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Dahlia has published in many areas of health economics, including health savings accounts, cigarette tax regressivity, cost-sharing, drivers of health care cost growth, ways to measure health insurance take-up and health insurance and health care markets. Other research focused on practical strategies for causal research.

Dahlia co-developed, with Sanders Korenman, the first poverty measure that treats health insurance as a basic need and health insurance benefits as resources to meet that need—the health-inclusive poverty measure (HIPM). They and Rosemary Hyson have published seven peer-reviewed articles and three reports on or using the HIPM. The HIPM approach was recommended by a National Academies panel as part of a revision of the Census Bureau Supplemental Poverty measure and has been implemented by the US Census Bureau as a research series.

Dahlia is co-author (with Gregg Van Ryzin) of *Research Methods in Practice: Strategies for Description and Causation*, now in its third edition. The textbook emphasizes the critical interpretation and practical application of research findings throughout, focusing on causation and real-life data. Teaching causation is a passion. For over twenty five years, Dahlia has taught professional master's students how to interpret evidence of causal effects and practical

approaches to estimating the causal impacts. She believes more people can and need to learn these important skills. To pursue that mission, she is launching the website CausalLiteracy.com.

After a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from the University of California at Berkeley, Dahlia received a Marshall Scholarship and earned a doctorate in Physical Chemistry from Oxford University. She then went to graduate school all over again and received her PhD in Economics from Harvard. During her last year as a PhD student, she was a Dissertation Fellow at the Brookings Institution. She then did an Agency of Health Care Policy Research post-doctoral fellowship at Harvard Medical School. She was then an assistant professor at Tulane University's and Columbia University's schools of public health.