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Current Positions

- Aug 12 - Present Associate Professor
School of Social Work
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Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey
- Dec 13 - Present Associate Member, Rutgers Cancer Institute of New Jersey (RCINJ),
Cancer Prevention and Control
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Education

- Ph.D. (2004) Economics
Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey
Major Fields: Econometrics, Industrial Organization and Health Economics
Dissertation Title: A Bayesian Analysis of Nested Logit Models, with an
Application to Health Care Decision Making
Advisor: Hiroki Tsurumi
- M.A. (1998) Economics
Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey
- B.S. (1995) Middle East Technical University (Ankara/Turkey)
Major: Economics

Articles in Refereed Journals

(* publications with students or mentees)

1. * **Akincigil, A.**, & Matthews, E. B. (2017). National Rates and Patterns of Depression Screening in Primary Care: Results from 2012 and 2013. *Psychiatric Services*, e-pub ahead of print. Featured as Top Medical News from Across Medscape.
2. *Steinberg, M. B., **Akincigil, A.**, Kim, E. J., Shallis, R., & Delnevo, C. D. (2016). Tobacco Smoking as a Risk Factor for Increased Antibiotic Prescription. *American Journal of Preventive Medicine*, 50(6), 692–698. doi: 10.1016/j.amepre.2015.11.00. Included in the American College of Preventive Medicine’s Online Continuing Medical Education Program.
3. * Murshid, N. S., **Akincigil, A.**, & Zippay, A. (2016). Microfinance participation and domestic violence in Bangladesh results from a Nationally Representative Survey. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*, 31(9), 1579–1596.
4. Watkins, K.E., Smith, B. **Akincigil, A.**, Sorbero, M.E., Paddock, S. M., Woodroffe , A., Huang, C., Crsytal, S., & Pincus, H. (2015) The Quality of Medication Treatment for Mental Disorders in the Department of Veterans Affairs and in Private-Sector Plans. *Psychiatric Services*. doi:10.1176/appi.ps.201400537.
5. Slight, S.P., Berner, E. S., Galanter, W., Huff S., Lambert, B.L., Lannon C., Lehmann, C. U., McCourt, B. J., McNamara, M., Menachemi, N., Payne, T. H. , Spooner, S. A., Schiff, G. D., Wang, T. Y., **Akincigil A.**, Crystal S., Fortmann, S. P., & Bates, D. W. (2015) Meaningful Use of Electronic Health Records: Experiences From the Field and Future Opportunities. *JMIR Med Inform.* 2015 Sep 18;3(3):e30. doi: 10.2196/medinform.4457.
6. Jerome-D’Emilia, B., Suplee, P.D. & **Akincigil, A.** (2015) Validation of the Spanish version of the Mammography Specific Self-Efficacy Scale. *Oncol Nurs Forum.* 42(3), E279-86, doi: 10.1188/15.ONF.E279-E286.
7. * Vanderwerker, L., **Akincigil, A.**, Olfson, M., Gerhard, T., Neese-Todd, S., & Crystal, S. (2014). Foster care, externalizing disorders, and antipsychotic use among Medicaid-enrolled youths. *Psychiatr Serv*, 65(10), 1281-1284. doi: 10.1176/appi.ps.201300455
8. * Gerhard, T., **Akincigil, A.**, Correll, C. U., Foglio, N. J., Crystal, S., & Olfson, M. (2014) National Trends in Second Generation Antipsychotic Augmentation for Non-Psychotic Depression. *Journal of Clinical Psychiatry.* 75(5), 490–497. doi: 10.4088/JCP.13m08675.
9. **Akincigil, A.**, Olfson, M., Siegel, M. J., Zurlo, K. A., Walkup, J. T., & Crystal, S. (2012). Racial disparities in depression care in community dwelling elderly in the United States. *American Journal of Public Health*, 102(2), 319-328. DOI: 10.2105/AJPH.2011.300349.

10. Prince, J. D., Walkup, J. T., **Akincigil, A.**, Amin, S., & Crystal, S. (2012). Serious Mental Illness and Risk of New HIV/AIDS Diagnoses: An Analysis of Medicaid Beneficiaries in Eight States. *Psychiatric Services*, 63(10), doi: 10.1176/appi.ps.201100342.
11. Siegel, M. J., Lucas J. A., **Akincigil A.**, Gaboda, D., Hoover, D. R., Kalay, E. & Crystal S. Race, Education and the Treatment of Depression in Nursing Homes. (2012) *Journal of Aging and Health*, 24(5), 752-778. doi: 10.1177/0898264311435548.
12. **Akincigil, A.**, Olfson, M., Walkup, J. T., Siegel, M. J., Kalay, E., Amin, S., Zurlo, K. A., & Crystal, S. (2011). Diagnosis and treatment of depression in the community dwelling elderly, 1992-2005. *Journal of the American Geriatrics Society*, 59(6), 1042-1051. DOI: 10.1111/j.1532-5415.2011.03447.
13. **Akincigil, A.**, Wilson, I. B., Walkup, J. T., Siegel, M. J., Huang, C., & Crystal, S. (2011). Antidepressant treatment and adherence to antiretroviral medications among privately insured persons with HIV/AIDS. *AIDS & Behavior*, 15(8):1819-28. DOI: 10.1007/s10461-011-9938-6.
14. Walkup, J. T., **Akincigil, A.**, Hoover, D. H., Siegel, M. J., Amin, S., & Crystal, S. (2011). Use of Medicaid data to explore community characteristics associated with HIV prevalence among beneficiaries with schizophrenia. *Public Health Reports*, 126(s3), 89-101.
15. **Akincigil, A.**, Sanchez Mayers, R., & Fulghum, F. H. (2011). Emergency Room Use by Undocumented Mexican Immigrants. *Journal of Sociology and Social Welfare*, 38(4), 33-50.
16. Walkup, J. T., **Akincigil, A.**, Chakravarthy, S., Olfson, M., Bilder, S., Amin, S., Siegel, M. J., & Crystal, S. (2011). Bipolar medication use and adherence to antiretroviral therapy among patients with HIV/AIDS and bipolar disorder. *Psychiatric Services*, 62(3), 313-316. DOI: 10.1176/appi.ps.62.3.313.
17. Walkup, J. T., **Akincigil, A.**, Hoover, D. R., Amin, S., Siegel, M. J., & Crystal, S. (2010). Prevalence of diagnosed HIV disease among Medicaid beneficiaries with schizophrenia in U.S. metropolitan areas. *Journal of Nervous and Mental Disease*, 198(9), 682-686. DOI: 10.1097/NMD.0b013e3181ef21a2.
18. ***Akincigil, A.**, Munch, S., & Niemczyk, K. C. (2010). Predictors of maternal depression in the first year post partum: marital status and mediating role of relationship quality. *Social Work in Health Care*, 49(3), 227-244. DOI: 10.1080/00981380903213055.
19. * McCoyd, J. L. M., **Akincigil, A.**, & Paek, E. K. (2010). Pediatric disability and caregiver separation. *Journal of Family Social Work*, 13(3), 251-268.
20. Siegel M. J., **Akincigil A.**, Amin S. & Crystal S. (2009). Cumulative advantage, educational attainment, and late life health status. *Swiss Journal of Sociology*, 35(2), 377-404.

21. Prince, J. D., **Akincigil, A.**, Bilder, S., Hoover, D. R., Walkup, J. T., & Crystal, S. (2009). Substance abuse and hospitalization for mood disorder among Medicaid beneficiaries. *American Journal of Public Health*, 99(1), 160-167. DOI: 10.2105/AJPH.2007.133249.
22. Walkup, J. T., **Akincigil, A.**, Bilder, S., Scotto Rosato, N., & Crystal, S. (2009). Psychiatric diagnosis and antiretroviral adherence among adolescent Medicaid beneficiaries with Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome. *Journal of Nervous and Mental Disease*, 197(5), 354-361. DOI: 10.1097/NMD.0b013e3181a208af.
23. **Akincigil, A.**, Hoover, D. R., Walkup, J. T., Prince, J. D., Kalay, E., & Crystal, S. (2008). Hospitalization for psychiatric illness among community dwelling elderly persons in 1992 and 2002. *Psychiatric Services*, 59(9), 1046-1048. DOI: 10.1176/appi.ps.59.9.1046.
24. Prince, J. D., **Akincigil, A.**, Kalay, E., Walkup, J. T., Hoover, D. R., Lucas, J. A., Bowblis, J., & Crystal, S. (2008). Psychiatric rehospitalization among elderly persons in the United States. *Psychiatric Services*, 59(9), 1038-1045. DOI: 10.1176/appi.ps.59.9.1038.
25. **Akincigil, A.**, Bowblis, J. R., Levin, C. A., Jan, S., Patel, M., & Crystal, S. (2008). Long-term adherence to evidence based secondary prevention therapies after acute myocardial infarction. *Journal of General Internal Medicine*, 23(2), 115-121. **Lead Article. Featured in editorial:** Choudhry, N. K. & Winkelmayer, W. C. (2008). Medication adherence after myocardial infarction: a long way left to go. *Journal of General Internal Medicine*, 23(2), 216-218. DOI: 10.1007/s11606-007-0478-8.
26. Hoover, D. R., **Akincigil, A.**, Prince, J. D., Kalay, E., Lucas, J., Walkup, J. T., & Crystal, S. (2008). Medicare inpatient treatment for elderly non-dementia psychiatric illnesses 1992 – 2002: Length of stay and expenditures by facility type. *Administration & Policy in Mental Health*, 35(4), 231-240. DOI: 10.1007/s10488-008-0166-y.
27. **Akincigil, A.**, Bowblis, J. R., Levin, C. A., Walkup, J. T., Jan, S., & Crystal, S. (2007). Adherence to antidepressant treatment among privately insured patients diagnosed with depression. *Medical Care*, 45(4), 363-369.
28. Crystal, S., **Akincigil, A.**, Walkup, J. T., & Bilder, S. (2007). Studying prescription drug use and outcomes with Medicaid claims data: strengths, limitations, and strategies. *Medical Care*, 45(10), S58-65.
29. Prince, J. D., **Akincigil, A.**, & Bromet, E. (2007). Incarceration rates of persons with first-admission psychosis. *Psychiatric Services*, 58(9), 1173-1180.
30. Levin, C. A., Wei, W., **Akincigil, A.**, Lucas, J. A., Bilder, S., & Crystal, S. (2007). Prevalence and treatment of diagnosed depression among elderly nursing home residents in Ohio. *Journal of the American Medical Directors Association*, 8(9), 585-594.
31. Lucas, J. A., Levin, C. A., Lowe, T. J., Robertson, B., **Akincigil, A.**, Sambamoorthi, U., Bilder, S., Paek, E. K., & Crystal, S. (2007). The relationship between organizational factors and resident satisfaction with nursing home care and life. *Journal of Aging and Social Policy*, 19(2), 125-151.

32. Steinberg, M. B., **Akincigil, A.**, Delnevo, C. D., Crystal, S., & Carson, J. L. (2006). Gender and age disparities for smoking-cessation treatment. *American Journal of Preventive Medicine*, 30(5), 405-412.
33. Wei, W., **Akincigil, A.**, Crystal, S., & Sambamoorthi, U. (2006). Gender differences in out-of-pocket prescription drug expenditures among the elderly. *Research on Aging*, 28(4), 427-453.
34. Oursler K. A., Goulet, J., Leaf, D., **Akincigil, A.**, Katzel, L., Justice, A., & Crystal, S. (2006). Impact of comorbid conditions and aging on physical functioning in adults with and without HIV infection: Findings from the Veterans Aging Cohort Five-Site Study. *AIDS Patient Care and STDs*, 20(11), 782-791.
35. Sambamoorthi, U., **Akincigil, A.**, Wei, W., & Crystal, S. (2005). National trends in total and out-of-pocket prescription drug spending among elderly Medicare beneficiaries. *Expert Review of Pharmacoeconomics & Outcomes Research*, 5(3), 297-315. DOI: 10.1586/14737167.5.3.297.
36. Crystal, S., Sambamoorthi, U., Walkup, J. T., & **Akincigil, A.** (2003). Diagnosis and treatment of depression in the elderly Medicare population: Predictors, disparities, and trends. *JAGS: Journal of the American Geriatrics Society*, 51(12), 1718-1728.
37. Crystal, S., **Akincigil, A.**, Sambamoorthi, U., Wenger, N., Fleishman, J. A., Zingmond, D. S., et al. (2003). The diverse older HIV-positive population: A national profile of economic circumstances, social support, and quality of life. *JAIDS: Journal of Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndromes*, 33(S2), S76-83.
38. Sambamoorthi, U., **Akincigil, A.**, McSpirtt, E., & Crystal, S. (2002). Zidovudine use during pregnancy among HIV-infected women on Medicaid. *JAIDS: Journal of Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndromes*, 30(4), 429-439.

Reports

Akincigil, A. & Zurlo, K. (2015) The Economic Burden of Out-of-Pocket Medical Expenditures Before and After Implementation of the Medicare Prescription Drug Program. Center for Retirement Research at Boston College. WP#2015-28. Available at: <http://crr.bc.edu/working-papers/the-economic-burden-of-out-of-pocket-medical-expenditures-before-and-after-implementation-of-the-medicare-prescription-drug-program/> (accessed Nov 10, 2015).

Honors, Awards and Peer Review Roles

2016: Grant reviewer. Komen Central and South Jersey.

August 2009 – June 2015: Scientific Member, Institutional Review Board (IRB), Office of the Commissioner, New Jersey Department of Health.

July 2014: Reviewer, National Institutes for Health, Center for Scientific Review, Special Emphasis Panel ZRGI AARR-K 53 R, RFA Panel: US-South Africa Collaborative Biomedical Research.

2012: Reviewer, Institute of Medicine (IOM), committee to review data systems for monitoring HIV care.

2012: Reviewer, National Institutes of Health, Center for Scientific Review, NIDCR Special Grants Review Committee 2012/05 Council DSR 2, 02/23/2012.

2012: Reviewer, Romanian National Council for Development and Innovation.

2011: **Exceptional Reviewer** - Recognition from *Medical Care* journal for the period of 2009 and 2010. Top reviewers were chosen on the basis of quality, timeliness, and number of reviews performed.

2006-Present: Ad hoc reviewer for *Social Services Review*, *American Journal of Public Health*, *Psychiatric Services*, *Medical Care*, *Journals of Gerontology - Social Sciences*, *Pharmacoepidemiology and Drug Safety*, *Expert Review of Pharmacoeconomics & Outcomes Research*, *Health Care Financing Review*, *American Journal of Preventive Medicine*, *Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved*, *Depression and Anxiety*, *American Journal of Managed Care*, *Acta Psychiatrica Scandinavica*, *PLoS One*, *Journal of Aging and Health*, *Administration in Social Work*. Editorial Board Member of *Journal of Health Economics and Outcomes Research*.

June 2010: Outstanding Practice Research (with McCoyd, J. L. M.). Changing Health: 6th International Conference on Social Work in Health and Mental Health, Dublin, Ireland.

March 2010: Reviewer, National Institutes of Health, Center for Scientific Review, 2010/05 ZMH1 ERB-E (09) S: HIV/AIDS Interventions.

June 2006: Reviewer, National Institutes of Health, Center for Scientific Review, Special Emphasis Panel/Initial Review Group 2006/10 ZRG1 AARR-G (03): Behavioral and Social HIV/AIDS.

Research Grants

1. 1/1/2016 – 12/31/2016
Sponsor: School of Social Work Internal Support
Title: Housing, Environmental Supports, and Healthcare Utilization and Costs among Older Adults at Risk
Role: Co-Principal Investigator
2. 10/2015 – 10/2018
Sponsor: Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute
Title: Comparative Effectiveness of State Psychotropic Oversight Systems for Children in Foster Care
Role: Investigator
3. 7/2014-6/2018:
Sponsor: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)
Title: SMINET: Applying Evidence to Improve Care and Outcomes in Severe Mental Illness (R18HS023258, PI: Crsytal)
Role: Investigator
4. 9/2014-9/2017:
Sponsor: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)
Title: Improving Medication Safety in Nursing Home Dementia Care (R18HS023464, PI: Crsytal)
Role: Investigator
5. 9/2013-9/2015:
Sponsor: Center for Retirement Research at Boston College
Title: The Economic Burden of Out-of-Pocket Medical Expenditures Before and After the Implementation of Medicare Prescription Drug Program
Role: Principal Investigator
6. 4/2006-9/2016:
Sponsor: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)
Title: *Center for Education and Research on Mental Health Therapeutics (CERTs U18 HS016097)*
Role: Investigator
PI: Stephen Crystal
7. 5/2013-9/2013:
Sponsor: Centers for Global Advancement and International Affairs (GAIA), Rutgers University
Title: Health Social Workers in Romania: Building the Research Infrastructure Necessary to Design a Frontline Workforce Study
Role: Investigator
PI: Shari Munch
8. 9/2011-8/2012:

Sponsor: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)
Title: Integration of Health Care in Maine -- Implications from the Multiple
Chronic Conditions Project: Impact of mental illness and/or substance abuse on
diabetes intervention and outcomes (R21 HS019522-01)
Role: Investigator
PI: Elsie Freeman

9. 1/2009-2012:

Sponsor: RAND Corporation
Title: *Quality of Mental Health Care in Private Insurance Plans*
Amount Awarded: \$50,000
Role: Principal Investigator

10. 08/2008-04/2011:

Sponsor: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Substance Abuse Policy Research
Program (SAPRP)
Title: *US Physicians' Treatment of Smoking during Ambulatory Visits*
Amount Awarded: \$70,625
Role: Principal Investigator

11. 04/2005-01/2009:

Sponsor: National Institute of Mental Health
Title: *Geriatric Depression and Antidepressant Use* (R01 MH 60831)
Role: Project Director
PI: Stephen Crystal

12. 07/2005-04/2009:

Sponsor: National Institute of Mental Health
Title: *Depression Care Among Elderly Nursing Home Residents* (R01 MH 76206)
Role: Investigator
PI: Stephen Crystal

13. 04/2006-03/2009:

Sponsor: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
Title: *Center for Education and Research on Mental Health Therapeutics* (U18
HS016097)
Role: Investigator
PI: Stephen Crystal

14. 02/2006-01/2009:

Sponsor: National Institute of Mental Health
Title: *Major Mental Disorders and HIV: Health Services Use*, (R01 MH 58984)
Role: Investigator
PI: Stephen Crystal; Co-PI: James T. Walkup

15. 09/2001-09/2006:

Sponsor: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
Title: *Rutgers Center for Health Services Research* (P20 HS11825)
Role: Investigator
PI: Stephen Crystal

16. 2005-2007:

Sponsor: Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey & Building Research
Infrastructure and Capacity "BRIC" initiative
Title: *The Longitudinal Study of Care for Depression*

Role: Project Director

PI: Stephen Crystal

17. 2005-2007:

Sponsor: Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey & Building Research Infrastructure and Capacity “BRIC” initiative

Title: *The Long-term Study of Post-AMI Care*

Role: Project Director

PI: Stephen Crystal

18. 06/2004-08/2004:

Sponsor: Institute for Health Center Grant from the National Institute of Mental Health.

Title: *Do Medicare Beneficiaries with Severe Mental Illness Receive Appropriate Care after Heart Attack.*

Amount Awarded: \$12,513

Role: Principal Investigator

Selected Refereed Presentations

(*with students or mentees)

Akincigil, A., Amin, S., Heaps-Woodruff, J.M., Neese-Todd, S., Olfson, M., & Crystal, S. Impact of a CMHC based Health Home Model on Adherence to Psychotropic Medications for Medicaid Beneficiaries Living with Severe Mental Illness. Society of Social Work Research Annual Scientific Meeting, 2017, New Orleans, LA. An earlier version of the paper was presented in the 23rd NIMH Conference on Mental Health Services Research (MHSR), Bethesda, MD.

* Akincigil, A., & Matthews, E. National Rates and Patterns of Depression Screening in Primary Care: Implications for Social Work Involvement in Primary Health Care Settings. Society of Social Work Research Annual Scientific Meeting, 2016, Washington, DC. An earlier version of the paper was presented in AHRQ 2015 Annual Conference cohosted with AcademyHealth, Washington DC.

Akincigil, A. Kalay, E., Zurlo, K & Crystal, S. Disproportionate Burden of Out of Pocket Health Care Costs in Late Life. American Geriatrics Society Annual Scientific Meeting, 2014, Washington, DC.

* Kalay, E., Crystal, S., & Akincigil, A. The Impact of Economic Factors on Medication Use For Mental Illness: Evidence From A Nationally Representative Survey. Poster presentation, American Geriatrics Society Annual Scientific Meeting, 2013, New Orleans, LA.

Crystal, S., Akincigil, A. Kalay, E., & Zurlo, K. Health Disparities among U.S. Elderly, 1992-2008: Exploratory Analysis of Trends in MCBS. Paper presentation, American Geriatrics Society Annual Scientific Meeting, 2013, New Orleans, LA.

* Deglau, E., Ray, A., Akincigil, A. & Conway, F. Career Trajectories and Aspirations of Public Child Welfare Employees with an MSW. Panel presentation, Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) Annual Program Meeting (APM), 2013, Dallas, TX.

Akincigil, A., Walkup, J. T., Huang, C., Siegel, M. J., & Crystal, S. Viral load monitoring during antiretroviral treatment among privately insured persons with HIV/AIDS in the U.S. Oral presentation, International Association of Physicians in AIDS Care/NIMH 5th International Conference on HIV Treatment Adherence, 2010, Miami, FL.

Akincigil, A., Walkup, J. T., Olfson, M., Chakravarthy, S., Bilder, S., Siegel, M. J., & Crystal, S. Bipolar medication use and adherence to antiretroviral therapy among patients with HIV/AIDS and bipolar disorder. Oral presentation, International Association of Physicians in AIDS Care/NIMH 5th International Conference on HIV Treatment Adherence, 2010, Miami, FL.

Akincigil, A., Mayers, R. S., & Fulghum, F. H. Emergency Room Use by Undocumented Mexican Immigrants. Poster presentation, Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, 2010, San Francisco, CA.

- * McCoyd, J. L. M., Akincigil, A., & Paek, E. K. Pediatric disability and caregiver separation. Oral presentation, Council on Social Work Education 55th Annual Program Meeting, 2009, San Antonio, TX.
- Sirota, K. G., Greenfield, E., Edwards, R. L., Akincigil, A., & Findley, P.F. Hiring from outside the discipline as a strategy for strengthening social work education. Oral presentation, Council on Social Work Education 54th Annual Program Meeting, 2008, Philadelphia, PA.
- Akincigil, A., Siegel, M., Amin, S., Walkup, J. T., & Crystal, S. Depression treatment predictors among U.S. elderly: socioeconomic and insurance factors. Oral presentation, 14th World Congress of Psychiatry, 2008; Prague, Czech Republic. Also presented at the 136th American Public Health Association (APHA) Annual Meeting, 2008, San Diego, CA.
- Walkup, J., Akincigil, A., Amin, S., Bilder, S., & Crystal, S. Treated prevalence of HIV/AIDS among Medicaid patients diagnosed with schizophrenia in 110 U.S. cities. Poster presentation, 136th American Public Health Association (APHA) Annual Meeting, 2008, San Diego, CA.
- Siegel, M., Lucas, J. A., Akincigil, A., Kalay, E., & Crystal, S. racial differences in antidepressant use among depressed nursing home residents. Oral presentation, the 136th American Public Health Association (APHA) Annual Meeting, 2008, San Diego, CA.
- Crystal, S., Akincigil, A., Siegel, M., Bilder, S., Amin, S., & Walkup J. T. HIV/AIDS and aging in the Medicaid population: age, comorbidity, and HIV medication treatment adherence. Oral presentation, American Geriatrics Society Annual Scientific Meeting, 2008, Washington, DC.
- Akincigil, A., Bilder, S., Walkup, J. T., Huang, C., & Crystal, S. ART refill persistence in a large, privately insured U.S. population. Oral presentation, NIMH/IAPAC International Conference on HIV Treatment Adherence, 2008, Jersey City, NJ.
- Bilder, S., Walkup, J.T., Akincigil, A. & Crystal, S. Adherence to antiretroviral therapy in persons with bipolar disorder. Oral presentation, NIMH/IAPAC International Conference on HIV Treatment Adherence, 2008, Jersey City, NJ.
- Siegel, M., Lucas, J., Kalay, E., Akincigil, A., Bowblis, J., & Crystal, S. Black-white disparities in antidepressant treatment in nursing homes: are black high school dropouts in double jeopardy? Poster presentation, Annual Meeting of the Gerontology Society of America. 2007, San Francisco, CA.
- Walkup, J., Bilder, S., Akincigil, A., & Crystal, S. Do sociodemographic, psychiatric, and substance abuse variables predict ARV initiation and refill persistence among Medicaid beneficiaries aged 18 and under? Oral presentation, NIMH/IAPAC International Conference on HIV Treatment Adherence, 2007, Jersey City, NJ.

Akincigil A., Munch, S., & Niemczyk, K. Maternal depression in the first year post partum: the role of mothers' relationship with biological father. Oral presentation, Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, 2007, San Francisco, CA.

Akincigil A., Amin, S., & Crystal, S. Quality of prescription drug coverage and treatment of depression in the elderly Medicare population. Oral presentation, Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, 2006, Dallas, TX.

Akincigil, A., Walkup, J. T., Kalay, E., & Crystal, S. Trends in psychiatric hospitalizations among elderly Medicare Beneficiaries. Roundtable presentation, Annual Meeting of the American Public Health Association, 2006, Boston, MA.

Crystal, S., Akincigil, A., Walkup, J. T., & Bilder, S. Studying prescription drug use and outcomes with Medicaid claims data: strengths, limitations, and strategies. Oral presentation, AHRQ-sponsored conference on Comparative Effectiveness and Safety: Emerging Methods Symposium, 2006, Rockville, MD.

Akincigil, A., Bowblis, J., Levin, C. A., Jan, S., & Crystal, S. Antidepressant refill persistence among privately insured patients diagnosed with depression. Oral presentation, AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting, 2006, Seattle, WA.

Akincigil, A., Bilder, S., Walkup, J. T., & Crystal, S. Age and race variations in refill persistence among Medicaid beneficiaries living with HIV/AIDS. Poster presentation, NIMH/IAPAC International Conference on HIV Treatment Adherence, 2006, Jersey City, NJ.

Bilder, S., Walkup, J. T., Akincigil, A., & Crystal, S. Examining Medicare eligibility and use of PI/NNRTIs in a four-state Medicaid HIV/AIDS population. Poster presentation, NIMH/IAPAC International Conference on HIV Treatment Adherence, 2006, Jersey City, NJ.

Walkup, J. T., Bilder, S., Akincigil, A., & Crystal, S. Using administrative claims data to study longitudinal medication use patterns among persons with HIV/AIDS. Poster presentation, NIMH/IAPAC International Conference on HIV Treatment Adherence, 2006, Jersey City, NJ.

Walkup, J., Bilder, S., Akincigil, A., & Crystal, S. Refill persistence among Medicaid beneficiaries living with HIV/AIDS and major mental illness. Poster presentation, NIMH/IAPAC International Conference on HIV Treatment Adherence, 2006, Jersey City, NJ.

Akincigil, A., Bowblis, J., Levin, C. A., Jan, S., Patel, M., & Crystal, S. Refill persistence with beta-blocker and ACE inhibitor therapy after acute myocardial infarction. Oral presentation, AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting, 2005, Boston, MA. Poster presentation, 6th Scientific Forum on Quality of Care and Outcomes Research in Cardiovascular Disease and Stroke, 2005, Washington, DC. (The abstract is published in the May 24, 2005 online issue of *Circulation*.)

Levin, C. A., Wei, W., Akincigil, A., Lucas, J. A., Bilder, S., & Crystal, S. Diagnosed depression among elderly nursing home residents: prevalence and treatment. Poster presentation, 58th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, 2005, New Orleans, LA.

Lucas, J. A., Levin, C. A., Wei, W., Akincigil, A., & Crystal, S. Relationships Between Nutritional Status and Depression Treatment Among Depressed NH Residents. Poster presentation, 58th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, 2005, New Orleans, LA.

Akincigil, A., Druss, B., Jan, S., Bowblis, J., & Crystal, S. Physicians' diagnoses associated with antidepressant use between 1995 and 2001. Poster presentation, AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting, 2004, San Diego, CA.

Akincigil A., Crystal, S., Wei, W., & Sambamoorthi, U. Trends in Out-of-Pocket Spending for Medicare Beneficiaries. Oral presentation, AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting, 2003, Nashville, TN.

Crystal S., Akincigil, A., Sambamoorthi, U., & Walkup, J. T. Impact of insurance status on depression treatment of elderly. Oral presentation, 4th World Congress of the International Health Economics Association, 2003, San Francisco, CA.

Akincigil, A., Walkup, J. T., Crystal, S., & Sambamoorthi, U. Patterns of reported and diagnosed depression among elderly in ambulatory Care. Oral presentation, 55th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, 2002, Boston, MA.

Akincigil A., Walkup, J. T., Crystal, S., & Sambamoorthi, U. Patterns of diagnosis and treatment of depression in ambulatory care visits - a comparison between hospital outpatient and office-based physician visits. Oral presentation, National Institute of Mental Health, Division of Services and Intervention Research, Pharmacoeconomics Workshop, 2002, Washington, DC.

Crystal, S., Akincigil, A., & Sambamoorthi, U. The Diverse Older HIV+ Population: A National Profile of Economic Circumstances, Social Support, and Quality of Life. Oral presentation, National Institute on Aging Conference on HIV/AIDS and Aging, 2000, Washington, DC.

Teaching Assignments

Fall 2005 – Fall 2014: Quantitative Research Methods, Ph.D. Program in Social Work

Spring 2006 – Present: Methods of Social Work Research, Master of Social Work Program, in various formats (traditional classroom, fully online, intensive weekend and hybrid)

Winter 2013: Israel Study Abroad Winter 2013. Social Issues in Israel: Policies and Practice Responses (19:910:959) A Crossroads of Religions, Ethnicities, Social Services, Cultures, and Civilizations

Service

2015: Peer Evaluation Committee, Institute for Health, Health Care Policy and Aging Research (IHHCPAR), Rutgers University.

2015-2016: BASW Executive Committee, School of Social Work, Rutgers University.

2015-2016: Doctoral Executive Committee, School of Social Work, Rutgers University.

2014-2016: Committee on Admission Policies, School of Social Work, Rutgers University.

August 2009 – June 2015: Scientific Member, Institutional Review Board (IRB), Office of the Commissioner, New Jersey Department of Health & Senior Services.

2012-2014: Member, Search and Recruitment Committee for the Director of Institute for Health, Health Care Policy and Aging Research (IHHCPAR), Rutgers University.

2014-2015: Member, Search and Recruitment Committee Associate Dean for Research, School of Social Work, Rutgers University.

2013-2014: Committee on Student Learning, Assessment, and Outcome Evaluation, School of Social Work, Rutgers University.

2014: Member, University wide Improving Health & Wellness Committee, Rutgers University.

2014: Juror, Dean's Doctoral Dissertation award, School of Social Work, Rutgers University.

2013 - 2015: Faculty Advisor, Red Cross Club, Rutgers University.

2012 – Present: Program Affiliate, Aging Program, Department of Sociology, Rutgers University.

2012: Member of teaching evaluation workgroup, School of Social Work, Rutgers University.

Academic Year 2012-13: Member, Search and Recruitment Committee, charged with advising the dean for hiring two new faculty members at the status equivalent to **distinguished professor**.

2012-2015: Member, Editorial Board, Clinician-Consumer Health Advisory Information Network (CHAIN Online) Agency for Healthcare Quality, The Centers for Education & Research on Therapeutics (CERTs).

2012: Member, university task force on improvement of empirical analyses courses.

2011: Member, Subcommittee to develop the new format of doctoral qualifying exams, Quantitative Research Component. School of Social Work.

2009 - 2012: **Senator**, Rutgers University Senate.

2009 - 2012: Member, **Academic Standards, Regulations and Admissions Committee** (ASRAC), Rutgers University.

2011-2015: Faculty Marshall, Rutgers University Commencement.

2007 - 2008: Member, **Search Committee, Associate Director** for the Center for Pharmacotherapy, Chronic Disease Management, and Outcomes.

Academic Year 2007-08: Member, **Faculty Search Committee**; School of Social Work; Rutgers University (resulted in **4 tenure track hires**, responsibilities included designing evaluation instruments and reporting evaluation results).

Fall 2005 - Spring 2011: Doctoral qualifying exam reviewer (School of Social Work).

2006-2008: Doctoral program application reviewer (School of Social Work).

Academic Year 2006-07: Member, **Faculty Search Committee**; School of Social Work; Rutgers University (resulted in **6 tenure track hires**, responsibilities included designing evaluation instruments and reporting evaluation results).

2006: Chair, **Associate Director Search Committee**; Center for Education, Research and Mental Health Therapeutics; Institute for Health, Health Care Policy and Aging Research.

2006: Chair, **Faculty Search Committee**; Center for Pharmacotherapy, Chronic Disease Management, and Outcomes Research; Institute for Health, Health Care Policy and Aging Research.

2006: Chair, **Statistical Analyst Search Committee**; Center for Pharmacotherapy, Chronic Disease Management, and Outcomes Research; Institute for Health, Health Care Policy and Aging Research.

Mentoring

Doctoral Theses Committee Chair

Louis Donnelly	dissertation defense	2015	School of Social Work
	Recipient of the 2016 Dean's Dissertation Award		
Kristen Niemczyk	dissertation defense	2014	School of Social Work

Theses Committee Membership

Elizabeth Matthews	dissertation proposal defense	2015	School of Social Work
Alex Redcay	dissertation defense	2016	School of Social Work
Nya Nguyen	dissertation defense	2014	Economics
Ece Kalay	master thesis defense	2014	Economics
Shaanta Murshid	dissertation defense	2013	School of Social Work
Jim O'Dea	dissertation defense	2010	School of Social Work
Langdon Holloway	dissertation defense	2007	School of Social Work
Elane Edelman	dissertation defense	2009	School of Social Work
Lynn Agre	dissertation defense	2009	School of Social Work
Guo Chen	dissertation defense	2009	Economics
Arnisa Abazi	dissertation defense	2006	Economics

Research Internship Supervisions

Elizabeth Matthews (Co-author in one peer reviewed article)
Eun Kwang Paek (Co-author in two peer reviewed articles)
Jeong A. Yoo
Kristen Niemczyk (Co-author in one peer reviewed article)

Graduate Assistant Supervisions

John Bowblis
Guo Chen

Other Advising

Alexander Cheryomuklin (recipient of a pre-doctoral grant from the Open Society Foundations' Global Supplementary Grant Program, Fall 2010)

2006 - 2008: Faculty advisor for MSW students (10-15 students are assigned by student services every semester).

Spring/Summer 2011: Mentor, Project LEARN, an intensive summer research training internship for undergraduate students from groups that have been under-represented in graduate schools and health research careers, funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF).

Study title: The Pathway from Obesity to Depression: Is It Explained by Comorbid Chronic Conditions?

Prior Positions

- Sept 06 - June 12 Assistant Professor
School of Social Work
and
Institute for Health, Health Care Policy and Aging Research
Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey
- Aug 05 – Jul 06 Visiting Assistant Professor
School of Social Work, Rutgers University, NJ
- Jan 02 – Mar 04 Research Computing Specialist
Institute for Health and Health Care Policy and Aging Research
Division of Aging, Rutgers University, NJ
- Jun 98 – Dec 01 Graduate Research Assistant
Institute for Health and Health Care Policy and Aging Research,
Division of Aging, Rutgers University, NJ

Memberships in Societies: American Economic Association (AEA), Gerontological Society of America (GSA), AcademyHealth (Academy for Health Services Research), American Public Health Association (APHA), Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR), Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)

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