

# You Can Do This!

## Challenges in Teaching Policy Analysis to DNP Students

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# Objectives

Identify various methods of policy analysis, particularly in terms of social justice and health equity.

Compare accepted methods of policy analysis to the strengths of the DNP prepared nurse.

Apply the best suited teaching methods to teach policy analysis to DNP students



# Plan for Today

1. Importance of Policy Analysis
2. Analytic Approaches & the DNP
3. Teaching Policy Analysis
4. Lessons Learned



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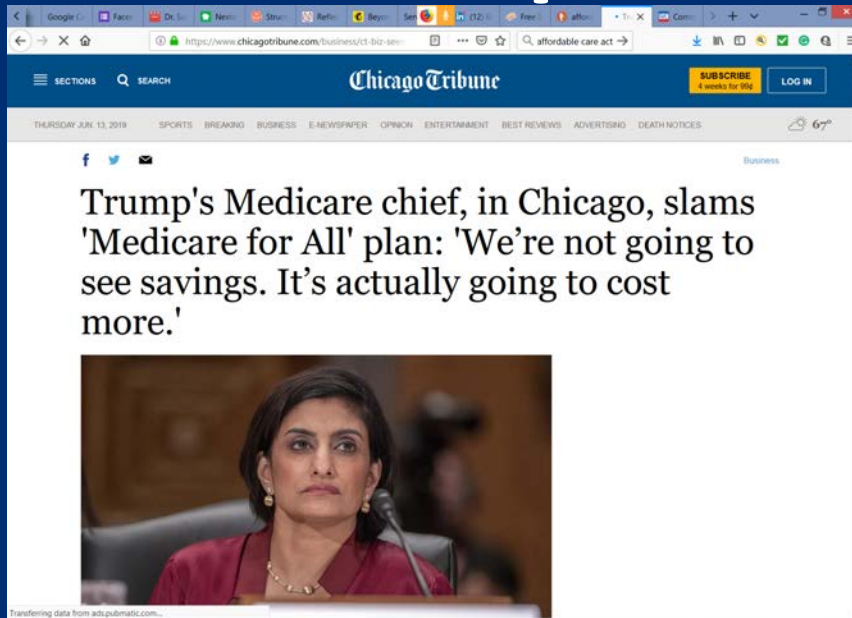
# Introductions



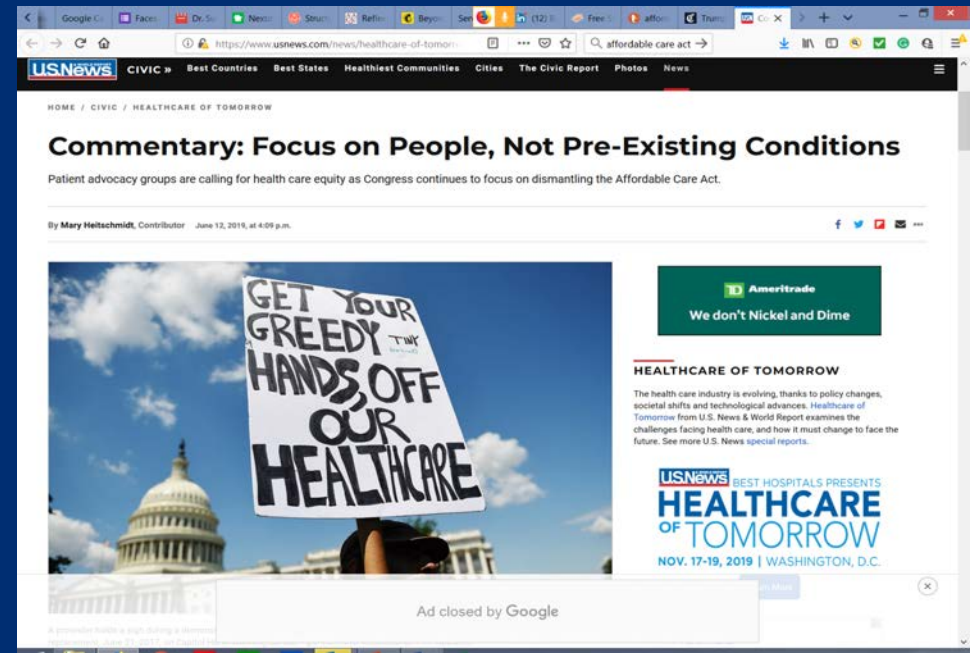
# IMPORTANCE OF POLICY ANALYSIS



# Importance of Policy



A screenshot of a web browser displaying a Chicago Tribune article. The article title is "Trump's Medicare chief, in Chicago, slams 'Medicare for All' plan: 'We're not going to see savings. It's actually going to cost more.'" Below the title is a photograph of a woman with dark hair, wearing a red top, speaking at a podium. The browser's address bar shows the URL "https://www.chicagotribune.com/business/ct-biz-seer...".



A screenshot of a web browser displaying a US News & World Report article. The article title is "Commentary: Focus on People, Not Pre-Existing Conditions". Below the title is a sub-headline: "Patient advocacy groups are calling for health care equity as Congress continues to focus on dismantling the Affordable Care Act." The author is listed as "By Mary Heitschmidt, Contributor" and the date is "June 12, 2019, at 4:09 p.m.". The article features a large image of a person holding a sign that reads "GET YOUR GREEDY HANDS OFF OUR HEALTHCARE" in front of the US Capitol building. To the right of the image is an advertisement for Ameritrade with the text "We don't Nickel and Dime". Below the image is a "Healthcare of Tomorrow" section with a sub-headline "HEALTHCARE OF TOMORROW" and a brief description of the report. The browser's address bar shows the URL "https://www.usnews.com/news/healthcare-of-tomor...".



# Importance of Policy





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# Importance of Policy

- Obesity, Hypertension, Diabetes
- Trauma
- Infectious Disease
- Gender Identity
- Pregnancy
- Mental Health & Addiction
- Nursing Practice



# Why DNP Nurses?

PhD	DNP
Scholarly work	Scholarly work
Research	Practice
Scientific underpinnings	Implementation science
Creation of research evidence	Translation of research evidence
Quantitative, qualitative, mixed methods research	PICOT format
Analysis of data	Analysis of data
Discussions, conclusions, recommendations	Discussions, conclusions, recommendations
Dissemination of findings	Dissemination of findings
Further research	Health policy change

(Rundio, 2016)



# ANALYTIC APPROACHES & THE DNP



# Content Guidance

DNP graduates are prepared to design, influence, and implement health care policies that frame health care financing, practice regulation, access, safety, quality, and efficacy. Moreover, the DNP graduate is able to design, implement and advocate for health care policy that addresses issues of social justice and equity in health care (AACN, 2006).



# Analytic Choices

Comparative  
Economic Analysis or  
Economic Viability  
Analysis



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Health Equity  
Analysis

Nurse Ed Council  
of BC

Health Impact Assessment

Health Services Research  
Evidence Based Practice



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# TEACHING POLICY ANALYSIS



# Challenges



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# Recommendations for Engagement



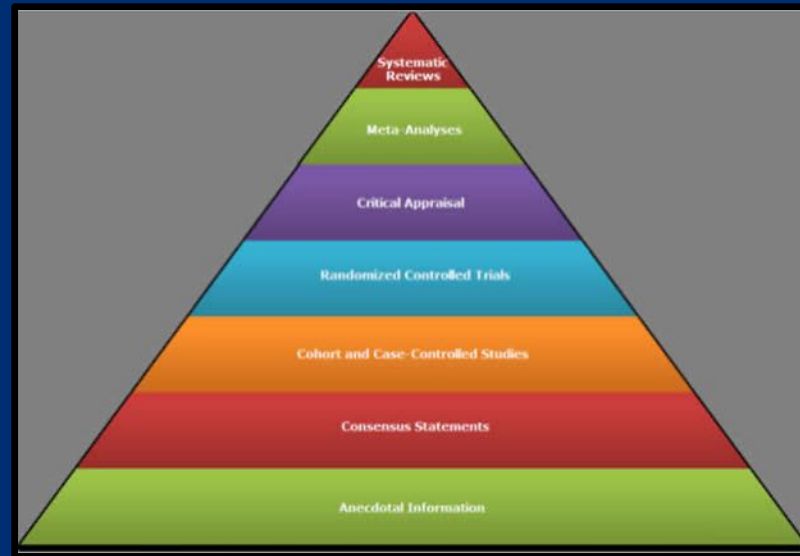
(Ohlson, 2010)

- Integrate Content throughout Program
- Engage their Passion
- Membership in an Organization

(Woodward, 2015)



# Policy Analysis Using Evidence Based Practice



Needs Both Individual and  
Population Level Health Outcomes




# Useful Techniques

PC729 Health Policy and Advocacy - Week 4

Search using DuckDuckGo

Health Policy & Advocacy (NPC729)  
We'll get started at 6:30 pm, Eastern.  
Listen on the Computer or by Phone.



(American Nurses Association, 2010)  
[http://www.nursesworld.org/Media/Category/Policy\\_Advocacy/Eastern](http://www.nursesworld.org/Media/Category/Policy_Advocacy/Eastern)

1. Logistics
2. Health Analysis Assignment
3. Questions

Megan Honor Caine: I can hear you fine  
Catherine Ruhl: I'm on the phone  
Josephine Bennion: I do have a question that is not content related.  
Megan Honor Caine: I am eating dinner right now! I will get on webcam in a few minutes  
Megan Honor Caine: No  
Catherine Ruhl: no  
Kristin Lubell: What is the checklist for?  
Marissa Callender: outcome

- Link to clinical expertise
- Define DNP role
- Passion



# Small Victories





## Know Your Why



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# LESSONS LEARNED



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- Don't do too much. Pick 1 area of analysis.
- Link to practice.
- Define their role as a clinical scholar.
- Enthusiasm & patience win the day.
- Know your why.



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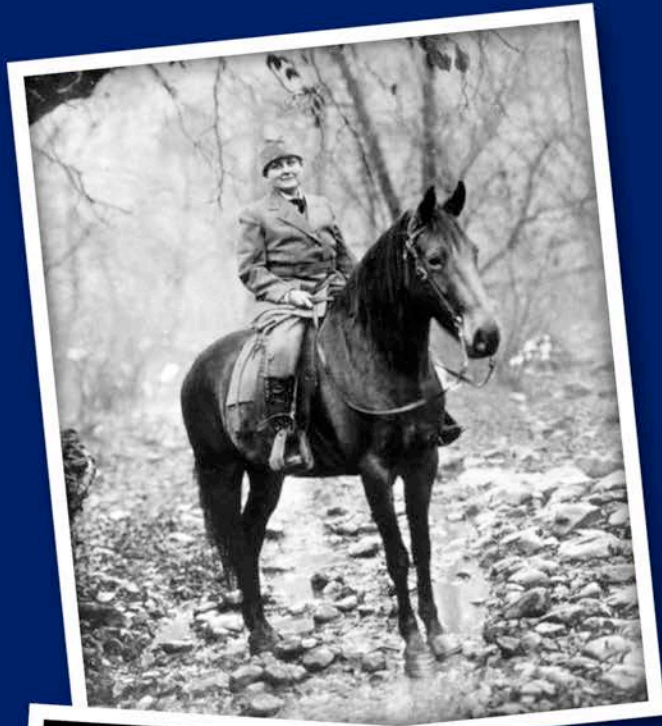




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