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Professional Experience

- **Global Research Institute (GLORI) non-government non-for-profit Foundation, Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan (Chairperson, 2014 – now)**
 - Supervise the Foundation's work and, as a PI and a co-PI, lead and coordinate the following projects:
 - GIZ-funded BACKUP Health Project on evaluation and formulation of the national HIV strategy in Kyrgyzstan (2020 – 2021)
 - UNODC-funded regional study on effectiveness of services tailored to meet the needs of people who use stimulant drugs and other novel psychoactive substances (NPS), and development of NPS-specific clinical guidelines for Kyrgyz Ministry of Health (2020 – 2021)
 - Study on HCVST Values and Preferences in Kyrgyzstan (INPUD, 2020 – 2021)
 - UNDP-funded project “Integration of an Intervention Model on Prevention of Gender-based Violence in Crisis Centers’ Activities In the Kyrgyz Republic” (May 2019 – June 2020)
 - USAID-funded SHOPS Plus analytical effort on supporting development of effective and sustainable markets for HIV commodities in Kyrgyzstan (2018 – 2019)
 - UNODC / WHO multisite implementation study on community management of opioid overdose including the use of naloxone for preventing overdose deaths (S-O-S Study) (2018 – 2019)
 - KG. C.A.R.E.S: Support to Elderly People with Dementia and Their Caregivers in Kyrgyzstan (2018 – now)
 - Women Initiating News Goals for Safety (WINGS of Hope) Gender-based Violence Prevention study in Kyrgyzstan (Open Society Foundations, Soros Foundation – Kyrgyzstan, 2014 - 2017)
 - Consultancy on PANKH (stands for WINGS in Marathi language) project in Pune, India (2016-2017)
 - USAID-funded study on TB Symptoms Prevalence in External Labor Migrants in Kyrgyzstan (Project CARAVAN, 2014 - 2015)
 - Peer-based Overdose Management and Prevention in IDUs in Central Asia Countries (Project ADVANCE, Open Society Foundations, 2010 – 2011)
 - Design and supervise implementation of trainings associated with human subjects’ protection, data management, and M&E.

- ***Global Health Research Center of Central Asia, Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan (Country Representative, 2006 – 2014)***
 - Coordinator and co-investigator on USAID-funded Improving Social Work Practices for Most at-Risk Populations (ISWOP) project at which qualitative data were collected with Central Asian key informants, including leadership and front line staff from governmental and nongovernmental agencies that service most at-risk populations for HIV, regarding the knowledge and skills needed by social service providers, and inform strategies to address barriers to engagement into care and HIV testing those most at risk (2012);
 - Project Director and co-investigator on NIDA-funded Self-Help in Eliminating Life-threatening Diseases (SHIELD) project focusing on empowering IDU in the Southern Kyrgyzstan region of Osh to develop skills and knowledge to decrease their own HIV risk behavior and also share this knowledge with their sexual and drug risk network (2009 – 2010)

- ***Parents Against Drugs Foundation and Drug Treatment Center, Osh, Kyrgyzstan (Program Coordinator, Grant Officer, 2002 – 2004)***
 - Collaboratively with the service providers' network, developed curriculum and implemented trainings as a part of the Youth Without Drugs component of the Foundation's and the Center's project;
 - Coordinated M&E of the Methadone Substitution Therapy project run by the Center.

- ***The Aga-Khan Education Service, Osh, Kyrgyzstan (Social Studies Curriculum Developer and Staff Trainer, 2000 – 2002)***
 - Adapted the Government Social Studies curricula, adjusting them to the Aga Khan High School Requirements and community needs;
 - Identified and obtained the learning resources for the Aga Khan High School;
 - Refined the content of the admission tests for students-applicants, supervised its grading and prepared overview;
 - Researched the professional needs for the newly recruited teachers, developed the Professional Development (PD) plan, supervised the delivery of PD course, and created the finance and narrative reports on the course activity.

- ***Lomonosov School, Osh, Kyrgyzstan (Teacher of English as a Second Language, 1993 – 2000)***
 - Taught the ESL and Technical Translation Courses in accordance with the requirements of the Government curriculum.

Education

- ***Columbia University in the City of New York, Master of Science in Social Work (2004 – 2006)***
 - Social Administration and Planning cohort at the School of Social Work;

- **Aga Khan University/Institute for Educational Development, Visiting Teacher Program (October 2000 - December 2000)**
 - Course on Social Studies teaching methodology and curriculum development;
- **Soros Teacher Trainers Methodology Course (Winter semester, 1999)**
 - Extensive training in modern language teaching methodology, 90 hours of instruction, Certificate with Distinction;
- **Osh State University (1987 - 1993)**
 - Degree of ESL Teacher and Methodologist of Extracurricular Activities.

Areas of Professional Interest

- Civil Society development
- Gender equality and gender-based violence prevention
- Health disparities & services for marginalized groups
- Social justice
- Bioethics

Most Recent Publications

Tina Jiwatram-Negrón, Timothy Hunt, Danil Nikitin, Olga Rychkova, Irena Ermolaeva, Nadejda Sharonova, Aibek Mukambetov, Louisa Gilbert (2018) An exploratory study of economic abuse among substance-involved women in Kyrgyzstan, Central Asia. *Journal of Substance Use*. DOI: 10.1080/14659891.2017.1421272

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Gilbert, L., Primbetova, S., Nikitin, D., Hunt, T., Terlikbayeva, A., Momenghalibaf, A., Ruziev, M., El-Bassel, N. (2013). Redressing the epidemics of overdose and HIV among people who inject drugs in Central Asia: The need for a syndemic approach. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*. PMID: 23954070

Languages

- Russian (native), English (fluent), Kyrgyz (fair)

Computer Skills

- Windows 10, MS Word, MS Excel, MS PowerPoint, Chrome/Internet Explorer, Outlook Express, Adobe Acrobat, DatStat (software for survey designing, data collection, and data analysis)

References

- Available upon request