

## 2014 Tennessee Men's Health Report Card Advisory Panel

**Derek M. Griffith, PhD**  
**Chair, 2014 Tennessee Men's Health Report Card**  
**Director, Institute for Research on Men's Health**  
**Associate Professor of Medicine, Health and Society**

Derek Griffith is the Director of the Institute for Research on Men's Health and an Associate Professor of Medicine, Health and Society and General Internal Medicine and Public Health at Vanderbilt University. Dr. Griffith primarily focuses on understanding racial and gender health disparities and improving men's lifestyle behaviors and health outcomes. Dr. Griffith is a member of the American Psychological Association's Working Group on Health Disparities in Boys and Men and he was recently invited by the International Society of Men's Health and the Foundation for Men's Health to join a task force to develop a multi-disciplinary, international men's health curriculum.

**David Penson, MD, MPH**  
**Tennessee Men's Health Report Card Chair, 2010 and 2012, Chair Emeritus 2014**  
**Professor of Urological Surgery**  
**Director, Vanderbilt Center for Surgical Quality and Outcomes Research**

David Penson has both an active urologic oncology practice and research program at VUMC. A main focus of his research has been on prostate cancer treatment outcomes, effectiveness, and disparities. Working with a multidisciplinary team, including patient advocates, he is currently directing a major PCORI grant to personalize complex information about various prostate cancer treatments' effectiveness and side effects, so that patients can make informed decisions about their care. He regrets that recent changes in his surgery schedule mean he will not be able to attend this initial meeting.

**Rahn Kennedy Bailey, M.D., DFAPA**  
**Professor and Chair, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences**  
**Meharry Medical College**

Rahn Bailey currently serves as Chairman and Professor of the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Lloyd C. Elam Mental Center at Meharry Medical College. He served as the 113th President of the National Medical Association and is current President of the Tennessee Psychiatric Association. His research interests encompass clinical depression, ADHD, and psychiatric care for military veterans and survivors of disasters, and his passions include eliminating disparities, removing stigma, and expanding access to comprehensive health services. In 2006, Dr. Bailey received the Region V Physician of the Year award for his efforts in coordinating care for victims of Hurricane Katrina.

**Stephanie B. Coursey Bailey, M.D., M.S.**  
**Director of Public Health Initiatives and**  
**Interim Dean, College of Health Sciences,**  
**Tennessee State University**

My current work is about 'preparing health leaders for tomorrow' and seeing communities achieve health excellence. The College of Health Sciences houses Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Nursing, Dental Hygiene, Respiratory Therapy, Health Information Management, Human Performance and Sports Science, Speech Language Pathology and Audiology and Public Health/Health Sciences/Health Administration. Having been the previous Director of Health for Nashville/Davidson County and Chief for Public Health Practice at the Centers for Diseases Control and Prevention in Atlanta, all health matters.

**John Brown**  
**Statistical Research Specialist**  
**Tennessee Department of Health**

John Brown is chief data analyst for the Tennessee Department of Health data systems including vital records (births, deaths), healthcare facilities data and the hospital discharge data system. He has been conducting the analysis needed to produce data for the Tennessee Men's Health Report Card since 2009.

**Kathleen C. Brown, PhD Director of**  
**Community Assessment and Health**  
**Promotion Knox County Health Department**  
**University of Tennessee Department of Public**  
**Health**

As director of the Epidemiology Program at the Knox County Health Department, Dr. Brown oversees the activities of 5 Epidemiologists. Her team conducts community surveys, special report (e.g. Men's Health) evaluations and responds to community outbreaks. She is particularly interested in health inequities and the associated conditions contributing to them.

**Melinda Beeuwkes Buntin PhD**  
**Professor and Chair, Department of Health**  
**Policy**  
**Vanderbilt University Medical Center**

Dr. Buntin recently assumed the Chair of the new Department of Health Policy at VUMC after serving as deputy assistant director for health at the Congressional Budget Office. While at the CBO she directed studies of health care and health care financing and evaluated policy options impacting Medicare, Medicaid, subsidies of the purchase of private insurance, and public health. She also served as director of Public Sector Initiatives for RAND Health, and co-director of the Bind Center for Health Economics.

**Tom Christenbery, PhD, RN, CNE**  
**Associate Professor**  
**Vanderbilt University, School of Nursing**

Dr. Christenbery is the School of Nursing faculty advisor for the local chapter of the American Assembly of Men in Nursing. His clinical work and research focus on chronic lung disease and men's health. He has been a member of the Report Card Advisory Panel since 2011. He is an exemplar for integrating physical activity into one's lifestyle as he has walked over 20,000 steps a day for nearly 8 years.

**John Cummings, MD**  
**Tennessee Department of Health-West Region**

John Cummings currently works providing primary care services to uninsured patients in the Tennessee Department of Health clinics in the West Region. Men's health issues have always been a very important part of his practice in Internal Medicine. He has served as a member of the Tennessee Men's Health Report Card Advisory Panel since 2009.

**Mark Dalle-Ave MD**  
**Rural Health Services Consortium**

Mark Dalle-Ave joined the Tennessee Men's Health Report Card effort in 2009. He serves as a Director of the Rural Health Services Consortium, a private, non-profit founded in 1985 to provide affordable, quality healthcare to all in Northeast Tennessee. The Consortium links primary care facilities with specialty and in-patient care providers to provide comprehensive care to its patients.

**Wes Dean MD FAAFP**  
**Summit Medical Group**

Dr. Dean is a Family Physician in Knoxville where he practices in a large primary care group, Summit Medical Group. He is chair of the groups' Quality Committee and is involved in both state and national Family Medicine academies related to quality and practice efforts. As a Family Physician for over 20 years he is keenly aware of the need for patient education, prevention and early detection. He continues to serve as an Advisor to the Report Card because he believes it can be a valuable resource in these areas as well as wellness promotion.

**Stephen B. Edge MD**  
**Baptist Cancer Center**

Dr. Edge is Director of the Baptist Cancer Center in Memphis. He is an oncological surgeon and health sciences researcher who focused on translational research in breast cancer diagnosis and treatment at Roswell Park Cancer Institute in Buffalo, New York before coming to Memphis. In addition to his clinical care and research, he has been involved in national policy development, defining quality assessment tools for cancer care and systems to improve community-wide cancer care.

**Jay H. Fowke, PhD, MPH**  
**Associate Professor of Epidemiology**  
**Vanderbilt University Medical Center**

Dr. Fowke is an epidemiologist investigating causes of prostate cancer and benign prostatic hyperplasia. He has served on the Tennessee Men's Health Report Card Advisory Panel since 2009. Recent publications investigate associations between genetic markers for obesity and cancer, and racial variation in screening follow-up and surgical outcomes for prostate cancer. Jay sends his regrets as he has a conflict with our first meeting date.

**Jeff Guy, MD, MMHC**  
**Chief Medical Office of Pediatrics at TriStar**  
**Centennial Women's and Children's Hospital.**

Dr. Guy specialized in trauma surgery, burn surgery, and critical care and trauma surgery research. He joined VUMC in 1999, and led the growth of the VUMC Burn Center to a major regional and national center. He currently serves as chief medical officer of the pediatric program at TriStar Centennial Women's and Children's Hospital. He is a devoted father of five.

**Darlene Jenkins, D.P.H.**  
**Director for Research**  
**National Healthcare for the Homeless Council**

Darlene Jenkins has served as an Advisor to the Tennessee Men's Health Report Card effort since 2009. She directs an active, nationwide research program for the National Healthcare for the Homeless Council. In addition, she has served as an advisor to the Meharry-Vanderbilt Community Engaged Research Core and the Vanderbilt Institute for Clinical and Translational Research. She has also worked for the State of Tennessee in the Department of Minority Health.

**David Kirschke, MD**  
**Tennessee Department of Health-NE Region**

David Kirschke, MD is currently Medical Director of the Department of Health's Northeast Regional Office in Johnson City. He previously served as deputy state epidemiologist for the Department of Health during 2008-2011. He has worked in public health at the local, state, and federal levels for more than 13 years. He joined the Tennessee Men's Health Report Card Advisory Panel in 2011.

**Paul Juarez, PhD**  
**Co-Director, Research Center for Health**  
**Disparities, Equity and the Exposome**  
**University of Tennessee Health Sciences**  
**Center, Memphis**

Dr. Juarez has been a member of the Tennessee Men's Health Advisory Panel since 2011. Prior to his founding of the Research Center for Health Disparities, Equity, and the Exposome at UTHSC, he taught in the Department of Family and Community Medicine at Meharry Medical College and served as co-Director of the Meharry-Vanderbilt Community Engaged Research Core. His research interests are broad, but united by a focus on health disparities. These include youth violence prevention, injury prevention, and adolescent medicine. Dr. Juarez's current research focuses on the environmental context of health disparities. He uses the public health exposome to address the cumulative effects of environmental exposures from conception to death. Environmental exposures are operationalized in four broad domains: physical, built, social and policy.

**Mike Leventhal**  
**Director, Tennessee Men's Health Network**

Mike Leventhal has served as Director of the *Tennessee Men's Health Network* for over 12 years, and is also a founding member of the Tennessee Men's Health Report Card Advisory Panel. He has been one of the chief advocates of the Report Card, connecting the Report Card team with stakeholder organizations, spearheading outreach efforts across the state, and highlighting the findings of the Report Card at regional Men's Health Symposia across the state.

**Lorry Liotta-Kleinfeld EdD, OTR/L, BCP**  
**Professor and MSOT Program Director,**  
**Belmont University**

Lorry Liotta-Kleinfeld has taught courses in neuroscience, clinical studies and pediatric/adolescent intervention in occupational therapy at Belmont University for fifteen years. She also works with adolescents with behavioral, physical, and learning challenges in a private school setting to promote occupational participation. She works as a Core Faculty with the Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities Program to prepare health professionals to assume leadership roles and develop interdisciplinary team skills, to meet the complex needs of children with neuro-developmental related disabilities. She is interested in promoting healthy active engagement of children and adolescents in daily occupations to improve immediate and long-term health outcomes.

**Sam MacMaster, PhD**  
**Associate Professor, University of Tennessee**  
**School of Social Work**

Sam MacMaster joined the Tennessee Men's Health Report Card Advisory Panel in 2011. In addition to an active teaching schedule at UTSSW, he is involved in research on the intersection of substance use and HIV/AIDS and has focused on the development of culturally appropriate interventions to overcome barriers to service access for underserved and incarcerated populations in both urban and rural populations. He is currently engaged in efforts to provide computer supported substance use and mental health treatment engagement in rural Tennessee counties.

**Harvey J Murff MD, MPH**  
**Associate Professor of Medicine Division of**  
**General Internal Medicine and Public Health**  
**Vanderbilt University**

Harvey Murff, M.D, M.P.H. is an Associate Professor of Medicine in the Division of General Internal Medicine and Public Health at Vanderbilt University. He has been contributing to the Tennessee Men's Health Report Card effort since 2009. His research interests include the impact of dietary intake of long chain polyunsaturated fatty acids on insulin resistance and colorectal neoplasm risk and how genetic variants in fatty acid synthesis may modify this relationship.

**Michelle Reece, MS DrPH(c)**  
**Department of Community and Behavioral**  
**Health**  
**East Tennessee State University**

Michelle Reece is currently completing the doctoral program in community health at East Tennessee State University. She also earned an MS in Counseling and Certificate in Health care Administration and Planning from Tennessee State University. She has participated in community engaged research efforts at VUMC, MMC, and TSU and published on the following topics: the disproportionate burden of cancer in Hispanic populations; predictors of prostate screening participation for African American men; faith-based education efforts around prostate screening for African American men; assessment of depression and mental health among adolescents and elderly.

**H. Kelley Riley, MD**  
**Corporate Medical Director**  
**BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee**

My current role is as BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee's externally-facing clinical point of contact for providers, employer groups and other stakeholders in the Middle Tennessee region, and served on the Advisory Panel for the 2012 Tennessee Men's Health Report Card.

**Katherine H. Rizzone, MD**  
**Departments of Medicine, Pediatrics, and**  
**Orthopaedics and Rehabilitation**  
**Team Physician Vanderbilt and Belmont**  
**Universities**

Dr. Rizzone is a primary care sports medicine physician at Vanderbilt who sees non-operative orthopedic patients but also sees adults and children as an internist and pediatrician. She is currently one of the Quality Scholar fellows at the Nashville Veteran's Administration and works with the veteran population as well.

**Rev. Kenneth S. Robinson, M.D. Former  
Commissioner, Tennessee Department of  
Health Public Health Policy Advisor, Shelby  
County Government Pastor and CEO, St.  
Andrew A.M.E. Church**

A lifelong advocate for improving the health of the public, Dr. Robinson served a four-year term as Tennessee's Commissioner of Health. His focus was on the racial and ethnic disparities that magnify the burden of cardiovascular disease and diabetes, and the impact of infant mortality for minorities in the state. Prior to joining the Governor's Cabinet, for 21 years he practiced and taught Internal Medicine at Vanderbilt Medical Center, and served as an Assistant Dean at the University of Tennessee College of Medicine. He continues to serve the public as the Public Health Policy Advisor in Shelby County Government, and as the Chair of Healthy Shelby, an ambitious, multi-sector community health improvement initiative across the county. Since 1991, he has also been Pastor and Chief Executive of the St. Andrew AME Church in Memphis and has sought through this ministry to address the holistic well-being, health promotion, and disease prevention for African American men. The St. Andrew Enterprise is responsible for coordinating \$21 million in housing and community development in South Memphis. .

**Christianne L. Roumie, MD MPH  
Assistant Professor Internal Medicine and  
Pediatrics  
Institute for Medicine and Public Health  
Vanderbilt University Nashville  
Staff Physician, Veterans Affairs Tennessee  
Valley Healthcare System Nashville**

Dr. Roumie has been a member of the Tennessee Men's Health Report Card Advisory Panel since 2009. In addition to her practice at the VA Tennessee Valley Health System, she conducts research designed to improve health outcomes. A major focus has been on evaluating how inappropriate medication utilization impacts patient outcomes and contributes as risk factors for cardiovascular disease. She has participated in multiple taskforces and committees on appropriate prescribing and prevention of cardiovascular risks. She serves as a member of the Council of Quality and Outcomes Research for the American Heart Association and is a standing member of the Food and Drug Administration's Nonprescription Drugs Advisory Committee (NDAC).

**Pablo Saavedra, MD  
Assistant Professor, Cardiovascular Medicine  
Vanderbilt University Medical Center**

Dr. Saavedra is currently an Assistant Professor of Cardiovascular Medicine at VUMC. He specializes in treatment and research of arrhythmias. He was a member of the 2012 Report Card Advisory Panel.

**Duane T. Smoot, MD, FACP, FACG, AGAF**  
**Professor and Chair Department of Internal**  
**Medicine Meharry Medical College**

Dr. Smoot's recent research has focused on colon carcinogenesis and the need to improve screening for this disease, which frequently effects men. Dr. Smoot has also conducted research on stomach cancer and gastritis/peptic ulcer disease caused by Helicobacter pylori. He is also a strong proponent of improving men's health through good nutrition and proper health screenings of at risk populations.

**Kenneth D. Ward, PhD**  
**Professor and Director, Division of Social and**  
**Behavioral Sciences**  
**School of Public Health**  
**The University of Memphis**

Dr. Ward is a clinical health psychologist, whose research focuses on behavioral and community approaches to reduce chronic disease risk, including heart disease and osteoporosis. A major focus of this work is the development of strategies to reduce tobacco use, including cigarettes and waterpipe ('hookah') in the U.S. and developing countries. He is also am involved in community-based child obesity prevention initiatives. Dr.Ward served on the 2012 Tennessee Men's Health Report Card Advisory Panel.

**Michael Warren, MD MPH FAAP**  
**Director, Division of Family Health and**  
**Wellness**  
**Tennessee Department of Health**

Michael Warren currently works with the Division of Family Health and Wellness which oversees the Department's initiatives related to Maternal and Child Health, Chronic Disease, and Supplemental Nutrition. Many of these programs have a focus on primary prevention and while the Department does not have a specific 'Men's Health' focus area, much of the prevention work being done should impact the health and well-being of men in Tennessee.

**W. Bedford Waters, M.D. Professor**  
**Urology/Surgery University of Tennessee**  
**Medical Center Knoxville**

Dr. Waters is a practicing urologic oncologist involved in the diagnosis and treatment of prostate, testis, and bladder cancer. He has been involved in providing prostate cancer screenings of underserved populations in Knox County. He has served as a leader for many regional and national organizations including roles as President of the Urology Section of the National Medical Association, the Executive Committees of the Society of Urologic Oncology, and the Society of University Urologists. Dr. Waters is involved in the local chapter of the American Cancer Society and was a member of the Mid-South Division Board of Directors from 2009 to 2012.

**Roger Zoorob MD MPH FAAFP**

Roger Zoorob has been a member of the Tennessee Men's Health Advisory Council since 2009. He is Professor and Chair of Family and Community Medicine at Meharry Medical College. His research interests include racial and gender disparities in health outcomes, prevention of obesity, and evidence-based practice in family medicine.

**Coordinators:**

**Clare D. Sullivan, MSN, MSPH, FNP  
Translational Research Coordinator  
Instructor, Vanderbilt University School of  
Nursing**

Clare has been closely involved with the 2010 and 2012 Report Card efforts. Before coming to work for the Institute for Medicine and Public Health, she practiced for 15 years as an FNP in both school health and safety net clinics in Nashville. She has also consulted with the Tennessee Departments of Finance and Administration on child health policy and with the Tennessee Department of Health in establishing safety net services. Prior to earning her nursing degree she worked for 10 years as an occupational health specialist for an international labor union.

**Sydika McKissic, Ph.D.**

**Managing Director, Institute for Research on  
Men's Health  
Clinical Translational Research Coordinator II**

Sydika McKissic is the Managing Director of the Institute for Research on Men's Health (IRMH). Prior to joining the IRMH, Sydika studied prostate cancer as a doctoral student in the Department of Pathology, Microbiology and Immunology at Vanderbilt. After graduating, she worked as a post-doctoral fellow for the Vanderbilt Center for Science Outreach with the task of improving science education for children attending schools in low-income communities.