

Curriculum Vitae

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Child, Adolescent & Adult Psychiatry
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EDUCATION

Child Psychiatry Fellowship University of South Florida College of Medicine Tampa, FL	July 2007 – June 2009
General Psychiatry Residency University of Florida College of Medicine Gainesville, FL	July 2004 – June 2007
University of South Florida College of Medicine Tampa, Florida Medical Degree	August 2000 – May 2004
University of South Florida Tampa, Florida Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Natural Sciences	August 1997 – May 1999
University of South Florida Tampa, Florida Bachelor of Arts in Psychology	August 1994 – May 1997

LICENSURE

State of Florida: Composite Board of Medical Examiners - June 2006

CERTIFICATION

American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology - April 2009
Drug Enforcement Administration Certification: BV9831036

HONORS & AWARDS

Chosen as Outstanding Student in Consultation/Liaison Psychiatry at the University of South Florida (2003-2004)
Elected President of the University of South Florida branch of the American Medical Student Association (2001-2002)
Recipient of American Heart Association grant for research on myocardial wall doppler imaging at All Children's Hospital in St. Petersburg, Florida (2001)
Dean's List at the University of South Florida (1996-1999)
Psi Chi Psychology Honor Society at the University of South Florida (1995-1997)
Dean's Scholarship Award at Lee University (1994-1995)
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PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry (5/06 - present)
American Psychiatric Association (5/06 - present)
American Medical Association (2000-2004)
American Medical Student Association (2000-2004)
University of South Florida Pediatric Interest Group (2000-2002)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Active member and attendee of annual conferences for the American Psychiatric Association and the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (5/06 – present)

Moonlighting Chief responsible for scheduling and managing all psychiatry moonlighting residents at the University of South Florida for the Bay Pines and James A. Haley VA (10/07 – 8/09)

Co-leader for a social skills group at the Silver Child Development Center (7/08 – 2/09)

Co-therapist for a Hope House meeting, involving parents of children with Eating Disorders (2007)

Co-therapist for HOT DOCS (Helping Our Toddlers, Developing Our Children’s Skills; 2007)

Volunteer at Helping Hands Clinic, a clinic that serves Gainesville’s homeless community (2004-2007)

Peer Advisory Committee member at the University of South Florida College of Medicine (2002-2003)

Voluntary American Sign Language Interpreter in the Tampa Bay Area (1996-1999)

Emergency Department Volunteer at St. Joseph’s Hospital in Tampa, Florida (1997-1999)

PUBLICATIONS

Fickey MD, Asante-Korang A, Boucek MM, Boucek RJ. Myocardial Wall Doppler Imaging. Journal of Heart and Lung Transplant. (2004)

PRESENTATIONS

USF Psychiatry and Behavioral Medicine Child Case Conference on PANDAS (2009)

Presented “Myocardial Wall Doppler Imaging” project at the University of South Florida Health Science Center Annual Research Day (2002)

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

Researched the Rey-15 Memory test and its ability to detect malingering in homicide defendants within the forensic population (10/08 – 6/09)

Participated in research on myocardial wall doppler imaging at All Children’s Hospital in St. Petersburg, Florida, under the direction of Robert Boucek, M.D. Received American Heart Association grant for this project (2001)

Participated in Alzheimer Disease research at the Roskamp Institute at the University of South Florida under the direction of Michael Mullan, M.D., Ph. D. (1996-1997)

Participated in substance abuse research in the University of South Florida Department of Psychology under the direction of Mark Goldman, Ph. D. (1996-1997)

WORK EXPERIENCE

Owner and Psychiatrist at Embracing Life Wellness Center, PA in Riverview, FL where I treat children, adolescents and adults for various psychiatric illnesses through psychiatric evaluations and offer treatment recommendations, therapeutic interventions in crisis situations, medication management and therapy referrals. I have two nurse practitioners that aid in the treatment of our adult patients. I also work as a forensic consultant. (11/14 – present)

Psychiatrist at a private practice in the Brandon, FL area, where I treated children, adolescent and adults, offering psychiatric evaluations and treatment recommendations. (2/10 – 11/14)

Child & Adult Psychiatrist for Family Preservation Services at various locations in Temple Terrace, Bradenton and Fort Myers locations (10/09 - 12/11)

Psychiatrist at the James A. Haley VA satellite clinic in Brooksville, FL. Responsible for psychiatry consultations, new evaluations and follow-up appointments, primarily consisting of medication management. (7/09 – present)

Psychiatrist at Springbrook Hospital, which is a 60 bed, JCAHO accredited, Florida licensed, community based, private not for profit psychiatric hospital located in Hernando County who provides mental health and substance abuse treatment. Responsible for patients admitted to three different inpatient units, which consists of a 21-28 day dual-diagnosis program for the treatment of mental health and substance abuse diagnoses, an acute crisis unit and an older adult program. (12/09 – 3/10)

Psychiatrist at the Bay Pines VA in Saint Petersburg, FL. Responsible for emergency room and hospital psychiatric consults, admissions and taking care of patients within the unit, which includes a significant amount of geriatric and medically complicated patients. (8/07 – 8/09)

Psychiatrist at the James A. Haley VA in Tampa, FL. Responsible for emergency room psychiatric consults and determining appropriate disposition of patients. (5/08 – 8/09)

Moonlighting Physician responsible for inpatient units and admissions in Ocala, FL at The Centers, a private non-profit agency that provides services in both Mental Health and Substance Abuse treatment for adults and children. (6/06-6/07)

Moonlighting Physician responsible for inpatient units (adult, child & adolescents, and substance abuse) and admissions at Shands Vista, an 81-bed psychiatric hospital that provides a full range of confidential services for behavioral health problems with an interdisciplinary team of mental health professionals that includes University of Florida and community psychiatrists, psychologists and licensed behavioral health counselors. (6/06-6/07)

Director of the Sylvan Learning Centers in Tampa Bay and the surrounding areas (1999-2000 and 2004)

MCAT course instructor for students at Eckerd College in St. Petersburg, Florida (2001)

Private Tutor for MCAT, GRE, and SAT tests (1999-2000)

Teen Counselor at the Agency for Community Treatment Services, Inc. in Tampa, Florida. Counseled teens on multiple issues, including substance abuse, stress reduction and conflict resolution (1997)