



## Rebecca Lauren Tisdale

Assistant Professor of Medicine (PCPH)  
Medicine - Primary Care and Population Health

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#### BIO

Becca Tisdale, MD, MPA is an internist, obesity medicine specialist, and health services researcher with interests in cardiovascular disease, global health, and health systems. As a VA Health Services Research & Development fellow (2020-2023) and Investigator in the VA Center for Innovation to Implementation (CI2i) and Stanford Cardiovascular Outcomes, Policy, & Implementation Research Group (COPIR), her work has focused on value, access, and equity in cardiovascular disease care and the role of virtual care in achieving these goals. She additionally serves as Medical Director of the Evaluation Sciences Unit (ESU) with the Division of Primary Care and Population Health.

Previously, she received a BA with distinction in Human Biology from Stanford in 2009, followed by a master of public administration (MPA) joint degree from Sciences Po, Paris and the London School of Economics. She then matriculated at Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons for medical school, where she was active in global health activities, researching multidisciplinary teams in HIV care in Ethiopia and serving on the board of the student international health organization. As a global health track resident at Stanford, Becca spent time working in Rwanda through the Johnson and Johnson program and participated in the inaugural Women Leaders in Global Health conferences at Stanford and in London. In 2019-2020, she comprised one third of Stanford's first all-woman internal medicine chief resident cohort. Outside of work, she enjoys all things French as well as running, both in races and after her young children.

#### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Assistant Professor - University Medical Line, Medicine - Primary Care and Population Health

#### HONORS AND AWARDS

- Julian Wolfsohn Award for clinical judgment, leadership, teaching, and kindness, Stanford Internal Medicine Residency (2017)
- Alpha Omega Alpha, Columbia University College of Physicians & Surgeons (2016)
- Glasgow-Rubin Achievement Award for women graduates in top 10% of class, Columbia University College of Physicians & Surgeons (2016)
- Drs. Savitt & McCormack Award for medical skill, consideration, understanding, and compassion, Columbia University College of Physicians & Surgeons (2016)

#### BOARDS, ADVISORY COMMITTEES, PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Global Health Postdoctoral Affiliate, Center for Innovation in Global Health (CIGH), Stanford University (2022 - present)

#### PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Fellowship, VA Palo Alto/Stanford Department of Health Policy, Health Services Research (2023)
- Chief Residency, Stanford University, Internal Medicine (2020)

- Internal Medicine, Stanford University , Internal Medicine (2019)
- MD, Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons , Medicine (2016)
- MPA, Sciences Po/London School of Economics , Public Administration (2012)
- BA, Stanford University , Human Biology (2009)

## Publications

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### PUBLICATIONS

- **Changes in Clinician Telemedicine Use and Care Patterns for Patients With Heart Failure in the United States.** *Circulation. Population health and outcomes*  
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- **An approach to evaluating the impact of virtual specialty care: the Veterans Health Administration's clinical resource hub as case study.** *JAMIA open*  
Tisdale, R. L., Burnett, K., Rogers, M., Nelson, K., Heyworth, L., Zulman, D. M.  
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- **Differential Selection of Obesity Treatments by Race/Ethnicity: Insights From the Veterans Affairs Healthcare System.** *JACC. Advances*  
Tisdale, R. L., Beyene, T. J., Tang, W., Sandhu, A. T., Heidenreich, P., Asch, S., Yong, C. M.  
2025; 4 (6 Pt 2): 101819
- **Learning Health Systems Research: Continued Progress and Ongoing Challenges.** *Medical care*  
Tisdale, R. L., Sarkar, U.  
2025; 63 (5): 331-333
- **Balancing Efficiency and Equity in Population-Wide CKD Screening.** *JAMA network open*  
Cusick, M. M., Tisdale, R. L., Adams, A. S., Chertow, G. M., Owens, D. K., Salomon, J. A., Goldhaber-Fiebert, J. D.  
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- **Predicted Mortality and Cardiology Follow-Up Following Heart Failure Hospitalizations Among Veterans Health Administration Patients.** *Journal of cardiac failure*  
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- **Opportunities to Address Specialty Care Deserts and the Digital Divide through the Veterans Health Administration's Telehealth Hub-and-Spoke Cardiology Clinic: Retrospective Cohort Study.** *Journal of medical Internet research*

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  - **Patient-, Provider-, and Facility-Level Contributors to the Use of Cardiology Telehealth Care in the Veterans Health Administration: Retrospective Cohort Study.** *Journal of medical Internet research*  
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  - **Teleoncology in the Veterans Health Administration: Models of Care and the Veteran Experience.** *American Society of Clinical Oncology educational book. American Society of Clinical Oncology. Annual Meeting*  
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  - **RACIAL AND ETHNIC DIFFERENCES IN OBESITY TREATMENT IN THE VETERANS AFFAIRS HEALTHCARE SYSTEM**  
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  - **CARDIOLOGY FOLLOWUP CARE FOR VETERANS WITH HEART FAILURE**  
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- **A systematic review of healthcare provider-targeted mobile applications for non-communicable diseases in low- and middle-income countries.** *NPJ digital medicine*  
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- **Cost-Effectiveness of Dapagliflozin for Non-diabetic Chronic Kidney Disease.** *Journal of general internal medicine*  
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- **Association Between Neighborhood Social Risk and Hospital Readmission Reduction Penalties Under the New Stratified Approach: Is Dual Eligibility Adjustment Enough?** *Circulation. Cardiovascular quality and outcomes*  
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- **Novel Graduate Medical Education in the Era of a Novel Virus** *Journal of Graduate Medical Education*  
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- **How Much Time are Physicians and Nurses Spending Together at the Patient Bedside?** *Journal of hospital medicine*  
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- **What's in a Name? Factors That Influence the Usage of Generic Versus Trade Names for Cardiac Medications Among Healthcare Providers** *CIRCULATION-CARDIOVASCULAR QUALITY AND OUTCOMES*  
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- **APPLYING NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING OF ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY REPORTS TO DESCRIBE EPIDEMIOLOGY OF HEART FAILURE**  
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ELSEVIER SCIENCE INC.2018: 712
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- **EMR-based handoff tool improves completeness of internal medicine residents' handoffs.** *BMJ open quality*

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