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Education

- 08/2014 – 05/2020 PhD in Health Promotion, Education, and Behavior, University of South Carolina (USC), United States
Dissertation: Influences on parent’s food shopping for children’s consumption in South Carolina. (Chair: Dr. Edward Frongillo)
- 05/2008 – 04/2010 MPH (Major in Health Management) North South University, Bangladesh
Thesis: Impact of mass media on behavior change for using zinc as a treatment for childhood diarrhea among caregivers of Dhaka slum areas
- 07/1999- 06/2000 MSS in International Relations, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh
07/1995 – 06/1999 BSS in International Relations, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh

Professional Experiences

- 07/2020 - present Research Associate, Center for Applied Research and Evaluation, Arnold School of Public Health, University of South Carolina (USC), USA
- 08/2020 – 03/2021 Consultant, Evaluation and Strategic Research sub-unit, Nutrition International, Canada
- 05/2015-05/2020 Graduate assistantship in program evaluation, Personal Responsibility Education Program under the Office of Core for Applied Research and Evaluation, Arnold School of Public Health, USC, USA
- 08/2014-06/2015 Graduate assistantship in research dissemination at obesity project in Department of Exercise Science under the Office of Practice and Community Engagement, USC, USA
- 03/2013-07/2014 Co-principal investigator of childhood obesity, children’s diet and physical activity research project in Centre for Control of Chronic Diseases, International Centre for Diarrhea Disease Research, Bangladesh (ICDDR,B)
- 08/2012- 7/2014 Dissemination Manager, Centre for Control of Chronic Diseases at International Centre for Diarrhea Disease Research, Bangladesh (ICDDR,B)
- 10/2008-07/2012 Information Manager, Centre for Control of Chronic Diseases, ICDDR,B,
11/2006-09/2008 Information Manager, Scaling Up Zinc for Young Children with Diarrhea project, ICDDR,B
- 02/1999- 05/1999 Supervisor of transcriptions and English translation of in-depth interviews of SHAKTI, a project on HIV/AIDS, CARE-Bangladesh

Teaching

Guest lecture for Master- and PhD-level courses at the Department of Health Promotion, Education, and Behavior, Arnold School of Public Health, University of South Carolina, USA

- 09/2022 *Qualitative Research: Recruitment and Data Collection* in the Qualitative Research Methods in Public Health course
- 11/2019 *Implementation of Qualitative Research* in Qualitative Research Methods in Public Health course
- 11/2018 *Qualitative Data Collection & Analysis* in the Qualitative Research Methods in Public Health” course
- 10/2018 Evaluation of Health Promotion Programs course

Course Instructor of MPH program in Bangladesh

- 01/2014-05/2014 Lecturer (Part-Time), Department of Public Health, Daffodil International University, Dhaka, Bangladesh
Course: Public Health Information, Education, and Communication.
Course designed for Master of Public Health program students

Mentoring

- Spring 2022 Site preceptor for Victoria Brown, MPH Program, Health Promotion, Education, and Behavior, Arnold School of Public Health, USC

Awards

- i. Graduate Scholar in Childhood Obesity 2019, University of South Carolina
- ii. Emerging Leader in Nutrition Science Finalist for Nutrition 2020, American Society for Nutrition
- iii. SPARC Graduate Research Grant award (2017-2018), University of South Carolina
- iv. Olga I. Ogoossan Doctoral Research Award (2017-2018), Department of Health Promotion, Education, and Behavior, University of South Carolina.
- v. Representing Bangladesh in the International Visitor Leadership Program on Global Women’s Health Issues from 02/2014- 03/2014 in USA. The program was sponsored by US Department of State and was attended by representatives of 16 countries from different continents.

Competition prizes

- i. Poster presentation on ‘Association of caregivers’ education and household poverty with children’s fast food, fruit juice, and vegetable consumption in California.’ Nutrition Symposium 2019, held in Columbia, South Carolina, United States; 03/2019
- ii. Playwright for the drama on raising awareness against the stigma of tuberculosis as a part of behavior change communication component the course. Dhaka, Bangladesh, 08/2008

Journal Reviewer

- 02/2023- Dialogues in Health
- 02/2021- Advances in Nutrition
- 06/2020 – Global Food Security

03/2013- 7/2014

Journal of Health, Population, and Nutrition

Abstract Reviewer

2023 Nutrition 2023, American Society for Nutrition
2022 Nutrition 2022, American Society for Nutrition
2021 Nutrition 2021, American Society for Nutrition

Peer-reviewed Publications

Monalisa, N.N., Frongillo, E.A., Blake, C.E., Steck, S.E., DiPietro, R.B. (2023). Strategies elementary school children use to influence mothers' food purchasing decisions. *Maternal & Child Nutrition*. e13539. PMID: 37321980 DOI: 10.1111/mcn.13539

Monalisa, N. N., & Macaуда, M. M. (2021). Should We Worry About Setting? Association of Program Fidelity with Youths' Satisfaction and Intention to Practice Safer Sex. *American Journal of Health Promotion*, 35(2), 168-171.

Rahman, M.M., Hossain, A.F.M.A., Ahsan, A., Monalisa, N.N., Rahman, & K., Azad, S.A. (2015). Moving Beyond Cancer: Immediate Impact on the Health-Related Quality of Life of Breast Cancer Patients after Mastectomy. *Bangladesh Med Res Counc Bull* 2015; 41: 52-58 (indexed in Medline, Pubmed).

Rahman, M.M., Ahsan, M.A., Monalisa, N.N., & Rahman, K. (2014). Influence of Socioeconomic Status and BMI on the Quality of Life after Mastectomy in Bangladeshi Breast Cancer Patients in a Public Hospital. *Japanese Journal of Clinical Oncology*. 2014;44 (12)1150–1157.

National Health, Lung, and Blood Institute-UnitedHealth Global Health Centers of Excellence Collaborators, & Engelgau, M. M. (2016). Tackling Non-communicable Diseases in Low- and Middle-income Countries: Achievements and Lessons Learned from the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute-UnitedHealth Global Health Centers of Excellence Program. *Global Heart*, 11(1), 5–15. <http://doi.org/10.1016/j.gheart.2015.12.016> (name mentioned under collaborators)

Larson, C. P., Koehlmoos, T. P., Sack, D. A., & Scaling Up of Zinc for Young Children (SUZY) Project Team. (2011). Scaling up zinc treatment of childhood diarrhoea in Bangladesh: theoretical and practical considerations guiding the SUZY Project. *Health policy and planning*, 27(2), 102-114 (name mentioned under team)

Manuscripts for Submission

Monalisa, N.N., Frongillo, E.A., Blake, C.E., Steck, S.E., & DiPietro, R.B. Satisfying Children's Desire: A Primary Value Driving Parents' Food Purchasing Decisions for Elementary-school-aged Children in South Carolina

Monalisa, N. N., Rosemond, T. N., Thrasher, J. F., Kim, J., Bell, B., & Blake, C. E. Attention to Front-of-Package Labels is Associated with Parents' Healthy Food and Beverage Choices for Their Children.

Monalisa, N.N., Frongillo, E.A., Blake, C.E., Steck, S.E., & DiPietro, R.B. Elementary school-age children's food-choice values and negotiation among different values

Published Abstracts

Monalisa, N.N., Frongillo, E.A., Blake, C.E., Steck, S.E., & DiPietro, R.B, (2020) Food-Choice Values of Elementary School Children and Strategies Used to Influence Mothers' Food Purchasing Decisions, *Current Developments in Nutrition*, Volume 4, Issue Supplement_2, June 2020, Page 720, https://doi.org/10.1093/cdn/nzaa051_017

Monalisa, N.N., Frongillo, E.A., Blake, C.E., Steck, S.E., & DiPietro, R.B. (2019). Satisfying Children's Desire: A Primary Value Driving Parents' Food Purchasing Decisions for Elementary-school-aged Children in South Carolina (P10-043-19), *Current Developments in Nutrition*, Volume 3, Issue Supplement_1, June 2019, nzz034.P10-043-1919, <https://doi.org/10.1093/cdn/nzz034.P10-043-19>

Monalisa, N. N., Rosemond, T. N., Thrasher, J. F., Kim, J., & Blake, C. E. (2016). Attention to Front-of-Package Labels is Associated with Parents' Healthy Food and Beverage Choices for Their Children. *The FASEB Journal*, 30(1 Supplement), 674-28

Monalisa, N.N. & Ahsan, G.U. (2011). Impact of mass media on behaviour change for using zinc as a treatment for childhood diarrhoea among caregivers of slum areas of Dhaka; 13th Annual Scientific Conference (ASCON) [SP132, 2011]

Conference Presentations

- i. Nazratun N. Monalisa, Edward A. Frongillo, Christine E. Blake, Susan E. Steck, Robin B. DiPietro. Food-Choice Values of Elementary School Children and Strategies Used to Influence Mothers' Food Purchasing Decisions. Nutrition 2020 by American Society for Nutrition Online
- ii. Nazratun N. Monalisa, Edward A. Frongillo, Christine E. Blake, Susan E. Steck, Robin B. DiPietro. Satisfying children's desire: A primary value driving parents' food purchasing decisions for elementary-school-aged children in South Carolina. Nutrition 2019 by American Society for Nutrition, held in Baltimore, Maryland; 06/2019
- iii. Nazratun N. Monalisa. Strategies elementary-school-aged children use to influence their parents' food and drink purchasing decisions in South Carolina. Discover USC 2019, held in Columbia, South Carolina; 04/2019

- iv. Nazratun N. Monalisa. Association of caregivers' education and household poverty with children's fast food, fruit juice, and vegetable consumption in California. Nutrition Symposium 2019 held in Columbia, South Carolina, United States; 03/2019
- v. Nazratun N. Monalisa, Tiara N. Rosemond, James F. Thrasher, Jiyeon Kim, Christine E. Blake. Attention to front-of-package labels may prompt parents to make healthier child food and beverage choices. American Society for Nutrition, Experimental Biology 2016 held in San Diego, California, United States; 04/2016
- vi. Nazratun N. Monalisa, Gias. U. Ahsan. Impact of mass media on behavior change for using zinc as a treatment for childhood diarrhea among caregivers of slum areas of Dhaka; 13th Annual Scientific Conference (ASCON) held in Dhaka, Bangladesh; 03/2011

Research Supports

Influences on parent's food shopping for children's consumption in South Carolina (Dissertation research project: a qualitative research). Funding: \$4,740. Funded by: SPARC Graduate Research Grant Program 2017-2018; University of South Carolina. Role: Principal Investigator.

Influences on parent's food shopping for children's consumption in South Carolina (Dissertation research project). Funding: \$1,000. Funded by: Olga I. Ogoussan Doctoral Research Award from HPEB department, USC. Role: Principal Investigator.

Obesity prevalence, patterns of diet and physical activity among children in urban areas in Bangladesh. Funding: \$64,000. Funded by: Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of Bangladesh. Year- 2013. Role: Co-principal Investigator.

Trainings

a. *Professional Trainings*

03/2014 Global Health Workshop, Global Health Action, Atlanta, USA
 03/2007 'Advances in Social Communications and Family Health' – an international communication workshop organized by Bangladesh Centre for Communications Program partnered with by Johns Hopkins University, in Comilla, Bangladesh.

b. *Teaching Workshops*

10/2018- Preparing Future Faculty by Center for Teaching Excellence, University of South Carolina
 09/2018 Teaching Towards Inclusive Excellence certificate program by Center for Teaching Excellence, University of South Carolina
 06/2019 Fostering Proactive Learning Environments certificate program by Center for Teaching Excellence, University of South Carolina

c. Personal Skill Development Trainings

- 10/2012 Effective Presentation Skills, The British Council, Dhaka, Bangladesh.
10/2008 Performance Management and Developing Staff; ICDDR,B, Dhaka, Bangladesh.
03/2008 Effective Interviewing Skills, ICDDR,B, Dhaka, Bangladesh.
09/- 10/2007 “Business English Communication – a vantage’ course,” The British Council Dhaka, Bangladesh.

d. Protection of Human Research Subjects Trainings

- 06/2021 Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI) Course on Human Research: Social & Behavioral Researchers in June 2021.
12/2017 Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI) Refresher Course in the Protection of Human Research Subjects in December 2017.
11/2014 Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI) Course in the Protection of Human Research Subjects in November 2014.
03/2013 NIH web-based training course on Protecting Human Research Participants in March 2013.

Membership

American Society for Nutrition
University of South Carolina Nutrition Consortium

Media Contribution

Zinc in childhood diarrhea management; article writer; The Daily Star, leading English newspaper in Bangladesh; published in May 2007

Zinc as an adjuvant therapy to manage childhood diarrhea; article writer; The Daily Ittefaq, a leading Bengali newspaper in Bangladesh, published in June 2007