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Leopoldo J. Cabassa, Ph.D., is a professor and co-director of the Center for Mental Health Services Research at the George Warren Brown School of Social Work at Washington University in St. Louis. His research examines physical and mental health disparities in historically marginalized communities living with serious mental illness (SMI), such as schizophrenia, bipolar disorder and major depression. His work blends quantitative and qualitative methods, community engagement, intervention research and implementation science.

Dr. Cabassa's work has been published in leading journals in the fields of social work, mental health services research, public health and implementation science, and has attracted substantial external funding (e.g., National Institute of Mental Health). His scholarship is making significant contributions in three areas: improving depression literacy and reducing stigma toward mental illness in the Latinx community, reducing physical health inequities in racial/ethnic minorities with SMI improving care for people experiencing first-episode psychosis. [Read more](#)