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RESEARCH

Areas: Safety Research · Sociology and Political Science · General Health Professions · Infectious Diseases · Pediatrics, Perinatology and Child Health · Clinical Psychology

RESEARCH SUMMARY

17	361	8	7	6.40	59%
Publications	Citations	h-index	i10-index	Field-weighted impact	World top 10%

Counted from the 17 publications listed below, 2009–2026. Field-weighted impact is the mean over the 17 works scored for it; 1.00 is the world average for works of the same field, type and year. 10 of the 17 papers scored for it are among the world's most cited tenth for their field, type and year.

POSITIONS

Associate Professor of Psychology 2025–present
Humanities and Social Sciences, American University of Ras Al Khaimah, Ras al-Khaimah, United Arab Emirates

Associate Professor in Mental Health and Psychology 2023–present
Mental Health Nursing, University of Cape Coast, Cape Coast, Ghana

Associate Professor 2024–2025
Psychology, American University in Dubai, Dubai, United Arab Emirates

Visiting Scholar 2023–2024
Psychology, Zayed University, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

Senior Lecturer in Psychology 2018–2023
Mental Health, University of Cape Coast, Cape Coast, Ghana

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

PhD 2021
Institute of Health and Wellbeing, University of Glasgow, Glasgow, United Kingdom

MPhil 2007
Psychology and Human Development, Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Trondheim, Norway

Bachelor of Arts 2004
Psychology, University of Ghana - GH, Legon, Ghana

DISTINCTIONS, MEMBERSHIPS AND SERVICE

Professional 2012–present
Health, Clinical and Psychometric Division, Ghana Psychological Association, Accra, Ghana

PUBLICATIONS

Journal articles 17

1. Lisa M Force, Jonathan M Kocarnik, Miranda L May, Kayleigh Bhangdia, Andrew Crist, Louise Penberthy, Natalie Pritchett, Alistair Acheson, Lee Deitesfeld, Hasan Aalruz, ... **Paul Narh Doku** and 89 others (2026). Global burden of cancer in children and adolescents aged 0–19 years, 1990–2023: a systematic analysis for the Global Burden of Disease Study 2023. *The Lancet*. https://doi.org/10.1016/s0140-6736(26)00200-x
2. Mark Kwame Ananga, Emmanuel Abu Bonsra, Rosemary Kafui Agbefu, **Paul Narh Doku**, Joyce Komesuor (2026). The Impact of Social Capital on Condom Use at Last Sex Among Sexually Active Young People in Ghana: A Cross-Sectional Study Design. *Health Science Reports*. https://doi.org/10.1002/hsr2.73282
3. **Paul Narh Doku**, Mark Kwame Ananga, Noranolda Jehu-Appiah, Kofi Mensah Akohene, Timothy Pritchard Debrah, Frederick Nsatimba (2023). Child maltreatment mediates the relationship between HIV/AIDS family dysfunction trajectories and psychosocial problems among adolescents. *PLOS Global Public Health*. https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pgph.0001599
4. Deda Ogum, Rosemary Kafui Agbefu, **Paul Narh Doku**, Adom Manu, Deda Ogum Alangea, John Kumuori Ganle (2023). The influence of social capital in the utilisation of sexual reproductive health services among the youth in Ghana. A community-based cross-sectional study. *PLOS Global Public Health*. https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pgph.0001225
5. **Paul Narh Doku** (2022). Child maltreatment and associated sociodemographic factors among children affected by HIV/AIDS in Ghana: a multi-informant perspective. *AIDS Care*. https://doi.org/10.1080/09540121.2022.2067310
6. Kenneth Owusu Ansah, Samuel Atindanbila, **Paul Narh Doku**, Jessica Osei Owusu, Caleb Agyemang Duah, Francis Pharin, Morrison Fosu (2022). Peer victimization, prison climate, resilience and psychological distress of incarcerated juvenile offenders in Ghana: A serial mediation examination. *Journal of Forensic and Legal Medicine*. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jflm.2022.102407
7. **P. N. Doku**, H. Minnis (2016). Multi-informant perspective on psychological distress among Ghanaian orphans and vulnerable children within the context of HIV/AIDS. *Psychological Medicine*. https://doi.org/10.1017/s0033291716000829
8. **Paul Narh Doku** (2016). Reactive Attachment Disorder in Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC) Affected by HIV/AIDS: Implications for Clinical Practice, Education and Health Service Delivery. *Journal of Child and Adolescent Behaviour*. https://doi.org/10.4172/2375-4494.1000278
9. Kofi Akohene Mensah, Paul Okyere, **Paul Narh Doku** (2015). An evaluation of a community-based food supplementation for people living with HIV in Ghana: implications for community-based interventions in Ghana. *BMC Research Notes*. https://doi.org/10.1186/s13104-015-1511-3
10. **Paul Narh Doku**, John Enoch Dotse, Kofi Akohene Mensah (2015). Perceived social support disparities among children affected by HIV/AIDS in Ghana: a cross-sectional survey. *BMC Public Health*. https://doi.org/10.1186/s12889-015-1856-5
11. **Paul Narh Doku ZA** (2015). Social Support Disparities among Children affected by HIV/AIDS in Ghana. *African Journal of Psychiatry*. https://doi.org/10.4172/psychiatry.1000202
12. Kwaku Oppong Asante, Joseph Osafo, **Paul N. Doku** (2015). The Role of Condom Use Self-Efficacy on Intended and Actual Condom Use Among University Students in Ghana. *Journal of Community Health*. https://doi.org/10.1007/s10900-015-0073-6
13. David Doku, Subas Neupane, **Paul Narh Doku** (2012). Factors associated with reproductive health care utilization among Ghanaian women. *BMC International Health and Human Rights*. https://doi.org/10.1186/1472-698x-12-29
14. **Doku, Paul Narh**, Oppong, Kwaku Asante (2010). Cultural adaptation of condom use self efficacy scale in Ghana. *Journal of Human Sciences - Journal of Human Sciences*.
15. Kwaku O Asante, **Paul N Doku** (2010). Cultural adaptation of the Condom Use Self Efficacy Scale (CUSES)

in Ghana. *BMC Public Health*. https://doi.org/10.1186/1471-2458-10-227

16. **Paul Narh Doku** (2010). Psychosocial adjustment of children affected by HIV/AIDS in Ghana. *Journal of Child and Adolescent Mental Health*. https://doi.org/10.2989/17280583.2010.493662

17. **Paul Doku** (2009). Parental HIV/AIDS status and death, and children's psychological wellbeing. *International Journal of Mental Health Systems*. https://doi.org/10.1186/1752-4458-3-26