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## Kara Alina May McElligott

Adjunct Assistant Professor in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology

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### Current Research Interests

- Family Planning
- Care of Underserved Communities
- Reproductive Infectious Disease
- Health Services
- Learning Health
- Medical Informatics
- Decision Modeling



### Current Appointments & Affiliations

Adjunct Assistant Professor in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, [Obstetrics and Gynecology](#), [Benign Gynecology](#), [Obstetrics and Gynecology](#) 2020

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### Background

#### – Education, Training, & Certifications

M.D., [University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill](#) 2008

#### – Duke Appointment History

Assistant Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology, [Obstetrics and Gynecology](#), [Benign Gynecology](#), [Obstetrics and Gynecology](#) 2014 – 2020

#### – Leadership & Clinical Positions at Duke

- Director of Women's Health Medical Services – Person County Health Department
- Duke Family Planning Clinic – Faculty
- Department of Veteran's Affairs – Faculty

- Institutional Review Board (IRB) – Member

## Expertise

### – Subject Headings

[Obesity](#)

[Reproductive Health](#)

[Women's Health](#)

[Women's Health Services](#)

## Publications & Artistic Works

### – Selected Publications

#### Academic Articles

McElligott, Kara A. "[Mortality from sexually transmitted diseases in reproductive-aged women: United States, 1999–2010.](#)" *Am J Public Health* 104, no. 8 (August 2014): e101–5.  
<https://doi.org/10.2105/AJPH.2014.302044>.

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McElligott, Kara A., Laura J. Havrilesky, and Evan R. Myers. "[Preoperative screening strategies for bacterial vaginosis prior to elective hysterectomy: a cost comparison study.](#)" *Am J Obstet Gynecol* 205, no. 5 (November 2011): 500.e1–500.e7.  
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ajog.2011.07.012>.

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## Teaching & Mentoring

### – Advising & Mentoring

2017–present	Residency Coach
2018–present	Tatiana Acosta, MD (resident)
2015–17	Clayton Alfonso, MD (resident)
2017–18	Ja’Pel Sumpter, MD (resident)

### – Teaching Activities

- RV–University, A Seminar series for OB/GYN house staff on principles of billing, medical coding and documentation
- Resident Rotation Teaching Faculty: Outrider, Family Planning
- Preparation for Residency Course Lecture: "Critical Appraisal of the Literature"

## Scholarly, Clinical, & Service Activities

### – Presentations & Appearances

[Mobile Technology in Women’s Health Research. Society for Gynecologic Investigation. 2014](#) 2014

[Preoperative screening strategies for bacterial vaginosis prior to elective hysterectomy: a cost comparison study. Society of Gynecologic Surgeons. 2011](#) 2011

## – Service to the Profession

[Member, Data Science Steering Committee, 2017](#) 2017

## – Academic & Administrative Activities

- Women's Services Medical Directory, Person County Health Department
- Data Science Steering Committee
- Maestro Leadership Committee
- Duke IRB Committee

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