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Employment and Affiliations

Assistant Professor 2024 - present
Health Economics, Systems, and Policy, O'Donnell School of Public Health
UT Southwestern Medical Center

Research Associate 2025 - present
The Center for Health Economics of Treatment Interventions for
Substance Use Disorder, HCV, and HIV

Education

Ph.D., Public Policy 2024
Jeb E. Brooks School of Public Policy, Cornell University

M.Sc., Economics 2016
University of Warwick

B.A., Economics 2014
Lady Sri Ram College, Delhi University

Research Interests

Health Economics, Labor Economics, Public Policy Analysis

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Kenkel, D., Mathios, A., Phillips, G., Suryanarayana, R., Wang, H., & Zeng, S. (2026). The Impact of Tobacco Regulations on Smoking and Vaping. *Southern Economic Journal*.

Baggio, M., Suryanarayana, R., & Uchida, S. (2026). Heat and Hate: How Temperature Triggers Discriminatory Violence. *Economics Letters*, 112861.

Kenkel, D., Mathios, A., Phillips, G., Suryanarayana, R., Wang, H., & Zeng, S. (2025). Consumer Preferences for Cigarettes and Heated Tobacco Products in Japan: Evidence from a Discrete Choice Experiment. *Applied Economics*, 1-16.

Kenkel, D., Mathios, A., Phillips, G., Suryanarayana, R., Wang, H., & Zeng, S. (2025). Understanding the Demand-Side of an Illegal Market: A Case Study of the Prohibition of Menthol Cigarettes. *Health Economics* 34(5), 956-971.

Kenkel, D., Mathios, A., Phillips, G., Suryanarayana, R., Wang, H., & Zeng, S. (2024). Just what the doctor ordered? The benefits and costs of e-cigarette regulation in Australia. *Annals of Public and Cooperative Economics*

Baggio, M., Chong, A., & Suryanarayana, R. (2024). High times and troubled relationships: Recreational Marijuana Laws and Intimate Partner Violence. *Economics & Human Biology*, 54, 101399.

Chaudhuri, K., Jha, N., Nilayamgode, M., & Suryanarayana, R. (2024). Alcohol Ban and Crime: The ABCs of the Bihar Prohibition. *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, 72(4).

Working Papers

Long-run Impact of Federal Income Support on Criminal Involvement and Risky Health Behavior of Adults. *R&R at Health Economics*

Opioid Supply, Trade Liberalization Shocks, and Infant Health.

Research Grants

Co-Investigator,

The Centers for Disease Control

2025

Project title: *Critical Policy Gaps in the Earned Income Tax Credit: A Lost Opportunity for Improving Equity and Reducing Youth Violence and Child Abuse and Neglect*

Principal Investigator,

National Institute of Health Care Management Research Grant

2025

Project title: *The Socio-Economic and Healthcare Factors Associated with Direct Primary Care Services*

Principal Investigator,

The Center for Health Economics of Treatment Interventions for

Substance Use Disorder, HCV, and HIV (CHERISH) Pilot Grant, NIDA (P30DA040500) 2022

Project title: *Out-of-Pocket Costs and Initiation of HCV Treatment among Medicare Beneficiaries*

External Conference Presentations

2025: American Society of Health Economists Annual Meeting, Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, IIM Ahmedabad Research Presentation, IIM Udaipur Research Presentation

2024: American Society of Health Economists Annual Meeting

2023: Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Fall Conference, American Society of Health Economists Annual Meeting

2022: American Society of Health Economists Annual Meeting

2021: Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Association for Mentoring and Inclusion in Economics, Southern Economic Association Meeting

2020: Population Association of America Annual Meeting

2019: Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Fall Conference

Professional Service

Journal Referee

Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Economics and Human Biology, Frontiers in Public Health, Journal of Risk and Insurance, Journal of Consumer Policy, Economic Modelling, Journal of Family Issues, Journal of Human Resources, Plos One, Contemporary South Asia, The Economic Journal, The Journal of Development Economics, Economic Development and Cultural Change

Ad-hoc Grant Review

CHERISH Pilot Grant Award 2025

Teaching

Course Director and Instructor, Health Economics (HESP 5301), Spring 2025, 2026.

Course Director and Instructor, Health Policy (HESP 5303), Spring 2025, 2026.

Policy Writing

Fear or knowledge: The impact of graphic cigarette warnings on tobacco product choices, with Donald Kenkel, Alan Mathios, Grace Phillips, Hua Wang, and Sen Zeng. VoxEu Column, September 2023.

The Aarogyasri Health Insurance Program, with Tarun Jain and Sisir Debnath. India Public Finance and Policy Report: Health Matters. Oxford University Press, 2019.

Designing India's national healthcare protection: Challenges and opportunities, with Sisir Debnath, Tarun Jain, and Dibya Mishra. Ideas for India, August 27, 2018.

Common Tongue? How Mother Tongue Instruction Influences Education, with Tarun Jain. Ideas for India, February 27, 2017.

References

Seth Sanders, Department of Economics, Cornell University.

Michael Lovenheim, Department of Economics, Cornell University.

Nicolas Bottan, Brooks School of Public Policy, Cornell University.

Donald Kenkel, Department of Economics, Cornell University.