysis of first responders in a Midwestern state. *Journal of Sociology & Social Welfare*, Vol. 47, Iss. 4, Article 2. <https://scholarworks.wmich.edu/jssw/vol47/iss4/2/>.

10. Palmer-Wackerly AL, Reyes MS, Ali SH, Carrasco KG, Habecker P, Houska K, **Chaidez V**, Soliz J, Tippens JA, Holland KJ, Pytlik Zillig LM, Patterson K, Dombrowski K (2020). Examining multilevel communication within CBPR through evaluation of a mixed-methods project in a rural, minority-majority town. *Journal of Applied Communication Research*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/00909882.2020.1851042>.
11. Tippens JA, Parra GR, Habecker P, Gocchi Carrasco K, Andrews III AR, Palmer-Wackerly AL, **Chaidez V**, Soliz J, Pytlik Zillig L, Dombrowski K (2020). Emotional support and mental health among Somali men in a rural midwestern town. *Journal of Rural Mental Health*, 44(3), 170-183. [* indicates equal first authorship] <https://psycnet.apa.org/doi/10.1037/rmh0000136>.
12. Trout KE, **Chaidez V**, Palmer-Wackerly AL (2020). Rural-urban differences in roles and support for community health workers in the Midwest. *Family and Community Health Journal*, 43(2), 141-149. <https://doi.org/10.1097/FCH.0000000000000255> , PMID: 32079970.
13. Palmer-Wackerly AL, **Chaidez V**, Wayment C, Baker J, Adams A, Wheeler L (2019). Listening to the Voice of Community Health Workers: A Multi-Level, Culture-Centered Approach to Overcoming Structural Barriers in Latinx Communities. *Qualitative Health Research*, 1-14. <https://doi:10.1177/1049732319855963>.
14. Mulcahy Toney A, Fan R, Xian Y, **Chaidez V**, Ramer-Tait A, Chung S (2019). Urolithin A, a gut metabolite, improves insulin sensitivity through augmentation of mitochondrial function and biogenesis. *Obesity*, 27, 612-620. <https://doi:10.1002/oby.22404>.
15. **Chaidez V**, Fernandez y Garcia E, Wang L, Krakowiak P, Hertz-Picciotto I, Hansen RL (2018). Comparison of maternal beliefs about causes of autism spectrum disorder and association with utilization of services and treatments. *Child: Care, Health and Development*, 1-10. <https://doi.org/10.1111/cch.12612> or <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC6447086/>.
16. **Chaidez V**, Qiu Y (2018). Exploring *H.pylori* seropositivity as a risk factor for type 2 diabetes, *Journal of Health Disparities Research and Practice*, Vol.11: Iss. 2, Article 4. <https://digitalscholarship.unlv.edu/jhdrp/vol11/iss2/4/>.
17. **Chaidez V**, Palmer-Wackerly AL, Trout KE (2018). Community Health Worker Employer Survey: Perspectives on CHW workforce development in the Midwest. *Journal of Community Health*, <http://doi.org/10.1007/s10900-018-0533-x>.
18. Kaiser LL, **Chaidez V**, Neelon M, Algert S, Horowitz M, Martin A, Mendoza C, Ginsburg D (2015). Food resource management education with SNAP participation improves food security. *Journal of Nutrition Education and Behavior*, 47(4):374-378. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.jneb.2015.01.012>.
19. **Chaidez V**, Hansen RL, Hertz-Picciotto I (2014). Gastrointestinal problems in children with autism, developmental delays, or typical development. *Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders*, 44(5):1117-1127. <http://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s10803-013-1973-x>.
20. **Chaidez V**, McNiven S, Kaiser LL, Vosti S (2014). Sweetened food purchases and indulgent feeding are associated with increased toddler anthropometry. *Journal of Nutrition Education and Behavior*, 46(4):293-298. <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S1499404613004934>.

21. **Chaidez V**, Hansen RL, Hertz-Picciotto I (2012). Autism Spectrum Disorders in Hispanics and non-Hispanics. *Autism: International Journal of Research and Practice*, 16(4): 381-397. <https://doi.org/10.1177%2F13623613111434787>.
22. **Chaidez V**, Kaiser LL (2011). Validation of an instrument to assess toddler feeding practices in Latino mothers. *Appetite*, 57(1):229-236. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.appet.2011.05.106>.
23. **Chaidez V**, Townsend M, Kaiser LL (2011). Toddler-feeding practices among Mexican American mothers: A qualitative study. *Appetite*, 56(3):629-632. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.appet.2011.02.015>.

BOOK CHAPTERS

1. **Chaidez V**, Palmer-Wackerly A. (2016). Community Health Workers: One Person Can Make a Difference. In K. Dombrowski (2) *Reducing Health Disparities: Research updates from the field*. Nebraska: Syron Design.
2. **Chaidez, V.** (2015) Building Bridges through Community Health Workers. In K. Dombrowski (1) *Reducing Health Disparities: Research updates from the field*. (191-208). Nebraska: Syron Design.

PRESENTATIONS and ABSTRACTS (peer-reviewed)

1. Chavez A, Mamani FG, Tuma R, Sharma M, Wheeler LA, Palmer-Wackerly AL, Tippens JA, **Chaidez V**, Coffey J (2024, February 23). Navigating mental health: A mixed-methods study on Latinx high school students in rural Nebraska. *Minority Health Disparities Initiative Health Equity Conference*, Lincoln, NE.
2. Palmer-Wackerly AL, Coffey J, Stefka, C, Gonzalez L, **Chaidez V**, Wheeler LA, Acosta L, Chai W (2022). Using narrative mapping to center rural, Latinx adolescent voices in co-creating a research agenda. *National Communication Association, Applied Communication Division*. New Orleans, LA. November 2022.
3. Mulcahy Toney A, Xian Y, Shao J, Works D, Albusharif M, Schmaltz R, **Chaidez V**, Chung S, Ramer-Tait AE (2021). The gut microbiota regulates the metabolic benefits mediated by red raspberry polyphenols. *American Society for Nutrition - Nutrition 2021 Live Online Conference*. Presented virtually. June 2021.
4. **Chaidez V**, Palmer-Wackerly AL (2021). Community health workers: One person can make a difference. *Annual Nebraska Conference on Health Equity (NECHE)*. Presented virtually. April 23, 2021.
5. Mulcahy A, Fan R, **Chaidez V**, Chung S (2019). Urolithin A, a gut metabolite, improves insulin sensitivity through augmentation of mitochondrial function and biogenesis. *Harvard Medical School New England Science Symposium (NESS)*. Poster presentation. Boston, MA. April 2019.
6. Mulcahy A, Fan R, **Chaidez V**, Chung S (2018). Urolithin A, a gut metabolite of ellagic acid, improves hepatic insulin sensitivity in C57BL6 mice against high fat diet. *American Society for Nutrition – Nutrition 2018 Conference*. Abstract selected for the Young Minority Investigator Oral Competition (and awarded 1st place winner), e-poster, and poster presented. Boston, MA. June 2018.

7. Palmer-Wackerly AL, Wayment C, Adams A, **Chaidez V** (2018). Addressing intergroup communication barriers through the voice of community health workers: The meaning of shared language in improving health disparities. *International Communication Association Annual Meeting*. Paper presented and awarded Top 3 Paper in the Intergroup Interest Group. Prague, Czech Republic. May 2018.
8. Erwin S, Dalla R, **Chaidez V**, Peter J, Mulcahy A (2018). Connecting academia to the community: Including community health workers in human trafficking research. *American Public Health Association Annual Conference*. Abstract. San Diego, CA. February 2018.
9. Palmer-Wackerly AL, **Chaidez V**, Wayment C, Baker J, Adams A (2018). Listening to the voice of community health workers: A multi-level, culture-centered approach to overcoming structural barriers in Latina/o communities. *National Communication Association Annual Meeting, Health Communication Division*. Salt Lake City, UT, November 2018.
10. Erwin S, Peter J, Mulcahy A, Dalla R, **Chaidez V** (2018). Connecting academia to the community: Including community health workers in human trafficking research methodology. *Minority Health Disparities Initiative (MHDI) Annual Conference*. Lincoln, Nebraska. February 9, 2018.
11. Mulcahy Toney A, You M, Okla M, **Chaidez V**, Chung S (2018). High fat diet-Induced inflammation interferes with obligatory iron mobilization for beige fat development. *Keystone Symposia on Molecular and Cellular Biology – Bioenergetics and Metabolic Disease*. Poster presented. Keystone, Colorado. January 2018.
12. Erwin S, Dalla R, **Chaidez V**, Peter J, Mount A, Price C, Clark T (2017). Methodology of assessing the prevalence of human trafficking in Nebraska. Poster presented. *National Council on Family Relations Annual Conference*. Orlando, Florida, November 2017.
13. **Chaidez V**, Erwin S, Dalla R, Peter J, Mount A, Price C, Clark T (2017). The path to exploitation: Identifying mechanisms of trafficking and health needs of survivors. Poster presented. *National Council on Family Relations Annual Conference*. Orlando, Florida. November 2017.
14. Adams A, Wayment C, **Chaidez V**, Palmer-Wackerly AL (2017). Communicating culture: Navigating and negotiating cultural communication between community health workers and patients. *Nebraska Summer Research Symposium*. Poster presented. University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Lincoln, Nebraska. August, 2017.
15. Dalla R, **Chaidez V**, Erwin S, Peter J, Mount A (2017). Methodology of assessing the prevalence of human trafficking in Nebraska. *University of Nebraska-Lincoln Spring Research Fair*. Poster presented. Lincoln, Nebraska. April 2017.
16. Mulcahy A, Kim J, Ozaki G, **Chaidez V**, Chung S (2017). Differential regulation of hepatic hepcidin by cold treatment and inflammation. Poster presented. *Nebraska Center for the Prevention of Obesity Diseases through Dietary Molecules (NPOD) Obesity Symposium*. Lincoln, Nebraska. April 2017.
17. Palmer-Wackerly AL, Matthews K, **Chaidez V** (2016). Creating a common language between universities and the community: Translating research into practice and practice into research. Panelist speaker. Public Health Association Of Nebraska (PHAN) Annual Conference. Lincoln, Nebraska, September 30, 2016.
18. Kaiser LL, Schneider C, **Chaidez V**, Neelon M, Algert S, Smith D, Horowitz M (2013). Plan, Shop, Save, Cook: Influence of SNAP on program outcomes. *Journal of Nutrition Education and Behavior*; 45(4S):S16 – S17.

19. **Chaidez V**, Hansen RL, Hertz-Picciotto I (2011). Childhood Autism Risks from Genetics and the Environment (CHARGE): Comparison of gastrointestinal symptoms in a case-control study. *The UC Davis MIND Institute (Medical Investigation Of Neurodevelopmental Disorders) Research Seminar Series*. Sacramento, California, September 16, 2011.
20. **Chaidez V**, Hansen RL, Hertz-Picciotto I (2011). Childhood Autism Risks from Genetics and the Environment (CHARGE): Comparison of gastrointestinal symptoms in a case-control study. *Society For Developmental And Behavioral Pediatrics Annual Conference*. Poster presented. San Antonio, Texas, September 16-19, 2011.
21. **Chaidez V**, Hertz-Picciotto I (2011). Autism in Hispanics and non-Hispanics. *The International Meeting For Autism Research*. Poster presented. San Diego, California, May 12-14, 2011.
22. **Chaidez V**, Hertz-Picciotto I (2010). Autism in Hispanics and non-Hispanics. *The UC Davis Mind Institute (Medical Investigation Of Neurodevelopmental Disorders) Research Seminar Series*. Poster presented. Sacramento, California, October 15, 2010.
23. **Chaidez V**, Kaiser LL (2009). Toddler-feeding practices in Latinos: an early start in obesity prevention. *Federation of American Societies For Experimental Biology Annual Conference*. Poster presented. New Orleans, Louisiana. April 22, 2009.
24. **Chaidez V**, Kaiser LL. (2009). Toddler-feeding practices in Latinos: an early start in obesity prevention. *Journal of the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology*; 23:737.17.
25. **Chaidez V**, Kaiser LL. (2007). Early child-feeding practices in Mexican-Americans deviate from current recommendations. *Journal of the American Dietetic Association*. 2007; 107:A18.
26. **Chaidez V**, Kaiser L.L. Early child-feeding practices in Mexican Americans deviate from current recommendations (2007). *Western Center For Agricultural Health And Safety (WCAHS) Graduate Student Research Colloquium*. Poster presented. University of California, Davis, October 2007.
27. **Chaidez V**, Kaiser LL. (2007). Early child-feeding practices in Mexican Americans deviate from current recommendations. *The American Dietetic Association 2007 Food and Nutrition Conference and Expo*. Poster presented. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. September 2007.
28. **Chaidez V**, Kaiser LL. (2007). Child-feeding practices in Latinos: an early start in obesity prevention. *Agricultural and Natural Resources Conference*. University of California, Davis. June 2007.
29. **Chaidez V**, Kaiser LL. (2006). Are child-feeding practices in Latinos contributing to obesity? *Founding Food Studies Symposium*. University of California, Davis. May 2006.

INVITED PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

1. Kelley M, **Chaidez V**. Promoting community health in a pandemic: Approaches to measure and address Covid-19 related disparities In Nebraska. *Nutrition and Health Sciences Department Seminar Series*, University of Nebraska-Lincoln. April 6, 2021.
2. **Chaidez V**. Local health heroes: Community health workers of Nebraska. Interview by Reagan, R. *Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources (IANR) Strategic Discussions for Nebraska (SDN) publication*, Healthy Nebraska 2021. <https://sdn.unl.edu/>.

3. **Chaidez V.** Thousands of Nebraskans battle Diabetes. Interview by Mike Tobias. *NET Nebraska's PBS and NPR Stations*, April 2020.
<http://netnebraska.org/article/news/1215170/thousands-nebraskans-battle-diabetes>.
4. **Chaidez V**, Palmer-Wackerly A L. Preliminary survey findings from the Health Voice Vision project. *A community project partnership with University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Minority Health Disparities Initiative (MHDl)*. Dawson County Historical Museum. Lexington, Nebraska, July 10, 2018.
5. **Chaidez V.** Community health workers in Nebraska. Guest speaker for course titled: *Health Disparities and Communication*. Communication Studies Department, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Spring 2016.
6. **Chaidez V.** Obesity, Latinos, community health workers and you. *Nebraska Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Annual Meeting*. Lincoln, Nebraska. April 27, 2017.
7. Ginsburg D, **Chaidez V**, UC CalFresh evaluation: Outcomes and highlights. *Western Region Snap Directors Conference*. San Francisco, California. August 28, 2013.
8. Expert witness testimony for California state Senate bills, SB 158 and SB 367. April 9, 2013.
 - a. SB 158 established an innovative Regional Center for Excellence in Community Autism Partnerships Program (RE CAP Program) that will identify, implement, and disseminate state-of-the-art interventions, supports, and best practices to assist regional center consumers with autism spectrum disorders (ASD), and their families, who are either 1) deemed to be members of an underserved demographic ethnic or racial group; and/or 2) residing in underserved communities.
 - b. SB 367 requires each regional center director, under the California Department of Developmental Disabilities, to provide an annual report on the center's efforts to address issues of inequity in access to services by underserved consumers.
9. **Chaidez V.** A family-centered approach to help address obesity. *Let's Move California Summit*. Los Angeles, California. June 15, 2012.

EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS DEVELOPED or REVISED

1. Guest lecturer: Food insecurity and nutrition. *Massive Open Online Course (MOOC), Food for Health Pilot Project*. Agricultural and Environmental Sciences Communication, University of Nebraska-Lincoln. 2018.
2. Contributor/Evaluation Committee Member: SNAP-Ed Western region evaluation committee charged with development and refinement of the *Western Region SNAP-Ed Evaluation Framework: Nutrition, Physical Activity, and Obesity Prevention Outcomes* which has become recognized nationally as the Framework by which all SNAP-Ed programs are now encouraged to use for evaluation. February 2013-April 2014.
3. Reviewer: Research instruments developed in Spanish:
 - a. Banna J, Townsend MS, Sylva K. *Food Stamp Program Food Behavior Checklist* for Spanish speakers. Public Health Institute, California Department of Health Services, 2007. (Spanish, 22 items reflecting Food Guide Pyramid guidelines; Visually enhanced food behavior checklist in 5 page booklet designed for clients with limited literacy skills).

- b. Banna J, Townsend MS, Vera LE, Fourney A, Perez M, Heredia C, Romero I, Grajales-Hall M, Davidson C, Leavens L. *Administering the Food Stamp Program Food Behavior Checklist for Spanish speakers: Instruction Guide*. Public Health Institute, California Department of Health Services, 2007.
4. Editor: Chapter on nutrition in toddlers for a California Food Guide resource created for health professionals, June 2006.