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Expertise Areas

Transcultural Topics

- Cultural competence in nursing education
- Social determinants of health
- Variation in feeding and eating patterns of children and youth across cultural and disability groups

Cultural Groups

- Mexican immigrants and Mexican Americans

Clinical Topics

- Public health and community health interventions
- Obesity and overweight
- Introduction of complementary foods and early childhood feeding
- Social support and disability

Research Methodology

- ethnography
- mixed methods (qualitative/quantitative)
- community-based and community-partnered research

Current Projects

- Health promotion for people with intellectual disabilities using curricular and social media resources
- Cultural aspects of childhood overweight/obesity in specific cultural groups

Languages spoken, read/write

- English
- Spanish

Select Publications

Journal Articles

Clark, L., Johnson, S.L., O'Connor, M.E., & Lassetter, J. (2013—in press). Cultural aspects of Latino early childhood obesity. In C.T. Beck (Ed.), *Handbook of Qualitative Methods*. Routledge.

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