

Summary

Jennifer is an Associate Research Fellow at the ACBRD. Since joining the Centre in 2011, her research has focused on the psychological well-being of adults with diabetes. From 2012 to 2016, Jennifer was co-ordinator of the four-year National Diabetes Services Scheme (NDSS) Mental Health and Diabetes National Development Programme. Among the many resources and reports produced, one of Jennifer's key achievements was co-authoring 'Diabetes and Emotional Health: A handbook for health professionals supporting adults with type 1 or type 2 diabetes'. From July 2016 to June 2017, Jennifer divided her time between co-ordination of the NDSS Mental Health and Diabetes National Priority Area, and co-ordination of the Centre's research on the psychological impact of 'closed loop' technology. From July 2017, she has continued to co-ordinate the latter, which is part of a JDRF/ARC-funded national, multi-centre randomised controlled trial led by A/Prof David O'Neal (University of Melbourne). Jennifer also has a strong interest in cultural diversity. In 2008, she was awarded a Bachelor of Health Science with first class Honours by Deakin University.

Peer-reviewed publications

Selected publications are shown below. For a full list, see my [Google Scholar](#) or [ORCID](#) page.

- Halliday JA**, Hendrieckx C, Busija L, Browne JL, Nefs G, Pouwer F, Speight J. Validation of the WHO-5 as a first-step screening instrument for depression in adults with diabetes: Results from Diabetes MILES–Australia. *Diabetes Research and Clinical Practice*, 132: 27-35
- Cyril S, Halliday JA, Green J, Renzaho V. Relationship between body mass index and family functioning, family communication, family type and parenting style among African migrant parents and children in Victoria. Australia: a parent-child dyad study, *BMC Public Health*. 2016; 16(1): 707
- Renzaho AMN, Halliday JA, Mellor D, Green J. The Healthy Migrant Families Initiative: development of a culturally competent obesity prevention intervention for African migrants. *BMC Public Health*, 2015; 15(1): 272
- Halliday JA**, Green J, Mellor D, Mutowo MP, de Courten M, Renzaho AMN. Developing programs for African families, by African families: Engaging African migrant families in Melbourne in health promotion interventions. *Family & Community Health*, 2014; 37(1): 60-7
- Hendrieckx C, **Halliday JA**, Bowden JP, Colman PG, Cohen N, Jenkins A, Speight J. Severe hypoglycaemia and its association with psychological well-being in Australian adults with type 1 diabetes attending specialist tertiary clinics. *Diabetes Research and Clinical Practice*, 2014; 103(3): 430-6
- Halliday JA**, Palma CL, Mellor D, Green J, Renzaho AMN. The relationship between family functioning and child and adolescent overweight and obesity: A systematic review. *International Journal of Obesity*, 2014; 38(4): 480-93
- Brijnath B, Browne JL, **Halliday JA**, Renzaho AMN. The health consequences of migration: meeting the health needs of displaced populations. *Journal of Internal Displacement*, 2012; 1(1): 78-90
- Renzaho A, Nowson C, Kaur A, **Halliday JA**, Fong D, DeSilva J. Prevalence of vitamin D insufficiency and risk factors for type 2 diabetes and cardiovascular disease among African migrant and refugee adults in Melbourne. *Asia Pacific Journal of Clinical Nutrition*, 20(3): 397-403
- Renzaho AMN, **Halliday JA**, Nowson C. Vitamin D, obesity, and obesity-related chronic disease among ethnic minorities: a systematic review. *Nutrition*, 2011; 27(9): 868-879

Projects/grants

- Evaluation of the efficacy and cost-effectiveness of long-term hybrid closed loop insulin delivery in improving glycaemia, psychosocial wellbeing, sleep quality, cognition, and biochemical markers of vascular risk in adults with type 1 diabetes compared with standard care coordinated by A/Prof David O'Neal (Melbourne University – St Vincent Hospital Melbourne)
- Supporting people with diabetes distress: Development and pilot of randomised controlled trial of an online training module for health professionals coordinated by Dr Adriana Ventura with funding from ADEA

Professional recognition

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| 2017 | VicHealth Awards: 'Research into Action' Finalist for 'NDSS Diabetes and Emotional Health – Handbook and Toolkit' |
| 2016 | Inaugural Team Award for Excellence and Innovation in Public Health Research, Council of Academic Public Health Institutions of Australia |
| 2014 | Deakin University Vice Chancellor's Award for Outstanding Contribution to Partnerships |
| 2009 | Research and Graduate Studies Prize for the Best Honours Project, Deakin University |