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Forensic & Neuropsychology

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Member, Los Angeles County Juvenile Delinquency Panel

Member, Los Angeles County Superior Court Adult Criminal Panel

EDUCATION & TRAINING

- 2019-Current **FIELDING UNIVERSITY**, Santa Barbara, CA
Post-Doctoral Training in Neuropsychology
Estimated Completion Date: 2021
- 2008-2012 **ALLIANT INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**, Irvine, CA.
Clinical Forensic Psychology Program
Doctor of Psychology (Psy.D.)
- 2008-2010 **ALLIANT INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**, Irvine, CA.
Clinical Forensic Psychology Program
Master of Arts (M.A.)
- 2001-2004 **UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA**, Tucson, AZ
Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Sociology
Minor- Criminal Justice

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

- 08/2016- current **Vienna Psychological Group, Inc.**
San Dimas, CA
Clinical Director, Forensic Psychologist
Private Practice
Forensic & Neuropsychology
- Serve as Clinical Director of the corporation responsible for leadership, management, and direction of all clinical operations of staff
 - Clinical consultant/supervisor to pre-licensed staff

- Develop and present relevant mental health trainings
- Conduct cognitive and neuropsychological testing and evaluations for psycho-legal purposes (forensic), including assessment of intellectual disability, neurodevelopmental disorders, and traumatic brain injury.
- Conduct mitigation type evaluations – specifically evaluating the mental status at the time of the alleged offense and identifying psychological factors that may have contributed to the offense. I have specific training in PTSD and trauma related disorders.
- Conduct evaluation of suitability for PC 1001.36 (Mental Health Diversion).
- Conduct evaluation of PC 1368 (Competency to Stand Trial).
- Review other experts' evaluations and reports to inform cross-examination.
- Conduct evaluation of malingering (identify or rule out feigning, exaggeration, or malingering of psychiatric symptoms and/or cognitive impairment).
- Conduct pre-employment appeal evaluations for law enforcement candidates (**POST CPE Requirements completed**) and utilize MMPI-2-RF-PCIR, CPI, PAI, 16PF among other psychological measures
- Provide trauma focused psychotherapy (EMDR Certified). Not accepting new clients at this time.

9/2017- 01/2018

Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health
 Sylmar, CA
 Barry J. Nidorf Juvenile Hall- Juvenile Justice
Clinical Psychologist II
 Supervisor: Carol Shauger, LCSW

- Screen newly admitted minors and complete full psychiatric assessment
- Utilize and complete The Massachusetts Youth Screening Inventory (MAYSI-2) on newly admitted minors
- Provide ongoing clinical interviewing/assessment, consultation, evidence-based practice interventions, and review of available DMH and/ or Probation mental health history records to minors

with more complex or enduring problems to assist in planning treatment.

- Provide on-call crisis assessment and utilize EBP interventions to assess for level of care to minors throughout the juvenile facility (general population, the compound, special housing unit/ CARE units)

05/2015- 9/2017

**Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health,
with Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department,**

Los Angeles, CA

Mental Evaluation Team (M.E.T.) & P.M.R.T.

Clinical Psychologist II

Supervisor: Juan Aguirre, L.C.S.W.

Supervisor: Garrett Horne, Psy.D.

- Partnered with a deputy in law enforcement vehicles or civilian team to provide mobile emergency services to persons with a mental health disorder
- Provide outreach, engagement, and linkage services within Los Angeles County to persons who have or are at risk for mental illness
- Provide mobile psychiatric assessment and evaluation for voluntary and involuntary hospitalization- depending upon the apparent seriousness of the situation, signs application for immediate 72-hour detention at a LPS hospital facility
- Provide mobile crisis intervention to communities, families and consumers
- Respond to consumers decompensating and in need immediate with law enforcement to assist persons facing eviction and suspected of having mental disorders
- Respond to requests from Adult Protective Services, Department of Children Services, and schools when police assistance is required at the scene
- Avert violent confrontations between consumers and law enforcement through the use of verbal de-escalation techniques
- Participate in providing roll-call training (educate & provide mental health trainings at Sheriff's stations)
- Provide consultation services to community agencies, county directly operated clinics; county contracted clinics, family members and schools to

advise the consultee on the utilization of the Law Enforcement/Mental Health Teams pertinent to the recognition of mental health crisis dealt with by these facilities

07/2013- 05/2015

**Los Angeles County Department Of Mental Health,
with Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department,**

Los Angeles, CA

Twin Towers Correctional Facility- Men's Forensic
Outpatient Program

Clinical Psychologist II

Supervisor: Karen Siscoe, PhD.

- Work collaboratively with a multidisciplinary treatment team (services included psychotherapy, diagnostic formulation, housing assignments, and case consultation)
- Conduct individual short-term psychotherapy with pre-adjudicated adult male individuals utilizing cognitive behavioral therapy, motivational interviewing, and client centered modalities
- Operate as an on-call clinician and provided crisis intervention treatment & involuntary psychiatric evaluations
- Provide intensive psychotherapy treatment & interventions to severe and persistent mentally ill offenders, including several MIST program clients (treatment/ restoration to competency of Misdemeanor Incompetent to Stand Trial clients)

9/2012- 7/2013

Los Angeles County Department Of Mental Health

Lancaster, CA.

Department of Juvenile Justice- Challenger Memorial
Camp

Clinical Psychologist I

Clinical Supervisor: Tamera J. Wilson, Psy.D.

- Provide continuous and comprehensive clinical services within an integrated multidisciplinary team for juvenile minors incarcerated in mental health dormitory setting
- Perform clinical interviews with diagnostic assessment
- Provide short and long term individual treatment utilizing the following interventions & evidenced based practices (EBP's): Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT), Dialectical Behavioral Therapy Informed (BDTi), Seeking Safety, and Motivational Interviewing (MI)

- Provide family therapy to assist with reunification of minor and family as well as to assist with transition home from camp
- Provide individual substance abuse treatment for dual diagnosed minors utilizing principles of Motivational Interviewing (MI) and Matrix Institute resources
- Conduct weekly ART (Aggression Replacement Treatment) group psychotherapy with 7-8 minors utilizing principles of anger management and mindfulness
- Provide on-call crisis assessment and interventions (assessing for level of care) to minors throughout the juvenile facility
- Provide continuous case management, including providing referrals/ resources to link minors to MH services in the community upon their release
- Work collaboratively with DCFS, Probation Department, and Juvenile Justice After Care Program representatives to ensure ease of minor when transitioning from Juvenile camp to placement in the community

9/2011- 8/2012

Los Angeles County Department Of Mental Health, with Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department,

Los Angeles, CA

Twin Towers Correctional Facility/ Women's Community Reintegration Services & Education Center (WCRSEC)

Pre-doctoral Internship

Psychology Intern

Supervisor: Shelley Sommerfeldt, Psy.D.

Delegated Supervisor: Winnie Louie, Psy.D.

- **WCRSEC-** Provided therapeutic services to mentally ill females in an outpatient setting utilizing the Recovery Model approach
- Worked collaboratively with a multidisciplinary treatment team (services included psychotherapy, diagnostic formulation, and case consultation)
- Conducted community and field outreach, including jail linkage
- Provided clients with case management services and aftercare planning
- Administered and interpreted psychological assessment batteries including cognitive (WAIS

III/IV), personality (MMPI/PAI), and malingering scales (TOMM, SIRS)

- Led a *Seeking Safety* group weekly with individuals diagnosed with PTSD & Substance Abuse Disorders
- Created and led a trauma- focused yoga therapy group weekly
- Conducted individual short-term psychotherapy with adult female individuals utilizing cognitive behavioral therapy, motivational interviewing, and client centered modalities
- Operated as an on-call clinician and provided crisis intervention treatment with adult females in an outpatient setting
- Proficient in DMH/ Medi-Cal billing
- ***Twin Towers Correctional Facility***
Supervisor: Ann Marie O'Keefe, Ph.D.
Delegate Supervisor: Charles Pilavian, Ph.D.
- Provided continuous and comprehensive clinical services within an integrated multidisciplinary team for inmates/ patients housed in mental health service area within LA County Jail
- Performed clinical interviews with diagnostic assessments
- Conducted weekly individual therapy- utilizing multiple treatment methods & interventions
- Interventions included Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT), Dialectical Behavioral Therapy Informed, Mindfulness, and Motivational Interviewing (MI)
- Created and led weekly dual diagnosis group psychotherapy with 8-12 patients/ inmates utilizing (MI) & (CBT) techniques
- Conducted neuropsychological dementia screening assessments with patients referred from the mental health team that included Mini Mental Status Exam (MMSE), Clock Drawing Test (CDT), Trail Making Test A & B (TMT), Wechsler Memory Scale (WMS) & Stroop
- Provided on-call crisis assessment to inmates throughout the correctional facility
- Provide case management and aftercare planning with all patients
- Provide referral linkages to Full Service Partnerships (FSP) & community mental health centers

08/2010- 8/20111

College Hospital Costa Mesa, Costa Mesa, CA
122-bed Private Acute Care Hospital accredited by
The Joint Commission (Adult & Adolescent rotations)

Psychology Extern

Supervisor: Reily Case, Psy.D., L.C.S.W.

- Conducted weekly individual & group therapy with adult & adolescent inpatients utilizing various interventions and techniques such as CBT, DBT Informed, & MI
- Evaluated/ Assessed incoming patients on 5150/ 5585 psychiatric status for placement on hospital unit
- Facilitated daily group therapy with long term care persistently mentally ill adult patients utilizing DBT Informed skills training modules
- Performed clinical interviews & provided diagnostic formulations
- Advocated for hospital and patient in probable cause hearings with County of Orange Mental Health Courts
- Assist in completing temporary conservatorship (T-CON) applications
- Provided case consultations in weekly treatment team meetings
- Provided case management & after care planning services to persistent and mentally ill inpatients
- Conducted crisis assessment and interventions with adolescent and adult inpatients
- Led daily coping skills, mindfulness, and art therapy groups to adolescent inpatients

08/2009- 07/2010

Twin Towers Correctional Facility, Los Angeles, CA
Tower 1 Clinician for Service Area 6- South Central
Los Angeles

Psychology Extern

Supervisor: Raphael Romero, Psy.D.

- Conducted weekly individual therapy- utilizing multiple treatment methods & interventions including (CBT) & (MI)
- Led weekly dual diagnosis group psychotherapy with 8-12 patients/ inmates utilizing (MI) & (CBT) interventions

- Created and led weekly Coping Skills group utilizing humanistic approach providing such topics as housing, managing finances, creating resumes, communication, & working while taking medications
- Conducted assessments with patients referred from the mental health team which included: cognitive (WAIS IV), personality (MMPI), & Projective (Rorschach)
- Provided case management & after care planning with all patients

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

10/2007 – 07/2009

County of Orange Health Care Agency, Santa Ana, CA.

Centralized Assessment Team (C.A.T.)

Mental Health Specialist (MHS), LPS Designated

Supervisor: Greg Masters, L.C.S.W.

- Provided emergency involuntary psychological evaluations (5150) and crisis intervention to adult patients
- Provided follow up and referral linkages for all evaluations
- Assisted Orange County Law Enforcement with psychiatric emergency situations including hostile/violent police calls and crisis debriefing
- Provided in service mental health trainings to Law Enforcement, colleagues, and interns including topics such as identification and management of mental health issues in the community
- Conducted community outreach by educating city members and businesses of mental health services available within Orange County, CA
- Represented the County of Orange in probable cause hearings, patient's rights hearings, and Riese hearings

08/2004 – 10/2007

Tarzana Treatment Center, Reseda, CA

H.I.V. & Dual Diagnosis Outpatient Clinic

Transitional Case Manager

Supervisor: Jose Rodriguez, CAADAC

Clinical Supervisor: Truett Wright, LMFT

- Subcontracted with the **Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department** as a Transitional Case Manager for Men's Central Jail and Twin Towers Correctional Facility to provide transitional linkage from jail to community
- Reviewed psychiatric evaluation, history and physical, Addiction Severity Index (ASI) assessment, family assessment and past medical records
- Facilitated and participated in Initial Case Conference (ICC) within time frames established by program policy
- Conducted program evaluation for the transitional case management services and presented data outcomes to Office of Aids Program & Policy (OAPP)
- Provided regular, comprehensive progress notes charting in client's Medical Record, which document contacts, progress towards identified goals, program participation, referrals, discharge planning and other case management activities
- Initiated direct contact with outside entities as appropriate, in order to assist client in resolution of legal, financial, housing, medical, and psychiatric and discharge planning issues
- Facilitated discharge planning efforts, commencing at time of admission on all assigned clients, including areas of housing, employment, medical, psychiatric, finances, aftercare, etc.
- Promoted pre-release planning in LA jail and prisons, solicited and assessed clients' interest in program participation and assured that client met the eligibility criteria as specified by the County
- Performed comprehensive patient assessments and on-going reassessments during incarceration and post release
- Developed comprehensive service plan for each client with review/ revisions as needed, based on eligibility and reassessment
- Provided client with successful linkage to appropriate community services with appropriate follow up

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

07/16 – current

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department,
Industry, CA

Station Volunteer (Industry)

Supervisor: Sr. Deputy Jim Bickel

- Teach/Mentor youth beginner Scuba Diving Skills
- Monitor youth on overnight trips aboard boat vessels

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE & PUBLICATIONS

Plaintiff-Juror Race Homogeneity and Award Amount in Civil Lawsuits – Dissertation- 09/2010 (Irvine, CA.)

Juvenile Competency and Adolescent Brain Functioning- Paper 05/2010. Accepted for poster presentation at Forensic Mental Health Association Conference- 03/2011 (Monterey, CA)

Suicide Awareness- Article Contribution in The Professional Peace Officers Association Magazine, The Star & Shield- 07/2018

Opioid Crisis: The Impact on First Responders- International Public Safety Association Info Brief- Publish Date- 08/2018

PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT

2008-Present	American Psychological Law and Society (APLS), Member
2017-Present	International Critical Incident Stress Foundation, Member
2018-Present	Association of Traumatic Stress Specialists
2020-Present	National Academy of Neuropsychology, Associate Member

CERTIFICATIONS

Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM)- University of Maryland at Baltimore Certification *Exp: 06/2023*

Certified Trauma Treatment Specialist, Association of Traumatic Stress Specialists ATTS. CTTS#2957-1108, *Expires 01/31/2022*

EMDR Certified Therapist- EMDRIA Approved- Certification Number: 63420. Expires: 02/28/21

RELEVANT TRAINING COURSES & CONFERENCES

Forensic Training Institute- Reducing Recidivism for The National Association of Forensic Counselors (Las Vegas, NV)- 2006

Motivational Interviewing of Clients -Tarzana Treatment Center (Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health Trainings) – 2006, 2007, 2012, 2014

Meeting the STD/ HIV Prevention Needs of Transgender Clients (Tarzana Treatment Center)- 2006

FEMA- National Incident Management System (Santa Ana, CA)- 2008

FEMA- Introduction to the Incident Command System- 2008

Treating Trauma in Co-Occurring Disorders with Medications (Santa Ana, CA)- 2008

Annual International Association of Forensic Mental Health Services (Vienna, Austria)- 2008

California Statewide Conference on Co-Occurring Disorders (Long Beach, CA)- 2008

STS- The Sexually Violent Offender- Roy Hazelwood (San Diego, CA)- 2009

STS-Assessing Psychopathy with the Psychopathy Checklist-Revised- (PCL-R)- Reid Meloy (San Diego, CA)- 2009

Dialectical Behavioral Therapy Intensive Training- Harbor UCLA- 2012

Seeking Safety- Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health- 2012

Human Sexuality (Pre-licensure course)- 2013

Aging and long term care (Pre-licensure course)- 2013

Intimate Partner Violence (Pre-licensure course)- 2014

Child Abuse Training (Pre-licensure course) -2014

Juvenile Competency Training, restoration and counseling (2014)

Ending Corporal Punishment of Children- AVAT Conference 2015

Assessment & Treatment of Antisocial Personality Disorders and Psychopathy (Reid Meloy) – Los Angeles 2015

American Psychological Law Society Conference- San Diego 2015

- Threat Assessment: Past, Present, and Future (Reid Meloy)
- Teens & Stalking
- Adolescent Forensic Assessment
- Forensic Expert Decision Making
- Risk Assessment with Offenders
- Juvenile Issues with Legal Decision Making
- Forensic Evaluations
- Juveniles & Trauma
- Ethics in Forensic Practice
- Advances in Neuroscience & Substance Abuse
- Emotions & Therapy in Juveniles

Association of Threat Assessment Professionals Conference- Anaheim 2015

- Threat Assessment & Management
- Domestic Violence in the Workplace
- Perspectives on Threat Management

American Bar Association- Child Custody Colloquium (8 hour)- Los Angeles 2015

- Acknowledging Bias
- Therapy & Health Care privilege issues in Custody Litigation
- Legal rights, ethics, and advocacy in parenting plans
- Ethical cross examination of the 730 Evaluator

International Association of Trauma Professionals- Clinical Trauma Professional Program (14 hours)- Pasadena, CA 2016

National Association of Addiction Professionals (NAADAC)-- Substance Abuse Professional's U.S. DOT Alcohol and Drug Testing Regulation Qualification and Re-qualification Independent Study Course- 2016

American Board Professional Psychology- San Diego, CA 2017

- Police Psychology: An introduction to core activities and cultural competencies
- Using the MMPI-2-RF in Public Safety Evaluations: Pre and Post Employment

Essentials of MMPI-2 Assessment- Los Angeles, CA 2017

EMDR - Basic Training Part 1 & 2- Los Angeles, CA 2017

Assisting Individuals in Crisis & Group Crisis Intervention- San Diego, CA 2017
(ICISF)- 24 hours

Survival Skills for the First Responder- San Diego, CA 2017
(ICISF)- 8 hours

Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC 101)- Los Angeles, CA 2017
8 hours

Juvenile Transfer Hearings Training & Overview by Forensic Mental Health
Association of California- Long Beach, CA- April 2018- 8 hours

Signs of Trauma, Impact of the Brain Over a Life Span- Los Angeles, CA 2018

Gottman Method Couples Therapy- Level 1- Online- 06/2018

Structured Play Therapy- UCSD Extension- San Diego, CA 08/2018- 7 hours

Advanced Assisting Individuals in Crisis & Group Crisis Intervention- San Diego,
CA 2018
(ICISF)- 24 hours

Children & CISM- San Diego, CA 2018-7 hours

EMDR Therapy with Children & Adolescents- Online-Jan 2019 through Ana
Gomez & The Agate Institute-12 hours

EMDR with First Responders- Dr. Robbie Adler Tapia- March 2019- Costa Mesa,
CA-12 hours

American Academy of Forensic Psychology- 2019 Workshops- San Diego, CA
November 2019- 14 hours

- Ethical Issues in Forensic Psychological Practice-
7 hours
- Writing an Effective Forensic Report -7 hours

CONCEPT Palo Alto University- March 2020- Book Based
5.5 hours- Best Practices in Forensic Mental Health Assessment: Evaluation of
Competence to Stand Trial

Mindset Continuing Education- John Violanti, PHD. PTSD: Neurological
Associations With Impaired Decision Making Among Police Officers- April 2020-
4 hours

Mindset Continuing Education-Sepideh A. Souris, Psy.D- Essentials of the
Psychological Fitness-For-Duty Evaluations of Peace Officers- April 2020- 4
hours

CONCEPT Palo Alto University- April 2020- Book Based
5.5 hours- Evaluation of Capitol Sentencing

American Academy of Forensic Psychology- 2020 Workshops- Las Vegas, NV
(Live Online) May 2020- 17 hours

- Assessing Allegations of Trauma in Forensic Contexts – 7 hours
- Evidenced-Based Evaluations of Criminal Responsibility – 7 hours
- Critical Thinking in Forensic Evaluations- 4 hours