

## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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### **EDUCATION**

2004 Bachelor of Arts, Psychology  
Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

2010 Doctor of Philosophy, Aging Studies  
University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

2014 Postdoctoral Fellowship in Health Services Research  
Center for Innovation in Quality, Effectiveness & Safety  
Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center, Houston, TX

### **ADDITIONAL TRAINING**

2011 Enhancing Implementation Science in VA, HSR&D/QUERI Center for Implementation  
Practice and Research Support (Novice and Advanced Tracks), Department of  
Veterans Affairs, Phoenix, AZ

2012 LEAN Six Sigma Yellow Belt, Department of Veterans Affairs, Houston, TX

2015 Policy Institute, John A. Hartford Foundation, Washington, D.C.

2016 Communication Training Conference, John A. Hartford Foundation, Chicago, IL

2020 Certificate in the Foundations of Implementation, Spread, and Scale, The Center for  
Implementation, virtual

### **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

2004 – 2010 Affiliate, Center for Housing and Long-Term Care, Florida Policy Exchange Center on  
Aging, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

2014 – 2018 Investigator (Research Health Science Specialist), Center for Innovation in Quality,  
Effectiveness & Safety, Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center, Houston, TX

2014 – 2018 Assistant Professor, Department of Medicine – Section of Health Services Research,  
Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, TX

- 2015 – 2018 Affiliated Faculty, Center for Medical Ethics and Health Policy, Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, TX
- 2017 - 2020 Affiliate, Center of Excellence for Suicide Prevention, Canandaigua VA Medical Center, Canandaigua, NY
- 2018 - 2022 Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Medicine – Section of Health Services Research, Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, TX
- 2018 - 2021 Assistant Professor of Health Services, Policy and Practice (Research), School of Public Health, Brown University, Providence, RI
- 2018 - Investigator (Research Health Science Specialist), Center for Innovation in Long-Term Services and Supports, Providence VA Medical Center, Providence, RI
- 2021 - Associate Professor of Health Services, Policy and Practice (Research), School of Public Health, Brown University, Providence, RI

## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

- 2003 – 2004 Ronald E. McNair Postbaccalaureate Achievement Scholar, Indiana University
- 2005 Induction into Sigma Phi Omega (Gerontological Honor Society)
- 2008 Admission to Doctoral Candidacy with Distinction, University of South Florida
- 2014 – 2016 Scholar, Hartford Change AGENTS Initiative, John A. Hartford Foundation
- 2016 Outstanding Reviewer, Annals of Internal Medicine

## **MEMBERSHIP IN SOCIETIES**

- 2004 - Gerontological Society of America
- 2007 – 2013 American Psychological Association

## **DEPARTMENT, CENTER, AFFILIATED HOSPITAL, OR UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

### **Service to Brown University**

- 2019 - 2022 Member, Junior Faculty Mentoring Committee, Department of Health Services, Policy and Practice, Brown University, Providence, RI
- 2019 – 2020 Member, Implementation Science Faculty Search Committee, Department of Health Services, Policy and Practice, Brown University, Providence, RI
- 2020 – 2021 Member, Implementation Science Faculty Search Committee, Department of Health Services, Policy and Practice, Brown University, Providence, RI
- 2021 - MPH Core Advisor, School of Public Health, Brown University, Providence, RI

**Service to Providence VA Medical Center**

- 2018 - 2022 Member, Veterans Engagement Group Committee, Center of Innovation in Long-Term Service and Supports, Providence VA Medical Center, Providence RI
- 2019 - Member, Executive Committee, Center of Innovation in Long-Term Services and Supports, Providence VA Medical Center, Providence, RI
- 2020 - Director, Office of Academic Affiliations Advanced Fellowship in Health Services Research, Providence VA Medical Center, Providence, RI
- 2020 - Member, Research and Development Committee, Providence VA Medical Center, Providence, RI
- 2022 - Member, Research Safety Committee, Providence VA Medical Center, Providence, RI

**NATIONAL OR INTERNATIONAL SERVICE**

- 2004 – 2016 Abstract Reviewer, Annual Meeting, Gerontological Society of America
- 2006 – 2008 Member, Humanities and the Arts Committee, Gerontological Society of America
- 2007 – 2008 Member, Emerging Scholars Professional Organization Executive Committee, Gerontological Society of America
- 2007 – 2008 Assistant Program Chair for Annual Meeting, Division 12 (Clinical Psychology), American Psychological Association
- 2012 – 2013 Postdoctoral Representative, Division 20 (Adult Development and Aging), American Psychological Association
- 2015 Abstract Reviewer, Health Services Research & Development National Meeting, Department of Veterans Affairs
- 2016 – 2019 Member, Caring for Veterans with Serious Mental Illness in Community Living Centers Workgroup, Department of Veterans Affairs
- 2016 – 2019 Member, Public Policy Committee, Pioneer Network
- 2016 – 2019 Member, Development Committee, Pioneer Network
- 2016 - Director, Long-Term Services and Supports Research Network (formerly Community Living Centers Research Interest Group), Department of Veterans Affairs
- 2017 – 2019 Member, Suicide Awareness in Veterans Exiting Community Living Centers National Advisory Panel, Department of Veterans Affairs
- 2017 - 2020 Member, Decision-Making Capacity Workgroup, Department of Veterans Affairs
- 2019 - 2020 Member, Program Committee for Annual Meeting, Gerontological Society of America
- 2020 Member, Planning Committee, Geriatric Mental Health Research in VA Virtual Conference, Department of Veterans Affairs

2022 Co-Chair, Planning Committee, Geriatric Mental Health Research in VA Virtual Conference, Department of Veterans Affairs

### **Grant Application Review Panels**

2012 Ad hoc reviewer, Elder Abuse Prevention Interventions Program, Administration on Aging, Administration for Community Living

2012 Ad hoc reviewer, VISN 16 Nursing Grants, Department of Veterans Affairs

2013 Ad hoc reviewer, Model Approaches to Statewide Legal Assistance Systems – Phase II, Administration on Aging, Administration for Community Living

2014 – 2016 Ad hoc reviewer, Administration for Community Living, Administration on Aging, State Grants to Enhance Adult Protective Services

2015 Ad hoc reviewer, Retirement Research Foundation

2016 - 2020 Ad hoc reviewer, Small Projects in Rehabilitation Research (SPiRE) Awards, Department of Veterans Affairs, Rehabilitation Research & Development

2020-2021 Ad hoc Reviewer, Center for Innovation in Long-Term Services and Supports Pilot Awards Program, Providence VA Medical Center

2022- Member, Career Development Award Scientific Merit Review Board, Health Services Research & Development, Department of Veterans Affairs

### **Journal Manuscript Reviewer**

*American Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry, Annals of Internal Medicine, Clinical Gerontologist, Home Health Care Services Quarterly, Joint Commission Journal on Quality and Patient Safety, Journal of Alzheimer's Disease and Other Dementias, Journal of Aging and Social Policy, Journal of the American Medical Directors Association, Journal of Applied Gerontology, Research on Aging, The Gerontologist, Journal of General Internal Medicine*

### **SERVICE TO OTHER INSTITUTIONS**

2012 – 2018 Care for Elders, Houston, TX  
Member, Board of Directors, 2012-2018  
Member, Evaluation Workgroup, 2014-2018  
Member, Direct Care Worker of the Year Committee, 2016-2017

2014 – 2018 Member, Leadership Council, Houston Alliance to Address Dementia, Sheltering Arms Senior Services Division of Neighborhood Centers, Inc., Houston, TX

2016 Judge, Medicine and Health Section, Science Engineering Fair, Houston, TX

2016 Judge, Surgery Resident Research Day Clinical Presentations, Michael E. DeBakey Department of Surgery, Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, TX

- 2016 – 2018 Member, Client Services Committee, Meals on Wheels of Houston, Houston, TX
- 2016 – 2018 Member, Patient Engagement Group Committee, Center for Innovation in Quality, Effectiveness & Safety, Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center, Houston, TX
- 2019 - Member, Quality and Research Committee, Program for All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) of Rhode Island, Providence, RI
- 2022 - Member, Board of Directors, Program for All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) of Rhode Island, Providence, RI
- 2022 - 2023 Mentor, Workshop in Implementation Science and Health Services Research (WISH), Alexandria, VA.
- 2023 - Chair, Quality and Research Committee, Program for All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) of Rhode Island, Providence, Rhode Island

## **PUBLICATIONS IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS**

1. Corsentino, E., Molinari, V., Gum, A., Roscoe, L., & **Mills, W.L.** (2008). Family caregivers' future planning for younger and older adults with serious mental illness. *Journal of Applied Gerontology, 27*, 466-485. doi: 10.1177/0733464808315290.
2. Molinari, V., Merritt, S., **Mills, W.L.**, Chiriboga, D.A., Conboy, A., Hyer, K., & Becker, M. (2008). Serious mental illness in Florida nursing homes: interviews with stakeholders. *Gerontology and Geriatrics Education, 29* (1), 66-83. doi: 10.1080/02701960802074321.
3. Brown, L.M., Bruce, M.L., Hyer, K., **Mills, W.L.**, Vongxaiburana, E., & Polivka-West, L. (2009). A pilot study evaluating the feasibility of psychological first aid for nursing home residents. *Clinical Gerontologist, 32* (3), 293-308. doi: 10.1080/07317110902895317
4. Molinari, V.A., Chiriboga, D.A., Hyer, K., Branch, L. Schonfeld, L., Kos, L., **Mills, W.L.**, Krok, J., & Hyer, K. (2011). Reasons for psychiatric medication prescription for new nursing home residents. *Aging and Mental Health, 15* (7), 904-912. doi: 10.1080/13607863.2011.569490.
5. Roush, R.E., Moyer, J.A., **Mills, W.L.**, Kunik, M.E., Wilson, N.L., Taffet, G.E., Naik, A.D. (2012). Why clinicians need to know about the Elder Investment Fraud and Financial Exploitation Program. *Generations, 36*(2), 94-97.
6. **Mills, W.L.**, Regev, T., Naik, A.D., & Kunik, M.E. (2012). Comprehensive assessment of capacity to live safely and independently in the community. *MedEd Portal*. Available from: [www.mededportal.org/publication/9263](http://www.mededportal.org/publication/9263)
7. **Mills, W.L.**, Roush, R.E., Moyer, J., Kunik, M.E., Wilson, N.L., Taffet, G.E., & Naik, A.D. (2012). Development and preliminary evaluation of an educational program to identify older adults at risk for investment fraud and financial exploitation. *Gerontology and Geriatrics Education, 33*(4), 351-363. doi: 10.1080/02701960.2012.702164.
8. Schinka, J.A., Robinson, D.C., **Mills, W.L.**, & Brown, L.M. (2012). Cognitive Change Checklist (3CL): Psychometric characteristics in community dwelling older adults. *American Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry, 20*(12), 1070-1074. doi: 10.1097/JGP.0b013e3182702c31.

9. Godwin, K.M., **Mills, W.L.**, Anderson, J.A., & Kunik, M.E. (2013). Technology driven interventions for caregivers of persons with dementia: A systematic review. *Journal of Alzheimer's Disease and Other Dementias*, 28(3), 216-222. doi: 10.1177/1533317513481091.
10. Li, L.T., **Mills, W.L.**, White, D., Li, A., Gutierrez, A., Berger, D.H., & Naik, A.D. (2013). Causes and prevalence of preventable readmissions following colorectal surgery: a systematic review and meta-analysis. *Journal of the American Geriatrics Society*, 61(7), 1175-1181. doi: 10.1111/jgs.12307.
11. Li, L.T., **Mills, W.L.**, Gutierrez, A.M., Herman, L.I., Berger, D.H., & Naik, A.D. (2013). A patient-centered early warning system to prevent readmission after colorectal surgery: A national consensus using the Delphi method. *Journal of the American College of Surgeons*, 216(2), 210-216. doi: 10.1016/j.jamcollsurg.2012.10.011.
12. **Mills, W.L.**, Snow, A.L., Wilson, N.L., Naik, A.D., & Kunik, M.E. (2013). Conceptualization of a Toolkit to Evaluate Everyday Competence in Planning Transitions from Nursing Homes to the Community. *Journal of the American Medical Directors' Association*, 14(8), 626.e1-7. doi: 10.1016/j.jamda.2013.05.010.
13. **Mills, W.L.**, Regev, T., Kunik, M.E., Wilson, N.L., Moye, J., McCullough, L. B., & Naik, A. D. (2014). Making and Executing Decisions for Safe and Independent Living (MED-SAIL): Development and validation of a brief screening tool. *American Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry*, 22(3), 285-293. doi: 10.1016/j.jagp.2012.08.016.
14. Naik, A.D., Horstman, M.D., Li, L.T., Paasche-Orlow, M.D., Campbell, B., **Mills, W.L.**, Herman LI, Anaya, D.A., Trautner, B.W., & Berger, D.H. (2017). User-centered design of a discharge warnings tool for colorectal surgery patients. *Journal of the American Medical Informatics Association*, 24(5), 975-980. doi: 10.1093/jamia/ocx018.
15. Hartmann, C.W., Palmer, J.A., **Mills, W.L.**, Pimentel, C.B., Allen, R.S., Wewiorski, N.J., Dillon, K.R., & Snow, A.L. (2017). Adaptation of a nursing home culture change research instrument for frontline staff quality improvement use. *Psychological Services*, 14(3), 337-346. doi: 10.1037/ser0000137
16. Harrison, J., Tyler, D.A., Shield, R.R., **Mills, W.L.**, Morgan, K.E., Cutty, M.E., Coté, D.L., & Allen, S.M. (2017). An unintended consequence of culture change on timely discharge in VA Community Living Centers. *Journal of the American Medical Directors Association*, 18(4), 320-325. doi: 10.1016/j.jamda.2016.10.006.
17. Horstman, M.J., **Mills, W.L.**, Herman, L.I., Cai, C., Shelton, G., Qdaisat, T., Berger, D.H., & Naik, A.D. (2017). Patient-reported roles for written discharge instructions in post-discharge care: a qualitative study. *BMJ Open*, 7(2):e014842. doi: 10.1136/bmjopen-2016-014842
18. **\*Mills, W.L.**, \*Kunik, M.E., Amspoker, A.B., Cully, J.A., Kraus-Schuman, C., Stanley, M., & Wilson, N.L. (2017). Expanding the geriatric mental health workforce through utilization of non-licensed providers. *Aging and Mental Health*, 21(9), 954-960. doi: 10.1080/13607863.2016.1186150. [\* denotes shared first authorship]
19. **Mills, W.L.**, Pimentel, C., Palmer, J.A., Snow, A.L., Wewiorski, N.J., Allen, R.S., & Hartmann, C.W. (2017). Applying a Theory-Driven Framework to Guide Quality Improvement Efforts in Nursing Homes: The LOCK Model. *The Gerontologist*, 58(3), 598-605. doi: 10.1093/geront/gnx023.

20. **Mills, W.L.**, Ying, J., & Kunik, M.E. (2019). Identifying potential long-stay residents in Veterans Health Administration nursing homes. *Geriatric Nursing*, *40*(1), 51-55. doi: 10.1016/j.gerinurse.2018.06.004
21. Hartmann C.W., **Mills W.L.**, Pimentel C.B., Palmer J.A., Allen R.S., Zhao S., Wewiorski N.J., Sullivan J.L., Dillon K., Clark V., Berlowitz D.R., & Snow A.L. (2019). Impact of intervention to improve nursing home resident-staff interactions and engagement. *The Gerontologist*, *58*(4), e291-e301. doi: 10.1093/geront/gny039
22. **Pimentel, C.B., Mills, W.L.**, Palmer, J.A., Dillon, K., Sullivan, J.S., Wewiorski, N.J., Snow, A.L., Allen, R.S., Hopkins, S.D., & Hartmann, C.W. (2019). Blended facilitation as an effective implementation strategy for quality improvement and research in nursing homes. *Journal of Nursing Care Quality*, *34*(3), 210-216. doi: 10.1097/NCQ.0000000000000376
23. **Mills, W.L.**, Pimentel, C.B., Snow, A.L., Allen, R.S., Wewiorski, N.J., Palmer, J.A., Clark, V., Roland, T.M., McDannold, S.E., & Hartmann, C.W. (2019). Nursing home staff perceptions of barriers and facilitators to implementing a quality improvement intervention. *Journal of the American Medical Directors Association*, *20*(7), 810-815. doi: 10.1016/j.jamda.2019.01.139
24. Muralidharan, A., **Mills, W.L.**, Evans, D.R., Fujii, D., & Molinari, V. (2019). Preparing Long-Term Care Staff to Meet the Needs of Aging Persons with Serious Mental Illness. *Journal of the American Medical Directors Association*, *20*(6), 683-688. doi: 10.1016/j.jamda.2019.03.018
25. Tyler, D.A., Shield, R.R., Harrison, J., **Mills, W.L.**, Morgan, K.E.,...Allen, S.M. (2020). Barriers to a timely discharge from short-term care in VA Community Living Centers. *Journal of Aging and Social Policy*, *(32)*2, 141-156. doi: 10.1080/08959420.2019.1578607.
26. Pimentel, C.B., **Mills, W.L.**, Snow, A.L., Palmer, J.A., Sullivan, J.L., Wewiorski, N.J., & Hartmann, C.W. (2020). Adapting strategies for optimal intervention implementation in nursing homes: A formative evaluation. *The Gerontologist*, *60*(8), 1555-1565. doi: 10.1093/geront/gnaa025
27. **Mills, W.L.**, Kunik, M.E., Kelly, A., Wilson, N.L., Starks, S., Asghar-Ali, A., Curren-Vo, H., & Naik, A.D. (2020). Validation of the MEDSAIL tool to screen for capacity for safe and independent living among nursing home residents. *Journal of the American Medical Directors Association*, *21*(12), 1992-1996. doi: 10.1016/j.jamda.2020.05.008
28. Du, R., Shelton, G., Ledet, C.R., **Mills, W.L.**, Neal-Herman, L., Horstman, M., Trautner, B., Berger, D., Awad, S., & Naik, A.D. (2021). Implementation and feasibility of the Re-Engineered Discharge for Surgery (RED-S) intervention: a pilot study. *Journal for Healthcare Quality*, *43*(2), 92-100. doi: 10.1097/JHQ.0000000000000266
29. Simons, K.V., Bower, E.S., Gillespie, S.M., & **Mills, W.L.** (2021). Care transitions from VA nursing homes: Experiences of social connection and disconnection. *Journal of the American Medical Directors Association*, *22*(3), 682-688. doi: 10.1016/j.jamda.2020.07.029
30. Pimentel, C.B., Clark, V., Baughman, A.W., Berlowitz, D.R., Davila, H., **Mills, W.L.**, Mohr, D.C., Sullivan, J.L., & Hartmann, C.W. (2021). Health Care providers and public reporting nursing home quality in the United States Department of Veterans Affairs: protocol for a mixed methods pilot study. *JMIR Research Protocols*, *10*(7), e23516. doi: 10.2196/23516
31. Madrigal, C., Bower, E., Simons, K., Gillespie, S.M., Van Orden, K., & **Mills, W.L.** (2021). Assessing social functioning during COVID-19 and beyond: tools and considerations for

- nursing home staff. *Journal of the American Medical Directors Association*, S1525-8610(21)00670-8. doi 10.1016/j.jamda.2021.07.022
32. Hartmann, C.W., Engle, R.L., Pimentel, C.B., **Mills, W.L.**, Clark, V.A., Keleher, V.C., Nash, P., Ott, C., Roland, T., Sloup, S., Frank, B., Brady, C., & Snow, A.L. (2021). Virtual external implementation facilitation: Successful methods for remotely engaging groups in quality improvement. *Implementation Science Communications*, 2(1) 66. doi: 10.1186/s43058-021-00168-z.
  33. Madrigal, C., Mogle, J., Abbott, K., **Mills, W.L.**, Fick, D., Scanlon, D., Behrens, L., Eshraghi, K., & Van Haitsma, K. (2022). The association between preference satisfaction and satisfaction with overall care for nursing home residents. *Journal of Aging and Social Policy*, 1-16, Advance online publication. <https://doi.org/10.1080/08959420.2022.2029265>.
  34. Gadbois, E.A., Jimenez, F., Brazier, J.F., Davoodi, N.M., Nunn, A.S., **Mills, W.L.**, Dosa, D., & Thomas, K.S. (2022). Findings from Talking Tech: A technology training pilot intervention to reduce loneliness and social isolation among homebound older adults. *Innovation on Aging*, 6(5), igac040. doi: 10.1093/geroni/igac040. PMID: 35855113; PMCID: PMC9291367.
  35. O'Malley, K.A., Sullivan, J.S., **Mills, W.L.**, Driver, J., & Moye, J. (2023). Trauma-informed care in long-term care settings: From policy to practice. *Gerontologist*, 65(5),803-811.
  36. Madrigal, C., **Mills, W.L.**, Keleher, V., Pimentel, C.B., Hartmann, C.W., Snow, A.L., Camp, C., & Hilgeman, M.M. (2023). A spotlight on adaptation: Pre-implementation of Montessori-based activity programming in long-term care using the Framework for Reporting Adaptations and Modifications-Enhanced (FRAME). *Gerontologist*, 63(3), 589-603.
  37. Sullivan, J.S., Simons, K.V., **Mills, W.L.**, Hilgeman, M.M., Freytes, I.M., Morin, R.T., Bower, E.S., Clark, R., & Byers, A.L. (2023). A paucity of data on Veterans 64 and older and risk of suicide: A systematic review. *American Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry*, 31(7), 525-539.
  38. Davila, H., **Mills, W.L.**, Cark, V., Hartmann, C.W., Sullivan, J.L., Mohr, D.C., Baughman, A.W., Berlowitz, D.R., & Pimentel, C.B. (in press). Quality improvement efforts in VA Community Living Centers following public reporting of performance. *Journal of Aging and Social Policy*.
  39. Hummel, S., Wininger, M., Thomas, K.S., **Mills, W.L.**, & Huang, Y. (2023). A new national strategy for hunger, nutrition, and health: a GOURMET menu for heart failure. *Journal of Cardiac Failure*, 29(9),1311-1313.
  40. Browne, J., Elbogen, E.B., Mueser, K.T., Rudolph, J.L., Wu, W., Philip N.S., **Mills, W.L.**, Sloane, R., & Hall, K.S. (2023). Physical function assessment of older Veterans with serious mental illness. *American Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry*, 31(9), 657-666.
  41. Kennedy, K.A., Corneau, E., Rickard, T., **Mills, W.L.**, & Thomas, K.S. (in press). VA Social Workers Identify Factors Predictive of Enrollment and Variability in Veterans' Access to Aid and Attendance Benefits. *Journal of Gerontological Social Work*.
  42. Browne, J., Elbogen, E.B., Mueser, K.T., Rudolph, J.L., Wu, W.C., Philip, N.S., **Mills, W.L.**, Young, A.S., Sloane, R., & Hall, K.S. (2023). Retention of older Veterans with serious mental illness in a clinical exercise program. *Frontiers in Psychiatry*, 14:1221030.



43. Gadbois, E.A., Bunker, J.N., Hilgeman, M., Shield, R., McAuliff, K.E., **Mills, W.L.**, Thomas, K. (in press). Feasibility of a qualitative sub-study of a pilot home-delivered meals trial for persons with Alzheimer's Disease and related dementias. *Pilot and Feasibility Studies*.
44. Thomas, K.S., Dosa, D.M., Fisher, A., Gadbois, E., Harrison, J., Hilgeman, M., Largent, E.A., Lima, J., McAuliff, K., McCreedy E., **Mills, W.**, Ornstein, K.A., Shield, R.A., Barron, M., Callaghan, S., Clark, K., Culak, C., Faris, V., Frankhauser, A.E., Huerta, S., Krause, K., Martinez, I., Mayer, A., Rodriguez, J., Theilheimer, L., Truelove, W., Wilson, I., & Gutman, R. (in press). Home-delivered meals for people with dementia: Which model delays nursing home placement? Protocol for a feasibility pilot. *Contemporary Clinical Trials*.
45. Celardo, C., Heyworth, L., Harmon, A.R., **Mills, W.L.**, & Cornell, P.Y. (2024). Trends and geographic differences in social work telehealth utilization. *Social Work Health Care*, 63(4-5), 399-13. doi: 10.1080/00981389.2024.2333747. PMID: 38529768.
46. Davila, H., **Mills, W.L.**, Clark, V., Hartmann, C.W., Sullivan, J.L., Mohr, D.C., Baughman, A.W., Berlowitz, D.R., & Pimentel, C.B. (2024). Quality improvement efforts in VA Community Living Centers following public reporting of performance. *Journal of Aging and Social Policy*, 36(1), 118-140. doi: 10.1080/08959420.2023.2196913. PMID: 37014929
47. Hua, C., Halladay, C., Rudolph, J., Celardo, C., Heyworth, L., **Mills, W.L.**, Cornell, P. (2024). Trends and geographic differences in social work telehealth utilization. *Social Work Health Care*, 63(4-5), 399-413. doi: 10.1080/00981389.2024.2333747. PMID: 38529768
48. Kennedy, K.A., Corneau, E., Rickard, T., **Mills, W.L.**, & Thomas, K.S. (2024). VA social workers identify factors predictive of enrollment and variability in Veterans' access to Aid and Attendance benefits. *Journal of Gerontological Social Work*, 67(2), 157-177. doi: 10.1080/01634372.2023.2237086. PMID: 37483074
49. Kennedy, K.A., Snow, L.A., **Mills, W.L.**, Haigh, S., Mochel, A., Curyto, K., Bishop, T., Hartmann, C.W., Camp, C.J., Hilgeman, M.M. (2024). Implementing Montessori approaches after training: A mixed methods study to examine staff understanding and movement towards action. *Dementia (London)*, 23(7), 1126-1151. doi: 10.1177/14713012241263712. PMID: 39039035
50. Hilgeman, M.M., Haigh, S.V., Western, E., Varnado, N., Bishop, T.K., Key, J., Hollingsworth, D.W., Stevens, A., Wilkins, J., Zaneski, L., McGriff, T., & **Mills, W.L.** (in press). Equity and inclusion for LGBTQ+ Residents: Lessons learned from the initial Long-Term Care Quality Index (LEI). *Journal of the American Medical Directors Association*, 25(11), 105215. doi: 10.1016/j.jamda.2024.105215.

### **Manuscripts Under Review**

none

### **Manuscripts in Preparation**

1. **Mills, W.L.**, Kunik, M.E., & Naik, A.D. (in preparation). Conceptualization of a theory of capacity for safe and independent living in older adults.

2. Madrigal, C.B., Naik, A.D., Kiefer, L., Kunik, M.E., & **Mills, W.L.** (in preparation). *A qualitative study examining the relationship between preferences and capacity among nursing home residents.*
3. **Mills, W.L.**, Madrigal, C.B., Kiefer, L., Kunik, M.E., & Naik, A.D. (in preparation). *Nursing home staff conceptualization of capacity for safe and independent living.*
4. **Mills, W.L.**, Madrigal, C.B., Kiefer, L., Kunik, M.E., & Naik, A.D. (in preparation). *Assessment of capacity in nursing home residents.*

## **BOOKS AND BOOK CHAPTERS**

1. Hyer, L., Molinari, V., **Mills, W.L.**, & Yeager, C. (2008). Older adults: Personologic assessment and treatment, in T. Millon & C. Bloom (eds.) *Personalized Clinical Assessment: A Practitioner's Guide to the Millon Inventories* (2<sup>nd</sup> ed.). Bakersfield, CA: Guilford Press.
2. **Mills, W.L.** & Naik, A.D. (2018). Making and Executing Decisions for Safe and Independent Living (MEDSAIL): A Screening Tool for Community-Dwelling Older Adults, in: M.R. Day, G. McCarthy, & J.J. Fitzpatrick (Ed.), *Self-Neglect in Older Adults a Global, Evidence-Based Resource for Nurses and Other Healthcare Providers* (Chapter 21, p. 303-314) New York: Springer.

## **OTHER NON-PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS**

1. Molinari, V., Merritt, S., & **Mills, W.** (2005). *Serious mental illness in Florida nursing homes: Interviews with stakeholders.* Tampa: University of South Florida. Submitted to the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration.
2. Molinari, V., Street, D., Hyer, K., Becker, M., Merritt, S., & **Mills, W.** (2006). *Comprehensive report on serious mental illness in Florida nursing homes.* Tampa: University of South Florida. Submitted to the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration.
3. **Mills, W. L.** (2006). *The path to affordable assisted living: Lessons from the field.* Tampa: Florida Policy Exchange Center on Aging. Submitted to the Florida Department of Elder Affairs.
4. Salmon, J. R. & **Mills, W. L.** (2006). *Gulfport Communities for a Lifetime focus groups: Final report.* Tampa: Florida Policy Exchange Center on Aging. Submitted to the City of Gulfport, Florida.
5. **Mills, W. L.** (2007). *Coming Home Program case study evaluations of 13 affordable assisted living facilities in Florida.* Tampa: Florida Policy Exchange Center on Aging. Submitted to the Florida Department of Elder Affairs.
6. Molinari, V. A., Chiriboga, D. A., Hyer, K., Branch, L. Schonfeld, L., Kos, L., **Mills, W. L.**, et al. (2010). *Reasons for psychiatric medication prescription for new nursing home residents.* Tampa, FL: Louis de la Parte Florida Mental Health Institute. University of South Florida. Submitted to the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration.
7. **Mills, W.L.** & Kunik, M.E. (November 2011). The critical role of caregivers providing care to veterans with dementia. *VA Forum.*

8. **Mills, W.L.** (2012). Should I Stay or Should I Go?: Conversations about Transitions from Long-Term Care to the Community. *Medical Encounter*, 26(2), 35-37.
9. **Mills, W.L.**, Page, K., Farrell, T.W., Catlin, C., Dumas, P.,...Moye, J. (2019). *Everyday Capacity Challenges in Community Living Centers and Home-Based Primary Care Handout*. (VHA EES Assessment of Decision Making Capacity Handout Series). Washington, DC: VHA Employee Education System.
10. Page, K., Farrell, T.W., **Mills, W.L.**, Catlin, C., Dumas, P.,...Moye, J. (2019). *Capacity 101 Handout*. (VHA EES Assessment of Decision Making Capacity Handout Series). Washington, DC: VHA Employee Education System.
11. Catlin, C., Farrell, T.W., Page, K., Morrow, A., **Mills, W.L.**,...Moye, J. (2019). *Incapacitated, Socially Isolated Veterans in Need of Surrogates (“Unbefriended”) Handout*. (VHA EES Assessment of Decision Making Capacity Handout Series). Washington DC: VHA Employee Education System.
12. Farrell, T.W., Catlin, C., **Mills, W.L.**, Page, K., Dumas, P.,...Moye, J. (2019). *Capacity to Consent to Medical Treatment Handout*. (VHA EES Assessment of Decision Making Capacity Handout Series). Washington DC: VHA Employee Education System.
13. Farrell, T.W., Page, K., **Mills, W.L.**, Catlin, C., Dumas, P.,...Moye, J. (2019). *Capacity to Appoint a Health Care Agent Handout*. (VHA EES Assessment of Decision Making Capacity Handout Series). Washington DC: VHA Employee Education System.
14. Page, K., Guzman, J., **Mills, W.L.**, Farrell, T.W., Catlin, C.,...Moye, J. (2019). *Assessment of the Capacity to Live Independently Handout*. (VHA EES Assessment of Decision Making Capacity Handout Series). Washington DC: VHA Employee Education System.
15. Page, K., **Mills, W.L.**, Farrell, T.W., Catlin, C., Dumas, P.,...Moye, J. (2019). *Financial Capacity, Financial Exploitation, and Undue Influence Handout*. (VHA EES Assessment of Decision Making Capacity Handout Series). Washington DC: VHA Employee Education System.
16. Farrell, T.W., Page, K., **Mills, W.L.**, Catlin, C., Dumas, P.,...Moye, J. (2019). *Capacity and Fitness to Drive a Motor Vehicle Handout*. (VHA EES Assessment of Decision Making Capacity Handout Series). Washington DC: VHA Employee Education System.
17. Solberg, L., Ritchey, K., Kiefer, L., Madrigal, C., **Mills, W.L.**, Martinez, E., Church, K., Penumudi, B., Herring, V., Haq, N., Arceneaux, L., Citty, S., & Naik, A. (2021). Integrating Age-Friendly and Patient Priorities Care into Community Living Centers: Gainesville GRECC and Puget Sound GRECC. Washington DC: Geriatrics Research Education and Clinical Centers Forum on Aging.
18. Hysong, S.J., Naik, A.D., **Mills, W.L.**, Godwin, K.M., Bryan, J.L., Gregory, M.E., Walder, A., Brown, C. David, E. Metoyer, C., Hernandez, A. (2016). *VA Advanced Fellowships in Health Services Research: A Program Evaluation*. Final Report, SuDoc # VA 1.2:F 33. Washington, DC. U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Pp. 1-52. Available: <https://purl.fdlp.gov/GPO/gpo80128>.

## PRESENTATIONS

### Invited

1. **Mills, W.L.** (Summer, 2012). Transitions of Care Seminar Series. Presentations to the Texas Consortium of Geriatric Education Centers, Houston, TX.
2. **Mills, W.L.** (February, 2017). *Introduction to the CLC Research Interest Group*. Presentation to the Geriatrics Research, Education, and Clinical Center Directors, Department of Veterans Affairs.
3. Fujii, D., Evans, D., Muralidharan, A., & **Mills, W.L.** (July, 2017). *Caring for Veterans with Serious Mental Illness in the Community Living Center: Team Feedback, Staff Education Toolkit, and Work Group Recommendations*. Presentation to VA Community Living Center Mental Health Providers, Department of Veterans Affairs.
4. **Mills, W.L.** (June, 2019). *Implementing the Behavioral Activities Intervention (BE-ACTIV) to reduce VA nursing home resident depression*. Presentation to the VA Affiliation Partnership Council Annual Conference, Providence, RI.
5. **Mills, W.L.** (August, 2019). *CLC staff conceptualization of decision-making capacity*. Presentation to the Geriatrics and Extended Care Seminar Series, Department of Veterans Affairs.
6. **Mills, W.L.** (October, 2019). *Introduction to the RIVULET*. Presentation to the VA CLC Research Interest Group, Department of Veterans Affairs.
7. **Mills, W.L.** (August, 2020). *Network Update*. Presentation to the VA Long-Term Services and Supports Research Network, Department of Veterans Affairs.
8. **Mills, W.L.** (June, 2021). *High level view of implementation science and potential relationship to education research*. Grantwriting and Mentoring in Education Research (GAMER) Workshop, virtual.
9. **Mills, W.L.** (September, 2021). *Network Update*. Presentation to the VA Long-Term Services and Supports Research Network, Department of Veterans Affairs.
10. **Mills, W.L.** (May, 2022). *Diversity in Research*. Presentation to Providence VA Research Week, Providence VA Medical Center, Providence, RI.
11. **Mills, W.L.** (October, 2022). *Network Update*. Presentation to the VA Long-Term Services and Supports Research Network, Department of Veterans Affairs.
12. **Mills, W.L.** (November, 2022). *Introduction to BE-ACTIV (VA)*. Presentation to VA Community Living Center Mental Health Providers, Department of Veterans Affairs.
13. **Mills, W.L.** (January, 2023). *Proactive Application of the Implementation Planning Tool*. Presentation to the VA HSR&D Implementation Research Collaborative Cyberseminar Series, Department of Veterans Affairs.

## **Regional**

1. Simons, K., Kerr, N., & **Mills, W.L.** (September, 2018). The social and environmental context of care transitions: Supporting older Veterans' well-being. Paper presented at the New York State Suicide Prevention Conference, Albany, NY.
2. **Mills, W.L.**, Pimentel, C.B., Palmer, J.A., Snow, A.L., ...Hartmann, C.W. (May, 2019). Formative evaluation of the implementation of a quality improvement framework in nursing

homes. Paper presented at the Center for Health Services Training and Research (CoHSTAR) 2019 Implementation Science Institute, Providence, RI.

## National

1. Bergman, E. J., & **Mills, W. L.** (February, 2006). *Student Perspectives of Teaching and Professional Development Best Practices Within an Interdisciplinary Aging Studies Program*. Workshop presented at the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education Annual Scientific Meeting, Indianapolis, Indiana.
2. Molinari, V., Merritt, S., **Mills, W. L.**, Chiriboga, D., Conboy, A., Hyer, K., & Becker, M. (August, 2006). *Serious Mental Illness (SMI) in Florida Nursing Homes: Interviews with Stakeholders*. Symposium presentation at APA Convention, New Orleans, Louisiana.
3. **Mills, W. L.** (November, 2006). *The Path to Affordable Assisted Living: Lessons from the Field*. Poster presented at Gerontological Society of America Annual Meeting, Orlando, Florida.
4. Molinari, V. & **Mills, W. L.** (November, 2006). *Personality Disorders in the Context of Long-Term Care*. Paper presented at Gerontological Society of America Annual Meeting, Dallas, Texas.
5. **Mills, W. L.**, Molinari, V., Merritt, S., Chiriboga, D., Conboy, A., Hyer, K, & Becker, M. (November, 2007). *Serious mental illness in Florida nursing homes: Interviews with residents, family, and staff*. Poster presented at the Gerontological Society of America Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California.
6. Molinari, V. & **Mills, W. L.** (August, 2008). *Personality Disorders in the Context of Long-Term Care*. Symposium presented at American Psychological Association Annual Convention, Boston, Massachusetts.
7. Maier, J. & **Mills, W. L.** (November 2008; co-chair). *Music-Based Interventions and the Resilience of Persons with Dementia: Practical Applications, Outcomes, and Future Directions*. Symposium presented at Gerontological Society of America Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.
8. Brown, L. M., **Mills, W.**, & Schinka, J. A. (August, 2009). *Cognitive Change in Normal Elderly: Self-report versus Informant 3CL Ratings*. Paper presentation at the 117th Annual Meeting of the American Psychological Association, Toronto, Canada.
9. **Mills, W. L.**, Molinari, V., McEvoy, C., Edwards, J. D., Hyer, L., Gommonley, D., & Brown, L. M. (November, 2010). *Personality and adjustment to assisted living*. Poster presented at the Gerontological Society of America Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
10. Brown, L. M., **Mills, W. L.**, Toyinbo, P.A. (August, 2011). *Seniors helping seniors prepare for disasters: A peer-to-peer model*. Symposium presented at American Psychological Association Annual Convention, Washington, DC.
11. **Mills, W. L.**, Molinari, V., McEvoy, C., Edwards, J. D., Hyer, L., Gammonley, D., & Brown, L. M. (November, 2011). *Personality as a predictor of adjustment to assisted living*. In N. G. Castle (Chair), *Relationship of lifestyles in long-term care settings with quality of life and quality of*

- care*. Symposium presented at the Gerontological Society of America Annual Meeting, Boston, MA.
12. **Mills, W. L.**, Regev, T., Kunik, M. E., Wilson, N. L., Moye, J., McCullough, L. B., & Naik, A. D. (November, 2011). *A screening tool for capacity to live safely and independently in the community*. Poster presented at the Gerontological Society of America Annual Meeting, Boston, MA.
  13. **Mills, W. L.**, Roush, R., Moye, J., Kunik, M. E., Cassidy, K., Taffet, G. E., & Naik, A. D. (November 2011). *Identifying risk for elder investment fraud and financial exploitation: Clinician's pocket guide*. Poster presented at the Gerontological Society of America Annual Meeting, Boston, MA.
  14. **Mills, W. L.**, Regev, T., Kunik, M. E., Wilson, N. L., Moye, J., McCullough, L. B., & Naik, A. D. (May 2012). *A screening tool for capacity to live safely and independently in the community*. Poster presented at the Presidential Poster Session at the Annual Meeting of the American Geriatrics Society, Seattle, WA.
  15. **Mills, W. L.**, June, A., Moye, J., Mulligan, B., Jahn, A., King, K., et al. (May 2012). *Intensity and impact of pain in military veterans following cancer treatment*. Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Geriatrics Society, Seattle, WA.
  16. Li, L.T., **Mills, W.L.**, Gutierrez, A.M., Herman, L.I., Naik, A.D., & Berger, D.H. (2012). *A Patient-Centered Early Warning System to Prevent Readmission after Colorectal Surgery: A National Consensus Using the Delphi Method*. Paper presented at the American Surgical Conference Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
  17. Godwin, K., **Mills, W.L.**, Anderson, J., & Kunik, M.E. (March 2013). *The Efficacy of Interactive Technology Interventions for Caregivers of Persons with Dementia: A Systematic Review*. Poster presented at the Society of Behavioral Medicine Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.
  18. Li L.T., **Mills W.L.**, Gutierrez A.M., Herman L.I., Berger D.H., & Naik A.D. (May 2013). *A Patient-Centered Early Warning System to Prevent Readmission after Colorectal Surgery: A National Consensus Using the Delphi Method*. Poster presented at the annual American Geriatric Society Conference.
  19. **Mills, W.L.**, Snow, A.L., Wilson, N.L., Naik, A.D., & Kunik, M.E. (November 2013). *Model to integrate everyday competence in planning transitions from nursing homes to the community*. Poster presented at The Gerontological Society of America annual meeting, New Orleans, LA.
  20. Wisniewski, K.M., Eichorst, M.K., Allen, R.S., Halli, A., **Mills, W.L.**, & Naik, A.D. (November 2013). *Decision Making Capacity and Social Support among Community-Dwelling Older Adults*. Poster presented at the Gerontological Society of America annual meeting, New Orleans, LA.
  21. Naik A.D., Campbell B., Li L.T., Paasche-Orlow M.K., **Mills W.L.**, et al. (July 2015). *Adaptation and Implementation of an Evidence Based Intervention to Reduce Readmissions Following Major Abdominal Surgery*. Poster presented at the Department of Veterans Affairs Health Services Research & Development/Quality Enhancement Research Initiative National Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

22. Hartmann, C.W., Allen, R.S., **Mills, W.L.**, ... Snow, A.L. (November 2015). *Developing a Research Tool and Adapting it for Clinical and Performance Measurement Needs*. Paper presented at the Gerontological Society of America annual meeting, Orlando, FL.
23. Horstman, M.J., **Mills, W.L.**, Herman, L.I., ... Naik, A.D. (March 2016). *Patient experience with discharge instructions in post-operative recovery*. Poster presented at the Society for Hospital Medicine annual meeting, San Diego, CA.
24. Pimentel, C., **Mills, W.L.**, Snow, A.L., Wewiorski, N., ... Hartmann, C. (November 2016). *Theory-Based Formative Evaluation of an Innovative Nursing Home Quality Improvement Intervention*. Paper presented at the Gerontological Society of America annual meeting, New Orleans, LA.
25. **Mills, W.L.**, Ying, J., & Kunik, M.E. (November 2016). *Who becomes long-stay residents in VA Community Living Centers?* Poster presented at the Gerontological Society of America annual meeting, New Orleans, LA.
26. **Mills, W.L.** (chair), Hughes, J., Thomas, K., & Hilgeman, M. (November 2016). *Professional development symposium: Career paths in VA Medical Centers*. Symposium presented at the Gerontological Society of America annual meeting, New Orleans, LA.
27. **Mills, W.L.**, Naik, A.D., Catic, A. (May 2017). *Acceptability and Feasibility of a BPSD ECHO Program in VA LTC Facilities and State Veterans Homes*. Poster presented at the American Geriatrics Society annual meeting, San Antonio, TX.
28. **Mills, W.L.**, Pimentel, C.B., Palmer, J.A., Snow, A.L., ... Hartmann, C.W. (June 2017). *Development of a theory-driven framework to guide quality improvement efforts in nursing homes: the LOCK model*. Poster presented at the Academy Health Annual Research Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
29. **Mills, W.L.**, Pimentel, C.B., Palmer, J.A., Snow, A.L., ... Hartmann, C.W. (July 2017). *Formative evaluation of a new theory-driven framework to guide quality improvement in community living centers*. Poster presented at the 2017 HSR&D/QUERI National Conference, Crystal City, MD.
30. Pimentel, C.B., **Mills, W.L.**, Snow, A.L., Palmer, J.A., ... Hartmann, C.W. (July 2017). *Blended facilitation to support implementation efforts in VHA community living centers*. Poster presented at the 2017 HSR&D/QUERI National Conference, Crystal City, MD.
31. Pimentel, C.B., **Mills, W.L.**, Hartmann, C.W., & Snow, A.L. (August 2017). *How to build a culture of quality improvement focused on the positive*. Workshop presented at the Pioneer Network Conference, Rosemont, IL.
32. Hartmann, C.W., **Mills, W.L.**, Pimentel, C.B., Palmer, J.A., Allen, R.S., Zhao, S., Wewiorski, N.J., Berlowitz, D., & Snow, A.L. (June 2018). *Impact of evidence-based blended-facilitation intervention to improve nursing home resident-staff interactions and resident engagement*. Poster presented at Academy Health Annual Research Meeting, Seattle, WA.
33. **Mills, W.L.**, Hartmann, C.W., Snow, A.L., & Pimentel, C.B. (August 2018). *How to build a culture of quality improvement focused on the positive*. Workshop presented at the Pioneer Network Conference, Denver, CO.

34. Hartmann, C.W., **Mills, W.L.**, Pimentel, C.B., Palmer, J.A.,... & Snow, A.L. (November 2018). *Enhancing staff-resident interactions through a frontline staff quality improvement intervention*. Paper presented at the Gerontological Society of America Annual Meeting, Boston, MA.
35. **Mills, W.L.**, Ying, J., & Kunik, M.E. (November 2018). Delayed discharge in Veterans Affairs Nursing Homes. In K. Simons (Chair), *Veterans experiences with care transitions from VA nursing homes to the community*. Symposium presented at the Gerontological Society of America Annual Meeting, Boston, MA.
36. Muralidharan, A., **Mills, W.L.**, Evans, D., Fujii, D., Molinari, V. (March 2019). *Staff training needs regarding older adults with serious mental illness in nursing homes*. Paper presented at the American Association for Geriatric Psychiatry Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA.
37. **Mills, W.L.**, Kunik, M.E., Kiefer, L., Curren-Vo, H., Mochel, A., & Naik, A.D. (November 2019). *A qualitative study of nursing home staff conceptualization of everyday decision-making capacity*. Poster presented at the Gerontological Society of America Annual Meeting, Austin, TX.
38. **Mills, W.L.**, Kerr, N., & Simons, K. (November 2019). *The importance of creating shared expectations following nursing home discharge*. Poster presented at the Gerontological Society of America Annual Meeting, Austin, TX.
39. Simons, K., **Mills, W.L.**, Bower, E., Gillespie, S., & Van Orden, K. (November 2019). *Social functioning as an important clinical target during care transitions from skilled nursing facilities*. Poster presented at the Gerontological Society of America Annual Meeting, Austin, TX.
40. Madrigal, C.M., Jiang, L., **Mills, W.L.**, Wu, W-C., Berish, D.E., Roberts, T., Van Haitisma, K., & Rudolph, J. (November 2020). *Predictors of Everyday Care Preference Importance Ratings for Veterans Living in the Nursing Home Setting*. Poster accepted for presentation at the Gerontological Society of America Annual Meeting, virtual.
41. **Mills, W.L.**, Kunik, M.E., Kelly, P.A., Wilson, N.L., Starks, S., Asghar-Ali, A., Naik, A.D. (November 2020). *Validation of the MEDSAIL tool to screen for capacity to live safely and independently in nursing home residents*. Paper presented at the Gerontological Society of America Annual Meeting, virtual.
42. Davila, H., **Mills, W.L.**, Clark, V., Hartmann, C., Mohr, D., Berlowitz, D., Baughman, A., & Pimentel, C. (June 2021) *Quality improvement activities in VA Community Living Centers increased following public reporting of performance information*. Poster accepted for presentation at the AcademyHealth Research Meeting, virtual.
43. **Mills, W.L.**, Thomas, K.S., Huang, Y., Wininger, M., & Hummel, S. (December 2022) *Proactive application of the Implementation Planning Assessment Tool in a multi-site VA clinical trial*. In A. Nevedal (Chair), *Breaking new ground by integrating an implementation planning assessment tool to optimize clinical trials within Veterans Health Administration*. Symposium presented at the Annual Conference on the Science of Dissemination and Implementation in Health, Washington, D.C.



## GRANTS

### Current Grants

1. Mills (PI). Department of Veterans Affairs Health Services Research & Development Merit Review Award: "Implementing the Behavioral Activities Intervention (BE-ACTIV) to Reduce Depression among Veterans in Community Living Centers" (I01 HX002775), 3/1/2020-9/30/2025, \$1,194,473.
2. Hilgeman (PI). Site PI. Department of Veterans Affairs Health Services Research & Development Merit Review Award: "Montessori Approaches in Person-Centered Care (MAP-VA): An Effectiveness-Implementation Trial in Community Living Centers" (I01 HX03093), 3/1/2021-2/28/2025, \$1,324,315.
3. Mills (Director). Department of Veterans Affairs Office of Academic Affiliations Advanced Fellowship in Health Services Research at Providence VA Medical Center (3K112021B), 10/1/2021-n.d., approximately \$515,148 annually.
4. Hartmann (PI). Site PI. Department of Veterans Affairs Health Services Research & Development Merit Review Award: "Pragmatic trial to increase quality of care in State Veterans Homes: Improving safety using an evidence-based, frontline staff huddling practice" (I01 HX003420), pending, \$1,598,114.
5. Mills (PI). Department of Veterans Affairs Cooperative Studies Program Award: "Geriatric Out-of-hospital Randomized MEal Trial in heart failure: Veterans Affairs (GOURMET-VA) Implementation Evaluation" (CSP 2025), pending.

### Completed Grants

1. Allen (PI). Co-Investigator. Department of Veterans Affairs Health Services Research & Development: "Increasing Veterans' Use of Community-Based LTC via Timely Discharge from VA CLCs" (CRE 12-036), 1/1/2013-12/31/2015.
2. Hartmann (PI). Co-Investigator. Department of Veterans Affairs Health Services Research & Development: "Developing and Implementing a Toolkit for Measuring CLC Cultural Transformation" (CRE 11-349), 1/1/2014-12/31/2016, \$869,200.
3. Naik (PI). Co-Investigator. Department of Veterans Affairs QUERI Rapid Response Proposal: "Formative Evaluation of a Veteran-Centered Post-Surgical Discharge Intervention" (RRP 12-532), 3/1/2014-2/28/2015, \$98,400.
4. Naik & Hysong (PIs). Co-Investigator. Department of Veterans Affairs Health Services Research & Development: "A Coordinated Approach to HSR&D Fellowships Training", 1/1/2015-12/31/2015, \$229,000.
5. Catic (PI). Co-Investigator. VA South Central MIRECC Pilot Study Program: "An Echo Program for the Behavioral and Psychological Symptoms of Dementia", 1/1/2016-12/31/2016.

6. Mills (PI). Department of Veterans Affairs Rehabilitation Research & Development: "Validation of a Tool to Screen Everyday Competence in VA Nursing Home Residents" (supplement), 1/1/2016-12/31/2016, \$35,938.
7. Kolanowski, Rudolph, Shaughnessy (PIs). Co-Investigator. Research, Education, Caregiving, Alzheimer's & Living (RECALL) Foundation: "The NHCGNE Geriatric Nursing Leadership Training Program for Optimizing Quality in Long-Term Care", 9/1/2018-8/31/2019, \$91,850.
8. Gadbois (PI). Co-Investigator. Meals on Wheels America: "Technology intervention to address social isolation pilot", 12/01/2018-12/31/2019, \$75,000.
9. Gadbois (PI). Co-Investigator. Brown School of Public Health Seed Grant: "Evaluating Senior Center Without Walls", 1/1/2019-12/31/2019, \$20,000.
10. Pimentel (PI). Co-Investigator. Department of Veterans Affairs Health Services Research & Development Merit Review Pilot Project Program: "Healthcare Providers and Public Reporting of Community Living Center (CLC) Quality: Investigating Responses and Opportunities for Intervention through the PROACTIVE Mixed-Methods Study" (I21 HX002765), 1/1/2019-12/31/2019, \$99,800.
11. Mills (PI). Department of Veterans Affairs Rehabilitation Research & Development Career Development Award: "Improving Veteran Transitions from VA Community Living Centers to the Community" (1K2RX001241), 10/1/2014-2/28/2020, \$900,700.
12. Thomas (PI). Co-Investigator. NIH R61: "Home-Delivered Meals for Persons with Dementia: Which Model Delays Nursing Home Placement?" (R61AG070170), 9/30/2020-8/31/2021, \$823,497.
13. Madrigal (PI). Mentor. Providence VA Medical Center, Center for Innovation in Long-Term Services & Supports Pilot Program: "Developing a Pragmatic Measure to Assess the Person-centeredness of Care Plans in VA Community Living Centers", 10/1/2020-9/30/2021, \$10,779.
14. Wu (PI). Co-Investigator. Department of Veterans Affairs Health Services Research & Development Implementation Supplement: "Implementation Trial Evaluating On-Site In-Person Versus Remote Video-Assisted Facilitation to Train Providers on the Implementation of CHF SMA" (IRP 20-003), 2/01/2020-1/30/2022, \$299,417.
15. Cornell (PI). Co-Investigator. Department of Veterans Affairs Quality Enhancement Research Initiative (QUERI) Partnered Research Initiative: "Maximizing Effectiveness of Case Management in Primary Care for Rural Veterans" (I50 HX002647), 10/1/2019-9/30/2022, \$448,708.
16. Mills (PI). Department of Veterans Affairs Health Services Research & Development Research to Impact for Veterans Award: "Research Impacting Veterans Using LTSS and Experiencing Transitions (RIVULET)" (RVR 19-482), 7/1/2019-6/30/2024, \$520,000.
17. Mills (PI). Department of Veterans Affairs Office of Research & Development Summer Research Program Pilot Award: "Providence VAMC Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) Program" (SRP-009-22S), 5/31/2022-9/30/2024, \$142,485.

**UNIVERSITY TEACHING AND MENTORING ROLES**

2006	Instructor	Sociocultural Aspects of Aging, School of Aging Studies, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL
2006, 2008	Instructor	Psychology of Aging, School of Aging Studies, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL
2007	Instructor	Introduction to Gerontology, School of Aging Studies, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL
2011-2014	Mentor	Rice-Baylor College of Medicine Health, Humanism, & Society Scholars Program, Houston, TX Rohini Sigireddi Amol Utrankar
2012	Instructor	Enhancing Implementation Science in VA (Novice Track – Houston Site Lead), Department of Veterans Affairs
2012 – 2013	Assistant Curriculum Director	Foundations in Health Services Research Seminar Series, Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center, Houston, TX
2013, 2014	Lecture	Transitions of Care lecture, Geriatrics Immersion Course for Physician Assistant and Physician Fellows Programs, Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center, Houston, TX
2015	Lecture	Career Development Award Application Process, Foundations in Health Services Research, Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center, Houston, TX
2019 -	Mentor	Advanced Fellowship in Health Services Research, Center of Innovation in Long-Term Services & Supports, Providence VA Medical Center Caroline Madrigal, PhD, RN (Primary, 2019-) Katherine Kennedy, PhD (Primary, 2021-); VISN 1 CDA Awarded 2023 Cassandra Hua, PhD (2022-2023)  Career Development Award Applicants Kelly O'Malley, PhD (2021-); VISN 1 CDA Awarded 2023 Portia Cornell, PhD (2020-); HSR&D CDA-2 Awarded 2022 Julia Browne, PhD (2022-); RR&D CDA-2 Awarded 2023 Matthew Howe, MD (2024-); VISN 1 CDA Applicant
2020 -	Thesis Reader	Master of Public Health, Brown University Erin Brown (2020-2021) Julie Gokhale (2022-2023)

2020 - Co-Lead Blythe Chen (2024-)  
CORNERSTONE (group mentoring for LTSS CDA applicants)  
Emma Quach, PhD (2020-); HSR&D CDA-2 Awarded  
2023  
Emily Franzosa, PhD (2020-); HSR&D CDA-2 Awarded  
2022  
Marva Foster, PhD (2022-)  
Princess Nash, PhD (2022-); HSR&D Diversity  
Supplement Awarded 2023