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EDUCATION

Doctorate of Philosophy in Clinical Psychology, California School of Professional Psychology, Berkeley, CA. October of 1992 (Fully Accredited by APA).

Master of Arts, Clinical Psychology, California School of Professional Psychology, Berkeley, CA. July of 1987.

Bachelor of Arts, Psychology, San Francisco State University, August of 1983.
Summa Cum Laude Honors.

French Baccalaureate in Philosophy and Letters, Lycee Pasteur Bilingual School, Sao Paulo, Brazil, December of 1979.

EXPERIENCE IN NEUROPSYCHOLOGY

**October 2007
to Present**

Optimal Minds Neuropsychology-Clinical Neuropsychology-Walnut Creek, CA. Practice focused exclusively on providing assessment services to the Pediatric, Adult and Geriatric clinical populations suffering from conditions affecting brain functioning. Types of assessments include: Neuropsychological, Memory Clinic, ADHD, Learning Disability, Developmental, and Psychological. Target populations are those suffering from brain injury/disease, genetic and neurodegenerative disorders, vascular conditions, endocrinological diseases, developmental delays and toxic exposure. The practice also has a strong emphasis in the development and implementation of individualized Neurocognitive Rehabilitation Programs to address each patient's specific set of cognitive issues by utilizing a unique combination of table tasks, computer-based exercises, and adaptive compensatory strategies.

**December 2012 to
September 2022**

Marin Health Medical Center (aka Marin General Hospital)-Greenbrae, CA. Hospital privileges to conduct Neuropsychological Consultations and full Neuropsychological Assessments to patients being provided medical services at the hospital's in-patient units, emergency department and out-patient clinics. Consultations and assessments are requested by Hospitalists and Specialty Physicians in order to establish legal capacity, diagnostic differential and/or specific information as to the nature and severity of the cognitive deficits so as to assist in the development of the most appropriate treatment plan and/or discharge plans.

**October 2007 to
December 2009**

Neuropsychological Associates (aka Sonoma Neuropsychology and Attention Disorder Center-SNADC)- Clinical Neuropsychology, Santa Rosa, CA.

Conducted clinical interviews and review of documentation/records, administered and interpreted a vast array of neuropsychological, educational, and psychological measurements. Primary responsibility consisted of writing neuropsychological assessment reports which included relevant psychometric outcomes, discussion and interpretation of the findings, as well as specific recommendations for treatment/remediation and academic/employment accommodations when applicable. Conducted training seminars and provided individual supervision to pre-doctoral interns pursuing specialization in Neuropsychology. Helped develop a Cognitive Rehabilitation Program for geriatric patients suffering from mild cognitive impairment or early stages of dementia, and trained Cognitive Rehabilitation Technicians in the implementation of the program.

**June 2006 to
October 2007**

The Ananda Institute-CAPIC approved training site. Post-licensure Specialization in Clinical Neuropsychology, Santa Rosa, CA.

Conducted neuropsychological assessment, learning disability, ADHD and other psychometrically based evaluations. Worked with a demographically diverse population including children, adults, and elderly individuals from different ethnic, cultural and educational backgrounds suffering from an array of neurocognitive, psychological, or developmental conditions including TBI, mTBI, Alzheimer's, medically related dementias, depressive and anxiety disorders. Attended weekly training seminars on neuroanatomy and neuropsychological assessment, as well as clinical grand rounds, case conferences and other educational presentations. Training and supervision were provided by Michael A. Fraga, Psy.D. MSCP, Clinical Neuropsychologist, CA License 17169.

**February 1993 to
March 1994**

Milton E. Harris, Ph.D., Postdoctoral Training in Clinical Neuropsychology

Santa Rosa, California. Performed diagnostic assessment based on clinical interview, mental status exam, and the administration of comprehensive neuropsychological and/or personality batteries. Administered and interpreted an array of neuropsychological, educational, objective and projective psychological psychometric measures. Referrals for testing and assessment were provided by Physicians, Attorneys, Therapists, Educators, Rehabilitation Department and SSI offices in the community. Assessments were conducted on pediatric, adult, and geriatric populations with a diverse clinical presentation and diagnoses. Presenting complaints often included memory issues, psychiatric disorders, poor adaptive functioning, developmental delays, and changes in cognitive functioning secondary to brain injury, cardio-vascular incidents or neuro-degenerative diseases. Training and supervision were provided by Milton Harris, Ph.D. ABPP-CN, Board Certified in Clinical Neuropsychology, CA License # 5937.

**July of 1989
to June of 1990**

Metropolitan State Hospital-Research Department, Research Associate,

Norwalk, CA. Responsible for conducting neuropsychological assessments on all research participants pre and post intervention, to evaluate the effectiveness of

target intervention in bringing improvement in cognitive functioning. Was directly involved in various research protocols and clinical trials to assess treatment effectiveness on research participants diagnosed with schizophrenia or other major psychiatric disorders. Conducted record review and clinical interviews on patients from psychiatric and forensic units. Coordinated the implementation of the research protocols and maintained the active research charts. Assisted in other research activities such as questionnaire development and grant proposals.

**September 1988
to June of 1989**

Kaiser Permanente Medical Center-Department of Psychiatry, Vallejo, California. Psychology Intern. Conducted neuropsychological and personality assessments in children and adults presenting with complex psychiatric symptomatology or personality/cognitive changes following neurological insult. Was responsible for administering, scoring, and interpreting psychometric data as well as writing the neuropsychological assessment reports including discussion of the findings and treatment recommendations. Training and supervision were provided by Alexander J. Nemeth, Ph.D., J.D. Clinical and Forensic Neuropsychologist.

EXPERIENCE IN CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY

**January 1994 to
May 2000**

Kaiser Permanente Medical Center-Department of Psychiatry, Hayward, California. Functioned as Staff Psychologist for the Family and Child Team.

- Conducted intake evaluations, developed treatment plans and implemented short-term individual, family and group treatment interventions for a diverse clinical population ranging from parenting issues, ADHD, and major psychiatric disorders.
- Developed a “Clinician’s Manual” and provided a comprehensive treatment program for adolescents diagnosed with Major Depression. Interventions included group treatment for the depressed adolescent, therapeutic and educational group meetings for the parents, and long-term follow-up group meetings for adolescents who had successfully completed the treatment program.
- Conducted evaluation and group therapy for young children of divorced families, ages 5 to 8.
- Functioned as the liaison for the Pediatric Department and Adolescent Medicine Department providing consultation and crisis intervention services on site, as needed by the Physicians in the departments.
- Provided psychiatric consultation and front line crisis intervention for the Emergency Room Department and other Medical Units throughout the hospital. Fulfilled after hours and weekend on-call duties and responded to all

calls involving psychiatric emergencies and consultations for the entire hospital.

- September 1992 to December 1993** **Kaiser Permanente Medical Center-Department of Psychiatry,** Santa Rosa, California. Postdoctoral Fellowship. Functioned as member of the Adult and Child Treatment Teams. Conducted intakes and urgent evaluations which included assessment of current problem, danger to self and/or others, differential diagnosis, and development of appropriate treatment plan. Provided time-limited individual, couple, and family therapy; and performed as co-therapist in various treatment groups for adolescents and adults with diverse psychiatric diagnoses (Pre-teen Girls Group, Adult Relationships Group).
- September of 1988 to June of 1989** **Kaiser Permanente Medical Center-Department of Psychiatry,** Vallejo, California. Predoctoral Intern. Worked as part of the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Program (ADAP) Team. Conducted time-limited individual psychotherapy and intake evaluations to individuals identified with substance abuse/addiction issues. Functioned as a co-therapist in an Adolescent Substance Abuse Group and family therapy
- July of 1987 to June of 1988** **Mount Zion Crisis Clinic-Mt. Zion Hospital and Medical Center,** San Francisco, California. Predoctoral Intern. Provided front line crisis intervention to adult population with a broad range of acute and chronic psychiatric diagnoses, including major affective, schizophrenic and severe personality disorders. Duties included crisis intervention, dangerousness assessment, diagnostic evaluation, emergency treatment and final disposition. Other direct services consisted of providing brief and long term individual psychotherapy to post-crisis patients, and hospital consultation.
- September of 1986 to June of 1987** **New Perspectives,** Larkspur, California. Psychology Intern. Provided drug and alcohol treatment to Junior and High School students at the school site. Responsible for client's initial intake evaluation and treatment plan. Provided individual psychotherapy to recovering adolescents, adult substance abusers, and those affected by a loved one's chemical dependence. Presented a drug and alcohol outreach educational program in the school setting for Middle School students.

CLINICAL WORK EXPERIENCE PRIOR TO GRADUATE SCHOOL

- 1984-1985** **Social Vocational Services,** Fullerton, California. Counselor in charge of a group home for autistic adolescents. Directed the daily activities, inspected collection of clinical data and implementation of treatment plans. Supervised the junior staff members.

1983-1984 **Burt Children’s Center**, San Francisco, California. Psychiatric
Childcare Worker responsible for daily care and case management of autistic
children in a residential treatment setting. Planned individualized weekly
program and structured activities. Developed treatment plans with therapeutic
goals and implementations. Functioned as a teaching assistant in the special
education program.

1982-1983 **Langley Porter Psychiatric Institute-University of California**
San Francisco, California. Psychology Intern. Participated in the clinical care
and therapeutic interventions provided to non-verbal autistic and conduct
disordered children and adolescents in the locked in-patient unit. Assisted
therapists during speech and sensory motor therapy. Performed as a teaching
assistant in the special education class.

CERTIFICATION Professional Certification in Neuropsychological Assessment
University of California, Berkeley-Completed in November of 2007

FELLOWSHIPS **1986-1988-** Recipient of the American Psychological Association
Minority Fellowship
1988-1989- Recipient of the Buck Foundation Fellowship

LANGUAGES Fluent in Spanish, Portuguese, French and Indonesian

**CONTINUING
EDUCATION/
TRAINING** • Neurofeedback Certification
• Sensory Integration Disorder

**PROFESSIONAL
AFFILIATION** Member of the National Academy of Neuropsychology (NAN)
Member of the California Psychological Association (CPA)
Member of CPA-Neuropsychology Division
Member of the Northern California Neuropsychology Forum (NCNF)