

**Curriculum Vitae**  
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**Research Interests:** Long-term care policy and practice and communication concerning decision-making, disaster planning, and advance care planning for older adults

**EDUCATION**

**University of South Florida, Tampa, FL**

PhD, School of Aging Studies

**University of Missouri, Columbia, MO**

MS, Journalism

**University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS**

BS, Journalism

**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

2018-present	Research Assistant Professor, School of Aging Studies, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL
2016-2018	Instructor, School of Aging Studies, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL
2015-2016	Graduate Research Assistant, Center on Hospice, Palliative, and End-of-Life Care Studies at USF
2012-2015	Graduate Teaching Assistant, School of Aging Studies, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

**COURSES TAUGHT**

2021	Assisted Living Management
2018	Health Care Operations
2014-2017	Life Cycle
2016	Sociological Aspects of Aging
2009-2010	Media Writing, Writing for Multimedia (University of Tampa, Tampa, FL)
2000-2003	Writing Your Life Story (USF Learning in Retirement Institute)

**ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS**

2016-present	Director, Aging Sciences and Long-term Care internship program
2021-present	Interim Director, Florida Policy Exchange Center on Aging

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

1986-2012	Reporter, editor, The Tampa Tribune/WFLA-TV
1985-1986	Reporter, Daytona (FL) News Journal

## ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

**Peterson, L.J.**, Bowblis, J.R., Jester, D.J., & Hyer, K. (2021). The relationship between staffing levels and consumer complaints in nursing homes. *Journal of Aging and Social Policy*. doi: 10.1080/08959420.2021.1962173

**Peterson, L.J.**, Bowblis, J.R., Jester, D.J., & Hyer, K. (2021). U.S. state variation in frequency and prevalence of nursing home complaints. *Journal of Applied Gerontology*. 40(6), 582-589. doi: 10.1177/0733464820946673

**Peterson, L.J.**, Dobbs, D., June, J., Dosa, D.M., Hyer, K. (2021). “You just forge ahead”: The continuing challenges of disaster preparedness and response in Long-term Care. *Innovation in Aging*. <https://doi.org/10.1093/geroni/igab038>

Jester, D. J., Thomas, K.S., **Peterson, L.J.**, Dosa, D.M., An del, R., Hyer, K. (2021). Effect of Hurricane Irma on daily direct-care nursing staff in nursing homes. *Journal of the American Geriatrics Society*. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jgs.17220>

Dobbs, D., June, J.W., Dosa, D.M., **Peterson, L.J.**, Hyer, K., (2021) Protecting frail older adults: Long-term care administrators’ satisfaction with public emergency management organizations during Hurricane Irma and COVID-19. *Public Policy & Aging Report*. <https://doi.org/10.1093/ppar/prab019>

Rouse, H.J., Jin, Y., Hueluer, G., Huo, M., Bugos, J.A., Veal, B., Torres, M., **Peterson, L.J.**, Dobbs, D., Meng, H., (2021) Association between music engagement and episodic memory among middle-aged and older adults: A national cross-sectional analysis. *The Journals of Gerontology, Series B: Psychological Sciences and Social Sciences*. <https://doi-org.eres.qnl.qa/10.1093/geronb/gbab044>

Jester, D.J., **Peterson, L.J.**, Dosa, D.M., & Hyer, K. (2020). Infection control citations in nursing homes: Compliance and geographic availability. *Journal of the American Medical Directors Association*. doi: 10.1016/j.jamda.2020.11.010

Dosa, D.M., Skarha, J., **Peterson, L.J.**, Jester, D. J., Sakib, N., Ogarek, J., Thomas, K.S., An del, R.A., Hyer, K. (2020). Association between exposure to Hurricane Irma and mortality and hospitalization in Florida nursing home residents. *JAMA Open Network*. doi:10.1001/jamanetworkopen.2020.19460

Dobbs, D., **Peterson, L.J.**, & Hyer, K. (2020). The unique challenges faced by assisted living communities to meet federal guidelines for COVID-19. *Journal of Aging & Social Policy*. doi: 10.1080/08959420.2020.1770037

Hua, C.L., Thomas, K.S., **Peterson, L.J.**, Hyer, K., & Dosa, D. (2020). Emergency department use among assisted living residents after Hurricane Irma. *Journal of the American Medical Directors Association*. doi:10.1016/j.jamda.2020.10.010

**Peterson, L.J.**, June, J., Dobbs, D., Dosa, D., & Hyer, K. (2020). Evacuating or Sheltering in Place During a Disaster: The Role of Leadership in Assisted Living. (*Paper of Merit*) *Senior Housing and Care Journal*. 28, 27-38.

**Peterson, L.J.**, June, J., Sakib, N., Dobbs, D., Dosa, D., Thomas, K., Jester, D.J., Hyer, K. (2020). Assisted living communities during Hurricane Irma: The decision to evacuate or shelter in place and

resident acuity. *Journal of the American Medical Directors Association*, 21(8), 1148-1152.E3.  
doi:10.1016/j.jamda.2020.01.104

Roberts, M., **Peterson, L.J.**, Hyer, K. (2020). State of the states' assisted living websites: Information available to consumers. *The Gerontologist*, 60(5), 878-884. doi: 10.1093/geront/gnz174

Dobbs, D., Sadeq, N.A., **Peterson, L.**, Sardina, A., Tan, S.C., Brown-Hughes, T., Andel, R., & Gamaldo, A. (2020). Middle-aged and older Black adults' experiences completing a traditional paper-and-pencil cognitive battery and two contemporary computerized cognitive batteries. *Aging, Neuropsychology, and Cognition*. doi: 10.1080/13825585.2020.1802403.

Meng, H., **Peterson, L.J.**, Feng, L., Dobbs, D. & Hyer, K. (2019). The use of mobility devices and personal assistance: A joint modeling approach. *Gerontology and Geriatric Medicine*, 5: 1-7.  
<https://doi.org/10.1177/2333721419885291>

**Peterson, L.J.**, Hyer, K., Meng, H., Dobbs, D., Gamaldo, A., O'Neil, K. (2019). Discussing end-of-life care preferences with family: Role of race and ethnicity. *Research on Aging*, 41(9), 823-844. doi: 10.1177/0164027519858716.

**Peterson, L.J.**, Dobbs, D., Meng, H., Gamaldo, A., O'Neil, K., Hyer, K. (2018). Sharing end-of-life care preferences with family members: Who has the discussion and who does not. *Journal of Palliative Medicine*, 21 (4), 463-472. doi: 10.1089/jpm.2017.0357

**Peterson, L.**, Meng, H., Dobbs, D., & Hyer, K. (2017). Gender differences in mobility device use among U.S. older adults. *The Journals of Gerontology, Series B: Psychological Sciences and Social Sciences*, 72 (5), 827-835. doi:10.1093/geronb/gbw081

Brewster, G., **Peterson, L.**, Roker, R., Ellis, M. (2016). Depressive symptoms, cognition, and everyday function among community-residing older adults. *Journal of Aging and Health*, 29 (3), 367-388. doi: 10.1177/0898264316635587

**Peterson, L.J.** & Hyer, K. (2015). Shifting to Medicaid managed long-term care: Are vulnerable Florida beneficiaries properly informed? *Journal of Applied Gerontology*, 35 (10), 1077-1094.  
doi:10.1177/0733464815570668

Ellis, M. L., Edwards, J.D., **Peterson, L.**, Roker, R., & Athilingam, P. (2014). Effects of cognitive speed of processing training among older adults with heart failure. *Journal of Aging and Health*. doi:10.1177/0898264314525666

Brown, L. M., Haun, J. N., & **Peterson, L.** (2014). A proposed disaster literacy model. *Disaster Medicine and Public Health Preparedness*, 8(03), 267-275.

## **CHAPTERS, OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

Hyer, K., Dosa, D., **Peterson, L.J.** Preventing COVID-19 from decimating nursing home residents requires spending money and improving infection control. (2020, March 28). *The Conversation*.  
<https://theconversation.com/preventing-covid-19-from-decimating-nursing-home-residents-requires-spending-money-and-improving-infection-control-134220>

**Peterson, L.J.** (2020, May 11) Guest Editorial: The long-term pain of elder care visiting restrictions. *Sarasota Herald Tribune*. <https://www.heraldtribune.com/story/opinion/columns/guest/2020/05/11/guest-editorial-long-term-pain-of-elder-care-visiting-restrictions/112580090/>

Hyer, K. & **Peterson, L.J.** (2019) Disaster Preparedness for Older Adults: Gaps in the Safety Net. In F. Whittington, S. Kunkel, & K. DeMedeiros (Eds.) *Global Aging, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition*. Springer: New York.

**Peterson, L.**, & Hyer, K. (2015). Medicaid Managed Long-Term Care. *The Encyclopedia of Adulthood and Aging*. doi: 10.1002/9781118521373.wbeaa113

**Peterson, L.** & Brown, L.M. (2014). Disaster planning for community-dwelling older adults: Strengths, weaknesses, and interventions. In C.A. Cefalu (Ed.) *Disaster Preparedness for Seniors* (pp. 21-30). Springer: New York.

**Peterson, L.**, Hyer, K., & Brown, L.M. (2014). Building resilience in nursing homes in disasters. In C.A. Cefalu (Ed.) *Disaster Preparedness for Seniors* (pp. 103-117). Springer: New York.

## CONFERENCES

**Peterson, L.**, Dosa, D., D'Antonio, P. (2020, November). *Vulnerable Older Adults in Disasters: Effects of Hurricane Irma on Nursing Homes and Assisted Living*. Symposium conducted at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, held virtually

Hyer, K., **Peterson, L.**, Dosa, D., June, J., Dobbs, D. (2020, November). *Experiences of Assisted Living Communities Affected by Hurricane Irma: Leadership, Lessons Learned*. Symposium paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, held virtually

Dosa, D., Skarha, J., **Peterson, L.**, Jester, D., Sakib, N., Ogarek, J., Andel, R., Hyer, K. (2020, November). *Mortality and Morbidity Among Nursing Home Residents Exposed to Hurricane Irma*. Symposium paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, held virtually

**Peterson, L.**, June, J., Sakib N., Hyer, K. (2020 November). *Evacuation or Shelter in Place in Assisted Living: Adherence to Emergency Evacuation Orders for Hurricane Dorian*. Symposium paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, held virtually

**Peterson, L.J.**, Bowblis, J.R., Hyer, K. (2020, August). *Nursing Home Compare's Health Deficiency 5-Star Rating: Do We Learn Different Things from Survey and Complaint Deficiencies?* Paper presented at the Annual Research Meeting of Academy Health, held virtually.

**Peterson, L.J.**, Bowblis, J.R., Jester, D.J., Hyer, K. (2020, August). *The Association of Nursing Home Staffing Levels with Consumer Complaints*. Poster presented at the Annual Research Meeting of Academy Health, held virtually.

**Peterson, L.**, June, J., Dobbs, D., Dosa, D., Hyer, K. (2019, November). *Evacuating or Sheltering in Place During a Disaster: Making the Decision in Assisted Living*. Poster presented at the Gerontological Society of America meeting, Austin, Texas.

Dobbs, D., June, J., **Peterson, L.**, Dosa, D., Jester, D., & Hyer, K. (2019, November). *The Role of Community Engagement in Hurricane Preparedness as Perceived by Assisted Living Administrators*. Symposia paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Austin, TX.

Dobbs, D., **Peterson, L.**, Sardina, A., Tan, S.C., Brown-Hughes, T., Sadeq, N. Andel, R. & Gamaldo, A. (2018, November). *Older Blacks' Experiences Completing a Traditional Paper-*

*and-Pencil Cognitive Battery and Two Contemporary Computerized Cognitive Batteries*. Poster presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Boston, MA.

**Peterson, L.**, Hyer, K., Meng, H., Dobbs, D., Gamaldo, A., O'Neil, K. (2018, November). *Discussing end-of-life care with family: Role of race and ethnicity*. Paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Boston, Mass.

**Peterson, L.**, Meng, H., Dobbs, D., Hyer, K. (2016, November). *Gender differences in mobility device use among older adults*. Paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, La.

Dobbs, D., **Peterson, L.**, Hyer, K., Meng, H. (2015, November). *Advance Care Planning: How attitudes and behaviors are associated with hospice utilization*. Paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Orlando, FL.

**Peterson, L.**, Meng, H., Dobbs, D., Hyer, K. (2015, June). *Gender differences in mobility device use among older adults*. Poster presented at the Annual Research Meeting of Academy Health, Minneapolis, Minn.

Brown, L.M., Haun, J.M., **Peterson, L.** (2014, November) *Developing a disaster literacy model based on health literacy concepts*. Poster presented at the Health Literacy Research Conference, Bethesda, Md.

Hyer, K., **Peterson, L.** (2014, July) *Shifting to Medicaid-Managed Long-Term Care: Are vulnerable Florida beneficiaries properly informed?* Paper presented at the 28th International Congress of Applied Psychology Scientific Meeting, Paris, France.

**Peterson, L.**, Meng, H., Hyer, K. (2014, November). *Hospitalization and functional decline among older adults in the community*. Poster presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Washington, D.C.

**Peterson, L.**, Hyer, K. (2014, November). *Informing Medicaid beneficiaries choosing managed care*. Poster presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Washington, D.C.

## **EDITORIAL BOARDS**

Journal of Applied Gerontology

## **AD HOC REVIEWER**

Journals of Gerontology, Series B: Social Sciences

Journal of Applied Gerontology

Journal of Palliative Medicine

Journal of Aging and Health

Home Health Care Services Quarterly

## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

Sue V. Saxon Outstanding Teaching Award, School of Aging Studies, University of South Florida, 2019

Wiley P. Mangum Outstanding Service Award, School of Aging Studies, University of South Florida, 2018

Retirement Research Foundation grant to attend Summer Research Institute, Center for Innovative Care in Aging, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, 2017

Graduate Research Assistantship grant, Center for Hospice, Palliative Care, and End-of-Life Studies at the University of South Florida, 2015-16

Accepted to and awarded scholarship for ComSciCon, graduate student workshop in science communication, Cambridge, MA, 2015

Laurence G. Branch Doctoral Student Research Award funded by the Retirement Research Foundation, finalist, American Public Health Association, 2015

USF Graduate School Scholarship, 2012-13

### **Journalism awards**

Florida Society of Newspaper Editors, explanatory writing, 2011

American Association of Sunday and Feature Editors, Excellence in Narrative Writing, 2009

Florida Press Club, government news, public service, 2008

Florida Press Club, general news, 2007

Sunshine State, Society of Professional Journalists, investigative reporting, 2007

Mid-Florida Society of Professional Journalists, feature writing, 2004

Florida Silver-Haired Legislature Silver Angel Award, 2003

Sunshine State, Society of Professional Journalists, feature writing, 2002

American Society on Aging Media Award, 2002

### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

Gerontological Society of America; ESPO Newsletter Task Force, 2016; Humanities & Arts committee, 2013-15

American Public Health Association, 2015-

Academy Health, 2015-

Florida Council on Aging, 2015-

USF Student Association in Aging Studies, secretary, 2013

### **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Escuelas Hermanas, Guatemala-Florida sister schools project, secretary-treasurer

Manatee River Rotary, president-2020-21

### **RESEARCH SUPPORT**

Retirement Research Foundation

*Disaster Preparedness of Caregivers of Individuals with Dementia* 1/1/21-6/30/22

Award Amount: \$137,662

This is a study using interviews and focus groups to understand how caregivers of individuals with dementia plan for and respond to disasters and emergencies, including the COVID-19 emergency. Qualitative data will be analyzed and used to develop informational materials for this population.

Role: Principal Investigator

Borchard Foundation Center on Law and Aging 05/01/20-12/31/21  
*State Laws and Policies for the Protection of Older Adults in Natural Disasters*  
Award Amount: \$20,000  
A systematic analysis of laws, regulations, and policies affecting disaster planning for older adults living in the community in high-disaster states in the U.S.  
Role: Principal Investigator

R01AG060581 (Hyer, PI) 09/01/18-05/31/21  
NIH/NIA  
*Strategic Approach to Facilitating Evacuation by Health Assessment of Vulnerable Elderly in Nursing Homes II (SAFEHAVEN II)*  
Vulnerable older adults in residential long-term care are at risk of injury and death in disasters. This study aims to examine the effect of hurricanes in Texas and Florida on the health and safety of residents of nursing homes and assisted living communities.  
Role: Project Manager

3R01AG060581-03S1 (Hyer, PI) 09/08/20 - 05/31/21  
NIH/NIA  
*COVID-19 Supplement to Strategic Approach to Facilitating Evacuation by Health Assessment Of Vulnerable Elderly in Nursing Homes II (SAFE HAVEN II)*  
This supplement to SAFEHAVEN II aims to examine the effect of COVID-19 on the health and safety of residents of nursing homes and assisted living communities.  
Role: Project Manager

The Donaghue Foundation 10/02/18 – 9/30/20  
*Finding the Consumer's Voice: Nursing Home Complaints*  
Award Amount: \$143,911  
The purpose of this project was to examine how nursing home complaint data can be used to understand and potentially amplify the consumer's voice concerning nursing home quality. It focuses on the role of complaints in the development of the Nursing Home Compare 5-Star Rating  
Role: Principal Investigator