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Several important but unanticipated events took place at the University of Illinois this year that had profound effects on the Survey Research Laboratory. Most tragically, Deputy Director Seymour Sudman unexpectedly passed away on May 2, 2000. His passing is a terrible loss to his family and to several generations of survey practitioners worldwide and was noted by The New York Times and The Washington Post, among others. Seymour’s loss has also been deeply felt by his colleagues at the Survey Research Laboratory, the “home base” from which he developed and published most of his seminal contributions to the survey research literature. At the end of the fiscal year, plans were underway for several memorials in Seymour’s honor, and we will report on these next year. For now, we wish to dedicate this annual report of SRL’s activities to the memory of our dear friend Seymour Sudman, who graced SRL with his intellect and charm for more than 30 years.

In August 1999, the University of Illinois at Chicago campus, where SRL is now administratively based, was placed on “restriction” by the federal Office for Protection from Research Risks (OPRR). At the risk of oversimplifying a complex set of events, this restriction was the culmination of an OPRR investigation into UIC’s institutional adherence to federal regulations regarding the protection of research subjects. I am pleased to report that no studies being conducted with SRL’s collaboration were involved in the events leading to the research restriction. All researchers and research units on campus, including SRL, were nonetheless affected by this blanket research restriction. Consequently, all SRL active research studies were suspended pending re-review by one of the campus’ Institutional Review Boards (IRBs). Because of the large number of studies facing re-review and the reorganization of the University office responsible for coordinating that effort, our various data collection activities were suspended between two to eight months. On the positive side, the research restriction prompted serious campus-wide reflection and heightened standards regarding the protection of research subjects. In any given year, SRL may conduct interviews with as many as 10,000 individuals. Ensuring that none of these respondents are harmed as a consequence of their participation in our research studies remains a fundamental principle of our work.

Several other important events took place during this past year. Dr. Sharon Shavitt, Associate Professor of Advertising and Psychology on the Urbana campus, joined SRL as an Associate Research Professor. She brings an active research program in cross-cultural psychology to SRL,
and we are both pleased and delighted to welcome her. In November 1999, Sharon, with the assistance of Kris Hertenstein, organized the Conference on Survey Research in the 21st Century, which brought together, under SRL sponsorship, Urbana faculty to discuss common methodological problems and potential solutions.

Another important conference organized by SRL staff was held in September 1999 in Williamsburg, VA. The Seventh Conference on Health Survey Research Methods was planned and coordinated by Diane O’Rourke and Kris Hertenstein, and a research monograph summarizing the conference will be published shortly. This is the second such conference organized by Diane, who has a special talent for efficiently choreographing both complex sample surveys and professional meetings.

In other good news, this year we celebrate the 30th anniversary of SRL’s fabled Questionnaire Review Committee (QRC). A source of both irritation and grudging respect for principal investigators for decades now, our QRC continues to serve with quiet distinction. In my 11 years at SRL, I can think of no study conducted that did not strongly benefit from QRC’s careful and detailed reviews. QRC members traditionally fulfill this important role with anonymity, but this year I would like to break tradition and acknowledge the SRL staff who served on the QRC during its 30th year. They include Amy DeGrush, Isabel Calhoun Farrar, Ingrid Graf, Holly Hart, Diane O’Rourke, Jennifer Parsons, and Martine Sagun. I encourage you to read more about the QRC and the two conferences described above in the special Highlights sections of this report.

Finally, in April 2000, SRL’s annual all-staff meeting was held on the banks of the Kankakee River. It is one of the few times during the year when our very active professional staff slow down long enough to congregate in one location. This one-day meeting is a welcome opportunity for us to pause and take stock of our past work and future opportunities. In a similar manner, preparing this brief introduction to our annual report gives me the occasion to pause and appreciate the highly skilled, committed, and personable group of individuals who, on a daily basis, represent the Survey Research Laboratory. Their names are listed on page 61 of this report and they deserve far more credit and thanks than I can express here.

Timothy P. Johnson
At any one time, the Survey Research Laboratory is involved in between 30 and 60 studies, ranging from small, short-term service projects to large, multi-year studies and encompassing a broad array of substantive issues in a wide variety of topical areas. This section presents brief summaries of the 70 new and continuing studies that were active during 1999–2000 and a table of the affiliations of the sponsors of these studies. (See Table 1 on page 26.)

SRL’s special research focus on survey methodology continued in 1999–2000, as several methodological experiments received funding during this fiscal year and staff presented and/or authored numerous papers on methodological subjects. In addition, almost half of SRL’s studies for 1999–2000 were health related, making health SRL’s major area of substantive research, as it has been for a number of years. Predominant areas of research activity included cancer screening and prevention and substance abuse. Other major study areas included education, crime and policing, housing, and the quality and accessibility of services provided to children and families.

New Studies

From July 1, 1999 through June 30, 2000, SRL staff and clients initiated 24 new studies. Of these 24 studies, 15 were for University of Illinois clients (Chicago and Urbana-Champaign campuses), 3 for government agencies, and 6 for other organizations. Further, a number of these studies were direct awards to SRL staff as principal investigators. (See Grants and Contracts listings in the Staff Activities section for more information on these studies.)

Improving Validity of Self Reports on Cancer Screening

With funding from the National Cancer Institute, this study will test alternative methods for reducing the overreporting of Pap...
smear tests and mammograms. Experiments will be conducted on question order; inclusion of questions on intentions, barriers, and exceptions; and computer-assisted telephone interviews vs. audio computer-assisted self interviews.  

**Principal Investigators:** Seymour Sudman, Timothy P. Johnson, and Diane P. O’Rourke (SRL) and Richard B. Warnecke (UIC Health Policy Center/SRL). *Study 840.*

### OASA Data Analysis Project

The purpose of this study was to analyze the data from five needs assessments conducted or currently being conducted by SRL for the Illinois Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse (OASA). For each of the surveys, which target the household, Medicaid, mental health, probationer, and juvenile corrections populations, final report documents are also being prepared. 

**Principal Investigator:** Timothy P. Johnson (SRL). *Study 841.*

### Survey of Health Behaviors and Disease Prevention in the Greater Lawn Community

This study was conducted to gather information on the health behaviors of residents of the Chicago Greater Lawn
community and of a control community in Aurora, Illinois. Questions addressed smoking, diabetes, health care access, nutrition, and physical activity. From the Greater Lawn sample of 2,211 random-digit-dial and reverse directory numbers, 413 computer-assisted interviews were completed in January and February, in both English and Spanish. The Aurora sample of 592 yielded 119 completed interviews (conducted from February 18 through April 3, also in both English and Spanish). Funding was provided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. **Principal Investigators:** Susan Levy and William Baldyga (Health Research and Policy Centers, School of Public Health, University of Illinois at Chicago). *Study 842.*

**Customer Satisfaction Survey**

To assess patient satisfaction with the Healthy Start services provided at two Southeast Chicago Healthy Start clinics, SRL developed a survey instrument, conducted training on interviewing techniques for the clinics’ outreach staff, and analyzed the collected data. The sample for this study consisted of Healthy Start patients at the clinics who were approached before or after their appointments. Eighty-seven patients completed interviews. SRL also conducted three focus groups on the topics of parenting classes and behavioral health services. The study was conducted on behalf of the Southside Health Consortium with funding from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. **Principal Investigator:** Vince Champaign (Southside Health Consortium). *Study 844.*

**Cancer Information Survey**

This computer-assisted telephone study is exploring the information-seeking behaviors of 500 African American and white cancer patients and their families. **Principal Investigator:** Alicia Mathews (Department of Psychiatry, University of Chicago). *Study 845.*
PCB Exposure Survey

The Illinois Department of Public Health is funding this examination of the health of former employees of the now-closed Electrical Utilities Company factory and the health of their children. Principal Investigator: Victoria Persky (School of Public Health, University of Illinois at Chicago). Study 846.

University of Illinois Sports Survey

A replication of a study conducted in 1993 for the Division of Intercollegiate Athletics, this study assessed UIUC undergraduate students’ interest and involvement in intramural, club, and intervarsity sports. SRL mailed questionnaires to 1,000 UIUC undergraduates and conducted computer-assisted telephone follow-up interviews with those students who did not return questionnaires. Altogether, 850 students were interviewed. Study 848.

Health Behaviors in North and South Lawndale

The Chicago Department of Public Health funded this supplement to SRL Study 842. The study’s purpose was to gather information on the health behaviors of residents of the North Lawndale and South Lawndale communities of Chicago. The questionnaire included topics such as smoking, diabetes, health care access, nutrition, and physical activity. Telephone interviews were completed in both English and Spanish with 406 Lawndale residents. Principal Investigator: Susan Levy (Health Research and Policy Centers, School of Public Health, University of Illinois at Chicago). Study 849.

Golden Apple Scholars of Illinois Survey

The Golden Apple Scholars program assists scholars in completing an undergraduate teaching curriculum, provides financial assistance for college, and augments their teacher training with Summer Institutes. The objective of this study, which was funded by the Golden Apple Foundation, was to measure the program’s effectiveness as compared to traditional teacher preparation programs.
SRL conducted computer-assisted telephone interviews with 84 Golden Apple Scholars actively teaching in Illinois (from a sample of 96) and with 79 controls (from a sample of 88). Because of a lack of cooperation on the part of some schools, a match could not be found for each Scholar. Thirty-four of the controls were matched to specific scholars while the remaining 54 were unmatched. **Principal Investigator:** Lascelles Anderson (Center for Urban Educational Research and Development, University of Illinois at Chicago). *Study 850.*

**WIC Family Case Management Survey**

The study aims to assess how familiar Chicago-area women are with three State of Illinois programs: WIC (Women, Infants, Children), Healthy Start, and Family Case Management. Using a list sample of 2,000 women who are eligible for but are not enrolled in these programs, SRL will complete 400 interviews—most by computer-assisted telephone interviews, with computer-assisted personal interviews for women who do not have a phone or cannot be reached by phone. The results will allow the Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS) to determine barriers to participation and what should be done to improve access to these programs. Interviews began in June 2000 and are expected to be complete in August. **Principal Investigator:** Steve Saunders (Office of Family Health, IDHS). *Study 851.*

**Section 8 Survey**

SRL is conducting this survey of two groups of Section 8 recipients: (1) those currently living in a Chicago Housing Authority (CHA) development that is slated for demolition and opting to receive a Section 8 voucher to find replacement housing in the private market, and (2) CHAC participants who moved into their present residences using Section 8 and are trying to move again. Both CHA and CHAC provide counseling services, and the purpose of the study is to determine if and how counseling affects the outcome of the housing search. Baseline face-to-face interviews will be completed in July 2000, and telephone follow-up interviews will be conducted at six- and
The Data Reduction (DR) Section is responsible for managing and delivering data for every SRL survey. Depending on the project, DR may conduct all or any combination of the following activities:

- **Control Desk Entry** of information so that the Project Coordinator can keep track of various aspects of each study. The control desk can be used to track returned mail questionnaires, the final disposition code of each particular case, the race or gender of respondents, certain identifying information not included in the data set, or any other items of interest to the client or Project Coordinator.

- **Direct Data Entry** (DDE) of paper-and-pencil interview (PAPI) and mail questionnaires, including programming the DDE instrument, writing editing instructions, training student coders for data editing and entry, editing questionnaires, data entry, and editing/entry verification.

- **History and/or Notes Files** generation and cleaning. The History File is a list of responses to all open-ended and “other specify” questionnaire items entered into the CATI, CAPI, or PAPI instrument. The Notes File is a list of all information that the interviewer thought necessary to further explain answers to close-ended questions. Both of these files are checked for spelling errors and put into an easy-to-read format.

- Occasionally a client will want information coded by occupation or geographic location. **Occupational coding** requires DR to attach a Census Bureau code to a particular occupation, which allows the data to be analyzed in an expedient manner. **Geocoding** is a similar process using Census tracts.

- DR is also responsible for all project-related mailings, such as study introduction letters, mail questionnaires, and follow-up postcards/letters. DR creates mailing labels, stuffs envelopes, affixes postage stamps, and ensures the envelopes go out in the mail.

Over the course of the 1999–2000 fiscal year, DR experienced a substantial increase in workload, due primarily to the very large mail component of the National Practitioner Data Bank User Survey (Study 827). This resulted in the permanent addition of two student coders to the staff, who have been kept busy by the many successfully completed projects here at SRL.

The Data Reduction Section underwent a management change in 1999–2000. In November 1999, Acting Data Reduction Manager **Douglas Hammer** resumed his position as a Field Coordinator, and **Ken Nielsen** joined SRL as the new DR Manager.
twelve-month intervals. The MacArthur Foundation is providing the funding for this research. **Principal Investigator:** Susan Popkin (The Urban Institute). **Study 852.**

### **eld!n Curriculum Evaluation**

**eld!n** is a public/private partnership that brings together education, media, and communications professionals to develop interactive multimedia classroom units by applying television and computer technology to standards-based curricula. These units are directed at students in grades 5 through 8 and are currently being used in Illinois schools. To assess the opinions of administrators and educators on the **eld!n** curriculum, questionnaires were sent by mail to principals, teachers, and technical coordinators at schools currently using the curriculum. Fifty-three questionnaires were returned. **Principal Investigator:** Joseph Spagnola (**eld!n**). **Study 853.**

### **Spring 1999 Follow-Up Survey of Human Resource Practices**

A replication of last year’s spring survey of Fortune 1000 human resource managers, this telephone study is being conducted to collect information on human resource practices in Fortune 1000 companies. Data collection began in April 2000 and is expected to be complete in August. **Principal Investigator:** Sherman Rosen (Deloitte & Touche, LLP). **Study 854.**

### **Five-Year Evaluation of University Librarian**

SRL surveyed 1,288 Library employees regarding their assessment of the job performance of the University of Illinois at Chicago Librarian. A sample of non-Library UIC faculty was also included in the survey. Library employees and UIC faculty were requested to rate the Librarian’s leadership, vision, administrative skills, governance, campus relations, communication and outreach skills, and library services and collections. The survey also addressed planning and budgeting and personnel. The study was a replication of a 1995 evaluation of the UIC Librarian. **Study 855.**
The role of the SRL Field section is primarily to carry out the data collection activities on all SRL telephone and face-to-face surveys. Its responsibilities include:

- hiring and supervising interviewing staff;
- monitoring data collection schedules and budgets;
- assisting Project Coordination staff with study design, especially as it pertains to data collection;
- assisting with instrument design through reviewing and testing questionnaires and training manuals; and
- monitoring the quality of the data collected through general training, telephone monitoring, validation, and editing.

During FY 1999–2000, the Field section accomplished several major objectives:

1) **Expansion of the Urbana Field Center.** This objective was accomplished by moving the Center to a larger space and adding six interviewing stations (for a total of twelve) and one supervisor station (for a total of two). Both supervisor stations have monitoring capabilities. To continue improving our quality assurance in the office, an additional conveniently-located monitoring station was established for professional staff to use for the purposes of random monitoring from outside the field center itself. The expansion of this office gives us the capacity to take further advantage of an important pool of interviewing talent.

2) **Improved management of the Urbana Field Center.** To supplement our offsite supervision and management of the Urbana phone center from our Chicago office, SRL hired a full-time field coordinator in May 2000 to oversee day-to-day operation of the Urbana center. This has not only improved the operation of the phone center but also has given us the capability of fielding face-to-face studies in Urbana and the surrounding counties more efficiently and economically. Additionally, the two phone centers continued to demonstrate their ability to work together as well as independently on projects to increase our flexibility and cover downtimes in Urbana by transferring sample back and forth from one office to the other.

3) **Improved documentation of field procedures and training materials.** Field created a supervisor training manual to assist in the training of new monitors and supervisors and double as a reference regarding pre-shift, shift, and post-shift procedures; monitoring standards; and troubleshooting. We also created the *Policies and Procedures for Field Interviewers* manual, which details expectations and procedures for quality assurance, reimbursement, weekly meetings, sample management, breaks, handling incentives, etc. In addition, we made further changes to our Urbana and Chicago telephone center policy manuals and established a standardized test for measuring the knowledge and abilities of applicants for our monitoring and supervisor
positions. Lastly, we developed a PowerPoint presentation to assist us in our refusal conversion training sessions.

4) Improved quality of interviewing staff. We continued to look for new ways to attract and retain quality interviewing staff in both our Chicago and Urbana offices. In September 1999, we instituted a restructured pay system, which includes an increase in starting pay, an increase in the pay differential between interviewers and supervisors, additional opportunities for advancement, and additional possibilities for earning bonuses.

5) Addition of Senior Field Coordinator Position. SRL established a Senior Field Coordinator position to provide additional incentive to Field Coordination staff to improve their job skills as well as to reward staff members demonstrating consistent excellence in their work.

There were several staff changes in the Field Section in 1999–2000. In February of 2000, Field Coordinator Vernon Blackwood left SRL for an on-campus position with the UIC Institutional Review Board. As a result of the position additions described above, Cayge Clements was promoted to Senior Field Coordinator in September 1999, and SRL welcomed Marni Basic as the Urbana Field Coordinator in May 2000.

College of Pharmacy Dean Evaluation

This mail survey of faculty and alumni of the College of Pharmacy at the University of Illinois at Chicago evaluated the five-year performance of the College’s Dean. Study 856.

Supercomputing Surveys

SRL will conduct qualitative interviews to investigate how people solve on-the-job problems. Principal Investigator: Mary Bea Walker (National Center for Supercomputing Applications, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign). Study 857.

University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) Student Health Survey

The purpose of this study was to validate students’ self-reports of the number of visits to a capitated managed care practice at UIC. During April and May 2000, 608 students were interviewed by phone. Principal Investigator: Linda Garcia-Shelton (Department of Family Medicine, UIC). Study 858.
Domestic Violence and Mental Health Training Evaluation

To gain a better understanding of the types of mental health services received by domestic violence victims, the experiences of mental health providers and administrators addressing domestic violence, and the obstacles agencies face in responding to this issue, SRL will administer a mail questionnaire to 750 providers and 31 administrators. Focus groups with mental health providers will be conducted as well. The study is expected to be completed in July 2001. Principal Investigator: Carole Warshaw (Hospital Crisis Intervention Project, Cook County Hospital). Study 859.

Testing the Impact of Incentives on Compliance with Drug Testing

This study will evaluate the feasibility and utility of three different types of biological measurement procedures (hair, saliva, and urine testing) to be used as an adjunct to a household survey on drug abuse. Data will be collected via audio computer-assisted self-interviews. Principal Investigator: Michael Fendrich (Department of Psychiatry, University of Illinois at Chicago), Co-Principal Investigator: Timothy P. Johnson (SRL). Study 860.

Evaluating Agency Assessment of Abuse and Neglect

To determine if there is a link between alcohol/substance abuse and the level of risk in child abuse/neglect investigations, SRL abstracted 300 case records of such investigations during June 2000. Principal Investigator: Susan Wells (Children and Family Research Center, School of Social Work, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign). SRL Study 861.

Urban Survey Research Monograph

SRL is currently conducting an exhaustive literature review, which will result in a written report summarizing the current literature regarding urban survey research methodology. Principal Investigator: Timothy P. Johnson (SRL). Study 862.
Pilot Test of Elderly Patients in Chicago Urban Communities

To improve the design of a questionnaire for a study of literacy and health service utilization, SRL will conduct cognitive interviews with 18 patients age 65 and older who are enrolled in Medicare. *Principal Investigator:* Shoou-Yih D. Lee (Department of Sociology, University of Illinois at Chicago). *Study 863.*

Drinking Among Underage College Students in Illinois

In the fall of 2000, the Illinois Liquor Control Commission (ILCC) will launch its “Get the Picture” campaign, which targets student drinkers under the age of 21. To assess the impact of the program on and the needs of this population, SRL will send an anonymous mail survey to students at twelve Illinois post-secondary schools. *Principal Investigator:* Anne Dybek (ILCC). *Study 864.*

Agricultural Health Study Cognitive Interviews

On behalf of the American Crop Protection Association, SRL will conduct cognitive interviews with 20 farmers who use pesticides in early 2001. *Study 865.*

Continuing Studies


National Black Leadership Initiative on Cancer (NBLIC) Community Intervention Study

SRL conducted random-digit-dial interviews nationally with 1,600 African Americans aged 40 and older (half with males and half with females) for NBLIC’s evaluation program. In 1998–1999, a second telephone survey was conducted, using both random-digit-dial and list samples, to determine the effectiveness of NBLIC in disseminating information about cancer prevention. The 2,282 respondents were asked questions...
Section Report ▶ Information Services

SRL’s Information Services (IS) section, which is based in the Urbana office, routinely performs a number of important tasks, including

- serving as the primary point of contact for staff and others seeking information about SRL and survey research in general;
- maintaining a library of resource materials related to survey research for SRL staff use;
- continually monitoring and updating a database of paper and electronic documents used by staff;
- disseminating up-to-date information on SRL’s services and activities;
- producing SRL’s Survey Research newsletter; and
- providing editing services to SRL staff on an as-needed basis.

During 1999–2000, IS staff spent a significant amount of time improving and updating SRL’s external Web site. The updates offer easier navigation and access to a large number of useful information sources, including survey research related Web sites and SRL reports, publications, and conference presentations. As before, visitors can learn about SRL’s most current professional offerings and accomplishments and download issues of the Survey Research newsletter. With information on the Web so easily accessible by a virtually unlimited audience, Web site development will continue to be a priority for the Information Services staff in the coming months and years, and visitors should check back regularly for new offerings.

One of IS’s most critical duties is production of the Survey Research newsletter, and during 1999–2000, two issues of the newsletter were published. They contained the third and fourth parts of a four-part presentation of the results of SRL’s inquiry into declining response rates of random-digit-dial studies.

Throughout the year, IS fielded information requests from SRL staff and other individuals and organizations, with the type of information sought ranging from specific publications, descriptions of SRL’s services, and details of past and current work. Further, with SRL committed to continually improving the quality of its written products, IS staff became more involved in the production, review, editing, and formatting of all SRL documents.

Lisa Kelly-Wilson joined SRL in November 1999 as the new Coordinator of Survey Research Information Services.
related to dietary habits and screening behaviors for breast, colorectal, and prostrate cancers. The project was funded by the National Institutes of Health and the National Cancer Institute. **Principal Investigator:** Louis Sullivan (Morehouse School of Medicine), **Evaluation Director:** Richard B. Warnecke (UIC Health Policy Center/SRL). *Study 769.*

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Cancer Information Service Outreach Demonstration Project**

With CDC funding, SRL evaluated the contribution of outreach coordinators to this demonstration project for the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH). The program seeks to increase participation of women being underserved by IDPH education and screening services. The evaluation assessed the outreach coordinators’ ability to develop partnerships with local agencies reflective of the partnerships established at the federal and state levels. **Principal Investigator:** Doris Garrett (IDPH), **Evaluation Director:** Richard B. Warnecke (UIC Health Policy Center/SRL). *Study 773.*

**Henry Horner Redevelopment Study**

The purpose of this study, funded by the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, was to assess the Henry Horner economic redevelopment project in Chicago, including efforts to integrate the residents into the larger community. SRL conducted focus groups and cognitive interviews with Horner residents as part of questionnaire development. Beginning in March 1998, face-to-face interviews were conducted with 289 Chicago Housing Authority residents and 208 community members. **Principal Investigator:** Susan Popkin (Abt Associates, Inc.), **Co-Principal Investigator:** Victoria Gwiasda (SRL). *Study 778.*
Vehicle-Arresting Barriers (VABs)

With funds from the Illinois Department of Transportation, SRL is conducting face-to-face interviews with drivers stopped for trains at three railroad crossings at which experimental vehicle-arresting barriers are set up. The first wave was conducted in spring 1997, before the installation of the barriers. The last two waves will be conducted after the barriers are operational. Principal Investigator: Fred Coleman (Department of Civil Engineering, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign). Study 787.

Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drug Use by Medicaid Recipients in Illinois

To assess the prevalence of substance use among Medicaid recipients in Illinois, SRL interviewed 1,338 respondents, mostly through computer-assisted telephone interviews, although about 125 were computer-assisted personal interviews. The survey instrument was administered in both English and Spanish. Funding was provided by the Illinois Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse and Substance Abuse and the State Systems Development Program, Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Principal Investigator: Timothy P. Johnson (SRL). Study 794.

Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drug Use Among Illinois Office of Mental Health Clients

Funded by the Illinois Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse and the State Systems Development Program, Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the aim of this study is to determine the prevalence of drug and alcohol use among clients of the Illinois Office of Mental Health and to determine their treatment needs. A total of 600 on-site, computer-assisted personal interviews will be completed with randomly-selected adults at mental health facilities. Interviews began June 16, 1999, and are expected to be completed August 2000. Principal Investigator: Timothy P. Johnson (SRL). Study 795.
Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drug Use Among Illinois Probationers

SRL completed computer-assisted personal interviews with 627 probationers in order to develop estimates of their current substance abuse treatment needs and service use patterns. Interviews began June 30 in Cook County, Illinois, and were completed May 22, 2000. Funding was provided by the Illinois Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse through the State Needs Assessment Program, Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Principal Investigator: Timothy P. Johnson (SRL). Study 802.

Cancer Information Service Survey Methods Core

SRL is conducting the survey work for this multi-year, multi-study program project of the Cancer Information Service (CIS). Respondents are all individuals who called the CIS hotline (1-800-4-CANCER) and completed a baseline interview with the CIS. SRL’s role is to conduct follow-up telephone interviews for the purpose of evaluating the effectiveness of the CIS encounter and the tailored mailings sent to respondents. Each of the three individual projects has a substantive focus as well. Project Manager: Isabel Calhoun Farrar (SRL).

Project 1, Five-a-Day for Better Health, focuses on nutritional habits and increasing the amount of fruits and vegetables people eat each day. Three-month follow-up interviews were conducted between July 1999 and March 2000 with 2,223 CIS callers. Twelve-month follow-up interviews began in April 2000 and are expected to be complete in October. Principal Investigator: Jerianne Heimendinger (AMC Cancer Research Center), Co-Principal Investigator: Richard Warnecke (UIC Health Policy Center/SRL).

For Project 2, Colorectal Cancer Screening, the CIS Research Consortium is using the CIS infrastructure to conduct a four-group trial aimed at increasing the proportion of CIS callers over age 50 who obtain fecal occult blood tests. SRL began
The Office of Computer Services (OCS) is responsible for maintaining SRL’s computer systems and providing technical support for all software and hardware. Specific tasks include

- Maintaining desktop and laptop computers, local area network resources, and Internet access;
- Ensuring system security and integrity;
- Front-end programming of CASES software used for computerized interviewing and direct data entry;
- Back-end production of CASES data sets; and
- Programming of in-house software protocols and customization of existing software packages.

1999–2000 was a busy year for OCS. With the possibility of serious Y2K problems looming large at the beginning of the fiscal year, OCS installed new program files and updated operating system files on all network servers and PC workstations. An examination of the Urbana NetWare server showed it likely to be critically affected by the Y2K bug, but it was made Y2K compliant three months before the beginning of 2000. Also, the 3.7 version of CASES was replaced on SRL’s network system and laptop PCs with the Y2K-compliant 3.8 version.

In July 1999, OCS established its network data backup strategy and procedures. Since then, OCS has been implementing daily differential backups and weekly full backups to ensure data integrity. Further, two computers used for running SRL’s e-mail gateway system and mail three-month follow-up interviews in August 1999 and fourteen-month follow-up interviews in June 2000. Principal Investigator: Al Marcus (AMC Cancer Research Center), Co-Principal Investigator: Richard Warnecke (UIC Health Policy Center/SRL).

Project 3, Calling It Quits—A Tailored Smoking Cessation Program, consists of two follow-up telephone interviews with 2,400 adult smokers who called the CIS toll-free number in response to the program’s media campaign. The three-month follow-up interviews began in May 1999, while the twelve-month follow-up interviews commenced in April 2000. Principal Investigator: Victor Strecher (University of Michigan), Co-Principal Investigator: Richard Warnecke (UIC Health Policy Center/SRL). Studies 805, 905, 1005.
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server program were upgraded to increase reliability and improve performance. A number of network problems were resolved during the year as well, such as recovering the CATI monitoring system in the Chicago office and changing the log-in system for Urbana interviewers. The improved log-in system allows Urbana interviewers to connect to the Urbana server even when the connection between Chicago and Urbana is down. OCS also developed new Windows versions of SRL’s Survey Study Data Input and Control Desk programs.

In February 2000, the Urbana phone center was moved to a larger space, allowing the number of CATI workstations to be expanded from six to twelve. A new print system was installed in the new center as well. The year saw the addition of two staff members and some changes in staff duties. Jie Chen joined SRL as the Manager of System Services in July 1999, and Data Reduction Coordinator Antonio Cox took on added responsibilities for archiving completed study files and transferring them to CD-ROMS for easy access and security. After joining SRL in October 1999, Senior Research Programmer Vesselin Tzvetkov honed his CASES programming skills, and he now handles CASES 3.8 programming independently on both network and laptop platforms. With Vince Parker, Vesselin is also working on CASES version 4.3 for audio computer-assisted self-interview studies. In February 2000, they attended a CASES 5.3 workshop at the University of California at Berkeley.

Healthy Start Cooperative Agreement – Phase 2

In this phase of the evaluation of Chicago’s Healthy Start Initiative, funded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and implemented in two Chicago health care clinics, patient medical records are being abstracted yearly. Findings are being used to develop recommendations to improve outcomes for program participants. Principal Investigators: Salim Al Nurridin (Southside Health Consortium) and Richard B. Warnecke (UIC Health Policy Center/SRL). Study 808.

Community Alternative Policing Strategy – Part III

This police-beat-specific reverse directory telephone survey of 2,852 Chicago residents continued the work done in Studies 789 and 798 and was funded by the National Institute of Justice. To
better understand the problems Chicagoans face in their neighborhoods and to learn how the police are helping them address those problems, twenty-nine police beats with an active community policing program were selected to be included in the study. **Principal Investigator:** Susan Hartnett (Institute for Policy Research, Northwestern University). **Study 812.**

**Harassment and Mental Health Survey**
A telephone survey was conducted with a random sample of adult Chicagoans who work at least part-time to assess their experiences with sexual harassment, use of and satisfaction with mental health services, indicators of mental health, and substance use. The two data collection periods returned 111 completed interviews. The study was funded by the National Institute of Mental Health. **Principal Investigator:** Kathleen Rospenda (Department of Psychiatry, University of Illinois at Chicago). **Study 814.**

**Public Attitudes Toward Higher Education in Illinois**
SRL conducted this study for the State of Illinois Board of Higher Education to measure and report public attitudes on higher education and higher education policies in Illinois. It included telephone interviews with 654 Illinois residents, telephone interviews with 40 opinion leaders, and focus groups with Illinois residents. The statewide random-digit-dial phone interviews with residents were divided into two groups: households with listed numbers and those with unlisted numbers. Approximately half of the listed households received a token gift for their participation. **Principal Investigator:** Timothy P. Johnson (SRL). **Study 818.**

**Survey of Physicians and Substance Abuse**
In order to investigate the ability of primary care physicians to diagnose and assist patients suffering from substance abuse, SRL conducted two surveys. The first was a national probability survey of primary care physicians specializing in family medicine, general practice, internal medicine, obstetrics
and gynecology, and pediatrics; and the second was a survey of adult patients receiving treatment for substance abuse in one of ten facilities in California, Illinois, New York, and Minnesota. Between April and August 1999, telephone interviews were completed with 648 physicians, and 510 patients completed paper and pencil questionnaires. The study was sponsored and funded by the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University. Principal Investigators: Timothy P. Johnson and Holly Hart (SRL). Study 819.

Displaced Worker Survey
The instrument for this study is based on the “Displaced Worker” survey the U.S. Bureau of the Census conducts every other year. During the first stage of data collection, the brief questionnaire was administered to 84 former Citicorp employees from New York and California. The second data collection effort extended from February to June 2000 and gathered information from 105 former employees from South Dakota and Maryland. Principal Investigator: Paul Oyer (J. L. Kellogg Graduate School of Management, Northwestern University). Study 821.

Arrestee Drug Abuse Monitoring (ADAM) Survey
With funding from the National Institute of Justice, SRL conducted two quarters of data collection for the Chicago survey portion of the ADAM study, a national research effort to assess the drug use of recent arrestees. Face-to-face interviews were conducted with arrestees at several locations in Cook County. Principal Investigator: James Swarz (Treatment Alternatives for Special Clients, Inc.). Study 822.

Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drug Use Among Youth Entering Illinois Juvenile Correctional Facilities
On behalf of the Illinois Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse and Substance Abuse and the State Systems Development Program, Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, SRL is conducting
the survey portion of a study on alcohol and substance abuse among special adolescent populations in Illinois. Face-to-face interviews began May 12, 2000, at the state’s correctional intake facilities for juvenile offenders: 350 at the boys’ facility at St. Charles and 50 at the girls’ facility at Warrenville. Principal Investigator: Timothy P. Johnson (SRL). Study 823.

National Practitioner Data Bank User and Non-User Surveys

The Health Resources and Services Administration has commissioned this study to determine how well the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB) is meeting the intent of the Health Care Quality Improvement Act and serving users’ needs. This databank contains information on specific medical practitioners, including licenses, professional society memberships, education background, medical malpractice payments, adverse action reports, license suspensions, and license revocations. Users of the databank are those professionals who work in either the medical field (hospitals, group practices, managed care organizations), state licensing boards, professional societies, and medical malpractice insurers. Users query the NPDB to obtain information on a practitioner when considering that person for hiring, licensing, or credentialing, and some users report medical malpractice payments, adverse actions, or license suspensions/revocations to the NPDB. Entities were screened to identify users of the NPDB, and during May 2000, 2,448 users were mailed a set of questionnaires pertaining to the querying and reporting process of the NPDB.

The non-user survey is a computer-assisted telephone interview of entities that have been identified as non-users of the NPDB (those that have not used the NPDB in the past three years) and never-users. The purpose of this component is to examine other methods used by the non-user entities to review practitioner applications without the consultation of the NPDB. Interviews began in May. Principal Investigators: Richard B. Warnecke (UIC Health Policy Center/SRL) and Peter Budetti (Institute for Health Services Research and Policy Studies, Northwestern University). Study 827.
Treatment Outcomes and Performance Pilot Studies (TOPPS) Enhancement II

This study is being funded by the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment and aims to evaluate client experiences and outcomes with alcohol and substance abuse treatment facilities in Illinois. A survey instrument, currently being developed, will be tested and validated through 200 computer-assisted personal interviews. The main portion of the study is scheduled to begin in March 2001 and will consist of approximately 900 telephone interviews. Principal Investigators: Richard Sherman and Peter Gaumond (Illinois Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse). Study 828.

Addictions Disability Study—Wave V

For the fifth and final wave of this multi-year study, computer-assisted personal interviews were conducted with 192 respondents pooled from previous waves. The goal of the study was to determine the effects of elimination of Supplemental Security Income (SSI) support for those individuals who qualified for SSI under the drug and alcohol dependency category until its elimination January 1, 1997, particularly the effects on their quality of life and their substance abuse. Principal Investigator: Paul Goldstein (Great Cities Insitute, University of Illinois at Chicago). Study 830.

Illinois Poll

For its second annual statewide omnibus poll, SRL conducted 605 telephone interviews on a variety of subjects, including food safety, metropolitan Chicago transportation issues, crime and neighborhood safety, asthma in children, health-related volunteering, and involuntary housing loss. Questions also addressed resident satisfaction with state and local government, perceptions of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and knowledge and use of advanced practical nursing services. Study 831.
Chicago Alternative Policing Strategy
City-Wide Spring Survey

Funded by the National Institute of Justice and the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority, this study examined 3,101 Chicago residents’ knowledge of and satisfaction with the city’s community-oriented policing program. A dual-frame sample design was used: approximately 60 percent of the telephone numbers were random-digit-dial, and 40 percent were list. Approximately 75 percent of the list sample received an advance letter as part of an experiment to determine the effects of advance letters on response rates, and interviews were conducted with both English- and Spanish-speaking residents. Principal Investigators: Wes Skogan and Susan Hartnett (Institute for Policy Research, Northwestern University). Study 832.

Validation of Gastrointestinal Tolerance Questionnaire

The Tolerability Survey was developed in 1998 to assess patients’ abilities to endure the gastrointestinal side effects of medications, and the purpose of this study was to assess the reliability and validity of the questionnaire. Paper-and-pencil questionnaires were administered to 104 patients at two sites in Illinois, and completed questionnaires were forwarded to SRL for data reduction and analysis and completion of a report. Principal Investigator: Talat Ashraf (Abbott Laboratories). Study 833.

Market Rent Study

Intended to provide a clearer picture of the rental market in the Chicago metropolitan area, this mixed-mode study gathered information from property owners and managers in six counties. The initial study provided rental information for 1,852 housing properties, and follow-up interviews of non-respondents provided an additional 98 completes and 14 partial completes. The research was sponsored by the Great Cities Institute, College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs, at the University of Illinois at Chicago and funded by the Metropolitan Planning Council. Principal Investigator: Janet Smith (Great Cities Institute). Study 834.
ACES Farmers Study

Sponsored by the Department of Agricultural and Consumer Economics (ACES) at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, this study assessed farmers’ use of market advisor services and their willingness to take risk. A sample of 3,000 farmers who currently subscribe to a market advisor service and 1,000 non-subscriber farmers were mailed the questionnaire in January 2000. A total of 1,399 were returned—1,059 from subscribers and 340 from the non-subscriber control group. Principal Investigators: Darrel Good, Scott Irwin, and Joost Pennings (ACES). Study 835.

Community Banking Focus Groups

To assess customer satisfaction with Seaway Bank, seven focus groups were conducted in May 1999. Principal Investigator: Herbert Conley (Chicago State University). Study 836.

Survey of Foster Parents of Children

This study, sponsored by the School of Social Work at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC), sought to assess the quality of care provided to foster children in the custody of the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services. Face-to-face interviews were conducted with 65 foster parent/child pairs in Cook, Kankakee, and Will counties, and 20 of the foster parents were re-interviewed to test the reliability of the foster parent instrument. Principal Investigator: John O’Donnell (UIUC School of Social Work). Study 837.

Issues Surveying Disabled Persons

Funded by the National Center for Health Statistics, this project will result in set of recommendations regarding steps organizations can take to routinely include disabled persons in social surveys. A comprehensive literature review is currently being conducted, including an examination of the data archives of SRL’s Survey Research newsletter to identify relevant studies that have been conducted by academic survey organizations in
the U.S. in the last 25 years. Experts in the fields of survey research and occupational and physical rehabilitation will also be interviewed regarding their experiences and recommendations. Principal Investigators: Timothy P. Johnson and Jennifer A. Parsons (SRL). Study 838.

Neighborhood Violence Evaluation—Adults
Computer-assisted telephone interviews will be conducted with 100 residents in each of four Chicago communities to determine their perceptions of violence in their neighborhoods and to determine what sort of violence prevention initiatives are occurring in their neighborhoods. Principal Investigator: Gary Slutkin (School of Public Health, University of Illinois at Chicago). Study 839.

Table 1. Affiliations of Sponsors of New and Continuing Studies

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Service Projects

Service projects are small studies involving less than $5,000 in revenue; Table 2 briefly describes the 18 service projects SRL was involved with in 1999–2000. The majority of these projects are done for University faculty, staff, and students.

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A substantial portion of SRL staff time is devoted to developing budgets and research proposals for both internal and external clients. During 1999–2000, Survey Research Laboratory staff were involved in the development of 35 new and continuing pending studies. Studies developed and funded during 1999–2000 are described in the previous SRL Studies section. Studies that were still pending as of June 30, 2000, both the 27 that were new in 1999–2000 and the 8 that were continued from previous years, are described in the following two sections. Table 3 lists the 40 studies that were under development during the year but were either not funded or discontinued as of June 30, 2000.

New Pending Studies

The 27 studies that began development in 1999–2000 represent efforts on behalf of 17 University of Illinois staff members (Chicago and Urbana-Champaign campuses), 5 other academic institutions, one government agency, and 3 other organizations.

**Impact of PPS on Acute/Long Term Care Strategies in Rural Areas**

For Study 786, SRL interviewed discharge planners at rural hospitals to better understand the organizational structures that link rural hospitals to long-term care providers. This study will follow up with those respondents. *Principal Investigator: Mary Fennell (Brown University). Pending 9919.*

**Effect of Frequency Scales on Self-Reports**

To determine how response alternatives in frequency scales affect the validity of self-reports of severe and debilitating pain, SRL will interview 300 patients recruited from pain support groups and chiropractors. *Principal Investigators: Seymour Sudman (SRL) and Sharon Shavitt (Department of Adverstising, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign/SRL). Pending 9921.*
Aging and Measurement of Smoking-Related Symptomology in Chinese-American Males

The purpose of this study is to develop and evaluate methods for measuring symptom perceptions, examining lifestyle health promotions, intentions, and behaviors among midlife and older Chinese American men. Principal Investigators: Frederick Kviz (School of Public Health, University of Illinois at Chicago), Melissa Clark (Brown University), and Timothy P. Johnson (SRL). Pending 9922.

Pathways to Disturbed Emotions, Perceptions, and Beliefs

SRL will interview a random sample of residents of Champaign-Urbana, Illinois to determine what percentage have beliefs/perceptions that lie outside of the researcher’s definition of “normal.” Principal Investigator: Howard Berenbaum (Department of Psychiatry, University of Illinois at Chicago). Pending 9930.

Survey of IRS Managers

This mixed-mode (phone, mail, and Web) study will evaluate the effects of changes in the management structure of the Internal Revenue Service on IRS employees. Principal Investigator: James Thompson (College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs, University of Illinois at Chicago). Pending 9934.

Human Resource Practices at Small Companies

This computer-assisted telephone study will examine human resource management practices at small companies. Principal Investigator: Sherman Rosen (Deloitte & Touche, LLP). Pending 9935.

Literacy and Health

Face-to-face interviews with 300 Latino, 300 white, and 300 African American Medicare enrollees will be conducted to examine the relationship between literacy and health service utilization. Principal Investigator: Shoou-Yih D. Lee (Department of Sociology, University of Illinois at Chicago). Pending 9937.
Project Coordination

We began FY 1999–2000 with a staff of five full-time project coordinators in Chicago and a part-time project coordinator in Urbana. Altogether, the project coordinators managed 75 pending projects and proposals and coordinated a total of 61 active projects. In June 2000, Martine Sagun gave notice that she would be leaving, so a search began for her replacement.

As in previous years, Project Coordination staff were active with professional development activities. All coordinators on staff attended the annual meeting of the American Association for Public Opinion Research in Portland, Oregon, in May 2000. Ingrid Graf authored *Screening for Family and Household Composition in a Statewide Survey to Determine Public Benefits Eligibility*, a paper based upon data from a study she coordinated. Jennifer Parsons (in collaboration with Sara Baum and Timothy Johnson) presented a working draft of *Inclusion of Disabled Populations in Social Surveys: Review and Recommendations*, the report being prepared for Study 838.

Needs Assessment of the Homeless in Metropolitan Chicago

On behalf of the Illinois Continuum of Care Regional Roundtable and with funding from the Chicago Community Trust, SRL will assess the needs of homeless individuals and the providers that serve them. Data will be collected in six Illinois counties, including Will, Dupage, Cook, McHenry, Kane, and Lake. Clients from a random sample of service providers will be interviewed onsite at the providers’ facilities, and SRL will interview 1,800 persons who identify themselves as homeless or at risk of being homeless. Further, SRL will send a mail questionnaire to 1,000 providers. **Principal Investigators:** Janet Smith and Charles Hoch (College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs, University of Illinois at Chicago). Pending 9941.

Mammography: Attitudes and Practice Among African American Women

This mail study will investigate the attitudes toward and the practice of breast cancer early detection among professional African American women. **Principal Investigator:** Eva Smith (College of Nursing, University of Illinois at Chicago). Pending 9942.
Semiannual Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) Ridership Survey

This ongoing telephone survey of residents of the Chicago metropolitan area will assess service needs and address topical issues. **Principal Investigator:** William Reynolds (RTA). **Pending 9946.**

Youth Gun Prevention Intervention

SRL will assist in the development and evaluation of an intervention to reduce gun use among high-risk youth. **Principal Investigator:** Les Zun (Mt. Sinai Hospital Medical Center). **Pending 9947.**

Miami-Dade Gun Survey

This random-digit-dial study will examine issues relating to firearm ownership, storage, and child access through computer-assisted telephone interviews with gun owners and with those who do not own guns in Miami-Dade County. **Principal Investigator:** Judith Schaechter (University of Miami). **Pending 9949.**

Summer Research Opportunity Program

Using multiple modes of data collection (phone, mail, and Web), SRL will follow up with participants of the Summer Research Opportunity Program. The program provides minority college students with research experience. **Principal Investigator:** Wiliam Trent (Department of Educational Policy Studies, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign). **Pending 9950.**

Survey of Garfield Park Conservatory Flower Show Attendees

SRL will conduct face-to-face interviews with flower show attendees to get a profile of the typical attendee in order to attract a wider range of people to the Conservatory’s shows. **Principal Investigator:** Michael Frazel (Garfield Park Conservatory). **Pending 9952.**
Community Survey in North and South Austin
Via computer-assisted telephone interviews, residents of the North and South Austin communities of Chicago will be asked about their health and health insurance status. **Principal Investigator:** Dianne Rucinski (Health Research and Policy Centers, School of Public Health, University of Illinois at Chicago). **Pending 9955.**

Workplace Violence Against Nurses
This mail survey will assess the amount of violence nurses at Chicago’s Rush Presbyterian Hospital must contend with from patients and how this type of workplace stress affects other areas of their lives (e.g., off-duty drinking). **Principal Investigator:** Pam Levin (College of Nursing, University of Illinois at Chicago). **Pending 9956.**

HHDS Focus Groups
Focus groups will discuss a possible name change for the College of Health and Human Development Sciences (HHDS). **Principal Investigator:** Charlotte Tate (HHDS, University of Illinois at Chicago). **Pending 9957.**

Compliance Review of Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) Personnel Records
SRL will analyze IDOT personnel records to determine if policies regarding suspensions are enacted equitably. **Principal Investigator:** Mary Niemiec (John Nuveen Center for International Affairs, University of Illinois at Chicago). **Pending 9959.**

Acculturative Processes and Immigrant Health
Secondary analyses of data from multiple data sets will be conducted to provide a general assessment of how acculturative processes influence immigrants’ health. **Principal Investigator:** Young Ik Cho (SRL). **Pending 9961.**
Illinois Department of Human Services Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Applicant Study

This proposed study will evaluate the experiences, circumstances, and outcomes of a sample of individuals who applied for Transitional Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) grant assistance during April and May of 2000 and received a final determination of their eligibility during June 2000. Interviews will be conducted with approximately 1,200 TANF applicants throughout Illinois. Principal Investigator: Timothy P. Johnson (SRL). Pending 9962.

Longitudinal Survey of Youth Leaving Foster Care

This study will determine the level of services received by teenage youth exiting foster care and evaluate youths’ preparedness for independence. Both baseline and follow-up instruments will be administered via computer-assisted personal interviews. Principal Investigator: Gail Tittle (Children and Family Research Center, School of Social Work, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign). Pending 9963.

Student Health Care Plan Survey

In the spring of 2001, SRL will send mail questionnaires to students at the University of Illinois at Chicago to assess their satisfaction with services received under their health care plans. Principal Investigator: Michael Ginsburg (Office of the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, UIC). Pending 9964.

Statewide Uninsured Survey

SRL will screen Illinois households to identify those in which no members had health insurance in the preceding six months. Principal Investigator: Dianne Rucinski (Health Research and Policy Centers, School of Public Health, University of Illinois at Chicago). Pending 9965.
Section Report  Sampling

SRL’s Sampling section routinely conducts a wide variety of activities, including
• preparing budgets,
• designing sample selection methods,
• preparing sample files for use by the Field section,
• calculating response rates,
• calculating sampling weights and post-stratification weights, and
• preparing final sample reports.

During fiscal year 1999–2000, the Sampling section performed these activities for over 30 active studies and at least as many pending studies.

In addition to routine activities, Sampling section staff were also involved in short-term advising, the preparation and presentation of conference papers, and undergraduate teaching. For example, Sampling Supervisor Linda Owens attended the 2000 American Association for Public Opinion Research conference in Portland, Oregon, and presented a paper at the Seventh Conference on Health Survey Methods in Williamsburg, Virginia.

Prostate Cancer Awareness Program Participant Survey

Computer-assisted telephone interviews will be conducted with men who participated in a prostate cancer awareness program sponsored by the American Cancer Society. Principal Investigator: Larry Dry (University of Chicago Hospital). Pending 9966.

Community Alternative Policing Strategy (CAPS) 2000 Survey

To evaluate the effectiveness of the CAPS program, SRL will complete 3,000 computer-assisted telephone interviews with Chicago residents. Questions pertaining to crime, safety, and police response will be administered. Principal Investigator: Wes Skogan (Institute for Policy Research, Northwestern University). Pending 9967.
Gun Survey Follow-Up
This follow-up telephone study to Pending 9949 will ask respondents about their exposure to educational materials on gun safety and storage since their original interviews. Respondents will also be asked if they have obtained gun locks. Principal Investigator: Judith Schaechter (University of Miami). Pending 9968.

Tobacco Consortium Screening Study
SRL will recruit 3,000 smokers from a list from the Tobacco Consortium to participate in a survey to be conducted by another agency. Principal Investigator: Nick Valentino (University of Michigan). Pending 9969.

Continuing Pending Studies
These studies began development before July 1, 1999 but were still pending as of June 30, 2000.

Aging and Sense of Control—Wave 3
This project will be the third wave of a panel study concerning aging, status, and the sense of control. Following telephone tracking of respondents from the previous wave to update telephone and address information, SRL will conduct a final computer-assisted telephone interviewing wave. Principal Investigator: John Mirowsky (Department of Sociology, Ohio State University). Pending 9824.

Women, Violence, and Service Use: Cross-Cultural Issues
Focus groups are planned to examine cross-cultural issues related to domestic violence and mental health service utilization. Principal Investigator: Carole Warshaw (Hospital Crisis Intervention Project, Cook County Hospital). Pending 9827.
Ovarian Cancer Case Control Study II
This is a continuation of a multi-year study to determine the etiology of ovarian cancer using a case-control method. 
Principal Investigator: Faith Davis (Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, School of Public Health, University of Illinois at Chicago). Pending 9839.

Needs Assessment Survey of Mentally Ill Women
Using a random-digit-dial national sample, SRL will conduct 400 computer-assisted telephone interviews with women with serious mental illnesses. These interviews will provide information on the self-identified needs of this population. Principal Investigator: Judith Cook (National Research and Training Center on Psychiatric Disability, University of Illinois at Chicago). Pending 9859.

Neighborhood Violence Evaluation—Youth
In this study, SRL will interview two groups of youth on their perceptions of violence in their neighborhoods. Principal Investigator: Gary Slutkin (School of Public Health, University of Illinois at Chicago). Pending 9877.

Self-Reported Symptoms, Perceptions, and Health Promotion
SRL will develop and evaluate methods for measuring symptom perceptions and lifestyle health promotion intentions and behaviors among mid-life and older adults (white, African American, and Hispanic) through self-reports. Principal Investigators: Frederick Kviz (School of Public Health, University of Illinois at Chicago), Melissa Clark (Brown University), and Timothy P. Johnson (SRL). Pending 9878.
Work and Well-Being—Waves 3 Through 5

This is the continuation of a longitudinal study of sexual harassment and the work environment of employees at the University of Illinois at Chicago. In each wave, approximately 2,500 questionnaires will be mailed. Principal Investigator: Judith Richman (Department of Psychiatry, University of Illinois at Chicago). Pending 9882.

Evaluation of Statewide Smoking Cessation Program

To assess the effects of a smoking cessation dissemination program offered at public health clinics throughout Illinois, SRL will complete both baseline and six-month follow-up telephone interviews with participants. Principal Investigator: Clara Manfredi (Health Research and Policy Centers, School of Public Health, University of Illinois at Chicago). Pending 9897.
### Table 3. Projects No Longer Under Development as of June 30, 2000

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<td>Faith Davis (Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, School of Public Health, UIC)</td>
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<td>Assessment of Treatment for Victims of Domestic Violence</td>
<td>Carole Warshaw (Hospital Crisis Intervention Project, Cook County Hospital)</td>
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<td>Beth Sandore (Digital Imaging Initiative, University Library, UIUC)</td>
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<td>Sarah Fox (RAND)</td>
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<td>Madhu Khanna (Department of Agricultural and Consumer Economics, UIUC)</td>
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<td>Saul Weiner (College of Medicine, UIC)</td>
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<td>Alyse Booth (CASA, Columbia University)</td>
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<td>Matthew Wynia (American Medical Association)</td>
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<td>Jonathan Van Geest (American Medical Association)</td>
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<td>Alicia Matthews (Department of Psychiatry, University of Chicago)</td>
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<td>Rachel Gordon (Department of Sociology, UIC)</td>
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<td>Richard B. Warnecke (UIC Health Policy Center/SRL)</td>
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<td>Shoou-Yih D. Lee (Department of Sociology, UIC)</td>
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<td>Janet Smith (College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs, UIC)</td>
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Staff Activities

The Survey Research Laboratory strongly encourages and supports staff professional development, and the citations in this section document the considerable professional activities and accomplishments of SRL staff. In 1999–2000, SRL staff published reports for clients, articles in refereed journals and professional proceedings, and chapters in research volumes and textbooks. Several SRL staff also served as editors for professional journals. Eleven staff members gave presentations at professional conferences, and some presented lectures and workshops. Three staff members held positions in professional organizations. Staff also served on many University and community committees and performed consulting and other professional service work. SRL’s commitment to improving the quality of the survey research profession is reflected in these accomplishments.

Publications

Jane Burris

Young Ik Cho


**Isabel Calhoun Farrar**


**Holly Hart**


**Timothy P. Johnson**


**Diane P. O’Rourke**

**Vince Parker**

**Jennifer A. Parsons**

**Martine Sagun**

**Sharon Shavitt**
Seymour Sudman


Richard B. Warnecke


Conference Presentations

Sara Baum

Jane Burris

Amy DeGrush

Ingrid Graf

Marguerite Harris

Timothy P. Johnson


Diane P. O’Rourke


Linda Owens


Jennifer A. Parsons


**Sharon Shavitt**


**Richard B. Warnecke**


**Conference Organization**

**Timothy P. Johnson**

Member, Conference Committee, 55th Annual Meeting of the American Association for Public Opinion Research, May 2000.

**Diane P. O’Rourke**

Coordinator, Seventh Conference on Health Survey Research Methods, September 1999.

**Sharon Shavitt**

Richard B. Warnecke
Committee Member, Seventh Conference on Health Survey Research Methods, September 1999.

Other Conference Activity

Timothy P. Johnson

Diane P. O’Rourke
Chair, Measuring sensitive issues (2000, May). 55th Annual Meeting of the American Association for Public Opinion Research, Portland, OR.

Jennifer A. Parsons

Other Presentations

These presentations included lectures to graduate and undergraduate students enrolled in University courses, as well as a series of introductory seminars on survey research methodology that were offered free of charge to faculty, staff, and students of the Chicago and Urbana-Champaign campuses of the University of Illinois.

Timothy P. Johnson
Developing research skills and identifying research opportunities (1999, October), PA 594—Special Topics in Public Administration, University of Illinois at Chicago.
Highlight ▶ Seventh Conference on Health Survey Research Methods

The Seventh Conference on Health Survey Research Methods (HSRM) was held in Williamsburg, Virginia, on September 24–27, 1999, continuing a series of meetings that began in 1975 to discuss new, innovative survey research methods to improve health survey research data. Diane O’Rourke acted as the conference coordinator, as she had done for the Sixth Conference in 1995, and Kris Hertenstein assisted her in the year-and-a-half long process of making conference arrangements. The conference brought together 76 researchers from a variety of disciplines, including those who are at the forefront of survey methods research, are responsible for major health surveys, and use survey data to develop and implement health policy and programs. The conference proceedings are expected to be available at the Web site of the National Center for Health Statistics, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/) in early 2001.


Introduction to survey research methods (1999, October). KINE 590—Research Methods in Kinesiology, College of Associated Health Professions, University of Illinois at Chicago.


Overview of ethical considerations in survey research (2000, March). Survey Research Laboratory Seminar Series, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.


Diane P. O’Rourke

Draft questionnaire review (2000, February). CHLTH 478—Applied Epidemiology, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Draft questionnaire review (2000, February). SOC 381—Survey Research Methods, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Questionnaire design (2000, January). CHLTH 478—Applied Epidemiology, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Questionnaire design clinic (1999, October). Survey Research Laboratory Seminar Series, University of Illinois at Chicago.

Questionnaire design clinic (2000, April). Survey Research Laboratory Seminar Series, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Positions Held in Professional Organizations

Sharon Shavitt

Member, Education and Training Committee, Society for Consumer Psychology, 1999 to present

Seymour Sudman

Chair, Working Group on the Behavioral Risk Factors Surveillance System, American Statistical Association

Member, Committee on Energy Statistics, American Statistical Association, 1997 to 1999

Member, American Statistical Association, Committee on Energy Statistics, 1997–2002

Richard B. Warnecke

Member, Conference Program Committee, American Association for Public Opinion Research, 1987 to present
Editorial Activities

**Timothy P. Johnson**
Member, Editorial Board, *Substance Use and Misuse*

**Diane P. O’Rourke**
Associate Editor, *Journal of Official Statistics*
Member, Editorial Board, *Public Opinion Quarterly*

**Sharon Shavitt**
Co-editor (with D. Maheswaran), Special Issue: Cultural Psychology, *Journal of Consumer Psychology*, 9(2), 2000
Member, Policy Board, *Journal of Consumer Research*

**Seymour Sudman**
Member, Board of Advisory Editors, *Social Science Research*
Member, Editorial Board, *Journal of Consumer Psychology*
Member, Editorial Board, *Journal of Consumer Research*
Member, Editorial Board, *Journal of Marketing Research*
Member, Editorial Board, *Public Opinion Quarterly*
Member, Editorial Board, *Sociological Methods & Research*

Awards

**Sharon Shavitt**
*List of Excellent Teachers*, as rated by students, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Spring 2000.
*Course Development Grant*, Campus Honors Program, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Spring 2000.

**Survey Research Newsletter**

Each calendar year, the Survey Research Laboratory publishes three issues of *Survey Research* newsletter, which has a circulation of approximately 1,200 individuals and organizations worldwide. It serves as an instrument of communication among and about academic and not-for-profit survey research organizations, listing current research activities and announcing
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conferences, calls for papers, job openings, changes in personnel, and other items of interest. The newsletter also announces new publications in survey research, with an emphasis on methodological publications. A list of approximately 100 academic and not-for-profit survey organizations is maintained and updated regularly by the newsletter staff. Diane O’Rourke is the managing editor, and Lisa Kelly-Wilson is the production editor.

Survey Research is supported through subscriptions and contributions. Patrons (those who contribute $600 yearly) include the following:

Abt Associates, Inc.
American Association for Public Opinion Research
Institute for Policy Research, University of Cincinnati
Institute for Survey Research, Temple University

Highlight

Conference on Survey Research in the 21st Century

In November 1999, the Conference on Survey Research in the 21st Century was held on the Urbana-Champaign campus of the University of Illinois. Hosted by SRL and organized by Sharon Shavitt, the full-day conference provided faculty with an opportunity to present and discuss their unique and creative applications of survey methodology in addressing substantive research problems. It featured 19 faculty speakers representing 16 campus units and was attended by approximately 60 University faculty and staff members. Speakers and participants represented an amazingly diverse range of disciplines, such as speech communication, veterinary bioscience, leisure studies, journalism, sociology, music, community health, architecture, economics, and business administration, to name just a few. The enthusiastic response of the academic community has encouraged SRL to consider establishing the conference as an annual or biennial event that will alternate between the Urbana-Champaign and Chicago campuses.
Mathematica Policy Research
National Center for Education Statistics
National Center for Health Statistics
National Opinion Research Center, University of Chicago
Opinion Research Corporation
Research Triangle Institute
Response Analysis Corporation
Section on Survey Research Methods, American Statistical Association
Survey Research Center, University of Michigan
Survey Research Laboratory, University of Illinois at Chicago
Survey Section Statistics Library, Iowa State University
U. S. Bureau of the Census
Westat, Inc.

Advising

SRL continued its policy of providing free advice regarding survey methodology to University faculty, staff, and students in 1999–2000. Staff members spent 76 hours providing this service, with 44 hours provided to the Chicago campus and 32 hours provided to the Urbana-Champaign campus.

Individuals and departments served include:

**Chicago campus**
Harold Amiel, College of Medicine
Tetchiana Anderson, College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs
Kathy Baldwin, College of Nursing
Shu-Pi Chen, Department of Public Health, Mental Health, and Administrative Nursing, College of Nursing
Sandy DeGrooke, Library of the Health Sciences, College of Medicine
Natcho Gonzales, College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs
Paul Grant, Department of Political Science
Amy Jacobs, Great Cities Institute
Fikile Mazibuko, College of Education
Kara McAllister, College of Education
Zane Muhl, College of Dentistry
Eric Novotny, University Library
Dora Peters, Occupational Therapy
Harold Pye, Department of Emergency Medicine
Deepa Sanyal, College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs
Pam Semanicle, College of Nursing
Sophia Shih, College of Education
Eva Smith, Medical-Surgical Nursing, College of Nursing
Myrtis Sullivan, Community Health Sciences, School of Public Health
Rose Thomas, Urban Health Program
James Thompson, College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs
Marilyn Willis, Community Health Sciences, School of Public Health

Urbana campus
Arif Ahmed, Department of Community Health
Sarah Barbour, Center for East Asian and Pacific Studies
Teryl Brewster, Office of Minority Student Affairs
Deborah Bruns, Department of Special Education
Wendy Burke, Department of Educational Psychology
Hsiao Fen Chen, School of Music
Donna Fisher, Department of Agricultural and Consumer Economics
Vrinda Deva, Institute of Labor and Industrial Relations
Jay Geistlinger, Computing and Communications Services Office
So-Young Kim, Department of Educational Psychology
Joe Kreitzer, College of Engineering
Rachel Martin, Department of Speech and Hearing Science
Walter McMahon, Department of Economics
Marjorie Olney, Department of Community Health
Alice Poehls, Office of Admissions and Records
Chakarg Pongurgoesorn, Department of Kinesiology
Joseph Rank, Alumni Association
Jody Rendziak, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences
Thomas Rettker, Personnel Services Office
Amy Ross, College of Nursing
Dennis Rowan, School of Art and Design
Cecile Steinberg, McKinley Health Center
Joseph Vitosky, University Office for Capital Programs
Mary Bea Walker, National Center for Supercomputing Applications

Other
John Donahue, Chicago Coalition for the Homeless
Eric Duchinsky, American Oil Chemist Society
Heidi Nelson, Chicago Health Outreach
Darlene Kloeppl, Champaign County Regional Planning Commission
Wood McComb, The Illinois Chamber
Committees

Timothy P. Johnson
Vice Chair, Institutional Review Board (behavioral), University of Illinois at Chicago, September 1999 to present.
Member, Research Expenditure Credit Task Force, Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research, University of Illinois at Chicago.
Member, University of Illinois at Chicago Human Subjects Protection Steering Committee, Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research, September 1999–March 2000.
Member, Dissertation Committee, Manorama Khare, School of Public Health, University of Illinois at Chicago, *Predictors of Breast Feeding Behavior* (completed July 1999).
Member, Dissertation Committee, Katherine Lind, Department of Sociology, *Misconceptions About HIV Transmission via Casual Contact: A Sociological Analysis of Predictors and Trends* (completed October 1999).
Member, Dissertation Committee, Barbara Giloth, School of Public Health, University of Illinois at Chicago, *Examining the Effects of a Chronic Disease Self-Management Program on Selected Health Outcome Variables* (completed February 2000).
Member, Dissertation Committee, Nancy Bates, School of Public Health, University of Illinois at Chicago, *An Evaluation of a Stage of Change Nutrition Intervention in Latino Families with Young Children*.
Member, Dissertation Committee, Richard Herrell, School of Public Health, University of Illinois at Chicago, *Chronic Fatigue and its Psychiatric Comorbidity in Three Minority Populations*.
Member, Dissertation Committee, Patricia Humbles, Nursing, University of Illinois at Chicago, *Aspirin Therapy for Primary Prevention of Myocardial Infarction*.
Member, Dissertation Committee, Janine Jurkowski, School of Public Health, University of Illinois at Chicago.
Member, Dissertation Committee, Joanne Kouba, School of Public Health, University of Illinois at Chicago.
Member, Dissertation Committee, Sean Malinowsky, Public Administration, University of Illinois at Chicago, *Personal Characteristics and Environmental Factors Effecting Police Corruption in the Chicago Police Department: A Contextual Approach*.
Member, Dissertation Committee, Kingsley Ouyemere, School of Public Health, University of Illinois at Chicago.
Richard B. Warnecke
Chair, Dissertation Committee, Jennifer A. Parsons, Department of Sociology, University of Illinois at Chicago, Institutional Explanations of Community-Based Health Coalitions.
Chair, Dissertation Committee, Chuck LeHew, Public Administration Program, College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs, University of Illinois at Chicago.
Member, Dissertation Committee, Margaret LaPorte, Public Administration Program, College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs, University of Illinois at Chicago.
Member, Dissertation Committee, Patrick Lennihan, Urban Planning and Policy Program, College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs, University of Illinois at Chicago.

Consulting and Other Professional Services

Timothy P. Johnson
Member, Institutional Review Board, Illinois Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse

Lisa Kelly-Wilson
Consultant, Community Research Associates, Champaign, IL
Consultant, Formula Grants Training and Technical Assistance Program, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice

Jennifer A. Parsons
Member, Professional Advisory Board, Cyclic Vomiting Syndrome Association—USA/Canada, 1996 to present

Seymour Sudman
Member, Intergovernmental Committee on Federal Economic Statistics
Member, National Technical Advisory Committee, 2000 Jewish Population Survey

Richard B. Warnecke
Member of the Board, American Medical Center, Cancer Program
Member, Scientific Advisory Board, Northern California Comprehensive Cancer Center
Member, Scientific Advisory Board, Thomas Jefferson College Cancer Center
Member, Scientific Advisory Board, Group Health Cooperative, Center for Health Studies
Member, American Stop Smoking Intervention Study (ASSIST) Scientific Advisory Committee, Evaluation Committee, and Coalition Advisory Task Force, National Cancer Institute, Division of Cancer Control and Prevention
Member, National Cancer Institute, Expert Panel for Cancer Control Measures of Progress Against Cancer Evaluation Consultant, National Cancer Institute, Division of Cancer Prevention and Control, Appalachian Leadership Initiative on Cancer Consultant, Survey of Rural Discharge Planners, Brown University Consultant, Outreach Program and Cancer Information Service, Office of Cancer Communication, National Cancer Institute Consultant, National Cancer Institute Member of the Board, Community Renewal Society, Chicago, IL

Highlight

SRL Celebrates 30th Anniversary of the Questionnaire Review Committee

The Questionnaire Review Committee (QRC) has been a mainstay of SRL’s quality control program for many years and has a national reputation for questionnaire design excellence. Established in the early 1970s, the QRC is composed of SRL staff members appointed by the Director to ensure that all questionnaires administered by SRL follow ethical practices and basic principles of questionnaire construction. No instrument is administered to respondents before approval is obtained from this committee. Currently, the committee is composed of two permanent members — Diane O’Rourke, who has served on the committee for many years and as Chair since 1995, and Jennifer Parsons — with an additional position that rotates monthly among the project coordinators. Each study’s Field Coordinator also serves on the QRC. Over the years, the size and composition of the QRC has varied, but its critical role in ensuring that SRL’s work meets the highest ethical and scholarly standards remains unchanged. As we celebrate the committee’s 30th year of methodological vigilance, we wish to thank the many current and former SRL staff who have served on the QRC.
Grants and Contracts

**Timothy P. Johnson**

*Improving the Validity of Self Reports of Cancer Screening (SRL Study 840); 7/15/99 through 6/30/01; Source of funds: National Cancer Institute, National Institutes of Health, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; $488,038.*

*OASA Data Analysis Project (SRL Study 841); 4/99 through 6/01; Source of funds: Illinois Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse; $148,425.*

*Statewide Drug and Alcohol Study (SRL Study 793); 4/97 through 6/01; Source of funds: Illinois Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse; $304,026.*

*Drug and Alcohol Survey of Illinois Office of Mental Health Clients (SRL Study 795); 7/97 through 6/01; Source of funds: Illinois Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse; $107,710.*

*Probationer Substance Abuse Treatment Survey (SRL Study 802); 7/97 through 6/01; Source of funds: Illinois Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse; $254,494.*

*Drug and Alcohol Survey of Welfare Recipients (SRL Study 794); 10/1/97 through 6/30/01; Source of funds: Illinois Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse; $327,901.*

*Feasibility and Use of Biological Measurement in Drug Surveys (SRL Study 860); 4/1/00 through 3/30/01; Source of funds: National Institute on Drug Abuse, National Institutes of Health, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; $329,774.*

*Guidelines for Improving Access to Interview Surveys for Persons with Disabilities (SRL Study 838); 5/99 through 4/00; Source of funds: National Center for Health Statistics; $25,000.*

*A National Survey of Primary Care Physicians and Their Patients Regarding Substance Abuse and Addiction (SRL Study 819); 7/98 through 10/99; Source of funds: National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University; $146,783.*

**Diane P. O'Rourke**

*Improving the Validity of Self Reports of Cancer Screening (SRL Study 840); 7/15/99 through 6/30/01; Source of funds: National Cancer Institute, National Institutes of Health, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; $488,038.*
Seventh Conference on Health Survey Research Methods (SRL Study 825); 9/98 through 9/00; Source of funds: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality; $49,600.

Seventh Conference on Health Survey Research Methods (SRL Study 825); 9/99 through 9/00; Source of funds: Health Care Financing Administration; $10,000.

Seventh Conference on Health Survey Research Methods (SRL Study 825); 9/98 through 9/99; Source of funds: Health Resources Services Administration; $20,000.

Seventh Conference on Health Survey Research Methods (SRL Study 825); 9/99; Source of funds: National Cancer Institute; $10,000.

Seventh Conference on Health Survey Research Methods (SRL Study 825); 8/99 through 1/00; Source of funds: National Center for Health Statistics; $20,000.

Seventh Conference on Health Survey Research Methods (SRL Study 825); 6/99 through 9/99; Source of funds: National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism; travel costs for two individuals.

Seventh Conference on Health Survey Research Methods (SRL Study 825); 9/99; Source of funds: National Institute on Drug Abuse; $10,000.

Seventh Conference on Health Survey Research Methods (SRL Study 825); 8/98 through 9/99; Source of funds: National Institutes of Health; $10,000.

Seventh Conference on Health Survey Research Methods (SRL Study 825); 2/99 through 7/00; Source of funds: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation; $30,000.

Seventh Conference on Health Survey Research Methods (SRL Study 825); 6/99 through 9/99; Source of funds: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration; $20,000 plus the cost of printing conference proceedings.

Seventh Conference on Health Survey Research Methods (SRL Study 825); 9/99 through 6/00; Source of funds: Survey Research Center, University of Michigan; $5,000.

Jennifer A. Parsons

Guidelines for Improving Access to Interview Surveys for Persons with Disabilities (SRL Study 838); 5/99 through 4/00; Source of funds: National Center for Health Statistics; $25,000.
Seymour Sudman

Feasibility and Use of Biological Measurement in Drug Surveys (SRL Study 860); 4/1/00 through 3/30/01; Source of funds: National Institute on Drug Abuse, National Institutes of Health, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; $329,774.

Improving the Validity of Self Reports of Cancer Screening (SRL Study 840); 7/15/99 through 6/30/01; Source of funds: National Cancer Institute, National Institutes of Health, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; $488,038.

Richard B. Warnecke

Healthy Start Cooperative Agreement – Phase 2 (SRL Study 808); 9/1/97 through 8/31/01; Source of funds: Health Resources and Services Administration, Maternal and Child Health Bureau; $155,320.

Improving the Validity of Self Reports of Cancer Screening (SRL Study 840); 7/15/99 through 6/30/01; Source of funds: National Cancer Institute, National Institutes of Health, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; $488,038.

Survey Methods Core, Cancer Information Service Consortium (SRL Study 1005); 7/1/97 through 6/30/01; Source of funds: AMC Cancer Research Institute; $1,122,913.

Ryan White 2 – Title I HIV Study, 3/1/99 through 2/28/00, Source of funds: Chicago Department of Public Health (through a subcontract with the Midwest AIDS Training and Education Center, Jane Addams College of Social Work, University of Illinois at Chicago), $124,455.

Cohort Study, 3/99 through 10/00, Source of funds: Chicago Department of Public Health, $110,000.

National Practioner Data Bank User and Non-User Survey (SRL Study 827), 10/98 through 3/00, Source of funds: Health Resources and Services Administration, $755,768.

National Black Leadership Initiative on Cancer II (SRL Study 769); 10/1/95 through 9/30/99; Source of funds: National Cancer Institute; $769,553.
SRL Staff as of June 30, 2000

Joseph Avance,* Field Supervisor
Marni Basic,* Field Coordinator
Sara Baum, Research Assistant
Dawn Boyd, Field Supervisor
Tony Burnett, Administrative Secretary
Jane Burris,* Senior Project Coordinator
Jie Chen, Manager of System Services
Young Ik Cho, Postdoctoral Fellow
Cayge Clements, Senior Field Coordinator
Antonio Cox, Data Reduction Coordinator
Eboni Craig, Account Technician
Amy DeGrush, Senior Project Coordinator
Isabel Calhoun Farrar, Senior Project Coordinator
Melissa Garcia,* Field Supervisor
Ingrid Graf, Senior Project Coordinator
Cynthia Hallin, Research Assistant
Douglas Hammer, Field Coordinator
Keyona Harris, Accounting Assistant
Marguerite Harris, Associate Director for Financial Operations
Holly Hart, Senior Project Coordinator
Kris Hertenstein,* Secretary
Timothy P. Johnson, Director
Lisa Kelly-Wilson,* Coordinator of Survey Research Information Services
Arash Mahdian,* Research Assistant
Ken Nielson, Data Reduction Operations Manager
Diane P. O’Rourke,* Assistant Director for Survey Operations
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