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### **Education:**

- 2005 Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, TN; Ph.D. (Health Concentration)
  - 2002 Belmont University, Nashville, TN; M.Ed. (Administration/Management)
  - 2001 Tennessee State University, Nashville, TN; B.S. (Health Education)
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### **Teaching Experience:**

- 2020- **Tennessee State University, Nashville, TN**  
Present Associate Professor  
Department of Public Health, Health Administration, and Health Sciences  
Courses Taught: Principles of Public Health Education, Health Promotion and Disease Prevention, Healthcare Research Methods, Trends and Issues in Healthcare, and Introduction of Healthcare Organization. Responsibilities: Advise graduate and undergraduate students; conduct research and publish scholarship related to behavioral health with an emphasis on substance abuse prevention and treatment. (*Assistant Professor, 2014-2019*)
  - 2004- **Tennessee State University, Nashville, TN**  
2006 Temporary Instructor  
Department of Human Performance and Sport Sciences  
Courses Taught: Measurement & Evaluation, Critical Issues, Elements of Safety and Disease Prevention, Health & Wellness, and Elements of School and Sport Law
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### **Research Experience:**

- 2007- **Centerstone Research Institute, Nashville, TN**  
2014 Senior Program Evaluator  
Managed numerous research and evaluation projects within the community designed to improve the quality and effectiveness of care among individuals receiving behavioral healthcare services (i.e., alcohol and drug addiction treatment, substance abuse and HIV/AIDS prevention, and mental health services). Primary responsibilities included program planning, budget oversight, process and outcome evaluation, data management, statistical analysis, and development of collaborative relationships.
- 2007 **Fisk University, Nashville, TN**  
Campus and Community Outreach Coordinator  
Provost Office: Led community research studies to address health disparities in Tennessee among at-risk populations and people of color. Presented findings to state agencies, community leaders, and university administrators.

2003- **Meharry Medical College, Nashville, TN**

2004 Research Assistant

Department of Pediatric Medicine: Responsibilities included development and implementation of evaluation protocols associated with federally-funded grants. Duties also included grant writing, development of Institutional Review Board applications, and preparation of annual reports.

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## **Selected Publications:**

### Articles (Peer-Reviewed)

- **Brown, C.,** & Carrington, N. (2025). Increasing Access to School-Based Mental Health Services for Youth Subsequent to the COVID-19 Pandemic. *Health Affairs Scholar*, 3(4), qxaf073. <https://doi.org/10.1093/haschl/qxaf073>
- **Brown, C.,** Dotson, B., Montgomery, J., Sutterfield, C., & Maharaj, G. (2024). Evaluating the Effectiveness of Using the Teach-Back Method to Improve the Health Literacy of Individuals in the Community. *Journal of Community Health Nursing*, 1–8. <https://doi.org/10.1080/07370016.2024.2399347>
- Sanford-Terry, M., **Brown, C.,** & Franklin, L. (2024). Addressing Geographical Inequities and Barriers in Access to Mental Health Care among Youth in a Rural Western Kentucky County. *Community Mental Health Journal*, 60, 1380-1384. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10597-024-01294-3>
- **Brown, C.,** Lambert, M., Franklin, L., & Sutterfield, C. (2023). A Local Government Response to COVID-19 and Health Disparities. *Journal of Health & Human Experience*, 9(1), 57-63.
- Selove, R., Aghili, M., Green, C. & **Brown, C.** (2022). Use of Implementation Science to Plan Adoption of a Tobacco-free Policy on a Historically Black College/University (HBCU) Campus. *Journal of American College Health*, 70, 1341-1346. <https://doi.org/10.1080/07448481.2020.1809429>
- Brown, E., **Brown, C.,** Johnson, O., Inman, W., Brigg, R., Burrell, W., Theriot, R., Williams, E., & Heaston, A. (2019). Using Community-Based Participatory Research to Assess the needs of HIV-related Services for Individuals Infected with HIV/AIDS in Rural Communities. *Journal of Community Engagement and Scholarship*, 12(1), 10-16.
- Marquart, J., **Brown, C.,** Luellen, J., Mathes, K., Outlaw, F., & Roy, A. (2018). The Effectiveness of the Matrix Model in Treatment of Substance Abuse in a Rural Tennessee County. Proceedings of the Tennessee Public Health Association Conference; *Tennessee Medicine E-Journal*, 3(3), 6.

### Book Chapter

- **Brown, C.** (2019). *Learning to overcome excessive drinking. Males of color share their stories, meditations, affirmations, and inspirations.* In Ford, D.Y. and Henfield, M. (Eds.), A Volume in Contemporary Perspectives on Multicultural Gifted Education. Charlotte, NC: Information Age Publishing. ISBN-13: 978-1641135641

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## **Selected Scholarly Presentations:**

### Conference Presentations

- Sanford-Terry, M., **Brown, C.**, & Franklin, L. (2023). Geographical Inequities and Barriers in Access to Mental Health Care among Youth in a Rural Western Kentucky County. American Public Health Association, Atlanta, GA.
- Lambert, M., **Brown, C.**, & Sutterfield, C. (2022). Developing, Implementing, and Evaluating Public Health Activities in Communities with Existing Health Disparities. American Public Health Association, Boston, MA.
- Selove, R., Mahnaz, A., Green, C., & **Brown, C.** (2018). Planning Tobacco-Free Campus Policy Implementation at a Historically Black College/University. 11th Annual Conference on the Science of Dissemination and Implementation in Health. Washington, DC.
- **Brown, C.**, Heaston, A., & Daniels, B. (2018). Screening for Depression, Anxiety, and Substance Abuse among College Students in Tennessee. Tennessee Public Health Association Conference, Franklin, Tennessee.
- Selove, R., Green, C., **Brown, C.**, Yousef-Zadeh, N., & Padgett, D. (2016). Implementing Tobacco Use Prevention Programs at an HBCU. MeTRC Health Disparities Conference, Meharry Medical College, Nashville, Tennessee.

#### Expert Panel / Invited Speaker

- **Brown, C.** (2025, April 22). The HIV Crisis in the United States: A Public Health Perspective [Keynote Speaker]. Virginia Tech Research Colloquium (Webinar).
- **Brown, C.** (2024, July 25). Public Health Analyst Job Outlook: Expert Opinions [Expert Panel]. Zippia Job Search and Career Development: Online Platform. <https://www.zippia.com/public-health-analyst-jobs/trends/>
- **Brown, C.** (2023, November 7). The Role of Program Evaluation in Advancing Health Equity Among Minority Communities [Invited Speaker]. Meharry-Vanderbilt Alliance Forum, Nashville, TN.

#### Other Professional Presentations

- **Brown, C.**, & Hammond, M. (2023, April 21). Building Your Publication Portfolio: Developing an Author Team, Identifying Journals for Publication, Determining Authorship Order, and Assigning Parts of the Manuscript Writing Tasks [Professional Workshop].
- Lorenzo, L., Lambert, M., **Brown, C.**, & Jean, J. (2023). Identifying Factors that Impact COVID-19 Vaccine Hesitancy among Minorities in Chattanooga, TN [PDF Presentation]. Doctor of Nursing Practice Program, School of Nursing, Vanderbilt University. [https://nursing.vanderbilt.edu/dnp/student-projects/2023/lorenzo\\_lisandra.php](https://nursing.vanderbilt.edu/dnp/student-projects/2023/lorenzo_lisandra.php)
- Chavarria, J., Lambert, M., **Brown, C.**, & Connors, L. (2023). Stratifying Satisfaction Rates Pre and Post Community Health Fair Events in Diverse Communities of Chattanooga, TN [PDF Presentation]. Doctor of Nursing Practice Program, School of Nursing, Vanderbilt University. [https://nursing.vanderbilt.edu/dnp/student-projects/2023/chavarria\\_janelle.php](https://nursing.vanderbilt.edu/dnp/student-projects/2023/chavarria_janelle.php)

#### **Selected Grant Applications and Contracts (Funded):**

- **Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health / Office of Minority Health, Office of Community Health, City of Chattanooga**  
COVID-19 Action, Response, and Equity Coalition (CARE Coalition)  
 Overall Goals: This project is designed to implement culturally competent health literacy strategies to improve COVID-19 vaccination, testing, and contact tracing efforts among Chattanooga residents in underserved communities.  
 Role: Principal Investigator/External Evaluator  
 Date: 2021-2024 / Funding Amount: \$99,561
  - **Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Tennessee Depart. of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, Centerstone Research Institute**  
Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) Services  
 Overall Goals: This project offered substance abuse screening, brief intervention, brief therapy, and referral to treatment services to residents in Tennessee. On an annual basis, adult patients were universally screened at primary care settings. In community-based settings, Tennessee National Guard Soldiers were screened during their annual Physical Health Assessment to determine if there is a need for behavioral healthcare services.  
 Role: Principal Investigator/External Evaluator  
 Date: 2016-2017 / Funding Amount: \$38,000
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## **Department, College, University, & Professional Services:**

### Departmental Service

- Co-Chair AUPHA Self-Study Committee (present)
- Co-Chair Strategic Planning Committee (present)
- Chair Department Research Committee (2015 - 2024)
- Chair Undergraduate Comprehensive Examination Committee (2015 - 2021)

### College/University Service

- Com. Member Faculty Senate, Student Appeals Committee (2022 – present)
- Chair Faculty Senate, Nominations and Appointment Committee (2018 - 2022)
- Chair College of Health Sciences Research Day (2015 - 2016)

### Professional Service

- Com. Member Hayes, K. (2023). Diversifying Healthcare Through the Promotion of Allied Health Professions. Occupational Therapy Doctorate (OTD) Program, College of Health Professions, University of Arkansas Medical Sciences.
  - Com. Member Drug Free Wilson County Coalition
  - Consultant Florida Screening, Brief Intervention, & Referral to Treatment Program (2019)
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## **Awards and Recognition:**

- Excellence in Research Award from the College of Health Sciences at TSU (2023)
- Honorary Coach for Men's Football Homecoming Game (2021)
- Centerstone Research Institute's Award of Excellence (2014)