

CURRICULUM VITAE

Denise Nicole Chacon-Portillo, MPH, CHES[®]

Education

- PhD Student in Interdisciplinary Health Sciences** **2022- present**
The University of Texas at El Paso, Department of IHS
- Master of Public Health** **2022**
The University of Texas at El Paso, Department of Public Health Sciences
- Bachelor of Science Health Promotion** **2018**
The University of Texas at El Paso, Department of Public Health Sciences
- Bachelor of Science Kinesiology** **2014**
The University of Texas at El Paso, Department of Kinesiology
- Associate of Arts** **2014**
El Paso Community College

Research Experience

- Graduate Research Associate (Program Coordinator)** **2020- present**
The Diabetes Garage[®], UTEP, Department of Public Health Sciences
- Kept up with monitoring and evaluation aspects of the program and participants
 - Prepared and organized the workshop series for the El Paso, Texas site
 - Coordinate across sites in Texas to ensure data was being collected
- Graduate Research Assistant (Outreach Coordinator)** **2019- 2020**
The Diabetes Garage[®], UTEP, Department of Public Health Sciences
- Find events and organizations to recruit new participants
 - In charge of content on social media accounts
- Graduate Research Assistant (Project Coordinator)** **2019**
HEAL, Diabetes Assessment, UTEP, Department of Public Health Sciences
- Recruited, planned, and scheduled participants for interviews
 - Conducted quality checks of transcribed interviews and assisted in the writing of the report
- Undergraduate Research Assistant** **2018**
The Diabetes Garage[®], UTEP, Department of Public Health Sciences
- Assisted with the transcription of focus groups

- Collaborated with practicum student to create brochure to assist with increasing The Diabetes Garage® participant enrollment
- Assisted with data collection and up keep of computers

Internship Experience

Intern **2021**

Men's Sexual Reproductive Health Study & Staying PrEPared

- Assisted in creating survey tools, built them on RedCap, and QuestionPro
- Translated survey tools from English to Spanish

Intern **2018**

Mujer Saudable, Familia Feliz, UTEP, Department of Public Health Sciences

- Assisted with data collection and completion of GPRA surveys
- Assisted with follow-up phone calls, house visits, and discharge of clients
- Established two community partnerships to help host events to gain new client intakes for the program

Awards

21st Century Student Scholarship **2020**

Society for Public Health Education

Outstanding Community Service Award **2020**

UTEP Department of Public Health Sciences

Eta Sigma Gamma National Chapter Recognition Award **2020**

National Eta Sigma Gamma

ESG NCHEC Outstanding Undergraduate of the Year for UTEP **2019**

Eta Sigma Gamma & National Commission for Health Education Credentialing, Inc.

Eta Sigma Gamma National Chapter Recognition Award **2019**

National Eta Sigma Gamma

Student Organization of the Year **2019**

UTEP Student Engagement & Leadership Center

UTEP Gold Standard Organization **2019 & 2018**

UTEP Student Engagement & Leadership Center

Collegiate RSO of the Year- College of Health Science **2019 & 2018**

UTEP Student Engagement & Leadership Center

Category of the Year- Honor Society **2019**

UTEP Student Engagement & Leadership Center

Accepted Abstracts

Concha, J.B., Schober, G., **Chacon-Portillo, D.N.**, Sanchez, T., Ruiz Reyes de Holguin, R., Romero, R. L., Villagomez, L., Winkler, P., Hernandez, L., Lopez, A., Escareno, J. The Diabetes Garage Improves Diabetes Stress and Psychological Well-Being among Mexican-American Men Living in Texas. *Accepted for ADCES 23.*

Concha, J.B., Schober, G., **Portillo, D.N.**, Sanchez, T., Romero, R., Ruiz Reyes de Holguin, R. An Online Intervention in The United States to Address Disparities in Latino Men's Participation in Diabetes Education. *Accepted for The IDF World Diabetes Congress 2022.*

Portillo, D.N., Duarte-Gardea, M., Moya, E., & Concha, J.B. The Use of Person-First Language in Diabetes Care & Research. How Far Have We Come Since ADA & ADCES Recommendations?: A Systematic Review. *Accepted for APHA 2022.*

Bajpeyi, S., Concha, J.B., Duarte-Gardea, M.O., Moya, E.M., **Portillo, D.N.** (Accepted for ADA 2022). Diabetes Assessment in El Paso, Texas, Using ADA Chronic Care Model. *American Diabetes Association 82st Scientific Sessions.*

Concha, JB., Schober G., **Portillo, DN.**, Ruiz, RF., Ramos, R., Romero RL., Lopez, A., Winkler, P. (Accepted for ADA 2021). The Diabetes Garage: Using Automotive Maintenance Analogies To Engage Mexican-American Men To Participate In A Diabetes Self-management And Education Program. *American Diabetes Association 81st Scientific Sessions.*

Portillo, D.N., Berger, J., & Mangadu, T.D. (Accepted for SOPHE 2019). Strategies for Eta Sigma Gamma members to engage in meaningful community engagement: Lessons from the U.S.-Mexico Border. *Society for Public Health Education Conference (SOPHE),*

Professional Reports

Diabetes Assessment in the County of El Paso, Texas: Report for Phase 2-Focus Group discussions with Diabetes Care and Education Specialist and People with Diabetes (2021), Concha, J.B., Duarte, M.O., Moya, E., **Portillo, D.N.**

Diabetes Assessment in the County of El Paso Texas: Qualitative Report (2020). Concha, J.B., Duarte-Gardea, M.O., Moya, E.M., **Portillo, D.N.**, & Bajpeyi, S.

Presentations

Concha, J.B., Schober, G., **Chacon-Portillo, D.N.**, Sanchez, T., Ruiz Reyes de Holguin, R., Romero, R. L., Villagomez, L., Winkler, P., Hernandez, L., Lopez, A., Escareno, J. The Diabetes Garage Improves Diabetes Stress and Psychological Well-Being among Mexican-American Men Living in Texas. Accepted for ADCES 23, August 4-7, 2023. Houston, TX. [Poster]

Concha, J.B., Schober, G., **Portillo, D.N.**, Sanchez, T., Romero, R., Ruiz Reyes de Holguin, R. An Online Intervention in The United States to Address Disparities in Latino Men's Participation in Diabetes Education. *Accepted for The IDF World Diabetes Congress 2022, December 5-8, 2022.* Lisbon, Portugal. [Poster]

Portillo, D.N., Duarte-Gardea, M., Moya, E., & Concha, J.B. (November 2022). The Use of Person-First Language in Diabetes Care & Research. How Far Have We Come Since ADA & ADCES Recommendations?: A Systematic Review. *2022 APHA Annual Meeting & Expo, November 6-9, 2022.* Boston, MA. [Poster]

Bajpeyi, S., Concha, J.B., Duarte-Gardea, M.O., Moya, E.M., **Portillo, D.N.** Diabetes Assessment in El Paso, Texas, Using ADA Chronic Care Model. *American Diabetes Association 82st Scientific Sessions, June 3-7, 2022.* New Orleans, LA. [Poster]

Concha, JB., Schober G., **Portillo, DN.**, Ruiz, RF., Ramos, R., Romero RL., Lopez, A., Winkler, P. (Accepted for ADA 2021). The Diabetes Garage: Using Automotive Maintenance Analogies To Engage Mexican-American Men To Participate In A Diabetes Self-management And Education Program. *American Diabetes Association 81st Scientific Sessions, Virtual, June 25-29, 2021.* [Talk]

Portillo, D.N., Berger, J., & Mangadu, T.D. (March 2019). Strategies for Eta Sigma Gamma members to engage in meaningful community engagement: Lessons from the U.S.-Mexico Border. *SOPHE 2019 Annual Conference, March 27-29, 2019.* Salt Lake City, UT. [Poster]

Portillo, D.N., Gallegos, R., & Mangadu, T.D. (December 2018). *Increasing networking approach to assist in combating HIV and co-occurring disorders for El Paso women.* HSCI 4600 Practicum in Community Health Poster Exhibit, UTEP, El Paso, TX. [Poster]

Teaching Experience

Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES) Study Sessions **Spring 2023**
The University of Texas at El Paso, Department of Public Health Science

Preceptor

ASPHN Health Equity Internship Preceptor, Student- Desiree Rangel **Spring 2023**
Association of State Public Health Nutritionists

ASPHN Health Equity Internship Preceptor, Student- Adren Warling **Fall 2022**
Association of State Public Health Nutritionists

Certifications

Seizure Recognition and First Aid Certification **2023-present**
Epilepsy Foundation

Responsible Conduct of Research **2019-present**
Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI Program)

Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES) **2018- present**
National Commission for Health Education Credentialing, Inc.

Human Subjects Research **2018-present**
Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI Program)

Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) **2002-2004**
Nurse Aide Testing Credential Management System

Student & Professional Organizations

American Public Health Association **2022-present**
Member

Phi Kappa Phi **2020-present**
Member

UTEP Graduate Student Assembly **2020-2022**
Master of Public Health Representative

Society for Public Health Education **2019-present**
Member of the House of Delegates **2020-present**

Paso del Norte SOPHE **2019-present**
President **2022-present**
President-Elect **2020-2021**

Eta Sigma Gamma **2017-2018**
President **Fall 2018**

- Managed five ESG officers and oversaw 36 members
- Focused on recruitment of new members and increased membership by 56%
- Lead members to completing 512.5 volunteer hours
- Organization named Collegiate RSO of the Year- College of Health Science, Category of the Year- Honor Society, and Gold Standard Organization

Vice President

Spring 2018

- Kept track and updated 22 members on what ESG was doing
- Lead organization to complete 411 volunteer hours
- Organization named Collegiate RSO of the Year- College of Health Science and Gold Standard Organization
- Organization received Eta Sigma Gamma National Chapter Recognition Award