

Morgan Elizabeth Godvin

Curriculum Vitae

PERSONAL DETAILS

UCLA David Geffen School of Medicine
Department of Medicine, Division of General Internal Medicine and Health Services Research
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EDUCATION

June 2026–Present MPH in Public Health Practice (enrolled)
Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU)

December 2021 BA, Community Health Promotion and Spanish
Portland State University – Oregon Health Sciences University
Joint School of Public Health
University Honours College
Thesis Title: Dual Panics: A Media Analysis of Narratives on the Role of
Unauthorised Migration in America’s Overdose Crisis

Summer 2025 European Union Drugs Agency Summer Drug School. Lisbon, Portugal

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Present Positions

April 2024–Present Project Director, Drug Checking Los Angeles, UCLA Department of Medicine,
Division of General Internal Medicine and Health Services Research, UCLA David Geffen School of
Medicine, Los Angeles, CA

December 2025–Present Study Visitor, European Union Drugs Agency, Lisbon, Portugal

January 2023–Present Director, Community Advisory Board, Western States Node, Clinical Trials Network,
National Institute on Drug Abuse

January 2021–Present Independent Research Consultant, RTI International

January 2024–Present Independent Research Consultant, American Institutes for Research

Previous Positions

May 2020 – December 2024 Narrative Justice Fellow, The Action Lab
Northeastern University

January 2021 – December 2024 Research Consultant, Subject Matter Expert
Comagine Health

September 2021 – August 2024 American Prison Newspapers Archive Editor
JSTOR Daily, ITHAKA Harbors

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Committee Services

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| 2021–2025 | Measure 110 Oversight and Accountability Council, Oregon Health Authority |
| 2022–2025 | Harm Reduction Subcommittee, Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission, the State of Oregon |
| 2021–2024 | Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission, the State of Oregon |
| 2022–2024 | Local Public Safety Coordinating Council, Multnomah County |
| 2023–2024 | Central City Task Force on Drugs and Addiction, City of Portland |

Professional Associations and Scholarly Societies

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| 2022–2024 | Law and Society Association, Member |
| 2025 | College of Problems on Drug Dependence, Member |

Editorial Services

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| 2023–Present | Ad hoc reviewer: Contemporary Drug Problems, JAMA Network Open, International Journal of Drug Policy, Harm Reduction Journal, Journal of Substance Use and Addiction Treatment |
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Grant Review

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| 2025 | Behavioural Health Resource Networks for State of Oregon |
| 2021 | Behavioural Health Resource Networks for State of Oregon |

Affiliations

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| 2024–Present | People with Lived Experience as Researchers |
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HONOURS AND AWARDS

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| 2018 | Gilman Scholarship for Drug Policy Research in Argentina and Uruguay, US State Department |
| 2019 | Autzen Scholarship for Community Service |
| 2020 | Portland Scholarship for Drugs and Addiction |
| 2021 | Summa Cum Laude, Portland State University and Oregon Health Sciences University |

LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS

Invited External Talks

1. Invited lecture, International Network of Civil Liberties Organisation, Buenos Aires, Argentina, 2019.
2. Invited keynote speaker, New York Society of Addiction Medicine, 2021.

3. Plenary speaker, American College on Criminal Justice Health, 2021.
4. Plenary speaker, National Association of Criminal Defence Lawyers, Palm Beach, Florida. 2021.
5. Invited lecture, National Academy of Medicine, 2022.
6. Invited lecture, Fentanyl Awareness Day, Song for Charlie: How Fentanyl Really Shows up in Communities. 2022.
7. Plenary speaker, National Council for Incarcerated and Formerly Incarcerated Women and Girls, Free Her Conference, Decarceration Efforts, Detroit, Michigan, 2022.
8. Invited lecture, Portland Business Alliance: The Truth About Substance Use in Portland, 2022.
9. Plenary speaker, National Harm Reduction Coalition Conference: People with Lived and Living Experience as Researchers. San Juan, Puerto Rico, 2022.
10. Invited lecture: National Association of Criminal Defence Lawyers, Measure 110 Updates. 2023.
11. Invited lecture: University of Texas San Antonio: Fentanyl, Fuel on the Policy Fire, 2023.
12. Plenary speaker: Drug Policy Alliance: Community Driven Research. 2023.
13. Invited lecture: Drugs and Public Safety Symposium, Arizona State University, Phoenix, Arizona. 2023.
14. Invited lecture: Yale University SEICHE Centre for Health and Justice: The intersection of addiction and the criminal legal system: drug screening for people on probation and parole. 2023.
15. Plenary speaker: Portland Central City Task Force: The State of Affairs on Substance Use. Portland, Oregon. 2023.
16. Plenary speaker: Oregon Senate and House Joint Committee on Addiction and Public Safety, Oregon State Capitol, Salem, Oregon. 2023.
17. Invited lecture: National Institutes of Health Criminal-Legal Subgroup: Decriminalisation and Recriminalisation in Oregon. 2024.
18. Invited lecture: VinUniversity, Hanoi, Vietnam: Opioid Use Disorder and Emerging Science on Drug Use and Addiction. 2025.
19. Four talks at the European Union Drugs Agency Annual Drug-Related Deaths Annual Meeting, Lisbon, Portugal, 2–4 October 2025. Topics: Quantitative Drug Checking Results, Youth Overdose, Counterfeit Pills, and Polysubstance Use.

Scientific Meetings/Presentations (National/International)

1. Godvin M, Ostrach B. National Harm Reduction Conference: Overdose Prevention Efforts at Nightlife and Entertainment Spaces, a Novel Intervention to Reduce Mortality. San Juan, Puerto Rico. 2022.
2. Godvin M, Netherland J. Drug Policy Alliance, Reform Conference: When Facts Fail, Phoenix, Arizona. 2022.
3. Godvin M, Kral A, Wenger L, Smiley-McDonald H, Ray B, Lambdin B. American Society for Evidence Based Policing: Impact of Drug Decriminalisation on Law Enforcement and Crime in Oregon. Las Vegas, Nevada. 2023.
4. Godvin, M. Contemporary Drug Problems: Fentanyl, Migration, and Misinformation: A Media Analysis. Paris, France. 2023.
5. Godvin M, Ray A. National Coalition for Higher Education in Prison: Prison Journalism as Acts of Liberation. Atlanta, Georgia. 2023.
6. Vest N, Godvin M. National Coalition for Higher Education in Prison: Ban the Box in Higher Education. Atlanta, Georgia. 2023.
7. Godvin M. Measure 110 Research Symposium: Oregon's Experience of Overdose: Personal Characteristics, External Factors, and Naloxone Access. Salem, Oregon. 2024.
8. Godvin M. Lisbon Addictions: Law Enforcement Experiences of People Who Use Drugs After Measure 110 Drug Decriminalisation. Lisbon, Portugal. 2024.
9. Godvin, M. College on Problems of Drug Dependence: Estimating the Morphine Milligram Equivalents Used by People Who Use Fentanyl in Los Angeles. New Orleans, Louisiana. 2025.
10. Godvin, M. Shover, C. Association for Multidisciplinary Education and Research in Substance Use and Addiction Annual Meeting. High Variation in Quantitative Testing of Consumer-Level Samples of Illicitly Manufactured Fentanyl in Los Angeles, CA, 2023–2025. Portland, Oregon. 2025.

11. Godvin M. National Focal Points Meeting, European Union Drugs Agency: Synthetic Opioids. Lisbon, Portugal. 23 April 2026.

OTHER EMPLOYMENT

2017–Present Freelance journalist and reported opinion writer for outlets including The Washington Post, the Oregonian, Al Jazeera English, Filter Magazine, the Oregon Capitol Chronicle, and Truthout

Morgan Elizabeth Godvin **Bibliography/Publications**

RESEARCH PAPERS

A. RESEARCH PAPERS – PEER REVIEWED

1. Friedman J, Bourgois P, Godvin M, Chavez A, Pacheco L, Segovia L, Beletsky L, Arredondo J. 2022. The introduction of fentanyl on the US–Mexico border: An ethnographic account triangulated with drug checking data from Tijuana. *International Journal of Drug Policy*, 104. 103678. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.drugpo.2022.103678>
2. Friedman J, Godvin M, Shover CL, Gone JP, Hansen H, Schriger DL. Trends in Drug Overdose Deaths Among US Adolescents, January 2010 to June 2021. *Journal of the American Medical Association*. 2022 Apr 12;327(14):1398–1400. doi: 10.1001/jama.2022.2847.
3. Friedman JR, Godvin M, Molina C, Romero R, Borquez A, Avra T, Goodman-Meza D, Strathdee S, Bourgois P, Shover CL. Fentanyl, heroin, and methamphetamine-based counterfeit pills sold at tourist-oriented pharmacies in Mexico: An ethnographic and drug checking study. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*. 2023 Aug 1;249:110819. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.drugalcdep.2023.110819>.
4. Shover CL, Godvin M, Appley M, Pyfrom E, Montero F, Hochstatter K, Nadel T, Garg N, Koncsol A, Friedman JR, Molina C, Romero R, Harshberger B, Gonzalez J, Spoliansky J, Laurel S, Jalayer E, Ruelas J, Snakeoil S, Guerra S, Arellano O, Winstead C, Rybak M, Champney J, Waninger B, Torruella R, Sisco E. UV stabiliser BTMPS in the illicit fentanyl supply in 9 US locations, June to October 2024. *Journal of the American Medical Association*. <https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jama/fullarticle/2829939>
5. Smiley-McDonald H, Chung E, Wenger L, Godvin M, Good D, Leichtling G, Browne E, Lambdin B, Kral A. Criminal legal system engagement among people who use drugs in Oregon following decriminalisation of drug possession. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*. 2024 Nov 1; 112449. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.drugalcdep.2024.112449>.
6. Chung E, Wenger L, Good D, Godvin M, Lambdin B, Kral A. Housing assistance among people who are unstably housed and use drugs in Oregon: a cross-sectional study. *BMC Public Health* 25, 740 (2025). <https://doi.org/10.1186/s12889-025-21925-y>
7. Good D, Shin S, Kappensner K, Leichtling G, Lambdin B, Godvin M, Wenger L, Kral A. Policing during a period of drug decriminalisation: Experiences of people who use drugs in Oregon, USA. *International Journal of Drug Policy*. 2025 Feb. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.drugpo.2025.104745>
8. del Pozo B, Green T, Godvin M, Ray B. The Police Opioid Seizure Temporal Risk (POSTeR) model of increased exposure to fatal overdose. *International Journal of Drug Policy*. 2025 May. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.drugpo.2025.104789>
9. Bailey K, Strathdee S, Bazzi A, Stamos T, Godvin M, Harvey-Vera A, Abramovitz D, Vera C, Patterson T, Davidson P, Borquez A. Motivational interviewing to increase drug checking and reduce overdose rates among people who use drugs: protocol for a hybrid type 1 effectiveness-implementation trial. *BMC Public Health*. 2025 Sept. <https://link.springer.com/article/10.1186/s12889-025-24460-y>

10. Friedman J, Molina C, Koncsol A, Romero R, Godvin M, Jalayer E, Davila S, Arellano O, Cowan A, Hurley B, Shover C. Xylazine prevalence and concentration in the Los Angeles fentanyl market, 2023–2025. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence Reports*. 2025 Sept. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.dadr.2025.100364>
11. Shover C, Koncsol A, Godvin M, Goodman-Meza D, Pardo B, Poimboeuf M, Molina C, Romero R, Feng J, Friedman J. High variation in purity of consumer-level illicit fentanyl samples in Los Angeles, September 2023–April 2025. *International Journal of Drug Policy*. 2025 Nov. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.drugpo.2025.104977>
12. Molina C, Friedman J, Koncsol A, Romero R, Godvin M, Shover C. Assessing the Real-World Performance of Xylazine Test Strips for Community-Based Drug Checking in Los Angeles. <https://www.medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2025.06.28.25330471v1> Accepted, *Harm Reduction Journal*.
13. Godvin M, Friedman J, Molina C, Koncsol A, Romero R, Juurlink D, Shover C. Estimating the Daily Milligrams of Morphine Equivalent of Illicit Fentanyl Use in Los Angeles: Clinical and Epidemiological Implications. <https://doi.org/10.1101/2025.10.07.25337514> Accepted, *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*.

B. RESEARCH PAPERS – SUBMITTED

1. Friedman J, Koncsol A, Molina C, Romero R, Feng J, Poimboeuf M, Godvin M, Puri S, Marienfeld C, Shover C. What dose of methamphetamine do regular consumers use daily? Estimating milligrams of oral amphetamine equivalent. *medRxiv* <https://doi.org/10.1101/2025.05.09.25327334> Invited to revise and resubmit.
2. Koncsol A, Molina C, Romero R, Poimboeuf M, Godvin M, Feng J, Puri S, Friedman J, Shover C. Purity of consumer-level methamphetamine samples and methamphetamine-adulteration of other drugs: Los Angeles, 2023–2024. *medRxiv* 2025.03.18.25323868; Under review.

REVIEWS

1. Shover CL, Spoliansky JG, Godvin M. Polysubstance use and lived experience: New insights into what is needed. *Curr Opinions in Psychiatry*. 2023 Jul 1;36(4):316–320. doi: 10.1097/YCO.0000000000000876.
2. El-Sabawi T, Carroll J, Godvin M. Drug-Induced Homicide Laws and False Beliefs About Drug Distributors: Three Myths that are Leaving Prosecutors Misinformed (2023). *Florida International University Legal Studies Research Paper No. 23-03, American Criminal Law Review, Vol. 60*. Available at SSRN: <https://ssrn.com/abstract=4401140>.

SELECTED MEDIA COVERAGE

1. Szalavitz, Maia. “Treating drug addiction as a crime doesn’t work. What Oregon is doing might.” *The New York Times*. 22 January 2022.
2. Alpert-Reyes, Emily. “Deadly overdoses have spiked among teens, even as drug use dropped, UCLA researchers find.” *Los Angeles Times*. 12 April 2022.
3. Blakinger, Keri and Sheets, Connor. “Some pharmacies in Mexico passing off fentanyl, meth as legitimate pharmaceuticals.” *Los Angeles Times*. 2 February 2023.
4. Alpert-Reyes, Emily. “An industrial chemical is showing up in fentanyl in the U.S., troubling scientists.” *Los Angeles Times*. 16 September 2024.
5. Mann, Brian. “The street supply of fentanyl is dropping. This shift could save thousands.” *All Things Considered, NPR*. 1 October 2024.
6. Mukherjee, Neha. “‘One of the larger mysteries I’ve ever seen’: Industrial chemical found in illicit fentanyl.” *CNN*. 12 February 2025.
7. “Does Trump’s Plan to Get Homeless People Off the Streets Violate Civil Liberties?” *Consider This, NPR*. 23 September 2025.

ACADEMIC PRESS

1. Godvin, M. "11. Punishment Over Prevention: U.S. Drug Policy." In *Excessive Punishment: How the Justice System Creates Mass Incarceration*, edited by Lauren-Brooke Eisen. New York: Columbia University Press, 2024, pp. 102–111. <https://doi.org/10.7312/eise21216-012>
2. Godvin, M. "The Ecology of Prisons and the Effect on Mental Health." In *Ecologies of Justice: Making and Unmaking Prison Worlds*, edited by Matthew DelSesto, Daniela Jauk-Ajamie, Elizabeth Lara, and Shea Zwerver. New Brunswick: Rutgers University Press, 2026. <https://www.rutgersuniversitypress.org/ecologies-of-justice/9781978840324>

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