

**CHARLEEN HSUAN, J.D., Ph.D.**  
Curriculum Vitae

## **1. BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION**

Assistant Professor  
Department of Health Policy and Administration  
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## **2. EDUCATION**

Ph.D., Health Policy & Management (concentration: organizational behavior)  
University of California, Los Angeles – Fielding School of Public Health, Los Angeles, CA  
September 2016

**Dissertation Title:** Hospital Responses to the Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act (EMTALA): Noncompliance, Hospital Utilization and Readmissions, and Strategic Ambulance Diversions

**Committee:** Jack Needleman (Chair), Jill R. Horwitz, Renee Y. Hsia (UCSF), Ninez A. Ponce, and Thomas Rice

J.D.  
Columbia Law School, New York, NY  
May 2008

B.S., Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental Biology  
Yale University, New Haven, CT  
May 2002

## **3. HONORS AND AWARDS**

### **FELLOWSHIPS**

2015-2016	UCLA Dissertation Year Fellowship
2012-2015	National Institutes of Health/National Center for Advancing Translational Science UCLA TL1 Translational Science Fellowship
2010-2012	Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality Fellowship

### **AWARDS/PRIZES**

2016	Celia and Joseph Blann Fellowship
2016	Delta Omega scientific poster student award at the Annual Meeting of the American Public Health Association

2013 UCLA Raymond Goodman Scholarship  
2012 Recipient of Public Health Systems Research (PHSR) Student  
Scholarship (AcademyHealth) and winner of best student poster for  
PHSR Interest Group  
2010-2012 UCLA Chancellor’s Prize  
2006-2007 and 2007-2008 Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar

#### 4. PUBLICATIONS

##### PEER-REVIEWED

1. **Hsuan C**, Ryan-Ibarra S, DeBurgh K, Jacobson D. Influence of Paid Sick Leave Laws on Foodborne Illnesses. *American Journal of Preventive Medicine*; forthcoming.
2. **Hsuan C**, Horwitz JR, Ponce NA, Hsia RY, Needleman J. Complying with the Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act (EMTALA): Challenges and Solutions. *Journal of Healthcare Risk Management*; forthcoming.
3. Horwitz JR, **Hsuan C**, Nichols A. The Role of Hospital and Market Characteristics on Invasive Cardiac Service Diffusion. *Review of Industrial Organization*; forthcoming.
4. Rodriguez HP, McCullough JM, **Hsuan C**. Local Health Department Collaborative Capacity to Improve Population Health. *Frontiers in Public Health Services & Systems Research* 2014; 3(4).
5. **Hsuan C**, Rodriguez HP. The Adoption and Discontinuation of Clinical Health Services by Local Health Departments. *Am J Public Health* 2014;104(1):124-33.
6. Rosenthal MB, **Hsuan C**, Milstein A. A Report Card on the Freshman Class of Consumer-Directed Health Plans. *Health Affairs* 2005; 24(6):1592-1600.
7. Ge L, Gordon JS, **Hsuan C**, Stenn K, Prouty SM. Identification of the Delta-6 Desaturase of Human Sebaceous Glands: Expression and Enzyme Activity. *J Investigative Dermatology* 2003; 120(5): 707-14.

##### LAW REVIEW

8. **Hsuan C**. Note: Medicaid Coverage for Race-Based Drugs. *Columbia Journal of Law and Social Problems* 2008; 41:443-477.

##### UNPUBLISHED ARTICLES

9. **Hsuan C**, Horwitz JR, Ponce NA, Hsia RY, Rice T, Needleman J. Extending the Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act (EMTALA) to Inpatients May Improve Patient Safety. (draft in progress)

#### 5. PRESENTATIONS

1. “Hospitals May Strategically Declare Ambulance Diversions to Avoid Medicaid and Uninsured Patients”  
Poster: AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting, New Orleans, LA June 26, 2017
2. “Influence of Paid Sick Leave Laws on Foodborne Illnesses”  
Poster: Delta Omega student scientific poster competition at Annual Meeting of the American Public Health Association, Denver, CO November 1, 2016

3. “Extending the Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act (EMTALA) to Inpatients May Improve Patient Safety”  
Oral: Presentation to the Tennessee Department of Health, Nashville, TN January 29, 2016  
Poster: AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting, Boston, MA June 27, 2016
4. “Improving Compliance with the Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act (EMTALA): A Qualitative Study”  
Poster: AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting, Minneapolis, MN June 14, 2015
5. “Differences in Urban and Rural Public Health System Influences on Changes in County-Level STD Rates”  
Oral: AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting, San Diego, CA June 10, 2014
6. “EMTALA Policy & *Moses v. Providence Hospital*”  
Guest lecture for UCLA Law 326. Health Law and Policy, January 14, 2014
7. “The Adoption and Abandonment of Clinical Services by Local Health Departments”  
Oral: Public Health Services & Systems Research Keeneland Conference, Lexington, KY April 18, 2012  
Poster: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality - National Research Service Award Trainees Research Conference, Orlando, FL June 23, 2012  
Poster: AcademyHealth - Public Health Systems Research Interest Group Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL June 26, 2012 [winner, best student poster]

## 6. FUNDING

**Institution:** Agency for Healthcare Quality and Research R36 Dissertation Year Fellowship

**Title:** Predictors of Ambulance Diversions: Do Hospitals Strategically Divert to Avoid Medicaid and Uninsured Patients?

**Total Period:** Sept 2015-June 2016

**Total Award:** \$33,421.00

**Role:** Primary Investigator

**Aim:** To explore whether hospitals strategically avoid treating uninsured or Medicaid patients by temporarily closing part of their emergency rooms (through an ambulance diversion) when these patients are redirected from overcrowded safety net hospitals. Such “strategic diversions” reduce access to needed emergency services for indigent patients, and unnecessarily delay emergency care to all patients, a delay that may lead to death.

**Institution:** Robert Wood Johnson Foundation-Changes in Healthcare Financing and Organization (HCFO)

**Title:** The Effect of Changes in the Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act (EMTALA) Policies on Hospital Utilization and Patient Safety

**Total Period:** Dec 2013-Dec 2015

**Total Award:** \$100,000 (24%/61% effort)

**Role:** Lead analyst and lead researcher in designing and implementing project (PI: Jack Needleman)

**Aim:** A recent federal court case suggested EMTALA obligations extend to inpatients for hospitals within the Sixth Circuit. However, hospitals in neighboring jurisdictions are not subject to this same rule. This study examines the effect of extending EMTALA to inpatients by using a difference-in-

difference-in-difference study.

**Institution:** Robert Wood Johnson Foundation- Public Health Law Research

**Title:** Assessing the Public Health Impact of Laws and Ordinances Regulating Paid Sick Leaves on Preventing and Controlling Infectious Diseases

**Total Period:** Dec 2013-May 2015

**Total Award:** \$149,966 (10% effort)

**Role:** Public Health Law Researcher (PIs: Dawn Marie Jacobson and Kat DeBurgh)

**Aim:** This study uses a mixed methods approach to assesses the effect of mandatory paid sick leave laws on infectious disease rates (food-borne illness and respiratory illness). In addition, the study includes a policy and legal scan of these sick leave laws, analyzing those that may have the largest effect on public health.

## 7. EXPERIENCE

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Spring 2017	Adjunct Assistant Professor Law 442. Public Health Law and Policy UCLA School of Law, Los Angeles, CA
Winter 2014	Teaching Fellow Health Policy & Management 225B. Health Services Research Design UCLA Fielding School of Public Health, Los Angeles, CA
Fall 2012	Teaching Fellow Health Policy & Management 400. Field Studies in Health Services UCLA Fielding School of Public Health, Los Angeles, CA

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2016-2017	Health Law Fellow and Adjunct Assistant Professor UCLA School of Law, Los Angeles, CA
2008-2010	Associate Goodwin Procter LLP, Boston, MA
Summer 2007	Summer Associate Goodwin Procter LLP, Boston, MA
Summer 2006	Summer Intern, Appeals and Opinions State of New York Office of the Attorney General, New York, NY
2003-2005	Research Assistant (to Meredith Rosenthal and Eric Schneider) Harvard School of Public Health, Boston, MA
2002-2003	Associate Consultant Health Benchmarks, Inc., Woodland Hills, CA

## **8. SERVICE, MEMBERSHIPS, AND EDITORIAL POSITIONS**

### PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Student reviewer for AcademyHealth 2014 Annual Research Meeting (theme: public health)  
Peer reviewer for the American Journal of Public Health

### COMMUNITY SERVICE

2011-2017	Serve on the community service committee of the Yale Club of Los Angeles and coordinate biannual park restoration volunteer day with Los Angeles Audubon
2010-2012	Conducted alumni interviews for undergraduate applicants of Yale College, 2010-2012
2008-2010	Served on pro bono subcommittee of diversity committee at Goodwin Procter

### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Licensed to practice law in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
AcademyHealth; American Public Health Association; American Bar Association; American Health Lawyers Association; Network for Public Health Law