



## DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH & PSYCHIATRY

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– Head of Department

### WORK OF THE DEPARTMENT

This is an opportunity to highlight our achievements. Through our functional units, Public Health, Family Medicine and Psychiatry and the affiliate Mona Ageing & Wellness Centre the department continued to provide undergraduate and postgraduate instructions. Additionally, clinical services were delivered through the Hermitage August Town Community Health Centre, and mental health services through the Department of Psychiatry, the University Hospital of the West Indies. Increased efforts were made to realign our strategic objectives with the Triple A Strategy of the University of the West Indies in key areas:

#### **Improvement in the quality, teaching, learning and student development**

Several initiatives were implemented to enrich the teaching and learning environment; through improvement in the teaching infrastructure and the acquisition of a new vehicle for the transportation of students on site visits. In collaboration with the Dean's office and The Department of Modern Languages and Literature, Dr Colette Cunningham-Myrie played a major role in the development of the "Spanish for Medical Students".

#### **Enhancing research in the department**

There are several active research groups; Alcohol and Substance Abuse, Ageing, Mental Health, Chronic Disease Research and Research in Reproductive Health Behaviour. We continued collaboration with the Psychology Unit and with partners from several institutions. Several faculty received awards in acknowledgment of their contribution to research and scholarship: Professor Jackson – The Principal's Award for Best Research Publication for the Faculty, Dr. Tana Ricketts-Roomes – Outstanding Researcher, Graduate Studies, UWI, Research Day, 2019.

**Promotion of greater activism and advocacy**

The programme the Partnership for the Promotion of Patients' Rights saw the scaling up of activities in advocacy in public health and social activism. Professor McCaw-Binns translated her work in maternal and child health in advocating for sexual and reproductive rights. The team in Psychiatry continued their work in mental health advocacy and the environmental group in workplace health. Dr Tina Hylton-Kong continued her collaboration with the Ministry of Health & Wellness in training contact investigators and an advisory role in HIV management and the elimination of mother – child transmission of HIV, Hepatitis and Syphilis.

**Contribution of to a cohesive single UWI:** Efforts were made in standardization and harmonization of the undergraduate curricula and several faculty have been participating in this process. Similarly, greater strides have been made in the standardization and harmonization of the DM Psychiatry programme which also underwent a quality review.

**Contribution to the financial health:** The department generated funds through grants and the four self-financing programmes.

**Staff Development:** Retreat was conducted for the undergraduate team and a customer training exercise was done for the staff working in the health centre. Dr Colette Cunningham – Myrie and Dr. Julian McCoy-Davis received a Doctorate in Public Health and a PhD. Public Health, respectively. Dr. Norbert Campbell successfully defended his PhD thesis during the academic year.

**Digital Transformation of the Department:** The IT server was fully implemented and so was the online learning platform to enhance our capacity to deliver the graduate programmes.

**Global Impact:** Professor Figueroa was recognised by the World Health Organization as a Global Health Leader in Public Health. Professor McCaw Binns was appointed by PAHO/WHO to represent the Regions of the Americas on a Technical Advisory Committee, “Mother and Newborn Information for Tracking Outcomes and Results (MONITOR)” which will develop and review progress on SDG maternal and child health indicators.

**ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES****The Undergraduate Programmes**

Undergraduate courses to medical and dental students and clinical training to medical students in community health (years 3, 4, 5) and psychiatry (years 3, 4).

## The Graduate Programmes

- Graduate programmes in Public Health, Family Medicine, Psychiatry and Psychology.

### MPhil /PhD (Public Health)

#### The Doctorate in Public Health (DrPH)

**Master of Public Health:** Includes a general degree and three specialty tracks (gerontology, health education/health promotion or health management).

**Family Medicine:** Offers a Diploma in Family Medicine and a four-year Doctor of Medicine (DM). Actively involved in the teaching of Family Medicine in the undergraduate medical programme.

**The Doctor of Medicine (DM) Psychiatry:** A 4-year clinical programme in Psychiatry.

**Masters in Clinical Psychology:** A joint programme delivered in conjunction with the Psychology Unit.

## PAPERS PRESENTED

- **Abel W,** Walking the Tightrope of Mental Health. Association of Caribbean Higher Education Administrators (ACHEA) 18th annual conference. July 11–13, 2019.
- **Abel W,** Jamaica Adolescents and Digital Mental Health Resources: Taking a Global Mental Health Perspective. Institute of Health and Wellbeing, College of Medical, Veterinary and Life Sciences, University of Glasgow, Scotland UK.
- **Campbell, N.** Ministry of Health 9th Annual Research Conference, Jamaica Conference Centre November 22–23, 2018: *Road traffic fatalities & homicides in Jamaica: Major untapped sources of occupational injury data.*
- **Cunningham-Myrie, C.** Neighbourhood characteristics and Substance Use in the Caribbean Context: Jamaica National Drug Use Prevalence Survey 2016. Accepted for oral presentation, CARPHA 64th Annual Health Research Conference, June 2019, Trinidad.
- **Cunningham-Myrie.** Prevalence and patterns of multimorbidity in Jamaica: A latent class analysis. Accepted for oral presentation, CARPHA 64th Annual Health Research Conference, June 2019, Trinidad.
- **Figueroa JP.** A Practical Approach to Sexually Transmitted Infections in Youth. Consultant Physicians conference, Pegasus Hotel, Kingston on 9 September 2018.
- **Figueroa JP.** CITAG: Sustaining Immunization Gains and Forging New Goals.

COHSOD meeting of Caribbean Health Ministers Washington DC 22 Sept 2017.

- **Figueroa JP** et al. Report of the Polio Working Group to WHO SAGE in Geneva on 24 October 2018 and 3 April 2019.
- **Figueroa JP**. Strategies for Repositioning Public Health in the 21st Century. PAHO Directors Retreat, St Lucia 1 May 2019.
- **Figueroa JP**. Introduction to the Doctor of Public Health program. Jamaican Medical Officers (Health) meeting, St Catherine 5 July 2019.
- **Figueroa JP**. The new HIV strategic plan 2020–2025. Jamaican Medical Officers (Health) meeting, St Catherine 5 July 2019.
- **Gibson, R. C.** (2019) Safe and effective benzodiazepine use: panic disorder treatment. Meeting of the North East Medical Association of Jamaica. Ocho Rios, February 21, 2019.
- **Holder-Nevins, D.** Healthy Sexuality Northern Caribbean University Wellness week Nov. 2018. Mandeville Jamaica.
- **Holder-Nevins, D.** Who will care for the caregiver? (Keynote address) University of Technology (UTECH) First Caregiver Conference June 2019.
- **McCaw-Binns A, Abel W, Bailey A.** **Legal access to safe termination of pregnancy for Jamaican women – *practical considerations***. Presentation to the Human Resources and Development Committee of Parliament, Gordon House, Jamaica. 26 July 2019.
- **McCaw-Binns A.** **My uterus but whose choice? Decriminalizing and legalizing abortion in Jamaica.** Ninth annual conference of the St Ann's Bay Hospital. Runaway Bay, St. Ann; 21 July 2019.
- **McCaw-Binns A.** Panelist: **Helping women thrive during and after pregnancy and childbirth.** WHO-HRP research group will address the topic of ending and preventing maternal mortality and morbidity. Specifically addressed the “Burden of acute and chronic pregnancy related morbidity and mortality” based on the findings of maternal morbidity study (Jamaica, Kenya, Malawi) and maternal mortality data (Jamaica). *Women Deliver Conference*, Vancouver, Canada, 4–6 June 2019.
- **McCaw-Binns A.** **Policy and practice: The need to reform the 19th century law on abortion in Jamaica.** *Annual Academic Symposium, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Mandeville Regional Hospital, Southern Region, Jamaica*; Golf View, Hotel, Mandeville. 27 May 2019.
- **McCaw-Binns A.** **Evolution of causes of maternal death (Jamaica).** Panel discussion on “Global maternal mortality reduction strategies.” *HRP Policy and*

*Coordination Committee meeting*, WHO Special Programme of Research, Development and Research Training in Human Reproduction (HRP). World Health Organization, March 20–21, 2019, Geneva.

- Campbell-Williams K, Oshi DC, Whitehorne-Smith P & Abel WD (2018) Is there an association between cannabis use and reported violent behaviour among psychiatric patients? Evidence from a hospital-based study. Presented at the Faculty of Medical Sciences Annual Research Conference, Kingston, Jamaica, 8 November 2018.
- Ricketts-Roomes, TE. “Quality of Asthma Care in Health Centres in Kingston and St. Andrew, Jamaica Compared to International Clinical Practice Guidelines”. Presented at symposium entitled “New Updates in Asthma Management” held at the Courtleigh Hotel and Suites, Jamaica on May 26, 2019. Symposium was held by the Caribbean College of Family Physicians in collaboration with GSK International.
- Scarlett HP and Campbell NE. **Disaster and emergency management in office-type settings**. Training Seminar for HEART Trust NTA Employees on July 26, 2019, at the R Hotel, Kingston.
- Scarlett HP. **Chronic work-related respiratory diseases**. Jamaica Occupational Health and Safety Professionals Association (JOHSPA) seminar on **Non-Communicable Diseases: Implications for the Jamaican Workplace** on June 19, 2019 at the Mona Visitors Lodge, UWI, Mona.
- Scarlett HP. **Climate change and infectious diseases**. Medical Association of Jamaica Symposium, June 7, 2019, Pegasus Hotel, Kingston, Jamaica.
- Scarlett HP. **Recreational water illnesses**. Medical Association of Jamaica Symposium, June 7, 2019, Pegasus Hotel, Kingston, Jamaica.
- Scarlett HP. **Dengue and its prevention and control**. UWISON04 students, February 5, 2019, UWISON.
- Smith, Kristen (*principal investigator*), Abel, Wendel, Ricketts-Roomes, Tana, Bailey, Althea, and Standard-Goldson, Aileen: **Knowledge, Attitudes and Practices regarding sexual and reproductive health among women in Jamaica in the context of Zika Virus Outbreak: A Cross sectional study**. Presented at conference hosted by PAHO/WHO/HRP Alliance in Sao Paulo , Brazil, December 2018.

#### Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

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- **Colette Cunningham-Myrie**, Emily Mabile, Ishtar Govia, Novie Younger, Marshall Tulloch-Reid, Shelly McFarlane, Damian Francis, Georgiana Gordon-Strachan, Rainford Wilks. Parris Lyew-Ayee, Lisa-Gaye Greene, Katherine Theall. Neighbourhood Characteristics and Cumulative Biological Risk: Evidence from the Jamaica Health and Lifestyle Survey 2008. *BMJ Open* 2018;8: 021952.
- **C. Cunningham-Myrie**, N. Younger-Coleman, KP. Theall, L. Greene, P. Lyew-Ayee, R. Wilks. Parish Prevalence Estimates of Obesity, Diabetes and Hypertension in Jamaica: Is It Now Time for More Targeted Public Health Interventions? *West Indian Med J* 2018; 67(5): 448–457.
- **Colette Cunningham-Myrie**, Tamika Royal-Thomas, Althea Bailey, Jeanette Gustat, Katherine Theall, Joy Harrison, Marvin Reid. Use of a public park for physical activity in the Caribbean. Evidence from a mixed methods study in Jamaica. *BMC Public Health* 2019; (19): 84.
- Weir SS, **Figueroa JP**, Scott M, Byfield L, Jones Cooper C, and Hobbs H (2018). Reaching key populations through key venues: insights from the Jamaica HIV prevention program. *PLOS One* 2018 Nov 26;13(11):e0206962. doi: 10.1371/journal.pone.0206962.
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- James, K., Thompson, C., Willie-Tyndale, D., Holder Nevins, D, **Gibson, R.**, Johnson, P. McKoy Davis, J. (2019) Performance and Receiver Operating Characteristics of the Mini-Mental State Examination Instrument in Detecting Dementia in a Rapidly Ageing Developing Country (Jamaica). *Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry and Neurology*, DOI: 10.1177/0891988719841722.
- **Gibson, R.C.**, James, K., Waldron, N.K., Abel, W.D., Eldemire-Shearer, D., Mitchell-Fearon, K. (2018) Patterns of depressive symptoms among younger elderly (60–74 years old) and older elderly (≥75 years old) in Jamaica. *International Psychogeriatrics*, doi:10.1017/S104161021800162X.
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## TECHNICAL REPORTS

### Dr Althea Bailey

- Bio-Behavioural Surveillance Survey of Inmates in Jamaica. National Family Planning Board March 2019 (65 pages).

### Dr Desmalee Holder-Nevins

- Programme For International Student Assessment (PISA) Needs Assessment Results – Jamaica Ministry of Education Youth & Information (40 pages).

### Mr Norbert Campbell

- INDOOR AIR QUALITY REPORT: Caribbean Institute for Health Research (CAIHR), University of the West Indies, Mona, Kingston 7 (42 pages).

### Dr Henroy Scarlett

- Developed graduate level course on “**Health Aspects of Disaster Risk Management**”

## Abstract

- **Scarlett HP.** Climate change and infectious diseases. Medical Association of Jamaica June 6–9, 2019 Symposium Program Guide.
- **Scarlett HP.** Recreational water illnesses. Medical Association of Jamaica June 6–9, 2019 Symposium Program Guide.
- **McCaw-Binns A** on behalf of the WHO Maternal Morbidity Working Group. What does WOICE mean for antenatal and post-delivery care in the SDG era? **Session: Maternal morbidity and mortality: measurement for action. International Association of Gynaecologists and Obstetricians (FIGO) Meeting, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, October 14–19, 2018.**
- Mullings J, Archer C, **McCaw-Binns A**, Younger-Coleman N, Wilks R. The Right to the City and the Responsibility of Citizens: Equitable Access to Basic Urban Services and Infrastructure for Health and Social Development in the Small Island Developing State of Jamaica. *Current Politics and Economics of South and Central America*. 2018; 11 (2), 131–171.

## INCOME GENERATION

1. Professor Wendel Abel. Programme for the Promotion of Patients' Rights in Maternal Neonatal & Infant Health. European Union. Euro 700,000,000 (2018).
2. Professor Denise Eldemire-Shearer. NHF Phase 2: Study to Determine Types of Dementia funded by NHF. JAD 6 million.
3. Dr Julian Mc Koy Davis. Co-funding support from the Centre for Outreach in Alzheimer's, Aging & Community Health (COAACH) to facilitate the Older Adult Caregivers Training. USD \$1,000.00 (March 2018).
4. Dr Tana Ricketts – Roomes. "Asthma Health-related Quality of Life and its Determinants". Principal's New Initiative Grant. JAD 1,500,000.00. (December 2017).
5. Dr Kristen Smith. "Knowledge, Attitudes and Practices regarding sexual and reproductive health among women in Jamaica in the context of Zika Virus Outbreak in Jamaica: A Cross sectional study. USD 15,000. 00 (December 2017).
6. Dr. Kenneth James. Obtained a planning grant (P20) from the National Institutes of Health to create a centre of research excellence at the University of the West Indies, Mona Campus. The grant is a joint collaboration between our department and the Fox Chase Cancer Centre in Philadelphia (Dr. Camille Ragin, Associate Professor in the Cancer Prevention and Control Programme, and J. Robert Beck, Senior Vice President and Deputy Director of Fox Chase Cancer Centre who form the Principal Investigation Team).

## PUBLIC SERVICE

### Professor Wendel Abel

- Expert Panel: Strategic and Regional Action Plan for Mental Health (PAHO)
- Advisory Committee: Training and Certification Program for Drug and Violence Prevention, Treatment, and Rehabilitation (PROCCER; OAS)
- Deputy Chair: National Council on Drug Abuse
- Member: Cannabis Licensing Authority, Legal and Regulatory Subcommittee
- Peer Reviewer: *Ethnicity and Inequalities in Health and Social Care; West Indian Medical Journal, BMC*
- Board Member and chair Finance sub-committee – Foundation for International Self Help (FISH)
- Justice of the Peace – The Parish of Kingston and St. Andrew
- Peer Reviewer: Medical Research Council (MRC)

**Dr Althea Bailey**

- Coordination of the Community Outreach Core for the P20 agreement between The African-Caribbean Cancer Consortium (AC3), a global cancer research program of Fox Chase Cancer Center (FCCC), and the University of the West Indies (UWI).
- Conducted qualitative research for the Caribbean Institute of Health Research (CIHR) in their evaluation of the JHLS3 study.
- PROMAC/ MNIH Development of Manual and Toolkit December 2018.
- Currently conducting research for the Jamaica Council of Churches (JCC) a mapping exercise of religious sector social protection services related to Stigma and Discrimination (S&D) Reduction Interventions among faith-based organizations (including leaders and congregants).”
- Member of the Religious groups’ steering committee for a healthy lifestyle and HIV prevention meetings once per quarter. Organised two training workshops.
- Participated in the preparation and presentation of “**Legal Access to Safe Termination of Pregnancy for Jamaican Women – *Practical Considerations*** to the Human Resource and Social Development Parliamentary committee initiated by private members motion 61 entitled “**Time to Give Women the Right to Choose.**” Tabled by Member of Parliament (MP) Juliet Cuthbert-Flynn July 25th 2019.

**Mr Norbert Campbell**

- Member of Dean’s (FMS) Consultative Group on establishment of Centre for Injury Research at Mona.
- Conducted Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) Assessment in the offices of the Sickle Cell Unit of the Caribbean Institute for Health Research (CAIHR).
- **Member:** UWI Mona’s Committee on IAQ and Mould Control.
- **Guest lecturer:** Gave two (2) lectures to Level Department of Life Sciences students on. Occupational Safety and Health in laboratories. (Has now become an annual event).

**Dr Colette Cunningham-Myrie**

- Member Dissertation Committee, Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine, USA.
- Developed in collaboration with Department of Modern Language & Literature, UWI, Mona, course titled, “Spanish for Medical Purposes” which was approved by the Faculty board, Faculty of Humanities and Education.
- Faculty/Section representative WIGUT Medical Sciences (Clinical)
- Faculty of Medical Sciences, Annual Research Conference Organizing Committee

- Family Medicine Specialty Board – UWI
- Member Executive Committee St Andrew High School for Girls, Old Girls Association, Jamaica.
- Volunteer physician Diabetes Association of Jamaica – provide clinical care and participate in health promotional activities.

**Professor Peter Figueroa**

- Chair, Epidemiology and Research Training Unit Board of Directors.
- Member, Bellevue Hospital Board of Directors.
- Member, Technical Working Group on Mental Health.
- Member, Technical Working Group on Sexually Transmitted Infections
- Member, Classification Appeals Tribunal.
- Consultant to the Ministry of Health Jamaica for preparation of the National HIV Strategic Plan 2020–2025.
- Chair, PAHO Technical Advisory Group on Immunization.
- Participant in WHO Strategic Advisory Group of Experts (SAGE) on Immunization meetings 23–25 October 2018 and 2–4 April 2019, Geneva, Switzerland.
- Participant in the Evaluation of WHO Strategic Advisory Group of Experts (SAGE) on Immunization, Geneva, Switzerland 5–6 February 2019.
- Participant in the development of the Immunization Agenda 2030, Geneva 21–23 February 2019.
- Co-chair, WHO SAGE Working Group on Polio.
- Member, WHO panel of Polio experts - International Public Health Regulations.
- Member, PAHO Technical Advisory Group on HIV and Hepatitis.
- Member, International Task Force on Disease Eradication, Carter Foundation, Atlanta, USA.
- Member, UNAIDS Panel of HIV Experts
- Chair, Caribbean Immunization Technical Advisory Group (CITAG).
- Chair, Caribbean Expanded Program of Immunization (EPI) Managers.
- Member, Pan Caribbean Partnership on AIDS (PANCAP) Priority Areas Coordinating Committee (PACC).
- Vice Chair, Regional Coordinating Mechanism, PANCAP Global Fund Project.
- Represented UWI at Caribbean Health Ministers’ meeting in Washington DC 21–23 September 2018.

**Professor Roger Gibson**

- Mental Health Specialist, Pan-American Health Organization (PAHO) Regional Health Response Team.
- Advisor, Technical Mental Health Advisory Group, Ministry of Health (Jamaica).

**Dr Desmalee Holder-Nevins**

- Vice president – Carey Park Citizens' Ass.
- Member Exec. Committee North Jamaica Conference of SDA
- Member of health team – NCU Wellness week outreach to residents of Manchester.

**Professor Affette McCaw-Binns**

- World Health Organization/Pan American Health Organization (PAHO). Appointed by PAHO to represent the Region of the Americas “Mother and Newborn Information for Tracking Outcomes and Results (MONITOR)” Technical Advisory Group which will develop and review progress on SDG maternal and child health indicators.
- Medical Research Council, UK Research and Innovation – National Institute for Health Research. Appointed to an 11-member panel (6 external, 5 MRC staff) to review proposals for grant funding from the Overseas Development Agency, UK, to address “Global Maternal and Neonatal Health Research Priorities in Low and Middle Income Developing Countries.” Appointed February 2019.
- World Health Organization. Appointed to Medical and Scientific Advisory Committee (MSAC) to advise WHO on scientific updates to the 11th revision of the International Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems [ICD-11]) to replace ICD-10. Appointed August 2017.
- Maternal Mortality Surveillance Committee, Jamaica (have served continuously since its inception in 1998).
- Technical Committee, Reproductive Health Survey (RHS) 2020. Invited by the Planning Institute of Jamaica to join technical advisory group which will provide technical advice during the development, implementation and reporting of the 2020 RHS.

**Dr Daniel Oshi**

- Member: American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene
- International Sociological Association
- International AIDS Society
- Nigerian Medical Association
- Global Health Section: International Studies Association

- **Editorial Board Membership**
- **Member: Editorial Advisory Board:** *West Indian Medical Journal*
- **Article Editor:** *Sage Open*
- **Reviewer in the following journals;** *Global Health Action*, *West Indian Medical Journal*, *GERMS* – the official journal of the European HIV/AIDS and Infectious Diseases Academy, *Sage Open* (Sage Publishing Company) and *Journal of Biosocial Science* (Cambridge University Press)

#### **Dr Tana Ricketts-Roomes**

- Hosted the 2019 Pledge Ceremony for the MBBS Graduating Class of 2019.
- Medical Doctor for Jamaica Swim Team to Goodwill Games (August 2018)
- Medical Doctor for Tornadoes Swim Club (since September 2018)
- Member of St Andrew High School for Girls Sports Committee (since September 2018)
- Member of St Andrew High School for Girls Health & Welfare Committee (since September 2018)
- Manager for Liberty Academy Prep School Swim Team (from September 2018 to March 2019).

#### **Dr Henroy Scarlett**

- Chairman, International Federation of Environmental Health (IFEH) Region of the Americas
- Board member, IFEH
- Treasurer, Jamaica Occupational Health and Safety Professionals Association (JOHSPA)
- Member, National Environmental Health Association (NEHA) of the USA
- Member, Jamaica Association of Public Health Association (JAPHI)
- Chairman, Planning Committee for One Health Conference (2) to be held in Jamaica in October, 2020
- Assisted a group of PHIs (8) in their preparation for the NEHA top credential exam, Registered Environmental Health Specialist/Registered Sanitarian (REHS/RS). Exam was held July 20, 2019 in the Department of Community Health and Psychiatry and proctored by NEHA's Credentialing Officer, Sarah Hoover. 5 (62.5%) PHIs were successful in the exam and earn the designation REHS/RS.
- Working in conjunction with Dr. Campbell, we hosted a group of students and their professor, Dr. Gary Brown in the Department. We organized and accompanied them on field visits to Riverton Disposal Site, Red Stripe and a coffee plantation.

- Assisted the MAJ in the planning of their 2019 conference which had the theme “**Environmental Impact on Health: A clear and present danger**”.

**Dr Aileen Standard-Goldson**

- Collaborated with the Caribbean College of Family Physicians Jamaica Chapter and the Association of General Practitioners of Jamaica to mount activities for World Family Doctor Day – May 19.
- 2015–2019. Trainer for PAHO Workshops delivering mental health training to primary care practitioners across the Caribbean in face-to-face workshops and Virtual Campus delivery.

**Mrs Camelia Thompson**

- Chair - Churches Emancipation Lecture Committee – 2018.
- Member – Central Management Committee Bethel Baptist Health Ministry.
- Committee Member, Bureau of Standards – Medical Facility Standard Technical Committee.

**Dr Norman Waldron**

- Member – FMS Committee on Graduate Studies and Research (2004–current).
- Reviewer – McMaster Online Rating of Evidence (MORE) (2008–current).

## **DISTINCTIONS, HONOURS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS**

**Professor Wendel Abel**

- UWI, Vice Chancellor’s Award for Public Service, 2018.
- Gleaner award for Health & Wellness, 2018.

**Dr Collette Cunningham-Myrie**

- The Mona Research and Publications and Graduate Awards Committee Recognition: DrPH (High Commendation)

**Professor Peter Figueroa**

- WHO award for Leadership in Global Health – May 2019.

**Dr Desmalee Holder-Nevins**

- Member of Research team for best Faculty Med Science Research paper 2018: Predictors of Health Service Utilization Among Older Men in Jamaica D. Willie-Tyndale, J. McKoy Davis, **D. Holder-Nevins**, K. Mitchell-Fearon, K. James, N. K. Waldron and D. Eldemire-Shearer.

**Professor Maria Jackson**

- 2019: The Principal's Research Award for Best Research Publication (Article). Faculty of Medical Sciences, University of the West Indies, Mona

**Professor Affette McCaw-Binns**

- Ministry of Health: Maternal Mortality Surveillance Committee (2019). Recognition of exceptional commitment, expertise, time and support to maternal health in Jamaica, National Maternal Health Review, January 2018.

**Dr Tana Ricketts-Roomes**

- Outstanding Researcher – Graduate Studies: UWI Research days 2019.

**Dr Norman Waldron**

- Principal's Award for Best Research Publication in the Faculty of Medical Sciences.