

Alireza Bayat

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Bachelor of Science in Public Health

Public health, Sexual health, LGBTQ+ Health, HIV/STIs prevention, underrepresented population health (sex worker), Addiction, Qualitative research.

Alireza Bayat graduated from the Iran University of Medical Sciences in 2010 where he earned a **bachelor's degree in public health**. Bayat began his career working in public health at the Chamran Hospital. Then he moved to the Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Research Center. His work was responsible to improve research and provide sexual and reproductive health to people with Spinal cord injury. Currently, **He is co-founder and executive director of the RASESH sexual health group** which is community base organization. Furthermore, Alireza is **working at Iranian National Center for Addiction Studies, as counselor, educator, and researcher**, as well as coordinating the delivery of sexual health services for vulnerable groups. In 2017, Alireza **awarded one-year professional development from Hubert H Humphrey fellowship sponsored by the United State Government**. During the fellowship year he was able to improve scientifically and professionally and also networking with other international experts in the field of health. He has developed and implemented a community-based, skill-building approach to reduce sexual risk behaviors for men and women with substance use disorders, youth, adolescents. Bayat also has experience working with the **sexual minorities such as Transgender and Youth population**, especially as an educator in HIV/STI prevention.

Current job(s)

Tehran, Iran

Iranian National Center for Addiction Studies (INCAS) 2013 to present, Part Time

The Iranian National Center for Addiction Studies (INCAS) is considered as the main body of research in addiction in Iran and is affiliated to the Tehran University of Medical Sciences. This center has been endorsed by two authorities: The National Drug Control Headquarters in 2001 and the National Council for the Development of Medical Science Universities in 2003.

Responsibilities:

- a- Researcher, Consultant and Educator**
- b- Sexual health expert at sexual health clinic**
- c- Public Relation Officer**

- d- Coordinator for sexual health workshops for specialist active in addiction
- e- Monitoring sexual health needs drug users in particular
- f- Running support group for LGBTQs and their family
- g- HIV and STD prevention counseling
- h- Planning publicity strategies and campaigns
- i- Writing and producing presentations and press releases.

Website: <https://enincas.tums.ac.ir/>

Rasesh Sexual Health Group 2014- present, Part Time

Co-founder- Executive director

Rasesh sexual health group is a Community-based organization. Considering the many restrictions that exist in Iranian society regarding sexual health, Rasesh has been started informally by a number of public health specialists, psychologists, midwives and doctors with the aim of promoting sexual health to vulnerable communities, especially people of sexual minorities. The activities of this group are voluntary and humanitarian. The activities include educational activities in general and specialized fields, research partners with research and academic centers, individual and group counseling for people in harm such as youth and socially disadvantaged children and **LGBTQ communities specially Transgender people**

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/raseshsclinic/?hl=fa>

Experience

June 21,2020 – January19,2021

Family Health Association of Iran

(full member of International Planned Parenthood Federation IPPF)

Tehran, Iran

Program Officer, Communication and Public Awareness,

Advocacy, HIV/AIDS, STD, Hepatitis,

Internship

HIV and STD department, Richmond Health District, Richmond, Virginia, USA, 2018

BASIR institute at Imam Hospital Complex 2010-2013 *staff of sexual health division*

Tehran, Iran

Chamran Hospital
Health educator to prevention HIV/STDs 2007-2009 Tehran, Iran

Member of

International Society of Substance Use Professional (ISSUP), *ISSUP is a membership organisation that connects, unites, and provides knowledge to the global substance use prevention, treatment, and recovery support workforce.* <https://www.issup.net/about-issup>

Education

Bachelor's degree of Public Health, 2010, Iran University of medical science, Tehran, Iran

Associate's degree in Public Health, 2007, Islamic Azad University of Sabzevar, Sabzevar, Iran

Awards

- 1- **Long-Term English Training Award**, the award is administered by the Institute of International Education 2017, University of Montana, Missoula, MT, United States of America. <https://www.umt.edu/global-engagement/english-language-institute/humphrey-fellows/meet-the-fellows/2017-fellows.php>
- 2- **Hubert H Humphrey fellowship award 2017-2018, Specialization in “Public Health Policy and Management”** Virginia commonwealth University, VA, USA. *The Humphrey Program is a Fulbright exchange activity. It is primarily funded by the U.S. Congress through the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the U.S. Department of State. The Institute of International Education (IIE) assists the U.S. Department of State in administering the Humphrey Fellowship Program.* <https://psychology.vcu.edu/humphrey/fellows/2017-2018/>
- 3- **A travel award for poster presentation during the 2018 NIDA International Forum's Poster Session by The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), San Diego, California, USA.** *The NIDA International Forum fosters international cooperative research and the exchange of scientific information by substance use researchers. Held each June in conjunction with the annual scientific meeting of the College on Problems of Drug Dependence (CPDD), the Forum highlights the range*

and quality of substance use and addiction research conducted around the world.
<https://nida.nih.gov/international/fellowships/hubert-h-humphrey-fellowship-for-midcareer-training>

4- Travel award for participating at International Society of Substance Use Professionals Conference, Abu Dhabi, May/ 2022

ISSUP stands for the International Society of Substance Use Prevention and Treatment Professionals and it is a non- profit, non-government organization that was established to assist with the development of professionals in the field of drug prevention and treatment all over the world. ISSUP is a hub for information about substance use prevention and treatment

<https://www.issup.net/about-issup/workshops/abu-dhabi-2022>

Articles

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<https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=zesIxIgAAAAJ&hl=en>

- 1- Risky Sexual Behaviors and Condom Use Barriers in Iranian Women with Substance Use Disorders, 2023
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- 2- Gender differences in post-traumatic stress disorder and depression among Iranian population with substance use disorder, 2022.
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- 3- Measuring Sexual Performance: Development and Psychometric Properties of the Sexual Performance Questionnaire in Iranian People with Spinal Cord Injury, 2021
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- 4- Premarital addiction test and its outcomes, 2020
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- 6- Sexual matters of couples with spinal cord injury attending a sexual health clinic in Tehran, Iran, 2019.
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- 7- Experience of Art Therapy in Adults with Substance Use Disorders (SUDs) and Sexual Problems: A Qualitative Inquiry, poster session in 2018.
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- 11- Psychometric properties of the Sexual Adjustment Questionnaire (SAQ) in the Iranian population with spinal cord injury, 2015.
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- 12- Factors affecting sexual satisfaction in Iranian women, 2015.
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- 13- How different are sexually satisfied women with dissatisfied group?
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- 14- Formation of health-threatening behaviors amongst students: a qualitative study, 2015.
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- 15- Priorities of health risk behaviors among high school students in the public schools in 5th district of Tehran: A qualitative study, 2014.
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Projects collaboration

- 1- Improving the sexual health of socially disadvantaged children by empowering teachers and caregivers in educational and care centers affiliated to non-governmental organizations: Community-Based Participatory Action Research 2023-2024
- 2- Efficacy of Seeking Safety Approach in women outpatients with Substance Use Disorders: A pilot study from Iran, collaboration with United Nations Office on Drug and Crime of Iran 2022-2023
- 3- Hepatitis B Vaccination for 2,500 vulnerable people, Administrator and Report,2020
- 4- Sexual health training for prisoners 2020
- 5- Collaborating with Tehran municipality for Launching first behavioral skills training center for children and adolescents in Tehran with aim of sexual education in 2019
- 6- Established first LGBTQ friendly sexual health clinic, Valiaser sexual health clinic 2018. Tehran, Iran
- 7- As public health expert, cooperated with the center for Academic and Health policy (CAHP) of Tehran University of Medical Science in research Project: “Analysis of Concept and causes of inequality in healthcare services from the viewpoint of Tehran citizen.” 2016
- 8- As public health expert researcher, cooperated with the center for Academic and Health policy (CAHP) of Tehran University of Medical Science in research Project: “Design of communication patterns amongst hospitals supervised by Tehran University of Medical Sciences in association with the University Headquarters, Phase 1; reviewing texts and surveying the current situation” 2016
- 9- “Gender Differences in the prevalence and Predicators of sexual Risk Behaviors in drug Abusing population” (Iranian research center for HIV/AIDS, Tehran University of Medical Sciences)2014
- 10- Process evaluation of the mandatory premarital drug test, and comparison of the marital outcomes: Mixed method approach (Iranian National Center of Addiction Studies (INCAS), Institution of Risk Behavior Reduction, Tehran University of Medical Sciences)2014 – 2015
- 11- Psychometric and validation of the sexual relationships power scale(SRPS) among women with risk behaviors referred to behavioral diseases centers in Metropolitans Tehran (Iranian National Center of Addiction Studies INCAS), Institution of Risk Behavior Reduction, Tehran University of Medical Sciences)2016-present
- 12- Development and complaining a community-based skill building approach to reduce sexual risk behaviors for women with substance use disorders (Iranian National Center of Addiction Studies (INCAS), Institution of Risk Behavior Reduction, Tehran University of Medical Sciences)
- 13- Exploring the socio-cultural determinants of treatment retention in Iranian drug users in Tehran 2016
- 14-

Workshops & conferences

- 1- Attending International Society of Substance Use Professionals Conference, Abu Dhabi, May/ 2022
- 2- Participation in the Training for Treating Adolescents with Substance Use Disorders workshop during the ISSUP meeting in Abu Dhabi. 40 hours May, 2022
- 3- Sexual Attitude Reassessment workshop, 36 hours, Tehran University of Medical Sciences, 36 hours, 2019
- 4- Women Sexual health Problem, 8 hours, Tehran University of Medical Sciences, 2019
- 5- Humphrey Fellows Leadership Seminar, University of Montana, May 2017
- 6- Social Media Strategies workshop, Virginia Commonwealth university, 12/01/2017
- 7- Evaluating Your Program' Success workshop, Virginia Commonwealth university, 11/17/2017
- 8- Conflict Management workshop, Virginia Commonwealth university, 11/10/2017
- 9- Leadership and Type: The Myers Bigger Type Indicator and Building High Performing Work Team, Virginia Commonwealth university, 09/15/2017
- 10- Creating and Lead change, Virginia Commonwealth university, 10/27/2017
- 11- Equity, Inclusion, and Diversity: Global Responses to Global challenges, As presenter, 2018, J. Sergeant Reynolds Community college, 2018
- 12- APHA Annual meeting 2017. Atlanta, GA, USA
- 13- Global Engagement forum
- 14- Global Leadership Forum, 2017, Washington DC, USA.
- 15- Workshop: "Transgender and Media" at VCU
- 16- Workshop: "Sex and Technology at VCU

Media Activities

Student Magazine: Name: **Alvand (student monthly Magazine) Concessionaire, Editor-in-chief**
School of public health, Iran University of Medical Sciences 2007-2010
Name: **Payam Behdasht (Translate: Health Message), Concessionaire, Editor-in-chief**
Islamic Azad University of Sabzevar 2005-2007

Social media

Creating and Admin, content creator for Instagram and online video sharing platforms:

a- Iranian national center for addiction studies (INCAS):

Aparat: <https://www.aparat.com/INCASresearch>

Instagram: @INCASresearch

Telegram: @INCASresearch

b- RASESH sexual health Group:

Aparat: <https://www.aparat.com/SexualHealthIRAN>

Instagram: @raseshsclinic

Telegram: @RASESH_SEXUALHEALTH


Skills

SPSS Statistics software: Average

English: Good **TOEFL iBT, 2019 Score: 82**

Computer: Good Microsoft Office, Photoshop, Video editing

Google Scholar



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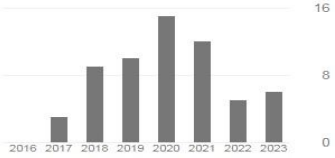
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