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## EDUCATION

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<b>2022</b>	Ph.D. in Health Services Research: Dept. of Health Management and Policy, College of Public Health, University of Iowa
Research Interests:	End-of-Life care, Aging
Dissertation:	<b><i>Three Essays on End-of-Life Care in the U.S.</i></b>
Committee:	Kanika Arora (Chair), Brian Kaskie, George Wehby, Harleah Buck, Keith Mueller
<b>2007</b>	Master of Public Health, Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute of Medical Science and Technology, Kerala, India
<b>2005</b>	Bachelor of Dental Surgery, Govt. Dental College, University of Kerala, India

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## PUBLICATIONS

*Peer-Reviewed* (Please [click here](#) for Google Scholar profile)

1. **Bhagianadh, D.**, & Arora, K (2021). State Medical Marijuana laws and site of death: evidence from the National Vital Statistics Data. *Journal of Applied Gerontology*. Online ahead of print. doi: 10.1177/07334648211058720
2. **Bhagianadh, D.**, & Arora, K. (2021). COVID-19 Vaccine Hesitancy Among Community-Dwelling Older Adults: The Role of Information Sources. *Journal of Applied Gerontology*. 41(1), 4–11. doi: 10.1177/07334648211037507.

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<https://www.nytimes.com/2021/09/02/health/covid-vaccines-seniors.html>

3. Ward, M. M., Ullrich, F., Merchant, K. A. S., Carter, K. D., **Bhagianadh, D.**, Lacks, M., Taylor, E., Gordon, J. (2022). Describing Changes in Telebehavioral Health Utilization and Services Delivery in Rural School Settings in Pre- and Early Stages of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency. *Journal of School Health*. Online ahead of print. 10.1111/josh.13150
4. Kaskie, B., Kang, H., **Bhagianadh, D.**, & Bobitt, J. (2021). Cannabis Use among Older Persons with Arthritis, Cancer and Multiple Sclerosis: Are We Comparing Apples and Oranges? *Brain Science*, 11(5), 532. doi: 10.3390/brainsci11050532
5. Arora, K., Xu, L., & **Bhagianadh, D.** (2021). Dementia and Cognitive Decline in Older Adulthood: Are Agricultural Workers at Greater Risk? *The Journal of Gerontology, Series B: Psychological Sciences and Social Sciences*. doi: 10.1093/geronb/gbab005

6. Kaskie, B., Bobitt, J., Herrera, J., **Bhagianadh, D.**, Segal-Gidan, F., Brummel-Smith, K., & Arora, K. (2021). Cannabis Use among Persons with Dementia and Their Caregivers: Lighting up an Emerging Issue for Clinical Gerontologists. *Clinical Gerontologist.*, 44(1), 42–52.
7. Arora, K., Cheyney, M., Gerr, F., **Bhagianadh, D.**, & Anthony, T. R. (2020). Assessing Health and Safety Concerns and Psychological Stressors among Agricultural Workers in the U.S. Midwest. *Journal of Agricultural Safety and Health*, 26(1), 45–58. doi: 10.13031/jash.13660
8. Arora, K., & **Bhagianadh, D.** (2019). Smoking and Alcohol Consumption Following a New Dementia Diagnosis. *The Journal of Gerontology, Series B: Psychological Sciences and Social Sciences*. doi: 10.1093/geronb/gbz127
9. Weigel, P., **Bhagianadh, D.**, Merchant, K. A., Wittrock, A., Rahmouni, H., Bell, A., Laws S., Ward, M. M. (2019). Tele-emergency behavioral health in rural and underserved areas. *Journal of Telemedicine and Telecare*. doi: 10.1177/1357633X19887027
10. Rising, K. L., Ward, M. M., Goldwater, J. C., **Bhagianadh, D.**, & Hollander, J. E. (2018). Framework to Advance Oncology-Related Telehealth. *JCO Clinical Cancer Informatics*, 2, 1–11.
11. Nadimpally, S., & **Bhagianadh, D.** (2017). “The invisible”: Participant’s experiences in clinical trials. *Perspectives in Clinical Research.*, 8(1), 5. doi: 10.4103/2229-3485.198550
12. **Bhagianadh D.** Nursing in India- a profession of paradoxes. *International Journal of Nursing Education*. 2011.Jul-Dec;3(2):22-5.
13. **Bhagianadh D.** Disability and medical termination of pregnancy act. *Indian J Med Ethics*. 2010;7(1):32-4.
14. **Bhagianadh, D.** Bandekar S, Ravindran D, Nikarge S. This is no low-risk game: social science researchers reflect on their work. *Indian J Med Ethics*. 2010; 7(1):54-5

## PAPERS IN PROGRESS

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1. **Bhagianadh, D.**, Arora, K. Classifying End of Life patterns: Evidence from the National Health and Aging Trends Study. Submitted to *Social Science and Medicine*.
2. **Bhagianadh, D.**, Arora, K. Medical Cannabis Legalization and out of pocket expenses at End-of-Life: Evidence from the Health and Retirement Study.
3. Ward, M; **Bhagianadh, D**; Ullrich, F; Merchant, K; Meyer, C; Wovcha, S; Reyelts, E. Two Tele-dentistry Models that Provide Essential Oral Health Services in Rural School Settings. *The Journal of Dental Hygiene*. Revise and resubmit.
4. Ward, M; Ullrich, F; Merchant, K; Carter, K; Freed, S; Mack, L; Kristin, S; **Bhagianadh, D**; Theresa, D. Use of primary care and urgent care telehealth services to support students and schools in rural settings.
5. Bobitt J, Kang H, Arora K, **Bhagianadh D**, Milavetz G, Kaskie B. Offering an opioid alternative to persons with chronic pain: How preferences and providers influence individual decisions?
6. Arora, K., **Bhagianadh, D.**, Bobitt J., Kaskie B. Marijuana use among younger informal caregivers.

### Non-Peer Reviewed – Book chapter

Nadimpally S, Johari V, **Bhagianadh D**. Public private partnerships in drug trials: Blurred boundaries and emerging concerns. A case study of the Human Papilloma Virus vaccine. In Rama Baru and Anuj Kapilashrami (editors). Globalisation and Health in India. Routledge/Edinburgh South Asian Studies Series. 2018.

### Other Non-Peer Reviewed Publications

1. **Bhagianadh D**; Maller R; Dubey P; Nataliansyah M; Swanson M; Xu L; Abdul Baten R. COVID-19 Graduate & Professional Student Survey Report for the Health and Safety Committee, University of Iowa, GPSG. 2021 March.
2. Nadimpally S, **Bhagianadh D**, Priya Ranjan, Johari V. Compensation in clinical trials: a comparative analysis of seven countries. 2016. New Delhi. Sama Resource Group for Women and Health.
3. Nadimpally S, Bajwa A, Bacchav S, **Bhagianadh D**: Circle of medicines: development to access-a study on accessibility and affordability of medicines that underwent clinical trials in India. 2016. New Delhi. Sama Resource Group for Women and Health.
4. Balbinot RAA, **Bhagianadh D**, et al. Putting Contract Research Organizations on the Radar. Huijstee M, Schipper I, editors. Amsterdam: SOMO; 2011 Feb.103p.
5. **Bhagianadh D**. A reader on the HPV Vaccine controversy by SS Krishnan. Book review. Indian Journal of Medical Ethics. 2010 Jul- Sep;7(3):185-6.
6. **Bhagianadh D**. Voices of healthcare providers. Book review- Indian Journal of Medical Ethics. 2011;8(1):55-6.

### HONORS & AWARDS

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- 2022: Elected member of the Alpha Phi chapter of the Delta Omega Honorary Society in Public Health
- 2022: Milford E. Barnes Award for Health Management and Policy in recognition of outstanding achievement in the Department of Health Management and Policy, University of Iowa
- 2020: The Bonnie J. and Douglas S. Wakefield Award for excellence in health services and policy research, Dept. of Health Management and Policy, University of Iowa.
- 2019: Hugh Vollrath Ross Scholarship, Summer 2019, University of Iowa. The award recognizes outstanding graduate students who exhibit high levels of promise for future achievement.
- 2019: University of Iowa Graduate Student Senate Travel Funds Fellowship
- 2019: Graduate Student Success Award, College of Public Health, University of Iowa

### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS/ POSTERS

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#### Podium presentations

- \* “Medicare Hospital Readmission Reduction Program & Influence on End-of-Life Outcomes”; Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, Mar 2022, Austin, Texas
- † “Medicare Advantage & End of Life outcomes: evidence from the Health & Retirement Study”; Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, Mar 2022, Austin, Texas

- \* “COVID-19 Vaccine Hesitancy Among Older Adults: Evidence From the Medicare Current Beneficiary Survey”; Gerontological Society of America, Nov 2021, online
- \* “Legalization of Medical Cannabis and Site of Death: Evidence from National Vital Statistics System Data”; Population Association of America, May 2021, online
- † “Dementia and cognitive decline in older adulthood: are agricultural workers at greater risk?”; Population Association of America, May 2021, online
- † “Tele-behavioral Health Services in Rural School Settings Before and During COVID-19”; SEARCH-National Telehealth Research Symposium, Nov 2021, online
- \* “Legalization of Medical Cannabis and Site of Death: Evidence from National Vital Statistics System Data”; Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, Nov 2020, online

### Poster presentations

- \* End of Life quality of care as a latent variable: Latent Class Analysis (LCA) using National Health and Aging Trends Study (NHATS) Last Month of Life (LML) data 2012-2020. Population Association of America, April 2022, Atlanta, Georgia & Academy Health Annual Research Meeting, June 2022, Washington D.C.
- † “Smoking and alcohol consumption following a dementia diagnosis; Evidence from the Health and Retirement Study.”  
Academy Health, Jun 2019, Washington D.C. & Population Association of America, 2019, Austin

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### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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2015-2016	Research Coordinator, Sama- Resource Group for Women & Health, New Delhi, India
2014-2016	Member, Working Editorial Group, Indian Journal of Medical Ethics (IJME)
2013-2015	Team Lead- Research & Surveys, M & E, Reliance Foundation, Mumbai, India
2009-2013	Junior Program Director, Center for Studies in Ethics and Rights, Mumbai, India
2008-2009	State Consultant – Disease Surveillance, National Rural Health Mission (NRHM), India

### OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

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Reviewer:	Journal of Applied Gerontology Journal of School Health Journal of Advanced Nursing Archives of Public Health Indian Journal of Medical Ethics
Member:	Public Health International Student Advisory Board (PHISAB), College of Public Health, University of Iowa Academy Health-student chapter Population Association of America Gerontological Society of America Forum for Medical Ethics Society, India

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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2021 (Fall) Teaching Assistant- HMP 7950: Design Issues in Health Services Research  
2022 (Spring) Teaching Assistant- CPH 3700: Methods for Prog Implementation & Evaluation

## REFERENCES

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