

Brendalee Viveiros, PhD, MPH

Contact Information

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KEY SKILLS

- Epidemiology
 - Communication
 - Strategic Planning
 - Research Methodology
 - Developing Research Protocols
 - Grant Proposal Writing
 - Public Health Policy & Regulations
 - Course Development
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EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

PhD in Public Health, Walden University, 2021

Master of Public Health, University of New England, 2015

Bachelor of Science, Biology, minor in Chemistry, Rhode Island College, 2012

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF JAMESTOWN, Jamestown, ND (Online Program)

Clinical Research PhD Program Core Faculty, 02/2026-Present

- Courses: CRES831 Health Policy and Systems Thinking, CRES750 Epidemiology, CRES720 Biostatistics I

RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, Rhode Island

Assistant Director II- 5/2023-present

- Develop quantitative, qualitative, and mixed methods research studies on food safety practices and environmental assessments for CDC research grant.
 - Develop and implement regulations including writing cost/benefit analysis and developing a policy analysis.
 - Planning and evaluation of public health food safety programs.
 - Prepare grant applications for public health programs.
 - Provide food safety subject matter expertise.
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RASMUSSEN UNIVERSITY Bloomington, MN (Online Program)

SOHS Faculty and MPH Practicum Coordinator, 10/2021 to 02/2026

- Graduate Courses Taught: Essentials of Public Health, Principles of Health Behavior, Epidemiology and Biostatistics, Environmental Health and Emergency Preparedness, Program Planning and Evaluation, Public Health Research Methods, MPH Practicum, MPH Capstone

RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, Rhode Island
Chief Health Program Evaluator, 3/2018 to 05/2023

University of Arizona Global Campus San Diego, California (Remote)

MPH Associate Faculty and Faculty Advisor, 11/2019 to 12/2022

- Courses Approved to Teach for MPH program: Introduction to Public Health, Applied Behavioral Science, Social and Biological Determinants of Public Health, Principles of Epidemiology, Environmental Health Science, and MPH Practicum courses.
- Undergraduate courses: Introduction to Epidemiology and Introduction to Grant Writing

COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF RHODE ISLAND

Biology Faculty, 09/2016-12/2018

- Undergraduate Courses Taught: Introduction to Cellular Biology, Human Sexuality

RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, Rhode Island
EHS-Net Planning and Program Specialist, 1/2016 to 3/2018

RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE, Rhode Island

Community and Wellness Faculty,

01/2016 to 12/2021

- Undergraduate Courses Taught: Nutrition, Food Plant Sanitation, Environmental Health, Research in Community and Public Health.
- Graduate Courses Taught: Principles of Epidemiology and Biostatistics.

RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Environmental Health Food Specialist, 5/2013 to 1/2016

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

1. Kortz, K. M., Clark, S. K., Gray, K., Smay, J. J., **Viveiros**, B., & Steer, D. (2011). Counting tectonic plates: A mixed-methods study of college students' conceptions of plates and boundaries. In A. D. Feig & A. Stokes (Eds.), *Qualitative inquiry in geoscience education research* (Special Paper 474, pp. 171–188). Geological Society of America. [https://doi.org/10.1130/2011.2474\(12\)](https://doi.org/10.1130/2011.2474(12))

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2. Barkley, J., Julian, E., **Viveiros**, B., & Bandy, U. (2016). Preventing foodborne and enteric illnesses among at-risk populations in the United States and Rhode Island. *Rhode Island Medical Journal*, 99(11), 30–33.
 3. Radke, T. J., Brown, L. G., Faw, B., Hedeem, N., Matis, B., Perez, P., **Viveiros**, B., & Ripley, D. (2017). Restaurant food allergy practices—Six selected sites, United States, 2014. *MMWR. Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report*, 66(15), 404–407. <https://doi.org/10.15585/mmwr.mm6615a2>
 4. Yousaf, A., **Viveiros**, B., & Caron, G. (2019). Rhode Island Department of Health foodborne illness complaint system: A descriptive and performance analysis. *Journal of Food Protection*, 82(9), 1568–1574. <https://doi.org/10.4315/0362-028X.JFP-19-135>
 5. Holst, M. M., Brown, L. G., **Viveiros**, B., Faw, B. V., Hedeem, N., McKelvey, W., Nicholas, D., Ripley, D., & Hammons, S. R. (2021). Observed potential cross-contamination in retail delicatessens. *Journal of Food Protection*, 84, 1055–1059. <https://doi.org/10.4315/jfp-20-403>
 6. Brown, L. G., Ebrahim-Zadeh, S. D., Hoover, E. R., DiPrete, L., Matis, B., **Viveiros**, B., Irving, D. J., Copeland, D., Nicholas, D., Hedeem, N., Tuttle, J., Williams, L., Liggans, G., & Kramer, A. (2021). Restaurant date-marking practices concerning ready-to-eat food requiring time and temperature control for safety. *Foodborne Pathogens and Disease*, 18(11), 798–804. <https://doi.org/10.1089/fpd.2021.0003>
 7. **Viveiros**, B., Caron, G., Barkley, J., Philo, E., Odom, S., Wenzel, J., Buxton, M., Semkiw, E., Schaffer, A., Brown, L., & Ettinger, A. S. (2021). Cake decorating luster dust associated with toxic metal poisonings—Rhode Island and Missouri, 2018–2019. *MMWR Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report*, 70(43), 1501–1504. <https://doi.org/10.15585/mmwr.mm7043a2>
 8. **Viveiros**, B. (2021). *Risk factors for foodborne illness outbreaks in retail food establishments* (Doctoral dissertation). Walden University. <https://scholarworks.waldenu.edu/dissertations/10864>
 9. Keaton, A. A., Schwensohn, C. A., Brandenburg, J. M., Pereira, E., Adcock, B., Teclé, S., Hinnenkamp, R., Havens, J., Bailey, K., Applegate, B., Whitney, P., Gibson, D., Manion, K., Griffin, M., Ritter, J., Biskupiak, C., Ajileye, K., Golwalkar, M., Gosciminski, M., **Viveiros**, B., & Caron, G. (2022). Multistate outbreak of *Salmonella* Mbandaka infections linked to sweetened puffed wheat cereal — United States, 2018. *Epidemiology and Infection*, 150, e135. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S095026882200108X>
 10. Kramer, A. J., Hoover, E. R., Hedeem, N., DiPrete, L., Tuttle, J., Irving, D. J., **Viveiros**, B., Nicholas, D. C., Monroy, J. A., Moritz, E., & Brown, L. G. (2023). Development of an empirically derived measure of food safety culture in restaurants. *Journal of Food Protection*, 86(3), 100043. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jfp.2023.100043>

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11. Caron, G., **Viveiros**, B., Slaten, C., Borkman, D., Miller, A., & Huard, R. C. (2023). *Campylobacter jejuni* outbreak linked to raw oysters in Rhode Island, 2021. *Journal of Food Protection*, 86(11), 100174. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jfp.2023.100174>
 12. Nichols, M., Stapleton, G. S., Rotstein, D. S., Gollarza, L., Adams, J., Caidi, H., Chen, J., Hodges, A., Glover, M., Peloquin, S., Payne, L., Norris, A., DeLancey, S., Donovan, D., Dietrich, S., Glaspie, S., McWilliams, K., Burgess, E., Holben, B., Pietrzen, K., Benko, S., Feldpausch, E., Orel, S., Neises, D., Kline, K. E., Tobin, B., Caron, G., **Viveiros**, B., Miller, A., Turner, C., Holmes-Talbot, K., Mank, L., Nishimura, C., Nguyen, T. N., Hale, S., & Watkins, L. K. (2024). Outbreak of multidrug-resistant *Salmonella* infections in people linked to pig ear pet treats, United States, 2015–2019: Results of a multistate investigation. *Lancet Regional Health – Americas*, 34, 100769. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.lana.2024.100769>
 13. Kramer, A. J., Hedeem, N., **Viveiros**, B., DiPrete, L., Irving, D. J., Nicholas, D. C., Tuttle, J., Monroy, J. A., Moritz, E., & Brown, L. G. (2025). Worker and restaurant characteristics associated with food safety culture: An Environmental Health Specialists Network study. *Foodborne Pathogens and Disease*. (In press)

Posters and Presentations

- Viveiros, B.** (2018). *Lister dust* [Conference presentation]. Association of Public Health Laboratories Annual Meeting. <https://www.aphl.org/conferences/proceedings/Documents/2018/3.%20Lister%20Dust%20Presentation.bviveiros%202.6.19.pdf>
- Wittry, B., **Viveiros, B.**, DiPrete, L., Ripley, D., & Irving, D. (2019). *Boots on the ground: Reports from state and local food safety agencies on COVID-19 response* [On-demand webinar]. Association of Food and Drug Officials. <https://www.afdo.org/event/boots-on-the-ground-reports-from-state-and-local-food-safety-agencies-on-covid-19-response/>
- Viveiros, B.**, Caron, G., & Slaten, C. (2020, November 4). *RIRRT scombroid poster* [Poster]. Association of Food and Drug Officials. https://www.afdo.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/RIRRT_Scambroid_Poster_11.4.2020.pdf
- Viveiros, B.**, Dyer, D., & Irving, D. (2021). *Tips to consider from national experts when building successful foodborne illness investigation programs* [Conference presentation]. Association of Food and Drug Officials. https://www.afdo.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/1325_FBI-Panel_PPT-Retail-SEminar-FBIs.pdf
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TRAINING AND CERTIFICATES

- FEMA ICS-100 Introduction to ICS
- FEMA ICS-200 ICS for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents
- FEMA ICS-300 Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents
- FEMA ICS-400 Advanced Incident Command Structure – Complex Incidents
- FEMA ICS-700 An Introduction to a National Incident Management System (NIMS)
- FEMA ICS-800 An Introduction to National Response Framework
- NCBRT (FEMA) "A Coordinated Response to Food Emergencies: Practice and Execution"
- URI Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Training
- Hassenfeld Leadership Training
- Grantsmanship Training
- CITI IRB Training: Public Health Research, Conflicts of Interest

AWARDS, HONORS, AND ORGANIZATION AFFILIATIONS

Awards and Honors

- 2024 CDC EHS-Net Carol Selmon Award
- 2024 Tawnee Award for Excellence on Council Work at Rasmussen University.
- 2024 Association of Food and Drug Officials (AFDO) Presidents Award Recipient
- 2023 Henry Bienen Award Recipient for Faculty Excellence at Rasmussen University
- 2019 CDC Break Out Award Recipient for CDC EHS-Net Research

Organization Affiliations

- National Environmental Health Association (NEHA) Member
- American Public Health Association (APHA) Member
- Association of Food and Drug Officials (AFDO) Member
 - **Co-Chair**, AFDO Healthy People 2030 Committee, 09/2022-03/2026
 - **Co-Chair**, AFDO Foodborne and Outbreak Emergency Response Committee, 09/2021-12/2025