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EDUCATION:

Ph.D., University of Southern California, Department of Sociology, 2005.

M.A., University of Southern California, Department of Sociology, 2001.

B.A., University of California, Los Angeles, Department of Sociology, 1993.

FIELDS OF SPECIALIZATION:

Adolescent risk behaviors including youth-involved violence and risky sexual behaviors; environmental factors influence on behavior; popular culture and multimedia applications for positive youth development; health and health care disparities in pediatric populations; translational and dissemination science.

PROFESSIONAL HISTORY:

Dr. Lomonaco joined Sociometrics Corporation in 2010. She will focus her efforts on increasing the reach and depth of the teen pregnancy prevention archive (PASHA), integrating global interventions in the HIV/AIDS archive (HAPPA-DEV) and developing the Sociometrics portfolio in youth violence prevention. Dr. Lomonaco will also assist in various Sociometrics corporate and marketing activities at the discretion of the President.

Dr. Lomonaco served as Director of Research, Evaluation and Outreach for the *American Birthright* project on the science of how structural inequalities influence early child development from the award-winning documentary film production and distribution company, California Newsreel. She has also served as Director of Programs for the Inspire USA Foundation, where she produced and implemented an online evidence-based suicide prevention and mental health intervention for American teens and young adults.

Dr. Lomonaco received an SRCD/AAAS Executive Branch Policy Post-doctoral Fellowship with a placement at NICHD at NIH. At NICHD, she collaborated on many initiatives across the institute, including the National Children's Study, the International Extramural Associates program and the Clinical Translational Science Awards. She also worked in the Office of Science Planning and Assessment at NCI conducting large scale evaluations of various trans-NIH programs and initiatives, while facilitating strategic planning for NCI divisions and offices and staffing the NCI Office of Women's Health.

Prior to her work at NIH, Dr. Lomonaco served as the Assistant Director of LA Net, a practice-based research network in the USC Department of Family Medicine, comprised of 16 community-based clinics representing 160 + physicians and nurses and over 140,000 under and uninsured patients. While with LA Net, Dr. Lomonaco specialized in designing and implementing translational, clinical and community-based research on pediatric health and health care disparities, while developing the network's research and outreach infrastructure.

She has received the USC Urban/Global Fellowship focusing on global adolescent homelessness and the SOPHE/CDC Violence and Injury Prevention Fellowship focusing on evaluating the AMA violence prevention curriculum for health care providers. She has served on the AHRQ Practice-based Research Network's Resource Center National Steering Committee, currently serves on the editorial board of the *Journal of the American Board of Family Medicine (JABFM)* and her co-edited volume, Applied Research in Child and Adolescent Development, was published in April 2010 by Psychology Press.