Chidinma J. Ogojiaku, MPH

EDUCATION

MPH, Health Policy and Management — Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA — May 2022
BA, Medicine, Health, and Society — Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN — May 2017
Concentration: Health Behaviors and Sciences

SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Chidinma Ogojiaku is a program evaluation professional with over eight years of experience in children and adolescent behavioral health and workforce development. Chidinma's professional experience includes leading the evaluation efforts of several local, statewide, and national behavioral health programs. Her work includes program implementation, stakeholder engagement, data management and visualization, and qualitative and quantitative analysis. Chidinma is passionate about building capacity, advancing culturally responsive and trauma-informed care, and implementing best practices to promote health equity. Chidinma has spent most of her career evaluating Georgia's behavioral health programs and translating findings into actionable recommendations for diverse audiences. She has spent six years of her career evaluating culturally responsive trainings designed to support providers working with clients facing behavioral health challenges, severe mental illness, and/or developmental disabilities. Chidinma received her Bachelor of Arts in medicine, health and society from Vanderbilt University and her Master of Public Health with a concentration in health management and policy from Georgia State University.

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Evaluator, *Center for Applied Research Solutions (CARS)* — 2023 – Present

- Leads bi-monthly quality improvement meetings
- Creates annual reports to disseminate to partners
- Ensures timely and accurate submission of Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) data into SAMHSA Performance Accountability and Reporting System (SPARS) in coordination with project directors and project managers
- Manages and analyzes quantitative data using SPSS and Excel

Research Associate, *Transformative Research and Evaluation Consulting* — 2021 – 2023

- Utilized SAS to analyze primary and secondary data sets
- Created comprehensive reports that demonstrated trends, growth, and barriers for each client
- Collaborated with clients to develop an evaluation plan with evaluation goals, program measures, and a data collection and analysis plan
- Developed survey tools and instruments
- Developed and disseminated surveys in Survey Monkey
- Developed logic models to guide program implementation, management, and evaluation
- Created interview guides and led focus groups with community partners
- Utilized NVivo to code and analyze qualitative findings
- Developed infographics to simplify complex ideas

Research Associate, *Center of Excellence for Children's Behavioral Health* 2021 – 2023

- Partnered with the Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities to evaluate the implementation of a treatment model for individuals with severe mental illness and developmental disabilities
- Evaluated trainings for new Wraparound coordinators and family peer support specialist focused on clarifying roles, responsibilities, and reducing implicit and unconscious bias when working with families of children with serious emotional or developmental disabilities
- Completed ad-hoc data requests from various state-level agencies
- Led an evaluation team for state and federally-funded behavioral health programs
- Led monthly quality improvement meetings with behavioral health provider organizations across Georgia's System of Care
- Identified data trends and created summaries and briefs to share with Georgia's System of Care stakeholders and funders
- Created standard operating procedures (SOP) for data management and analysis and trained team members on these policies and procedures
- Facilitated stakeholder meetings and sessions
- Managed and analyzed quantitative data using SPSS, SAS, R, and Excel
- Created evaluation plans for SAMHSA and BJA grants (awarded)
- Developed program curriculum and evaluation plans for behavioral health programs
- Built and managed relationships with clients and external stakeholders, including state agencies, community groups, and academic partners
- Used ArcGIS Pro and ArcMap to visualize geospatial data
- Trained teams on how to create surveys and dashboards in Qualtrics
- Prepared Institutional Review Board (IRB) study applications

Research Coordinator, *Georgia Health Policy Center* 2018 – 2020

- Developed reports and dashboards to inform and support policy, programming, and practice
- Collected, linked, analyzed, and translated multi-sourced qualitative and quantitative data
- Utilized macros and VBA in Excel to streamline efficiency in data management and analysis
- Transformed monthly data into digestible formats such as infographics and dashboards using Power BI
- Developed data dictionaries and data management plans
- Provided evaluation technical assistance to several school-based mental health grantees
- Planned and facilitated focus groups tailored to mental health providers and stakeholders

Cognitive Research Assistant, *Qualitative Research Core* 2016 – 2018

- Analyzed data using SPSS statistical software and generated reports
- Collected, coded, and entered study information into REDCap and assisted in data integration
- Collaborated with behavioral health researchers on their qualitative/mixed-method approach needs
- Developed interview protocols for in-depth interviews and semi-structured interviews
- Determined effective strategies for promoting and recruiting research participants and retaining participants in long-term studies
- Oversaw data management for research projects

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

- **Advancing School-Based Mental Health Conference,** *Austin, TX* 2019
  Chidinma Ogojiaku**,** Dimple Desai, Ani Whitmore. School-Based Mental Health, School Climate, and Tier I interventions. Poster Presentation.
- **Georgia Conference for Children and Families,** *Augusta, GA* 2019
  Ursula Davis, Carrie Oliver, Chidinma Ogojiaku, Jessica Adkins, Rex Crawford, LaVon Scott. The Power of Engagement: Engaging Partners and Youth through Recovery-Oriented Cognitive Therapy (CT-R). Session Presentation.
- **32nd Annual Research and Policy Conference on Children, Adolescent, and Young Adult Behavioral Health (Tampa Conference),** *Tampa, FL* 2019
  Ursula Davis, Ann M. DiGirolamo, Carrie Oliver, Chidinma Ogojiaku**,** Paul Grant, Aaron Brinen, Dante McKay, Jill Mays. Building Workforce Capacity through a Community-Based System of Care Model: The Challenges of Balancing Fidelity and Adaptability. Poster Presentation.