

## FHOP Staff

**Jennifer Rienks, PhD**, has been with FHOP since 1996 and is currently the Associate Director of FHOP. A native of Connecticut, Dr. Rienks received her undergraduate degree in psychology from the University of Connecticut before heading west to complete both her Masters of Science degree and PhD in Social Psychology at the University of California, Santa Cruz. Her research interests include the application of social science theories and methods to public health to change health behaviors and health systems, and the role of the physical and social environment in shaping health behaviors. [Read full biography.](#) <sup>[1]</sup>

**Geraldine Oliva, MD, MPH**, is an Associate Professor in the Department of Family and Community Medicine and a member of The Institute for Health Policy Studies at the University of California at San Francisco. Since 1992, she has been the Director of the Family Health Outcomes Project. Dr. Oliva is a board-certified pediatrician who has had a broad background as a clinician, public health administrator and researcher. [Read full biography.](#) <sup>[2]</sup>[Read full biography.](#) <sup>[3]</sup>

**Linda Remy, PhD**, has worked as FHOP's Research Director since 1995 and as a health policy researcher at UCSF since 1989. Linda's research has focused on problems affecting families and children in access to services and outcomes in hospitals, foster care, juvenile detention, jails and prisons, substance abuse, domestic violence, mental health, and cancer. She has been teased about how depressed her computer's hard drive must be. As a methodologist, she specializes in longitudinal population health research, data linkage methods, graphic display of quantitative data, and developing innovative ways to monitor and report population health indicators. She has taught graduate classes in research methods, statistics, and human development in the social environment at several colleges and universities. Before coming to UCSF, she designed information systems and did research and evaluation for a wide variety of non-profit organizations. A person with many interests, Linda co-wrote two highly successful films and was Associate Producer for one of these. She served as a publicly elected Director of the Marin Healthcare District from 1996 to 2000 and has co-founded and served on the boards of numerous community-based organizations. Her undergraduate degree is from New College of California and her graduate degrees (MSW, PhD) are from UC, Berkeley.

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**Adrienne Shatara, MPH**, has been a Research Associate with FHOP since the summer of 2015. She received her Master's degree in Public Health (MPH) from the University of San Francisco's School of Nursing and Health Professions and has been working in many different capacities as a public health professional since 2010 at both private and public non-profit organizations, universities, and local health jurisdictions. During her MPH fieldwork she helped to develop and implement the beginning phases of a community health assessment for the Yolo County Health Department's application for National Public Health Accreditation.

She is a PhD Student in UCSF's Doctoral program in Sociology and her current research interests are in designing health care systems that address the Social Determinants of Health, and Trauma-Informed Care; the social and economic impacts of sexual assault, and the Intersectional experiences of children with special health care needs.



**Rita Shiau, MPH**, is a research analyst supporting the CalWORKs Home Visiting Program evaluation. Before joining FHOP in 2019, she worked as an infectious disease epidemiologist in San Francisco and Alameda Counties for 18 years. She supported their acute communicable disease and tuberculosis control programs by collecting, maintaining, analyzing and summarizing surveillance data; responding to disease outbreaks; designing databases; evaluating local-level disease control and prevention interventions with community partners, and using this data to inform changes to health policy and interventions. Her growing interest in maternal and child health, especially serving children with special health care needs and the families that support them, led her to her current position at FHOP. In her spare time, she likes to explore new places near and far, and get crafty at the sewing machine. She earned her undergraduate degree in molecular biology at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and her MPH in epidemiology and statistics at UC Berkeley



**Louise Kaseff, MS**, has been a Research Analyst with FHOP since January 2020 and currently contributes part time. She received her Master's Degree in Statistics (MS) from the University of California San Diego. She worked with San Diego County's Health & Human Services Agency on several of their programs for the past ten years. The Bioterrorism Surveillance Program, the Communicable Disease Program, and the Lead Program. Prior to that she worked in the New Drug Development department of several Biotech companies in San Diego. She was responsible for developing statistical programming to analyze safety and efficacy of drugs for FDA submissions.

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