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Educational Background:

The Chicago School of Professional Psychology, Los Angeles, CA
Doctor of Clinical Forensic Psychology (PsyD)
GPA 3.96/4.00

Sept 2013 – Aug 2017

Argosy University, Los Angeles, CA
Bachelor of Arts in Psychology
GPA 3.81/4.00

Sept 2011 - April 2013

Current Experience:

Bakersfield Behavioral Healthcare Hospital

Aug 2022 - Present

Director of IST (Incompetent to Stand Trial) Forensic Program
Clinical Supervisor

- Oversee all services of the competency restoration program for individuals found incompetent to stand trial (IST)
- Develop and provide programmatic techniques and oversight to ensure consistency and continuity in the provision of services
- Develop policies, policy reviews, and ensure all quality assurance indicators for the department are continuously met
- Recognized and awarded for “patient innovation and care” in 2025
- Provide administration, training in, and oversight of, competency evaluations within the IST program
- Develop and maintain a comprehensive training program for Master’s and Doctoral level interns and practicum students
- Serve as the primary supervisor and training professional, ensuring sound clinical practice and research
- Provide training in, and review of, clinical practice and documentation to assess profession-wide competencies
- Direct all clinical training components (including practicum and internship rotations), accreditations, and program review
- Act as a liaison between staff, students, and various academic program administrators
- Conduct internship/practicum evaluations
- Perform psychological testing and evaluations
- Perform audits as needed
- Consult and collaborate on the development of new initiatives and projects
- Attend various staff and treatment team meetings, providing valuable clinical input

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Partner

Jan 2020 – Present

- **Private Practice**

- Specializing in conducting psychological evaluations (competency to stand trial; diminished capacity; diagnostic clarification; personal injury; neuropsychological)

Contracted with:

**State of Alaska, Department of Family and Community Services (DFCS),
Alaska Psychiatric Institute (API)**

Feb 2020 – Present

Forensic Psychologist

- Recognized as an expert in the field of forensic psychology by the courts
- Conduct court-ordered forensic examinations (competency to stand trial and culpability)
- Provide consultation and testimony
- Expert witness for the court

State of Alaska Board of Psychologists and Psychological Associate Examiners

Mar 2025 – June 2025

- Subject Matter Expert

California Department of State Hospitals (DSH)

Aug 2023 - Present

Forensic Psychologist Contractor

- Conduct competency to stand trial evaluations
- Develop written reports detailing findings of evaluations for the courts
- Clinical privileges at Atascadero State Hospital (ASH) and Metropolitan State Hospital (MSH)

Previous Experience:

Wellpath

Nov 2021 – Aug 2022

Licensed Psychologist

Previous Titles:

JBCT Psychologist

May 2021 – Nov 2021

Licensed Psychologist

July 2019 – Feb 2020

Post-Doctoral Psychology Resident

May 2018 – July 2019

- Conducted competency to stand trial (CST) evaluations within a jail-based program
- Administered, scored, and interpreted a wide variety of neuropsychological and personality tests
- Incorporated neuropsychological assessment results into restoration pathways
- Developed individualized treatment plans to address the distinct barriers to trial competence
- Provided clinical consultation and methods/interventions to treatment staff to support patients in their competency restoration
- Provided training and education to clinical staff on competency restoration, documentation, and appropriate procedures
- Conducted orientation and on-boarding classes regarding the different aspects of competency treatment and restoration
- Managed an audit team to ensure implementation of directives and developed corrective action plans
- Completed training and became designated as *Wellpath Certified Facilitator*

Optimum Specialists

May 2021 – Nov 2021

Contract Psychologist

- Conducted mental health assessments within a CDCR (The California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation) facility

Liberty Healthcare Corporation

Mar 2020 – April 2021

Forensic Psychologist

- Conducted Competency to Stand Trial (CST) evaluations within a jail-based program
- Conducted Admission Psychological Assessments, diagnosed using the DSM-5, and identified barriers to trial competence
- Participated as a member of a multi-disciplinary treatment team providing vital clinical input related to diagnoses and recommended treatment plans
- Participated in staff meetings and case conferences with departments of psychiatry, nursing, and social work, as well as consulted with staff to review patient cases and resolve difficult barriers to competence

Quest 2 Recovery

Nov 2017- April 2018

Assistant Clinical Director/Program Director

- Screened and evaluated prospective clients to the facility prior to admission, employing intervention techniques, interviewing, and assessment skills
- Conducted psychosocial assessments, assessed clients' needs, identified presenting problems, and summarized findings in written, integrated assessments
- Developed and implemented an individualized recovery plan within one week of admission for each client using measurable goals and objectives
- Obtained information from the intake assessment, medical history questionnaire and physical screening, family assessment and psychosocial assessment, and used this information to formulate a recovery plan that was individualized within 24 hours
- Established, planned, and implemented new programs and clinical services and ensured that clinical services were delivered according to the standards of the facility and they exceeded national industry standards
- Conducted individual, group, and family therapy sessions
- Conducted Utilization Reviews prior to deadline
- Conducted peer-to-peer reviews with insurance companies for approval of clients' treatment
- Reviewed and update the recovery plan through written documentation weekly
- Monitored work performance for performance improvement and quality assurance issues
- Facilitated ancillary services/community referrals for assigned clients (including coordination of transportation with staff)
- Trained staff on documentation and appropriate procedures

Presentations, Certificates, Memberships, and Conferences:

- American Psychological Association (APA) Professional Member
- American Psychology-Law Society (AP-LS) Full Member
- Certified SARATSO (State Authorized Risk Assessment Tool for Sex Offenders) Scorer (Stable-2007 and Acute-2007)
- National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), Together for Mental Health; Presenter Bakersfield, CA May 2022
- APA Annual Convention; Presenter Washington D.C. Aug 2017
- California Coalition on Sexual Offending; Presenter: John Flentz Los Angeles, CA Jan 2016
- Closing the Gap Through Mentoring, Education, and Service Los Angeles, CA Jan 2016
- Summit on Community Resilience, Intervention, Prevention, and Training Los Angeles, CA July 2015