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SUBSPECIALTY CERTIFICATION IN FORENSIC PSYCHIATRY

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EDUCATION

- 1978-1982 Kingswood School Cranbrook, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, High School
Diploma
- 1982-1985 University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona, Bachelors of Science in
Microbiology, Minors in Chemistry and History
- 1986-1990 College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific, Pomona, California,
Doctor of Osteopathy
- 1990-1994 Maricopa Medical Center, Phoenix, Arizona, Residency in Psychiatry

BOARDS AND LICENSURE

Diplomate, American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology
Subspecialty Certification in Forensic Psychiatry
Arizona State Licensure
California State Licensure
Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation- Basic Life Support
Certified Correctional Health Provider

EMPLOYMENT

- 1990-1994 Psychiatric Resident, Maricopa Medical Center, Phoenix, Arizona 1992
Psychiatrist, Community Care Network, Scottsdale, Arizona
- 1992-1994 Physical Examiner, Maricopa Medical Center, Phoenix, Arizona
- 1993 Psychiatrist, Crisis Center, Phoenix, Arizona
- 1994 Psychiatrist, Correctional Health Service, Phoenix, Arizona
- 1994 Chief of Forensic Unit, Arizona State Hospital, Phoenix, Arizona
- 1994-1996 Psychiatrist, Crisis Stabilization Unit, Phoenix, Arizona
- 1994-present Psychiatric Consultation, private practice
- 1994-present Psychiatrist, Maricopa County Superior Court Forensic Unit, Phoenix,
Arizona
- 1994-present Independent Evaluator, Maricopa County Public Defender's Office,
Phoenix, Arizona
- 1995-1999 Chief of Psychiatry, Madison Street Jail, Correctional Health Service,
Phoenix, Arizona
- 1995-1997 Assistant Director of Psychiatry, Correctional Health Service, Phoenix,
Arizona
- 1995-1997 Chief Officer, Psychiatric Quality Assurance, Correctional Health
Service, Phoenix, Arizona
- 1997-1998 Interim Director of Psychiatry, Correctional Health Service, Phoenix, Arizona
- 1998-1999 Director of Psychiatry, Correctional Health Service, Phoenix, Arizona
- 1999-2000 Psychiatrist, Inpatient Unit, Arizona Department of Corrections, Phoenix, Arizona
- 1999- present Psychiatrist, Maricopa County Juvenile Court Forensic Unit, Phoenix, Arizona
- 2000-2001 Psychiatrist, META Urgent Care Center Central, Phoenix, Arizona
- 2001 Psychiatrist, Maricopa County Adult Probation Community Conditional Release
Program, Phoenix, Arizona
- 2001-2002 Chief Psychiatrist, Maricopa Medical Center Alternative Care Unit, Phoenix, Arizona
- 2002-2003 Psychiatrist, META Psychiatric Recovery Center Central, Phoenix, Arizona
- 2002-2004 Psychiatrist, TASC, Phoenix, Arizona

2004-present Psychiatric Consultant MedPro, Phoenix, Arizona
2004-present Psychiatric Consultant, Arizona Department of Economic Security, Social Security
Division, Phoenix, Arizona
2004-present Psychiatric Consultant, Foundation for Senior Living, Phoenix, Arizona
2008-present Medical Director, Aurora Behavioral Health Systems, Glendale, Arizona

MEMBERSHIPS

American Academy of Psychiatry and Law
American College of Forensic Psychiatry
American Medical Association
American Psychiatric Association
Arizona Osteopathic Association
Arizona Psychiatric Society
National Commission on Correctional Health

APPOINTMENTS

Clinical Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Psychiatry, College of
Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific
Preceptor, Desert Vista Hospital, Maricopa Medical Center and Tempe St Luke's
Hospital
Preceptor, Midwestern University and Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine
Admissions Interviewer, Midwestern University College Of Osteopathic Medicine
Member, Maricopa County Criminal Justice / Behavioral Health Council,
Membership Chairperson
Member, Governor's Council Offenders with Mental Impairments
Lead, Arnold v. Sarn Response Team, Correctional Health Service
Special Materials Expert, police training video, Arizona Peace Officer Standards and
Training
Chair, Psychiatric Detention Officer Training, Correctional Health Service
Chair, Mental Health Training Curriculum, Correctional Health Service
Surveyor, National Commission on Correctional Health Care
Member of Correctional Institution Group, Arizona State Behavioral Health Licensure
Rule 9, Chapter 20 review
Member of Maricopa County Probate Court Mental Health Study Group
Departmental Policy and Procedure Review Team, Correctional Health Service
Maricopa County Sheriff's Office Jail Planning Team
Member, Practice Research Network, American Psychiatric Association
Member, Mental Health Probation Work Group, Maricopa County Adult Probation
Consultant, NBC "Dateline" documentary "Back to Bedlam" aired March 12, 1999
Member, Training and Education Committee for Arizona Group Psychotherapy
Society
Member, Taskforce on Felony Diversion Program, Maricopa County Superior Court
Vice Co-Chairperson, Arizona Council on Offenders with Mental Impairments
Member, ValueOptions Clinical Advisory Board 2001-2002
Planning Committee Member, Arizona Supreme Court's Legal Competency and
Restoration Training Symposium, May 2007 and February 2009 and Guilty Except
Insane Symposium, November 2007

PUBLICATIONS

"The Psychiatric and Legal Aspects of Juveniles in the Adult Justice System" with Dr.
Hellen Carter. Journal of the American College of Forensic Psychiatry, Spring 1999
" Much Ado About Something. Providing Mental Health Services to Remanded
Juveniles" Journal of the National Commission on Correctional
Health Care, Spring 1999

- "Coping Skills" Mental Health Update, Maricopa County Adult Probation, Vol. 1, No. 4, Summer 1999
- "Coping with a Mentally Ill Client" The Defender, October 1999, Journal of the Arizona Attorneys for Criminal Justice
- "Conquering Stress" Mental Health Update, Maricopa County Adult Probation, Vol. 1, No 5, Fall 1999
- "Treatment of Offenders with Mental Disorders" Book Review for The Journal of the American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law, Volume 27, Number 4, 1999
- "Competency to Stand Trial Part I" The Defender, January 2000, Journal of the Arizona Attorneys for Criminal Justice
- "Competency to Stand Trial Part II" The Defender, April 2000, Journal of the Arizona Attorneys for Criminal Justice
- "Practical Suicide Prevention" Corrections Today, Journal of the American Correctional Association, December 2000
- "Not Competent to be Executed: Facts, Dilemma and Opinion" The Defender, July 2000, Journal of the Arizona Attorneys for Criminal Justice
- "Mental Health Training Needed by Staff" CorrectCare, A Publication of the National Commission on Correctional Health Care, Summer 2000, Volume 14, Issue 3
- "Community Conditional Release Program" The Defender, January 2001, Journal of the Arizona Attorneys for Criminal Justice
- "Competency to be Executed: Legal and Psychiatric Aspects" with Carla Ryan, Esq American Journal of Forensic Psychiatry, Volume 30, Number 3, 2002
- "Juvenile Competency to Stand Trial: Challenges, Frustrations, and Rewards of Restoration Training" with Jeffrey Trollinger, M.Ed. , C.P.C , American Journal of Forensic Psychiatry, Volume 30, Number 2, 2002
- "Not Competent to be Executed" with Carla Ryan, Esq. Intersections 3: Psychology/Psychiatry/ Law, Edited by Edward Geiselman, Ph.D., ACFP Press, 2007
- "Delusional Defendants and Competency" American Journal of Forensic Psychiatry, Volume 29, Issue 4, 2008
- "Civil Commitment Outcomes for Incompetent Defendants" with Illa Vora, M.D., Kelly Tyler, M.D., Liliane Arenzon, M.D., David Drachman, Ph.D., and Gilbert Ramos, M.A.- pending publication in Journal of the American Academy of Psychiatry and Law

PRESENTATIONS

- December 1992 "It's Not Just For QA: A Clinical Case Conference"
Maricopa Medical Center
- October 1993 Clinical Case Conference
Carl T. Hayden Veteran's Hospital
- February 1994 "The Devil Made Me Do It: Demon Possession vs. Psychosis"
Maricopa Medical Center

March 1994	Clinical Case Presentation with Dr. Richard Chessick from Northwestern University, Maricopa Medical Center
June 1994	"Mad Max at MMC. Malingering, Psychosis, Antisocial Personality Disorder and the Legal System" Maricopa Medical Center
October 1994	"Mad Max at MMC" Arizona State Hospital
February 1995	"Conspiracy of Silence, Out of Group Contact, Fortune or Failure?" International Group Psychotherapy Association Annual Meeting Atlanta, Georgia
April 1995	"What's a Nice Girl Like You Doing in a Place Like This? Jail Psychiatry", Maricopa Medical Center
June 1995	"Police and the Mentally Ill" Public Forum Co-coordinator
June 1995	"Psych Facts for the Layperson" Maricopa County Sheriff's Office
June 1995	Learn-in on Violence, Panelist Bureau of Jewish Education
November 1995	"How Law Interfaces with Psychiatry" Mesa Community College Criminal Justice Course
January 1996	"Lend Me Your Ears. How to Listen and Care" Tempe St. Luke's Hospital
February 1996	"Psychiatric Questions for the Boards" Tempe St. Luke's Hospital
April 1996	"A Day in the Life of a Jail Psychiatrist" Marco de Niza High School
June 1996	"Juvenile Justice Issues" Public Forum Co-coordinator
August 1996	"Masquerade. Medical Illnesses Presenting as Psychiatric Disorders", Osteopathic Medical Consortium
January 1997	"Suicide Prevention and Assessment" Correctional Health Service
January 1997	"Psychiatric Review for Boards" Osteopathic Medical Consortium
February 1997	"Guilt, Can You Top This?" Women on Wednesdays
February 1997	"Arizona's Mental Health Law" Mesa Community College Criminal Justice Course
March 1997	"Psychiatric Services in Jail" Arizona Mental Health Coalition
May 1997	"Psychiatric Crisis in Your Office" Osteopathic Medical Consortium
September 1997	"Mental Status Examination and Assessment" Correctional Health Service
November 1997	"Criminal Justice System's Interface With the Mentally Impaired Offender" Public Forum Panelist and Co-coordinator
January 1998	"Civil Mental Health Proceedings" Superior Court of Maricopa County Probate / Mental Health Department
January 1998	"Psychiatric Review for Boards" Osteopathic Medical Consortium
March 1998	"Psychiatry and the Legal System" Mesa Community College Criminal Justice Course
March 1998	"Schizophrenia and Psychotic Disorders" Midwestern University Osteopathic Medical School
April 1998	"Psychiatric and Legal Aspects of Juveniles in the Adult System" American College of Forensic Psychiatry Annual Symposium, San Francisco, California
December 1998	"Interview Techniques" Osteopathic Medical Consortium

January 1999 "Crisis Intervention and Suicide Precautions
Osteopathic Medical Consortium

April 1999 "Psychiatric Medications and Their Management"
Maricopa County Adult Probation

June 1999 "Competency to Stand Trial in Arizona"
Maricopa County Attorney's Office

July 1999 "Mad Max: A Case Presentation"
Arizona Department of Corrections

January 2000 "Shell Shock: Working With Mentally Challenged Clients"
"Battle for Justice Seminar, Arizona Attorneys for Criminal Justice Annual
Seminar, Prescott, Arizona

February 2000 "Schizophrenia and Psychotic Disorders"
Midwestern University Osteopathic Medical School

April 2000 "Issues in Correctional Psychiatry"
Arizona Association of Nurse Practitioners

May 2000 "Ask the Psychiatrist. An Open Dialogue"
Maricopa County Adult Probation

June 2000 "Commonly Used Psychiatric Medications"
Maricopa County Juvenile Court Mental Health Study Committee

June 2000 "Juvenile Competency Restoration"
Northern Arizona Public Defender's Association

June 2000 "Title 36: Civil Commitment"
Northern Arizona Public Defender's Association

July 2000 "Maximizing Your Interactions With Remanded Juvenile Probationers"
Maricopa County Adult Probation

August 2000 "Understanding Our Clients, Litigating Incompetency to Be Executed & Other Mental
Health Issues" with Carla Ryan, Esq , Arizona Capital Representation Project

August 2000 "Behind the Wall: Life Inside Jail and Prison"
Spirit of the Senses

September 2000 "Coping with the Death of a Client"
Maricopa County Adult Probation

December 2000 "Working with Mentally Ill Offenders"
Maricopa County Adult Probation

December 2000 "Behavioral and Stress Management Tools" with Robert Walters, Ph.D.
Mohave County Juvenile Detention and Probation

March 2001 "Coping with the Justice System"
Arizona Alliance for the Mentally Ill

April 2001 "Not Competent to be Executed" with Carla Ryan, Esq.
American College of Forensic Psychiatry Annual Symposium Toronto, Canada

April 2001 "Juvenile Competency to Stand Trial" with Jeffrey Trollinger, M Ed.
American College of Forensic Psychiatry Annual Symposium, Toronto, Canada

June 2001 "Understanding the Crisis System"
Maricopa County Adult Probation

August 2001 "Co-Occuring Disorders" Panelist
Seeds of Crisis, Arizona Mental Health Association

September 2001 "Major Mental Illnesses and Treatment Options"
Maricopa County Adult Probation

December 2001 "Inconsistent Symptoms"
Maricopa Medical Center Psychiatric Department Grand Rounds

January 2002 "Lock-up 101: Understanding the Corrections System"
META Urgent Care Center

March 2002 "Schizophrenia and Other Psychotic Disorders"
Midwestern University, Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine

August 2002 "Assessment of Dangerousness"
Maricopa Medical Center Psychiatric Resident Training Seminar

September 2002 "Importance of Documentation"
Maricopa Medical Center Psychiatric Residency Training Seminar

April 2003 "Schizophrenia and Other Psychotic Disorders"
Midwestern University, Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine

August 2003	"Insanity Defense and Competency" Barrows Neurological Institute in conjunction with Spirit of the Senses
March 2004	"Case Studies- Schizophrenia and Psychotic Disorders" Midwestern University, Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine
July-December 2004, 2005, 2006	Weekly lecture series on Personality Disorders, Maricopa Medical Center Psychiatric Residency Training Program
November 2004	"Behavioral Management Strategies", Foundation For Senior Living
February 2005	"Antipsychotic Update", Foundation for Senior Living
April 2005	"Antidepressant Update", Foundation for Senior Living
May 2005, 2006	"Competency to Stand Trial", Maricopa County Medical Center Psychiatric Residency Training Program
May 2005, 2006	"Criminal Responsibility", Maricopa County Medical Center Psychiatric Residency Training Program
July 2005	"Anti-anxiety Update", Foundation for Senior Living
November 2005	"History of the Insanity Defense", Spirit of the Senses
February 2006	Case presentation- Grand Rounds, Maricopa Medical Center Psychiatric Residency Training Program
March 2006	"Co-occurring Medical Issues". Foundation for Senior Living
July 2006	"Suicide Prevention", Foundation for Senior Living
May 2007	"Conducting a Competency Evaluation" with Richard Hinton, Ph D , Arizona Supreme Court's Legal Competency and Restoration Training Symposium
May 2007	"Juvenile Competency" with John Hollebeek, Ph.D., Honorable Mark Brain, and Honorable Michael Miller, Arizona Supreme Court's Legal Competency and Restoration Training Symposium
November 2007	"Conducting and Writing an Evaluation for Guilty Except Insane" with Joel Parker, M D., Arizona Supreme Court's Guilty Except Insane Symposium
November 2007	Panelist, Arizona Supreme Court's Guilty Except Insane Symposium
January- February 2008	Weekly lecture series on Schizophrenia and Other Psychotic Illness, Maricopa Medical Center Psychiatric Residency Program
October 2008	"Abnormal Involuntary Movement Scale" Aurora Behavioral Health
January 2009	"Medical Detoxification Protocols" Aurora Behavioral Health
February 2009	"Conducting a Competency Evaluation" with Richard Hinton, Ph D., Arizona Supreme Court's Legal Competency and Restoration Training Symposium
February 2009	"Title 36 Issues" with Michael Brennan, M.D., Arizona Supreme Court's Legal Competency and Restoration Training Symposium
February 2009	"Ethics" with Gary Perrin, Ph.D. and Joel Parker, M. D. , Arizona Supreme Court's Legal Competency and Restoration Training Symposium
February 2009	"Juvenile Competency" with John Hollebeek, Ph.D., Honorable Mark Brain, and Chris Phillis, Esq., Arizona Supreme Court's Legal Competency and Restoration Training Symposium

RESEARCH

"Civil Commitment Outcomes of Incompetent Defendants" with Drs. Vora, Kelly, Arenzon, Drachman, and Gilbert Ramos

"Healthcare Professionals Attitudes Towards Psychological Testing in an Inpatient Setting" with Jennifer Weller, Ph.D.