

# Ambar La Forgia

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- Academic Appointments** Haas School of Business, University of California, Berkeley  
Assistant Professor, Management of Organizations; 2022-  
  
Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University  
Assistant Professor, Health Policy and Management; 2019-2022
- Education** The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania  
Ph.D., Managerial Science and Applied Economics; 2019  
  
Swarthmore College  
B.A., Economics and Mathematics (Honors); 2011
- Personal Information** Sex: Female  
Citizenship: Dominican Republic and United States (Dual)
- Working Papers** “Corporate Ownership and Firm Performance: Evidence from Fertility Clinics” with Julia Bodner
- Publications** Yu, J., Bond, A., Braun, R. T., **La Forgia, A.**, RoyChoudhury, A., Zhang, M., Kim., J., & Casalino, L. Physician Management Companies and Neonatology Prices, Utilization, and Adverse Clinical Outcomes. (2023). *Pediatrics*.  
  
**La Forgia, A.** (2022). The Impact of Management on Clinical Performance: Evidence from Physician Practice Management Companies. *Management Science*  
  
**La Forgia, A.**, Bond, A., Braun, R. T., Yao, L., Kjaer, K., Zhang, M., & Casalino, L. (2022). Association of Physician Management Companies and Private Equity Investment With Commercial Health Care Prices Paid to Anesthesia Practitioners. *JAMA Internal Medicine*.  
  
**La Forgia, A.**, Bond, A., Braun, R. T., Kjaer, K., Zhang, M., & Casalino, L. (2021). Association of Surprise Billing Legislation with Prices Paid to In-Network and Out-of-Network Anesthesiologists in California, Florida, and New York. *JAMA Internal Medicine*.  
  
**La Forgia, A.** (2020). The Impact of Acquisitions on Clinical Decisions: Evidence from Physician Practice Management Companies. In Guclu Atinc (Ed.), Proceedings of the Eightieth Annual Meeting of the Academy of Management.  
  
**La Forgia, A.**, Maeda, J. L., & Banthin, J. S. (2017). Are Integrated Plan Providers

Associated with Lower Premiums on the Health Insurance Marketplaces? *Medical Care Research and Review*, 75(2), 232-259.

**La Forgia, A.**, & Burns, L. R. (2017). Health Insurance in China. In L.R Burns & G. Liu (Eds.), *China's Health Care System and Reform* (pp. 291-320). Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press.

**Grants and Fellowships**

The Physician's Foundation 2022 - 2023  
*The Physicians Foundation Center for the Study of Physician Practice and Leadership*  
PI: Larry Casalino

The Commonwealth Fund 2020 - 2021  
*Physician Management Companies and Health Care Delivery: Evidence from Anesthesiology*  
PI: Ambar La Forgia

Columbia University Junior Faculty Diversity Award 2019 - 2022  
*Hospital Acquisitions and Management Practices: Implications for Patient Health*  
PI: Ambar La Forgia

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality 2018 - 2019  
*Dissertation Grant R36 HS26397-01*  
PI: Ambar La Forgia

Mack Institute for Innovation Management 2018 - 2019  
*The Impact of Management on Clinical Performance: Evidence from Physician Practice Management Companies*  
PI: Ambar La Forgia

National Science Foundation 2015 - 2018  
*Graduate Research Fellowship Program in Economics*  
PI: Ambar La Forgia

**Awards and Honors**

Cheit Award for Excellence in Teaching 2023  
Haas School of Business, UC Berkeley

Research Award Finalist 2023  
National Institute for Health Care Management

Outstanding Reviewer Award 2022  
Academy of Management

Frank Giarratani Rising Star Award 2020  
Industry Studies Association

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|                        | William H. Newman Award Finalist<br>Academy of Management   | 2020        |
|                        | HCM Division Best Paper Award<br>Academy of Management  | 2020        |
|                        | HCM Best Paper Based on a Dissertation Award<br>Academy of Management   | 2020        |
|                        | President Gutmann Leadership Award<br>University of Pennsylvania  | 2018        |
|                        | Penn Prize for Excellence in Teaching by Graduate Students<br>University of Pennsylvania  | 2016        |
| <b>Teaching</b>        | <u>Haas School of Business, UC Berkeley</u>   |             |
|                        | Leading People (EWMBA)  | 2022        |
|                        | <u>Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University</u>   |             |
|                        | Managerial and Organizational Behavior (DrPH)   | 2022        |
|                        | Managerial and Organizational Behavior (FT MHA; Exec MHA/MPH)   | 2019-2021   |
|                        | <u>The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania (Teaching Assistant)</u>  |             |
|                        | Introduction to Business Economics and Public Policy  | 2016        |
|                        | The US Health Care System   | 2016        |
|                        | Health Services Research: Applied Econometrics  | 2016        |
|                        | Cuba Before and After Normalization of US Relations   | 2015, 2016  |
|                        | Non-Profit Sector: Economic Challenges and Strategic Responses  | 2015        |
|                        | Health Services Systems   | 2014, 2015  |
| <b>Work Experience</b> | Summer Associate<br>Congressional Budget Office, Washington, DC   | 2015        |
|                        | Analyst, Quantitative Economics and Statistics Team<br>Ernst & Young LLP, Washington, DC  | 2011 - 2013 |
|                        | Research Scholar, Summer Undergraduate Minority Research Program<br>University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA  | 2009        |
| <b>Presentations</b>   | <b>2023:</b> The Women in Empirical Microeconomics Conference; Berkeley-Padova-Paris Eighth Organizational Economics Workshop; NBER Organizational Economics Spring |             |

Meeting (Discussant); Academy of Management Conference **2022**: Federal Trade Commission; School of Public Health, UC Berkeley; MITRE Health Lab; Carlson School of Management (Strategy), University of Minnesota; American Medical Association Annual Meeting; Academy of Management Conference; American Society of Health Economists Conference **2021**: Haas (Management of Organizations), UC Berkeley; Fuqua School of Business (Strategy), Duke University; School of Public Health (HPM), Yale University; Academy of Management Conference; American Society of Health Economists Conference **2020**: Gabelli (Strategy and Statistics), Fordham University; Organization Theory in Health Care Conference (Virtual); Industry Studies Association Conference (Canceled); American Society of Health Economists Conference (Canceled); Academy of Management Conference (Virtual) **2019**: Weill Cornell Medical College; Academy of Management Conference **2018**: Mailman School of Public Health (HPM), Columbia University; Milken Institute School of Public Health, George Washington University; American Society of Health Economists Conference

**Professional  
Activities**

Professional memberships: Academy of Management, Industry Studies Association, American Society of Health Economists, Organization Theory in Health Care

*Editorial board*, International Journal of Health Economics and Management  
*Organizer*, “Health Care Meets Strategy: Examining Reconfiguration and Innovation in the Health Care Sector” STR/OMT Symposium, AOM 2021  
*Accountability Cabinet Member*, Columbia FORWARD (Fighting Oppression, Racism and White Supremacy Through Action, Research and Discourse); 2021-2022  
*Search Committee*, Health Policy and Management, Columbia University; 2022