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Professional Profile

Dr. Fordyce has over 23 years of experience with research protocols and procedures, study design and execution, statistical analyses, database development, and data collection and management.

Dr. Fordyce has extensive experience conducting occupational health and safety studies, including cohort and case-control studies. She managed all aspects of a large, industry-wide injury surveillance program for more than 10-years. In addition, she has managed and conducted numerous cohort mortality studies since 2007. Dr. Fordyce is currently the recipient of and Exponent Principal Investigator for a Department of Defense, Congressionally Directed Medical Research Program Translational Research Award to conduct a cohort mortality study and create a job exposure matrix. She also has experience with HIPAA and data privacy and confidentiality regulations and guidelines and is trained in Protecting Human Research Participants.

Dr. Fordyce has performed epidemiologic evaluations, systematic and critical reviews, evaluation of healthcare resource utilization, and reviewed treatment patterns and adverse events of various diseases. Dr. Fordyce also has extensive experience in researching traffic safety issues, including the evaluation of passenger vehicle field performance, post-collision fires, safety belt usage, motorcycle lane-splitting, and airbag effectiveness. Dr. Fordyce has experience evaluating the human health effects of air pollution. Her work has included researching the occupational epidemiology data and risk factors for lung cancer, mesothelioma, and various non-malignant diseases. She has also worked on numerous projects researching and interpreting scientific literature associated with asbestos and has provided support for testimony and expert witness preparation.

Prior to joining Exponent, Dr. Fordyce was employed as a Social Science Research Assistant II by the University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute, in the Social and Behavioral Analysis division.

Academic Credentials & Professional Honors

M.S., Clinical Research Administration, Walden University, 2016

Ph.D., Public Health, Walden University, 2015

M.P.H., Public Health, California College of Health Sciences, 2007

B.A., Psychology, University of Michigan, Dearborn, 1997

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Prior Experience

Social Science Research Assistant II, University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute (UMTRI), 1999-2001

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Professional Affiliations

American College of Epidemiology, Member

American Public Health Association (APHA), Member

International Epidemiological Association, Member

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