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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of California San Diego, Herbert Wertheim School of Public Health and Human Longevity Science	La Jolla, CA
<i>Assistant Professor (Tenure-Track)</i>	August 2026 – Present

EDUCATION

Brown University, School of Public Health	Providence, RI
Ph.D., Health Services Research (Concentration: Health Economics)	2022-2026
Cornell University, Joan & Sanford I. Weill Medical College	New York, NY
M.S., Health Policy & Economics	2021
Ewha Womans University	Seoul, South Korea
M.S.W., Social Welfare Policy	2010
Hankuk University of Foreign Studies	Seoul, South Korea
B.A., Russian	2008

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Brown University School of Public Health	Providence, RI
<i>PhD Admissions Committee</i>	October 2025 – June 2026
interRAI	Ontario, Canada
<i>Trainee of the interRAI network international data and methods program (inSPIRe)</i>	July 2024
Brown University School of Public Health	Providence, RI
<i>Research Assistant</i>	September 2022 – June 2026
Brown University School of Public Health	Providence, RI
<i>Student Ambassador</i>	September 2023 – July 2025
Cornell University, Joan & Sanford I. Weill Medical College	New York, NY
<i>Research Assistant</i>	September 2019 – May 2021
National Health Insurance Service (NHIS)	South Korea
Long-Term Care (LTC) Reimbursement and Utilization Division	May 2021 – June 2026
<i>Research Analyst, Project Manager</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Conducted analyses for an initiative to restructure the national LTC insurance system in Korea in cooperation with the Ministry of Health and Welfare.	
National Health Insurance Service (NHIS)	South Korea
LTC Claims Review Division	August 2016 – September 2019
<i>Project Manager</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Published the first compendium of reports on “<i>The Changing History of Long-term Care Policy Norms for Inspection (2008-2018)</i>” for the division in charge of reimbursement and inspections, resulting in the second edition. Additionally, I published the first manual on computer software for NHIS fraud investigators.Built a software package for automated detection of fraudulent claims and calculation of expected recovery amounts. It reduced the mean time spent on recovery amount calculation from two days to two hours.Led an independent internal research project on “<i>Fraud Investigation Policy in Five Countries: Korea, the United States, the United Kingdom, Germany, and Japan</i>” which resulted in meetings with U.S. officials in Washington, D.C. and New York City.Led a Korean delegation to the United States for meetings with the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Justice to discuss LTC fraud investigation systems.Represented the LTC division at the NHIS’ annual policy forum in 2017 and 2018.	

National Health Insurance Service (NHIS)

LTC Field Office in Seoul

Care Manager

South Korea

May 2014 – July 2016

- Examined physical and cognitive status of beneficiaries over 65 years old and assigned a care grade for services covered by the national LTC insurance plan.
- Monitored the quality of care received by 60 beneficiaries and ensured that proper services were provided based on their physical and cognitive status.
- Conducted inspections of LTC facilities for compliance with federal regulations.

Korean Society for the Rehabilitation of Persons with Disabilities

Program Manager

South Korea

January 2010 – May 2014

- Coordinated research on national policy for persons with disabilities and organized an annual policy conference (Rehabilitation International, RI Korea) consisting of researchers and government officials.
- Evaluated the impact of the government's National 5-Year Plan for the Welfare of Disabled People, which was the first policy initiative of its kind for the private sector in South Korea. Organized a press conference at the National Assembly after the evaluation was completed; results were featured in major news outlets.
- Led an *Emergency Help 911* program for people with disabilities and urgent financial/health crisis. Initiated a scholarship/mentorship program *Dream School* for adolescents with disabilities.

Sakha Korean School of the Russian Federation

Russia

September 2005 – August 2006

AWARDS

ASHEcon Diversity Scholarship. American Society of Health Economists.	2025
Nora Kahn Piore Award. Health Services Research Award. Brown School of Public Health.	2023
Award for Academic Excellence. Weill Cornell Medicine, Cornell University.	2021
Best Capstone Presentation. Weill Cornell Medicine, Cornell University.	2020
Presidential Scholarship. Hankuk University of Foreign Studies.	2007
Distinction Scholarship. Hankuk University of Foreign Studies.	2007
Distinction Scholarship. Hankuk University of Foreign Studies.	2005
Extramural Scholarship. Hankuk University of Foreign Studies.	2004
Distinction Scholarship. Hankuk University of Foreign Studies.	2004
Distinction Scholarship. Hankuk University of Foreign Studies.	2003

RESEARCH FUNDING

Title: Estimating the Effects of Medicare Advantage on the Health of Aging Population in Nursing Homes

Role: Principal Investigator

Funder: NIA (F99/K00)

Project Period: October 2025 – June 2029

Title: Hospital-to-SNF Transitions of Care in Patients with End-Stage Kidney Disease.

Role: Co-Investigator (September 2026 – August 2030)

Funder: NDDK (R01)

Project Period: September 2025 – August 2030

PUBLICATIONS

1. Kim M, **Yun H**, Jeon H. Comparative Study of Investigation Policy for Long-Term Care Facilities: Cases from Japan and Germany. *Journal of the Korea Contents Association*. (In Press)
2. **Yun H**, Jung H, Kosar C, Hull P, Unruh MA. State Medicaid Bed-Hold Policies and Hospitalizations and ED Visits Among Long-Stay Nursing Home Residents. *JAMA Health Forum*. 2026;7(7):e262226.

doi:10.1001/jamahealthforum.2026.2226

3. **Yun H**, Park J, Unruh MA, Jung HY. Nursing Home Obesity Prevalence and Associated Facility Characteristics. *Journal of the American Geriatrics Society* (2026): <https://doi.org/10.1111/jgs.70568>
4. Ghosh AK, Unruh MA, Jung H, **Yun H**, Sterling MR. Exposure to Hurricane-Related Flooding and Outcomes of Home Health Care Patients. *JAMA Health Forum*. 2026;7(6):e261758. doi:10.1001/jamahealthforum.2026.1758
5. **Yun H**, Rahman M, Meyers D, McGarry B, Mor V, Jung HY, Kosar C. Medicare Advantage Enrollment in Nursing Homes: 2010–2023. *Journal of the American Geriatrics Society* (2025): 1–6, <https://doi.org/10.1111/jgs.70206>
6. **Yun H**, Unruh MA, Qian Y, Zhang Y, Jung H. Clinicians Who Practice Primarily in Nursing Homes and the Quality of Care for Residents With Alzheimer Disease and Related Dementias. *JAMA Health Forum*. 2025;6(8):e252465. doi:10.1001/jamahealthforum.2025.2465
7. **Yun H**, Rahman M, McGarry B, White EM, Meyers DJ, Kosar CM. Disenrollment From Special Needs and Other Medicare Advantage Plans Among Nursing Home Residents. *JAMA Network Open*. 2025;8(7):e2523973. doi:10.1001/jamanetworkopen.2025.23973
8. Kim S, **Yun H**, Zhang Y, Jang S, Unruh MA, Jung HY. Physicians Who Provide Primary Care in U.S. Nursing Homes: Characteristics and Care Patterns. *JAMDA: The Journal of the Post-Acute and Long-Term Care Medical Association*. Published online January 27, 2025. doi: 10.1016/j.jamda.2024.105475
9. **Yun H**, Unruh MA, Ryskina KL, Jung HY. Association between discontinuity in clinicians and outcomes of nursing home residents. *Health Aff Sch*. 2024;2(11):qxae139. Published 2024 Nov 1. doi:10.1093/haschl/qxae139
10. **Yun H**, Mor V, Mitchell S, McCreedy E. Detecting Agitated Behaviors in Nursing Home Residents With Dementia Using Electronic Medical Records. *JAMDA: The Journal of the Post-Acute and Long-Term Care Medical Association*. Published online September 27, 2024. doi:10.1016/j.jamda.2024.105289
11. **Yun H**, Kim J, Gandhe A, Nelson B, Hu JC, Gulani V, Margolis D, Schackman BR, Jalali A. Cost-Effectiveness of Annual Prostate MRI and Potential MRI-Guided Biopsy After Prostate-Specific Antigen Test Results. *JAMA Network Open*. 2023;6(11):e2344856. doi:10.1001/jamanetworkopen.2023.44856
 - Featured in Giganti F, Gupta RT. Beyond the AJR: Can Prostate MRI and MRI-Guided Biopsy Be Cost-Effective in the United States in Patients With Elevated PSA? *American Journal of Roentgenology*. 0(ja):null. doi:10.2214/ajr.24.30973
12. Ernecoff NC, **Yun HY**, McCreedy E, Hanson LC, Mitchell SL. A Pragmatic Approach to Identifying Goal-Concordant Care for Nursing Home Residents With Alzheimer's Disease or Related Dementias. *JAMDA: The Journal of the Post-Acute and Long-Term Care Medical Association*. Published online September 16, 2024. doi:10.1016/j.jamda.2024.105266
13. Ghosh A, Unruh MA, **Yun H**, Jung HY. Association of Care Provided by Clinicians who Primarily Practice in Nursing Homes with Burdensome Transitions Among Residents at the End-of-Life. *JAMA Network Open*. 2024;7(3):e242546. doi:10.1001/jamanetworkopen.2024.2546
14. Yu J, **Yun H**, Unruh MA, O'Donnell EM, Katz PR, Ancker JS, Jung HY. Perspectives of Physicians with Experience in Nursing Home Care on Telehealth Use During the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency. *J Gen Intern Med*. 2023;38(7):1722-1728. doi:10.1007/s11606-023-08087-6
15. Unruh MA, **Yun H**, Zhang Y, Braun RT, Jung HY. Nursing Home Characteristics Associated With COVID-19 Deaths in Connecticut, New Jersey, and New York. *JAMDA: The Journal of the Post-Acute and Long-Term Care Medical Association*. 2020;21(7):1001-1003. doi:10.1016/j.jamda.2020.06.019
16. Braun RT, **Yun H**, Casalino LP, Myslinski Z, Kuwonga FM, Jung HY, Unruh MA. Comparative Performance of Private Equity–Owned US Nursing Homes During the COVID-19 Pandemic. *JAMA Network Open*. 2020;3(10):e2026702. doi:10.1001/jamanetworkopen.2020.26702
17. Ryskina KL, **Yun H**, Wang H, Chen AT, Jung HY. Characteristics of Nursing Homes by COVID-19 Cases among Staff: March to August 2020 [published online ahead of print, 2021 Feb 11]. *JAMDA: The Journal of the Post-Acute and Long-Term Care Medical Association*. 2021;S1525-8610(21)00202-4. doi:10.1016/j.jamda.2021.02.004
18. Chen AT, **Yun H**, Ryskina KL, Jung H. Nursing Home Characteristics Associated With Resident COVID-19 Morbidity in Communities With High Infection Rates. *JAMA Network Open*. 2021;4(3):e211555. doi:10.1001/jamanetworkopen.2021.1555

19. Jung HY, **Yun H**, O'Donnell E, Casalino LP, Unruh MA, Katz PR. Defining the Role and Value of Physicians Who Primarily Practice in Nursing Homes: Perspectives of Nursing Home Physicians. *JAMDA: The Journal of the Post-Acute and Long-Term Care Medical Association*. 2022;23(6):962-967.e2.
doi:10.1016/j.jamda.2022.03.008

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Under Review

- **Yun H**, Rahman M, Mor V, Jung HY, Kosar C, Meyers D. Estimating the Effect of Medicare Advantage Growth on Nursing Home Care Quality: Application of a Shift-Share Instrumental Variable Analysis.
- **Yun H**, Rahman M, Santostefano CM, White EM, McGarry B, Kosar C, Grabowski DC, Geng F. Changes in Quality of Care among Long-Stay Nursing Home Residents Before, During, and After the Peak COVID-19 Pandemic, 2018-2023.
- **Yun H**, Park J, Jung HY, McHugh J, Unruh MA. Skilled Nursing Facility Resident, Organizational, and Market Characteristics Associated with Health System Affiliation.
- Baranska I, Dash D, **Yun H**, Hirdes JP, Costa A, et al. Predictive factors for personal control over long-term care admission decisions: a decision tree analysis of Canadian residents.

In Preparation

- **Yun H**, Mor V, Rahman M, Jung HY, Meyers D. Effects of Medicare Advantage Enrollment on Hospitalizations and Physical Functioning Among Long-Stay Nursing Home Residents.
- **Yun H**, Kosar C. Alzheimer's Care Unit Closure in U.S. Nursing Homes.
- **Yun H**, Kosar C. Use of Dual Eligible Special Need Plans among Long-Term Care Nursing Home Residents.
- **Yun H**, Meyers D, Kosar C. Assessment of Medicare Advantage Encounter Data for Measuring Post-Acute Care Utilization.
- Jung HY, **Yun H**. Effects of Nursing Home Clinicians Practicing in Multiple Facilities.

MEDIA COVERAGE

- Geriatricians deliver dedicated care but remain absent from most nursing homes, [McKnights](#), January 2025
- Improving Behavior Management Interventions for Nursing Home Residents with Dementia, [MedPage Today](#), January 2025
- Changing clinicians increases hospitalization chances for nursing home residents, [McKnights](#), November 2024.
- Dementia treatments frequently conflict with residents' care goals, [McKnights](#), September 2024.
- CMS turns up nursing home transparency effort, [AXIOS](#), February 2023.
- Brookdale could be private equity's next nursing home test, [AXIOS](#), October 2022.
- Biden will lay out new nursing home protections in his State of the Union Speech, [The New York Times](#), March 2022.
- Protecting Seniors by Improving Safety and Quality of Care in the Nation's Nursing Homes, [The White House Briefing Room](#), February 2022.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS AND RESEARCH BRIEFINGS

- **Yun H**. Nursing Home Clinician Practice Patterns: Discontinuity, Dispersion, and Specialization. (Invited Speaker). *AWARD Network*. April 1, 2026.
- **Medicare Advantage I-SNPs: Research Findings and Policy Implications**. Research briefing for CMS/CMMI researchers. Small-group meeting with CMS/CMMI and Brown University researchers. March 5, 2026.

- **Yun H.** Estimating the Effects of Medicare Advantage Growth in Nursing Homes: Shift-Share IV Application. (Invited Speaker). *Korean Health Economics Research Group (K-HERG) Meeting*. February 18, 2026.
- **Validating Medicare Advantage Encounter Claims Data for Documenting Post-Acute Care Utilization.** Research briefing for Medicare Payment Advisory Commission researchers. Small-group meeting with MedPAC and Brown University researchers. March 28, 2024.
- **Yun H, Mor V, McCreedy E.** Using the Electronic Medical Records of Nursing Homes to Measure Behavioral Symptoms: Differential Findings by Resident Race and Ethnicity. (Invited Speaker). *NIA ADRD workshop at Duke University*: Leveraging Existing Data and Analytic Methods for Health Disparities Research Related to Aging and Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias. March 2024. Durham, North Carolina.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS/POSTERS

- **Yun H, Jung HY, Kosar C, Hull P, Unruh MA.** Impact of State Medicaid Bed-Hold Policies on Hospital Transfers Among Long-Stay Nursing Home Residents (Podium Presentation). American Society of Health Economists (ASHEcon). June 2026. Minneapolis, MN.
- **Yun H, Jung HY, Kosar C, Hull P, Unruh MA.** Bed-Hold Policies and Hospital Transfers Among Medicare Nursing Home Residents (Podium Presentation). AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting. May 2026. Seattle, WA.
- **Yun H, Park J, Jung HY.** Trends and Characteristics of Nursing Home Obesity Rates, 2011–2023 (Podium Presentation; Session Chair “Long-Term Services and Supports: Nursing Home Care”). GSA Annual Scientific Meeting. November 2025. Boston, MA.
- **Yun H, Unruh MA, Zhang Y, Qian Y, Jung HY.** Clinicians Primarily Practicing in Nursing Homes and Care Quality for Residents with Dementia (Poster Presentation). GSA Annual Scientific Meeting. November 2025. Boston, MA.
- **Yun H, Rahman M, Mor V, Kosar C, Hull P, Jung HY, Meyers D.** Effects of Medicare Advantage Growth in Nursing Homes on Care Quality and Resident Outcomes: Using Shift-Share IV (Poster Presentation). GSA Annual Scientific Meeting. November 2025. Boston, MA.
- **Yun H.** Discussant for Session “Early-Life Exposures and Later-Life Mortality” (Chair: Noghanibehambari H.). American Society of Health Economists (ASHEcon). June 2025. Nashville, TN.
- **Yun H, Unruh MA, Zhang Y, Qian Y, Jung HY.** Clinicians Who Primarily Practice in Nursing Homes and Quality of Care for Residents with Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias (Podium Presentation). AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting. June 2025. Minneapolis, MN.
- **Yun H, Rahman M, Mor V, Kosar C, Hull P, Jung HY, Meyers D.** Effects of Medicare Advantage Growth in Nursing Homes on Care Quality and Resident Outcomes (Poster Presentation). AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting. June 2025. Minneapolis, MN.
- **Yun H, Meyers D, Kosar C.** Examining the Completeness of Medicare Advantage Encounter Data for Measuring Post-Acute Care Utilization (Podium Presentation). Gerontological Society of America (GSA) Annual Scientific Meeting. November 2024. Seattle, WA.
- **Yun H, McCreedy E.** Differences in Behavior Capture Using Electronic Medical Record of Nursing Homes Across Resident Race and Ethnicity (Podium Presentation; Session Chair). GSA Annual Scientific Meeting. November 2024. Seattle, WA.
- **Yun H, Meyers D, Rahman M, Kosar C.** Understanding Trends in the Growth of Medicare Advantage Among Long-Stay Nursing Home Residents (Podium Presentation). GSA Annual Scientific Meeting. November 2024. Seattle, WA.
- **Yun H, Kosar C, Unruh MA, Jung HY.** Impact of Medicaid Nursing Home Bed-Hold Policy on Hospitalizations and Healthcare Costs Among Medicare Residents (Podium Presentation). European Geriatric Medicine Society Congress. September 2024. Valencia, Spain.
- **Yun H, Meyers D, Kosar C.** Assessment of the Completeness of Medicare Advantage Encounter Data for Measuring Post-Acute Care Utilization (Poster Presentation). AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting. June 2024. Baltimore, MD.
- **Yun H, Meyers D, Kosar C.** Understanding Trends in the Growth of Medicare Advantage Among Long-Stay Nursing Home Residents (Poster Presentation). AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting. June 2024. Baltimore, MD.

- **Yun H**, Mor V, McCreedy E. Improved Behavioral Detection Using the Electronic Medical Records of Nursing Homes: Differential Findings between Resident Race and Ethnicity (Poster Presentation). AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting. June 2024. Baltimore, MD.
- **Yun H**, Gulani V, Margolis D, Schackman B, Jalali A, et al. Cost-Effective of Annual MRI and Potential MRI-Guided Biopsy for Prostate Cancer Detection Among Prostate-Specific Antigen Screening Positive Men (Poster Presentation). American Society of Health Economists (ASHEcon). June 2024. San Diego, CA.
- **Yun H**, Mor V, McCreedy E. Using Nursing Home Electronic Medical Records for Behavior Identification: Differential Findings by Resident Race and Ethnicity (Poster Presentation). IMPACT Collaboratory. April 2024. Bethesda, MD.
- **Yun H**, Unruh MA, Jung HY. Association Between Provider Discontinuity and Quality Care for Nursing Home Residents (Podium Presentation). Gerontological Society of America (GSA) Annual Scientific Meeting. November 2023. Tampa, FL.
- **Yun H**, Mor V, McCreedy E. Using the Electronic Medical Records of Nursing Home Residents for Improved Measure of Behavioral Symptoms (Podium Presentation). GSA Annual Scientific Meeting. November 2023. Tampa, FL.
- **Yun H**, Unruh MA, Jung HY. Association between Discontinuity of Care from Clinicians and Outcomes of Nursing Home Residents (Podium Presentation). AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting. June 2023. Seattle, WA.
- **Yun H**, Mor V, Mitchell S, McCreedy E. Measuring Behavioral Symptoms in Nursing Home Residents with Dementia: Using the Interventions to Reduce Acute Care Transfers (eINTERACT) Form Embedded in the Electronic Medical Record to Improve Capture (Poster Presentation). AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting. June 2023. Seattle, WA.
- **Yun H**, Gulani V, Margolis D, Schackman B, Jalali A, et al. Cost-Effective Biopsy Strategy in Prostate Cancer Detection Among Medicare Eligible Men: Annual MRI and Potential MRI-Guided Biopsy vs. Transrectal Ultrasonography-Guided (TRUS) Biopsy (Poster Presentation). Brown Public Research Day. April 2023. Providence, RI.
- **Yun H**, Mor V, Mitchell S, McCreedy E. Measuring Behavioral Symptoms in Nursing Home Residents with Dementia: Using the Interventions to Reduce Acute Care Transfers (eINTERACT) Form Embedded in the Electronic Medical Record to Improve Capture (Poster Presentation). IMPACT Collaboratory. April 2023. Bethesda, MD.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

EDITORIAL REVIEW BOARD

INQUIRY

2026-Present

AD HOC REVIEWER

BMC Infectious Disease, BMC Geriatrics, BMC Nursing, BMC Health Services Research, JAMDA: The Journal of Post-Acute and Long-Term Care Medical Association, Scientific Reports of Springer Nature, Nursing Open

MEMBERSHIPS/ACTIVITIES

AcademyHealth Member, Abstract Reviewer	2022-Present
Gerontological Society of America Member, Abstract Reviewer	2022-Present
American Society of Health Economics Member, Abstract Reviewer	2023-Present
Health Aging and Longevity Research Group Member	2026-Present

TEACHING/MENTORING ACTIVITIES

Guest Lecturer Weill Medical College, Cornell University, Introduction to US Healthcare Policy & Delivery (HPEC 5001/9001), “Managed Care” 2025-2026

Instructor Brown University School of Public Health. STATA Boot Camp for PhD Students (a department sponsored program to teach incoming and current PhD students basic and intermediate STATA skills) 2023-2024

Teaching Assistant Brown University School of Public Health, Medicare – A Data Based Policy Examination (PHP2410E; PhD course; intensive weekly coding assignments using Medicare claims and an applied policy analysis as a final paper; TA evaluation score 4.7/5.0)	2024
Teaching Assistant Brown University School of Public Health, Introduction to Health Policy Analysis (PHP2411; MPH course; examined the empirical basis for numerous Medicare financing policies and quality regulations with extensive class discussions and data assignments; TA evaluation score 5.0/5.0)	2023

SKILLS

- Statistical/Analytic Software:
 - Stata, SAS, R, Treeage Pro, Atlas.ti, and Tableau
 - SAS Certified Specialist: Base Programming Using SAS 9.4
- Languages: Korean (native), English (fluent), and Russian (fluent)
- Certified Social Worker (Top Level; November 2011, South Korea)
- Art Therapy Counselor (July 2012, South Korea)