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SEICHE Center for Health and Justice



ABOUT

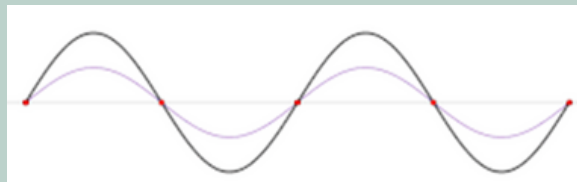
The SEICHE Center for Health and Justice works to understand and address the extensive public health harms of mass incarceration through clinical care, research, education, and legal advocacy and scholarship.

Clinical Care. The Transitions Clinic programs in Connecticut are part of the national Transitions Clinic Network (TCN), which includes over 48 primary care centers serving the health and social needs of individuals released from incarceration. Each clinic features a culturally competent healthcare provider experienced with this population and a community health worker who has been incarcerated.

Research. Our research investigates the health-harming effects of incarceration by employing a positive deviance framework to identify existing assets in communities most impacted by mass incarceration. Our research aims to tackle the top drivers of mortality following incarceration.

Education. Our education initiatives train individuals with a history of incarceration, Yale students, and medical trainees in providing care tailored to the needs and experiences of formerly incarcerated people, partnering with correctional systems and the Transitions Clinic Network (TCN). We also build the capacity of students, community members, faculty and people with lived experience to contribute to research on the impact of mass incarceration on health, and interventions to mitigate this impact.

Legal Advocacy and Scholarship. Lessons from our research and clinical care work inform our advocacy efforts at the local, state, and national levels. From changing institutional hiring practices to supporting decarceration policies, we seek to change criminal justice, health, and other social systems to allow those impacted by mass incarceration to embrace healthy, flourishing lives.



The SEICHE name is derived from the seiche (pronounced “SAYSH”) wave, a wave that emerges in stagnant water as a result of interference between two waves traveling in opposite directions, disrupting the status quo. We are disrupting two siloed systems, the carceral and community healthcare system. Our explicit goal is to disrupt mass incarceration.

MERGING RESEARCH, CLINICAL PRACTICE & ADVOCACY

Accomplishments during the year at SEICHE demonstrate the interplay of our four arms--clinical care, research, education, and legal scholarship and advocacy work--in setting our agenda for deeply impactful work done in partnership with people with lived experience of incarceration.

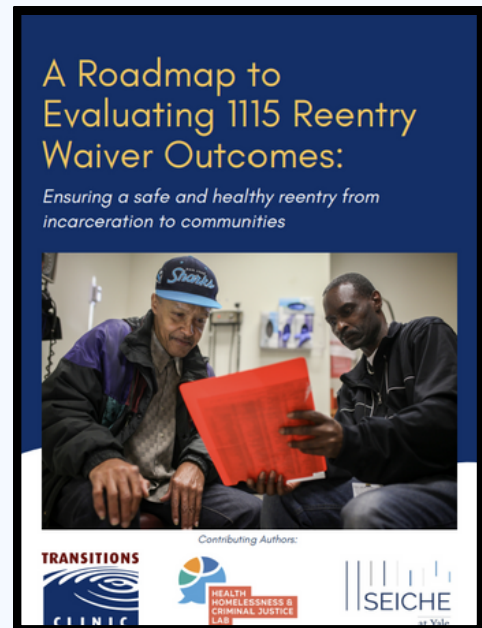
For example, this past year marked the approvals of 1115 Medicaid reentry waivers, which, for the first time in Medicaid history, allows payment for services rendered for care coordination in the immediate days prior to release from incarceration.

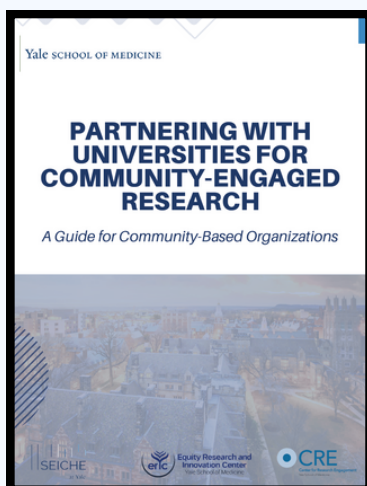
The reentry waivers also open the door for payment to be tied to standardized quality measures and public accountability for care. In their guidance on 1115 waivers, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid included the Transitions Clinic Network model as a strategy to support the health of those returning to the community from incarceration.

In response to this policy change and as part of our TCN PATHS research project, the SEICHE Center partnered with TCN and Hennepin Healthcare and solicited the opinions of 100 TCN community health workers, providers, and patients and prepared a white paper which presented a framework for quality of care measures to evaluate programs serving the population leaving incarceration. This initiative is just one example of how the arms of our center intersect. The effort was grounded in our clinical work, studied through rigorous research, and developed into a concrete policy and advocacy tool.

"Models like the Transitions Clinic Network leverage community health workers who are part of the integrated care team to further promote high quality, equitable health care and cultural responsiveness in clinics that serve reentering individuals in the neighborhoods most impacted by incarceration."

CMS Guidance on 1115 Demonstration Waivers
April 2023





ADVANCING ACADEMIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

We have developed a guide for academic-community partnerships with Yale on community-engaged research, in collaboration with the Center for Research Engagement and the Equity Research and Innovation Center at the Yale School of Medicine. This initiative, led by Nadine Horton, a SEICHE staff member and CRE representative, alongside second-year medical student Sarah Ho, is grounded in over 20 years of community-based participatory research (CBPR) at Yale.

The guidebook emerged from the True Haven project, which studies community solutions to gun violence through a CBPR framework. Drawing on lessons from this longstanding community partnership, this guide is intended to help community partners familiarize themselves with the business processes associated with partnering with academic institutions for community-engaged research.



Nadine Horton presented at New Haven Voices, a Yale School of Medicine initiative amplifying local perspectives through storytelling, journalism, and creative expression.

INNOVATIONS IN RESEARCH WITH INCARCERATED PEOPLE AND THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS

People with incarceration histories and their families face early risk for and higher rates of cardiovascular disease (CVD), yet scientific infrastructures to study these risks are lacking. In 2024, in partnership with JustLeadership USA, we sought and were awarded funding from the American Heart Association for JUSTResearch, a five year research and training collaboration. The initiative includes two unique projects: InJUSTICE and FamJUSTICE which will identify and use novel methods for including incarcerated individuals and their family members in cardiovascular health research.

JUSTResearch will engage iteratively with ethical, historical, and legal concerns of research and integrate the expertise of people impacted by incarceration. The project is also developing a curriculum and training a cadre of formerly incarcerated people and scholars of minoritized backgrounds to lead this research and develop the protocols and practices for a toolkit that can be used by future community-academic partnerships to engage these populations.



Pictured From Left to Right: Jenerius Aminawung, Emily Wang, Johanna Elumn, Lisa Puglisi, Ronald Simpson-Bey, William Basel at the American Heart Association conference in Dallas, Texas in August 2024, where grant recipients came together to share insights and discuss their ongoing research projects.

*Network Leads: Emily Wang, Deanna Hoskins
Project Leads: Lisa Puglisi, Ronald Simpson-Bey
Training Lead: Johanna Elumn*

EXPANDING CARE FOR PEOPLE RETURNING FROM INCARCERATION

"We have the unprecedented opportunity to improve care transitions for arguably the most high-risk people in the community, those who are transitioning from carceral spaces back to our communities."

Lisa Puglisi, TC-HUB Principal Investigator

We received funding from the Tow Foundation and The Connecticut Project to establish the TC-HUB, a statewide referral hub aimed at connecting individuals leaving the Connecticut Department of Correction with chronic health conditions to community healthcare. With at least 80% of incarcerated people in the state having a chronic health condition, TC-HUB will address a significant gap in health services for those leaving incarceration.

This initiative also hopes to take advantage of opportunities presented by the state's application for a 1115 Medicaid waiver. The waiver will make individuals eligible for Medicaid 90 days prior to release, ensuring continuity of care. A nurse care coordinator will coordinate referrals to Transitions Clinic programs and other health centers, while a community health worker will assist in supporting social needs for successful reentry and health.

EDUCATION

Experiential Learning at Yale School of Medicine

SEICHE received a *Rosenkranz Award* from the Yale Poorvu Center for Teaching and Learning to train formerly incarcerated individuals to act as standardized patients for training sessions focused on physician social history-taking and sensitive communication. Trainings will be piloted with the U.S. Health Justice elective at the Yale School of Medicine.

Detained Patient Advocacy & Rights throughout Treatment: DEPART

Funded by the Association of American Medical Colleges and in collaboration with Dr. Carmen Black and Women Against Mass Incarceration (WAMI), DEPART is developing an interdisciplinary curriculum and clinical care pathway, including a Patient Bill of Rights, to reduce police involvement for hospitalized individuals under law enforcement escort. Two hundred and fifty students attended a DEPART Medical Education Day, which featured a panel of WAMI members sharing experiences of receiving hospital care while detained, followed by small group sessions. The event also included a focus group with faculty and community facilitators to gather insights for further shaping the curriculum, clinical pathways, and advocacy efforts to advance healthcare rights for detained patients.



Members of the SEICHE Center visited the exhibit, "Marking Time: Art in the Age of Mass Incarceration" at the Schomburg Center in NYC, followed by a panel discussion with Macarthur Fellows Emily Wang, Nicole Fleetwood, and Reuben Jonathan Miller.

Global online courses for health practitioners caring for incarcerated patients

SEICHE recently launched two Coursera-based courses for health practitioners caring for incarcerated populations globally, created in collaboration with the World Health Organization and the UK Health Security Agency. The courses address leading causes of death for incarcerated individuals, including infectious disease, heart disease and cancer, and adapts community health standards for constrained prison environments. The course also educates practitioners on providing effective care, despite logistical challenges such as limited exercise options for people with hypertension, ensuring comprehensive management of both non-communicable and infectious diseases.

LEGAL ADVOCACY & SCHOLARSHIP

“We bring law students and lawyers into the clinical setting to address health harming civil legal needs.”

—James Bhandary-Alexander, Legal Director, Medical-Legal Partnership



Lisa Puglisi participated in a panel discussion at Yale Law School titled “Disability Rights, Health Care, and Incarceration” hosted by the Solomon Center for Health Law and Policy.

Medical Legal Partnership

The Transitions Medical-Legal Partnership (“MLP”) program, directed by Dr. Lisa Puglisi and Yale Law School Clinical Lecturer James Bhandary-Alexander provides legal screening, referrals, and representations to Transitions Clinic patients in New Haven. Over the year, Bhandary-Alexander and four law students *screened more than 60 patients* and provided advice or representation in cases involving public benefits, housing, employment, and ID procurement. The team *won a patient’s right to stay in their housing* under threat of eviction, won an appeal of a housing voucher termination, assisted in several successful Social Security Disability applications, and aided in the procurement of personal identification.

Fair Chance Hiring at Yale

In partnership with The Justice Collaboratory (JC) at Yale Law School, the SEICHE Center has advocated for the creation of a fair chance hiring policy at Yale University for candidates with justice-impacted backgrounds. Without written policy, highly qualified candidates were being turned away from working at the university with little to no recourse. To resolve this, the SEICHE Center, JC, and other stakeholders worked alongside Yale’s Human Resources department to create a hiring policy to make Yale a fairer and more equitable employer while increasing economic opportunities for New Haven residents.

COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD



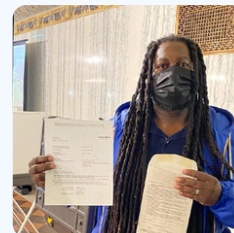
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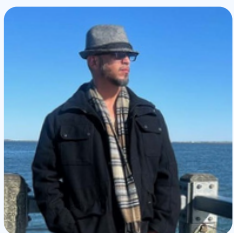
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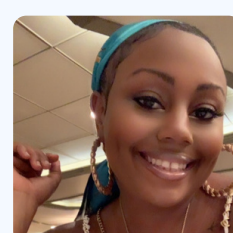
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SEICHE's Community Advisory Board (CAB) ensures our activities are attentive to the priorities of those impacted by mass incarceration. CAB members have a common passion for working towards health for all. Made up of those impacted by mass incarceration and those working in organizations serving impacted communities, the Board meets twice a year and is regularly consulted for input into ongoing initiatives. We are grateful for the contributions of our CAB members.

The CAB has helped us tackle a range of issue including:

- What are the ethical implications of a randomized controlled trial of cash assistance, in which some participants receive, and some do not receive, cash transfers, to measure impact on health?
- How can the CT Transitions Clinic referral hub for people leaving incarceration maximize benefits of the 1115 waiver?
- What are some strategies to involve family members of incarcerated people in cardiovascular health research?

STUDENTS AT SEICHE



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Yale School of Medicine '26



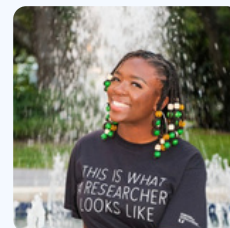
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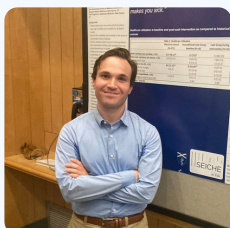
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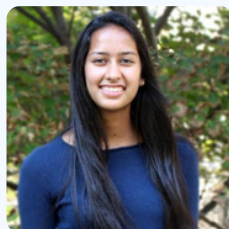
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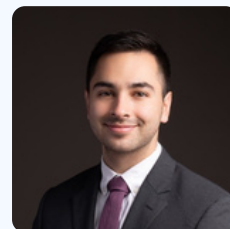
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Students from multiple schools and degree programs across Yale join us to gain valuable exposure to the research process, learn about the health harms of mass incarceration, and see healthcare through the lens of criminalized patients. They also bring their own energy and ideas as they learn and contribute to SEICHE's mission. We are grateful to the students that worked with us this year!

RESEARCH UPDATES

The SEICHE Center for Health and Justice studies the impact of mass incarceration on health, and intervention strategies designed to improve health of those impacted by the criminal legal system, through ongoing research on diverse outcomes including cancer, gun violence, cardiovascular disease and opioid use disorder. In this work, we partner with correctional officers, state government agencies, community based organizations, and people with lived experience to enhance the rigor and relevance of our research. People with incarceration and criminal legal experience have been historically excluded from cutting edge medical research, impacting the relevance of healthcare solutions for their specific needs. In our ongoing research projects, highlighted below, we seek to correct this exclusion by expanding the scientific literature to include the needs of those impacted by mass incarceration.

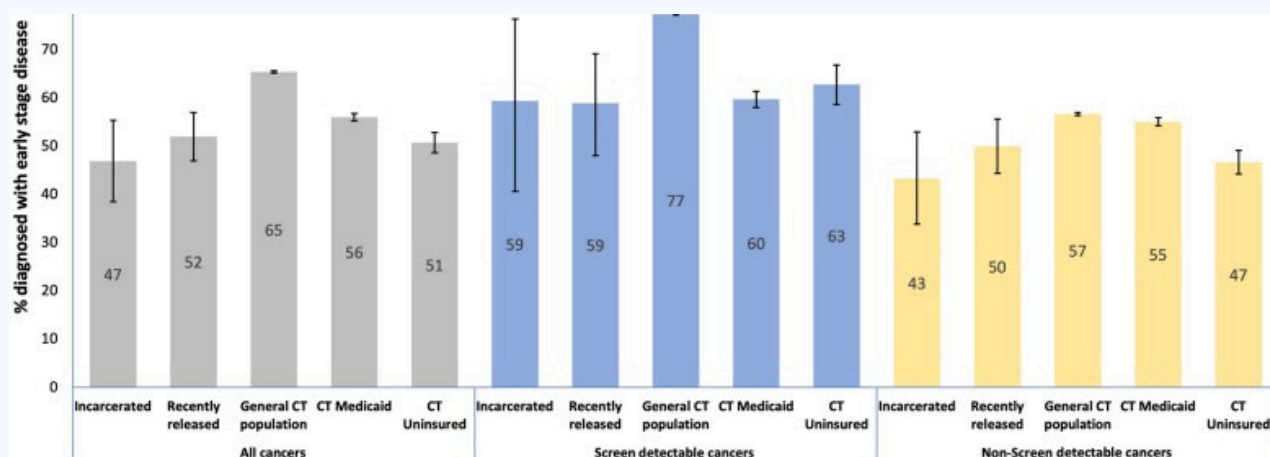
ICRO

Incarceration and Cancer Related Outcomes

Principal Investigator: Emily Wang, Cary Gross

Funded by the National Cancer Institute

Through a unique partnership with the Connecticut Department of Public Health (DPH) and Connecticut Department of Correction (DOC), this project assesses the association between incarceration and disparities in cancer detection, quality of treatment, and survival. The study uses a mixed-methods approach linking a tumor registry, correctional system data, and state vital statistics, supplemented with in-depth interviews of individuals diagnosed with cancer. The project found that there is a higher cancer mortality among those diagnosed during incarceration or within a year post-release, not fully explained by stage of cancer. Additionally, that incarcerated individuals have lower cancer incidence, while recently released individuals have higher cancer incidence compared to those never incarcerated. Furthermore, individuals are more likely to have late diagnosis of screenable cancers immediately following release, suggesting that there are barriers to screening during incarceration. In partnership with the DOC, the team has applied for a renewal R01 led by SEICHE Center affiliated faculty, Drs. Richman and Oladeru (MPI), that will test a multi-level approach to improving colon cancer screening in the DOC. Concurrently, the team continues to explore the mechanisms behind why cancer related mortality is higher in this population through interviews with formerly incarcerated people who have received a cancer diagnosis during or after incarceration have been interviewed, shedding light on the unique challenges of cancer care for this population.



The proportion of cancers diagnosed at an early stage (0-2) within each population from ICRO findings.

PerHL

Personal Health Libraries for Formerly Incarcerated Individuals

Principal Investigator: Karen Wang

Funded by the National Library of Medicine

This project is developing a personal health library mobile app, "Welcome Home," tailored for individuals returning from incarceration. Designed collaboratively with formerly incarcerated individuals, the app aims to facilitate reintegration by connecting users with essential resources related to employment, housing, healthcare, medical needs, social support, and legal assistance. The app is being developed through input of formerly incarcerated stakeholders through in-depth qualitative interviews. Features of the design, such as Contacts, Community, Resources, Checklist, and FAQs have been informed by the interviews. The app's evolving design has been showcased at multiple conferences this year.

TRUE Haven

TRUsted rEsidents and Housing Assistance to decrease Violence Exposure in New Haven

Principal Investigator: Emily Wang, Brita Roy, Virginia Spell

Funded by the National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities

Does increasing neighborhood stability, wealth, and well-being affect levels of gun violence exposure? TRUE Haven seeks to answer this question by providing comprehensive financial education and housing assistance and training community members in trauma informed counseling techniques. As of August, the team had recruited 127 participants into the TRUE Haven intervention and engaged over 80 community members in trauma-informed counseling techniques to recognize the importance of self-care in dealing with the effects of gun violence. With our community partners, the team is strategizing new approaches to addressing barriers to safe, affordable housing on a local and state level to increase neighborhood stability and compiling ongoing data to show the effects of removing these barriers.

"They're hands-on with my credit score, pay stubs to see where I'm goin' at, what I'm trying to build up, to see where I wanna go from there, but I like it. I like it a lot...it's a good program." -TRUE Haven participant, about the financial education they have received.



New Haven Bus advertisement recruiting participants for TRUE Haven

JUSTICE

JUSTice Involved Individuals Study of Cardiovascular Disease Epidemiology

Principal Investigator: Emily Wang

Funded by the National Heart, Lung & Blood Institute

The JUSTICE study is the first longitudinal observational study focused on identifying risk factors that worsen cardiovascular disease (CVD) risk and contribute to increased morbidity and mortality among individuals released from correctional facilities. As of August, 471 of the planned 500 participants have been enrolled across Bridgeport, Hartford, and New Haven. Baseline surveys indicate that individuals returning from jail are more likely to have uncontrolled CVD risk factors, even after adjusting for age, gender, and reported stress. Future work will examine how these risk factors change during the first year after release.

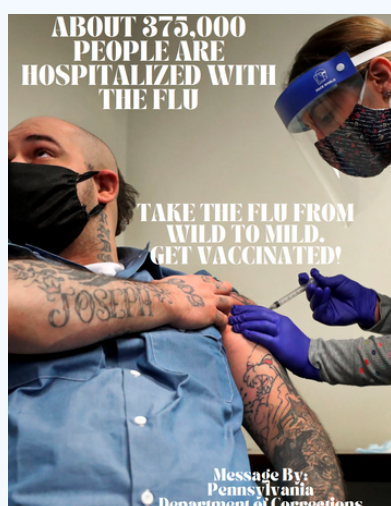
ADVANCE

Addressing Vaccine AcceptaNce in Carceral Settings Through Community Engagement

Principal Investigators: Lisa Puglisi, Deanna Hoskins, Saad Omer

Funded by the National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities

The ADVANCE study aims to increase vaccine uptake in correctional facilities through community-based participatory research (CBPR). The ADVANCE team has developed three interventions to be tested in the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections (DOC). An intervention involving a vaccine poster campaign targeting incarcerated individuals has recently begun and will last 3-4 months. The team convened its annual Steering Committee meeting with leadership of the Pennsylvania DOC, correctional officers, mental and physical health workers, and incarcerated individuals to explore innovative strategies for vaccinating correctional staff and incarcerated people. Future interventions include Continuing Medical Education (CME) training for health care providers and leveraging trusted messengers, such as prison cosmetologists.



Posters from ADVANCE's vaccine campaign in Pennsylvania carceral facilities.

CASH JUSTICE

Unconditional Cash Transfers for Health

Principal Investigator: Ben Howell

Funded by 4-CT

This pilot project provided six months of monthly unconditional transfers to 30 individuals returning from prison with chronic health conditions. Highlighted by Connecticut Public Radio, the initiative received overwhelmingly positive feedback from recipients. Cash transfers helped address a range of social determinants of health including food and housing security, while also improving family engagement and relationships. Findings from the qualitative study of this pilot have informed a proposal for a randomized controlled trial currently under review at the NIH.

The cash was “strengthening, like it released so much stress. It helped me out – oh, my God – it helped me out tremendously with bills and state of mind.” –CASH JUSTICE participant

TCN PATHS

Transitions Clinic Network: Post Incarceration Addiction Treatment, Healthcare and Social Support

Principal Investigator: Emily Wang

Funded by the National Institute on Drug Abuse

The TCN PATHS project aims to compare the Transitions Clinic Network (TCN) model, which provides enhanced primary care for formerly incarcerated individuals, with standard primary care for a host of health outcomes, including opioid use disorder. TCN programs uniquely partner with community health workers who have a history of incarceration to address social needs such as housing, food insecurity, and criminal legal system contact, alongside medical needs. Participants are enrolled in Connecticut, Minnesota, Puerto Rico, New York, and North Carolina. By July, TCN PATHS had enrolled 303 participants with an 85% retention rate.



TCN PATHS team in New Orleans, October 2023

Post-Release Mental Health and Substance Use Treatment in Connecticut

Principal Investigator: Ben Howell

Funded by the Connecticut Sentencing Commission

In partnership with the Institute for Municipal and Regional Policy at the University of Connecticut, Dr. Ben Howell and Dr. Kathryn Thomas are evaluating the use of mental health and substance use treatment for people released from incarceration or on community supervision in Connecticut. The study involves interviews with individuals about their experiences accessing community-based mental health and substance use treatment, interviews with community treatment providers, and an analysis of linked longitudinal data across four state agencies. The findings are expected to be presented in a report for the state's Sentencing Commission in 2025.

NYKS Lab

Principal Investigator: Johanna Elumn

Funded by the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute and the National Institute on Drug Abuse

The lab, newly founded by Dr. Johanna Elumn, focuses on sleep experiences during and post-incarceration. The team conducted field research in Alabama, including visits to the Equal Justice Initiative and Tutwiler Women's Prison, where Dr. Elumn led a session on sleep health for incarcerated women. Recently, Dr. Elumn received a K01 grant from the NHLBI to study the effects of carceral environments on sleep and cardiovascular health, with participant recruitment now underway in Connecticut and Alabama. By the end of August, the team had completed interviews with 23 formerly incarcerated individuals and five prison staff. The team employed a rapid qualitative analysis method, holding weekly meetings to collaboratively examine the interviews. These sessions brought together diverse perspectives from researchers, legal experts, formerly incarcerated individuals, and their family members to draw meaningful insights.



NYKS team members from left to right Patrick Li, Chante Coleen-Lewis, David Garlock and Johanna Elumn at the University of Alabama at Birmingham

PUBLICATIONS

Below are some highlights of the more than 20 peer-reviewed publications of the SEICHE Center this year.

How Should a Medical-Legal Partnership Address Unique Needs of People With Criminal Legal System Involvement?

Puglisi LB, Bhandary-Alexander J. *AMA J Ethics*. 2024 Aug 1; 2024 Aug 1. PMID: 39088410

In this article, Lisa Puglisi and James Bhandary-Alexander describe the role of medical-legal partnerships (MLPs) in addressing the health harms caused by criminal legal system involvement. MLP innovations seek to expand the current model to address patients' criminal and civil legal needs by including community health workers and some patients as legal partners and creating coalitions to promote local and state policy change.

Postrelease Risk of Overdose and All-Cause Death Among Persons Released from Jail or Prison

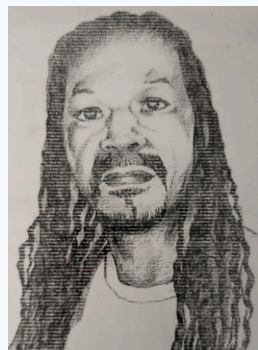
Hill K, Bodurtha PJ, Winkelman TNA, Howell BA. *Am J Public Health*. 2024 Sep; PMID: 39024534.

This study focuses on the high risk of overdose and death among individuals recently released from correctional facilities in Minnesota. The study found the rate of overdose death was almost 16 times higher for those released from jail, and more than 28 times higher for those released from prison, compared to the general population. The authors conclude that the immediate post-release period is critical for intervention, recommending seamless access to opioid use disorder treatment during and after incarceration to lower the risk of death after release.

"What if that's your last sleep?" A qualitative exploration of the trauma of incarceration and sleep

Elum J, Li P, Lytell MS, Garcia M, Wang EA, Klar Yaggi H. *Sleep Adv*. 2024; PMID: 38314119.

This paper reports on interviews with formerly incarcerated men about the impact of incarceration on sleep, revealing how the carceral environment disrupts rest and amplifies trauma. The study highlights the impact of trauma and inadequate healthcare within the carceral system on sleep, both during incarceration and post-release. These findings underscore the need for improved sleep health interventions and research within carceral facilities and in community settings.



The SEICHE Center for Health and Justice mourned the loss of Research Assistant and co-author Malcolm Lytell, whose lived experience and enthusiasm enriched the mission of both the NYKS Lab and the Center as a whole.

Incarceration and screen-detectable cancer diagnosis among adults in Connecticut

Richman IB, Soulos PR, Lin HJ, Aminawung JA, Oladeru OT, Puglisi LB, Wang EA, Gross CP. *Natl Cancer Inst*. 2024 Mar 7;116(3):485-489. PMID: 37991935

As one of several papers resulting from the Incarceration and Cancer Related Outcomes study, this paper highlights that early-stage screen detectable cancer incidence between 2005 and 2016 in Connecticut was lower for those incarcerated compared to the general population. The incidence of late-stage screen detectable cancer was lower during incarceration but not after release, suggesting the possibility of underscreening and underdetection of cancer in carceral settings.

LOOKING AHEAD



SEICHE Director Emily Wang with Community Health Worker & Research Assistant Monya Saunders

- Several applications are under review at the National Institutes of Health and others planned for submission in the coming year. From elucidating the ethics of research with incarcerated people and their family members, to designing interventions to address the social determinants of health in communities impacted by mass incarceration, we continue to expand our rigorous portfolio of research to ensure that criminalized populations are not excluded from medical and public health research and its benefits for evidenced-based healthcare and social policy.
- Lisa Puglisi will lead an application to the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) to establish a new fellowship in carceral medicine such that academic health centers will begin training a new generation of physicians in caring for the large and vast population of individuals who have been incarcerated or affected by the carceral state.
- The SEICHE Center is expanding, with new faculty, staff, and students. Kathryn Thomas, after her time as a postdoctoral fellow, is now Associate Research Scientist in the Psychiatry Department and Core SEICHE Faculty. Helena Addison, National Clinician Scholar, has joined as a postdoctoral fellow and will be contributing to TC-HUB as well as pursuing her own research. Yiran Liu will join as a postdoctoral fellowship with a joint appoint at SEICHE and the Yale Law School. We are hiring new staff to accomplish the goals of our expanding research portfolio.
- SEICHE will continue to change institutional policies and practices. For example, with the publication of our guide for community-based organizations partnering with universities on community engaged research, we will partner with the Office of Health Equity Research and Center for Research Engagement at the Yale School of Medicine to provide trainings and grow in our ability to partner with communities for research. We will also work to share our lessons learned in shifting hiring polies and practices at universities for those with criminal backgrounds to enable the crucial involvement of people with lived experience of incarceration in research on incarceration and health.



In 2023, Emily Wang was inducted into the National Academy of Medicine. She is pictured here, center, at a celebration of her induction, with SEICHE team members from left to right Patrick Li, Alana Rosenberg, Luzan JadKarim, Tyler Harvey, Chante-Colleen Lewis, and Johanna Elumn.

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