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EDUCATION

PhD, Health Education
Texas A&M University

MEd, Health Education
Texas State University

BS, Health
Texas A&M University

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Professor, College of Nursing, Texas A&M University (2023–present)
Professor, School of Public Health, Texas A&M University (2022–2023)
Professor, Health Education, Texas A&M University (2018–2022)
Associate Professor, Texas A&M University (2012–2018)
Associate Professor, Texas State University (2010–2012)
Assistant Professor, Texas State University (2004–2010)

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Associate Dean for Research, College of Nursing, Texas A&M University (2023–2024)
Division Chair, Health Education, Texas A&M University (2018–2022)
Assistant Chair, Texas A&M University (2015)
Program Coordinator, Texas A&M University (2013–2015)
Academic Affairs Coordinator, Texas State University (2010–2012)

RESEARCH FOCUS

- Population health systems and implementation strategies
- Adolescent and young adult health outcomes

- Rural health access and service delivery innovation
- Workforce development in health professions
- Community-based program development and evaluation

SELECTED FUNDED PROJECTS

- Co-Principal Investigator, Adolescent Health Innovation Initiative (DHHS), ~\$7.4M
- Principal Investigator, Game-Based Health Intervention Trial (DHHS), ~\$4.5M
- Co-Investigator, Rural Telehealth Integration Projects (HRSA), ~\$1.75M each
- Implementation Core Lead, Statewide Opioid Prevention Initiative (~\$25M collaborative)
- Co-Investigator, Rural Workforce Development Program (HRSA), ~\$4M
- Principal Investigator, Adolescent Health Systems Initiative (DHHS), ~\$5.8M

SELECTED PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

(Representative sample)

Wilson KL, et al. (2026). Implementation and policy barriers to evaluating adolescent health programs. *Medical Research Archives*.

Garney WR, Wilson KL, et al. (2025). Youth-centered health risk identification tools. *Health Expectations*.

Wilson KL, et al. (2023). Systems-level approaches to adolescent healthcare access. *Family & Community Health*.

Garney WR, Wilson KL, et al. (2022). Implementation evaluation of adolescent health initiatives. *BMC Public Health*.

Wilson KL, et al. (2021). Barriers to healthcare access among adolescents. *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*.

TEACHING

Courses include:

- Theoretical Foundations of Healthcare

- Health Policy and Systems
- Program Planning and Evaluation
- Public Health and Community Health

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Faculty Fellow, Telehealth Institute, Texas A&M Health
Core Faculty, Center for Community Health and Aging
Affiliate Faculty, Center on Disability and Development
Affiliate Faculty, Huffines Institute

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION

Master Certified Health Education Specialist (MCHES®)