

CURRICULUM VITAE

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERTISE

Forensic psychology
Custody/Visitation Evaluations
Dependency, Juvenile Delinquency, Guardianship
Competency (Criminal)
General Psychological Assessment and Treatment
Assessment and treatment of older adults in long-term care
Neuropsychological screening

EDUCATION

1993-1998 **Nova Southeastern University**
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida
Ph.D., Clinical Psychology

1992-1993 **Nova Southeastern University**
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida
M.S., Clinical Psychology

1989-1992 **University of Florida**
Gainesville, Florida
B.S., Psychology, with Honors
Outstanding Two-year Scholar, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences (1992)
Phi Beta Kappa (1991)
Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society (1991)
Golden Key National Honor Society (1991)
Psi Chi (National Honor Society in Psychology) (1990)
President's List (1989-1992)

1988-1989 **Wake Forest University**
Winston-Salem, North Carolina
Dean's List (1988-1989)

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

2003-Present **Comprehensive MedPsych Systems, Inc.**
Staff Psychologist

Psychological Custody/Visitation Evaluations (families, individuals, children)
Psychological Evaluations for the Safe Children Coalition/YMCA for parent-child reunification
Criminal Competency Evaluations - 12th Judicial Circuit Court, Sarasota County
Psychological Evaluations for differential diagnosis (adults and children)
Neuropsychological screening

1999-2003 **Court Psychology, 15th Judicial Circuit of Florida**
West Palm Beach, Florida
Licensed Psychologist

Conduct psychological evaluations (forensic, clinical, and psychoeducational) on adults and children for the court's Family, Juvenile, and Probate and Guardianship divisions. Evaluations include recommendations to the court regarding an individual's need for treatment, educational placement, residential placement, competency to proceed, capacity to parent, appropriateness of parental-child visitation, need for limited or plenary guardianship, and/or overall psychological status.

1998-1999 **Office of Michael J. DiTomasso, Ph.D., P.A.**
Miami, Florida
Post-Doctoral Resident
Supervisor: Michael J. DiTomasso, Ph.D.

Conducted psychological evaluations (forensic, clinical, and psychoeducational) on children, adults, and/or families (dependency cases) and juvenile delinquents (delinquency cases) and offered recommendations to the court system regarding various issues including need for treatment, educational placement, residential placement, capacity to parent, appropriateness of parent-child visitation, juvenile offender placement, and competency to stand trial.

1997-1998 **Miami Jewish Home and Hospital for the Aged**
Miami, Florida
Psychology Assistant
Supervisor: Scott Crawford, Ph.D.

Conducted neuropsychological assessment and evaluation of newly admitted nursing home residents as well as current residents with a suspected decline in cognitive functioning. Therapy experience included individual and family. Assisted staff and family with implementation of specialized behavioral interventions.

1996-1997 **University of South Florida, Louis de la Parte Mental Health Institute**
Tampa, Florida
Predoctoral Psychology Intern (APA approved)
Supervisor: Richard Weinberg, Ph.D.

Completed a variety of clinical rotations: Hillsborough County School System (adolescent assessment and therapy); James A. Haley Veterans Medical Center (neuropsychological assessments of veterans); U.S.F. Behavioral Medicine and Wellness Program (adolescent and adult assessment and treatment; directed a pain therapy group); Northside Mental Health Center (general outpatient assessment and therapy); Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center of Tampa (assessment and therapy for long-term nursing care residents)

1995 **Brain Injury Rehabilitation Program**
Nova Southeastern University Community Mental Health Center
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida
Clinician
Supervisor: Charles J. Golden, Ph.D.

Conducted neuropsychological evaluations of children, adolescents, and adults suffering from minimal to severe cerebral dysfunction. Therapeutic intervention was also utilized when appropriate. Client population included a variety of individuals suffering from developmental, anxiety, affective, personality, and organic disorders. Therapy experience included individual and family using an eclectic approach.

1994 **Nova Neuropsychology Service**
Nova Southeastern University Community Mental Health Center
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida
Clinician
Supervisor: Wiley Mittenburg, Ph.D.

Neuropsychological assessment and evaluation of children, adolescents, and adults suffering from minimal to severe cerebral dysfunction as well as bed-side testing of head-injured children in a pediatric intensive care unit. Client population included a variety of individuals suffering from developmental, anxiety, affective, personality, and organic disorders. Therapy referrals were made when appropriate.

1993-1994 **Nova Clinic for Older Adults/Ft. Lauderdale Lighthouse for the Blind
Nova Southeastern University Community Mental Health Center**
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida
Clinician

Outpatient assessment and psychotherapy services for adults ages 55 and older, and for visually-impaired adults. Assessment consisted of a comprehensive evaluation of emotional and social functioning, cognitive functioning, and substance use and abuse. Therapy experience included individual, group, and family using empirically validated treatment techniques. Client population included a variety of individuals suffering from affective, anxiety, and personality disorders as well as grief reactions, adjustment disorders, and interpersonal or family problems.

OTHER RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

1994-1996 **Clinical and Research Coordinator**
Nova Clinic for Older Adults/Ft. Lauderdale Lighthouse for the Blind
Nova Southeastern University Community Mental Health Center
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

Administrative liaison between the Clinic Director, therapists, and clients as well as involvement in a variety of research on the assessment and treatment of older adults. Specific responsibilities included performing crisis evaluations, consulting with community agencies, making referrals, and training new clinicians.

1994-1995 **Peer Supervisor**
Nova Southeastern University Community Health Center
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

Supervisor of four psychology trainees who performed intake evaluation screenings, crisis intervention, and suicidal assessments in an outpatient clinic.

1993-1994 **Research Assistant**
Nova Clinic for Older Adults
Nova Southeastern Community Mental Health Center
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

Psychometric data collection and analysis for research on the psychiatric and nonpsychiatric older adult population.

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

McGraw, S. S., & Ryan, C. F. (2001, August). MMPI-2 profiles of parents in child custody litigation. Poster session presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, San Francisco, CA.

Hersen, M., Kabacoff, R. I., Ryan C. F., Null, J. A., Melton, M. A., Pagan, V., Segal, D. L., & Van Hasselt, V. B. (1995). Psychometric properties of the Wolpe-Lazarus Assertiveness Scale for older visually impaired adults. International Journal of Rehabilitation and Health, 1(3), 179-187.

Hersen, M., Kabacoff, R. I., Van Hasselt, V. B., Null, J. A., Ryan C. F., Melton, M. A. and Segal, D. L. (1995). Assertiveness, depression, and social support in older visually impaired adults. Journal of Visual Impairment and Blindness, 11-12, 524-530

Segal, D. L., Kabacoff, R. I., Hersen, M., Van Hasselt, V. B., & Ryan C. F. (1995). Update on the reliability of diagnosis in older psychiatric outpatients using the Structured Clinical Interview for DSM-III-R. Journal of Clinical Geropsychology, 1(4), 313-321.

Ryan, C. F. (1994). Bereavement and social support. Presentation at the Southwest Focal Point Senior Center, Pembroke Pines, FL.

Freeman, C. A. (1992). The verbal and behavioral stylistics of the anger prone individual. Poster session presented at the annual meeting of the Southeastern Psychological Association, Knoxville, TN.

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND ACTIVITIES

American Psychological Association, Member
Florida Psychological Association, Member