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**EDUCATION:**

**Bachelor of Science May 2006**

The University of Iowa, Iowa City

Major: Psychology

**Doctor of Philosophy December 2012**

The University of Iowa, Iowa City

Counseling PsychologyProgram (APA-accredited)

Dissertation: An investigation of perceptions of therapeutic responses for persons with a terminal illness experiencing death anxiety.

**Board Certified in Geropsychology (ABPP) August 2016**

**ACADEMIC AFFLIATOIN:**

**Assistant Professor May 2016 - Present**

University of Colorado School of Medicine - Division of Geriatric Medicine and secondary appointment in the Department of Psychiatry

**CLINICAL EXPERIENCE:**

**Licensed Psychologist** in Colorado PSY4001 (exp. 8/31/21)

**Staff Psychologist, VA ECHCS September 2014 - Present**

Dementia Care Team; GeriPACT; GRECC Connect

October 2015- Present

Rocky Mountain Regional Medical Center

Staff psychologist as part of the interdisciplinary Geriatric Primary Care Clinic team (GeriPACT) and Virtual Geriatrics team. Lead of the Outpatient Dementia Care Team. Provide psychotherapy to older adults, neurocognitive disorder-related caregiver support, neurocognitive disorder-related neuropsychological evaluations, decision-making capacity evaluations and staff education/support. Primary supervisor to GRECC psychology intern and a member of training committee. VISN and local dementia steering committee chair.

Primary Care Mental Health Integration September 2014 – October 2015

Community Based Outpatient Clinic, Golden VA

Staff psychologist for Primary Care Mental Health Integration (PC-MHI). Provided initial PC-MHI clinical services to Golden Community Base Outpatient Clinic (CBOC) while working with ECHCS PC-MHI. Developed and acted as liaison between specialty mental health services and primary care PACT teams. Provided consultation services to primary care PACT team members (e.g., increasing compliance with health care plan) and provided same day brief behavioral therapy for primary care Veterans. Triaged Veterans to appropriate specialty services when indicated. Provided interdisciplinary classes for Veterans on topics as requested by primary care (e.g., Healthy Aging Class and Anger Class). Provided didactic information to primary care teams and mental health as requested.

**Home-based Primary Care Psychologist, September 2013 – August 2014**

VA Medical Center, Milwaukee, WI

Staff psychologist for home-based primary care team and adult day health care team (Vet’s Club). Provided care to chronically ill patients through the following services of: interdisciplinary care planning, psychotherapy, caregiver/family support, capacity evaluations, behavioral management consultation to families and team members, biopsychosocial assessments, and brief geriatric neuropsychological assessments. Provided leadership to integrated teams. Supervised interns and fellows, provided staff training, participated in administrative and policy development, and conducted interdisciplinary clinical research.

**Post-doctoral Fellow (APA accredited), Inpatient Geropsychology, August 2012 – August 2013**

VA Medical Center, Milwaukee, WI

*Primary Supervisor:* Heather Smith, Ph.D. ABPP in Geropsychology

**Pre-doctoral Intern (APA-accredited), August 2011 – August 2012**

VA Medical Center, Milwaukee, WI

**REFEREED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS/ORIGINAL PAPERS:**

Sheffler, J., Schmiege, S., **Sussman, J.,** & Bekelman, D. (2020). A longitudinal

analysis of the relationships between depression, fatigue, and pain in patients with heart failure. Aging and Mental Health.

Schubhmel, S. & **Sussman, J** (2018). Perspective on Pimavanserin and the SAPS-PD:

Novel Scale Development as a Means to FDA Approval. *American Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry.*

Wolfgram, D., Vogt, E., Smith, H., Jahn, A., **Sussman, J.,** Visotcky, A., Laud, P &

Whittle, J(2016). Hemodynamics during Dialysis and Changes in Cognitive Performance. *Wisconsin Medical Journal.*

**Sussman, J.,** Smith, H., Larsen, S., & Rieter, K. (2016). Veterans’ Satisfaction

with Erectile Dysfunction Treatment. *Federal Practitioner.*

**Sussman, J.**, & Liu, W. (2013). Perceptions of Two Therapeutic Approaches for

Palliative Care Patients Experiencing Death Anxiety. *Palliative & Supportive Care.*

**Schoulte, J.,** Sussman, Z., Tallman, B.,Cornick, C., Deb, M., & Altmaier, E. (2012). Is

there growth in grief? Measuring Posttraumatic Growth within the grief response?

*Open Journal of Medical Psychology, 1,* 38-43.

**Schoulte, J.,** (2011). Examining grief with a multicultural lens. *Journal of Mental Health*

 *Counseling, 33,*11-20.

**Schoulte, J.,** Lohnberg, J. Tallman, B., & Altmaier, E. (2011). Influence of coping style

on symptom interference among adult recipients of hematopoietic stem cell transplantation. *Oncology Nursing Forum, 38,* 582-586.

**Schoulte, J.,** Schultz, J., & Altmaier, E.(2011). Forgiveness in response to cultural

 microaggressions. *Counselling Psychology Quarterly, 24,* 291-300.

**BOOK CHAPTER:**

**Sussman, J.** (2019) Observe caregivers nonverbal cues: Gather information from

caregivers to increase accuracy and efficiency in the diagnosis of cognitive disorders. In S.A. Simpson and A.K. McDowell (Eds.) The Clinical Interview: *Skills for More Effective Patient encounters.*

**VA WORKGROUP PUBLICATIONS:**

Recommendations by the Veteran’s Health Administration Cognitive and Mood

Assessment in Dementia Evaluation Workgroup [includes **Sussman, J.]** (December, 2018). Cognition and Depression Assessment in Dementia Evaluation. VHA.

**PEER REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS:**

Wilking-Johnson, J & **Sussman, J.** Huddle Up! (2020, November). A Comprehensive

Approach to Improving Interdisciplinary Huddle in a VA Geriatric Primary Care Clinic. Poster presented at the Gerontological Society of American National Conference (virtual due to COVID-19)

**Sussman, J**. & Moo, L. (2020, November). Chairs of an interdisciplinary four part

symposium. Telehealth: Providing Dementia Services to Rural Older Adult Caregivers. **Sussman J.**  Rural psychological Support to Caregivers of Dementia. Conducted at the Gerontological Society of American National Conference (virtual due to COVID-19) (180+ attendees)

Lum, H & Hung, W (Chairs). **Sussman, J**., Dang, S., Padala, P., Gately, M., Moo, L.

(2020, May). Practical Tips for Telehealth for Older Rural Adults. National GRECC Connect Virtual Conference (700 attendees).

Reynolds, I., **Sussman, J.,** & Ellis, E. (2020, February). Multidisciplinary Behavioral

Approaches to Managing Dementia Symptoms. National GRECC Connect Virtual Conference (200+ attendees)

Nearing, K.A., Lum, H.D., Kamper, H., Cannizzaro, K.A., Bauers, C., & **Sussman, J.**

(2019, November). Access to Care Rounds: A Unique Forum Fostering Health System and Social Service Partnerships for Older Veterans. Geriatric Society of America Conference. Austin, TX.

Rogers, E., Bricker P., **& Sussman, J.** (2019, May).Implementation of caregiver stress

screening tool in patients with neurodegenerative diseases. American Geriatrics Society Conference. Portland, OR.

DeVaughn, S., Johnson, R., Hale, A., Galenbeck, E., **Sussman, J**., Nearing, K., & Lum,

H. (2019, April) Implementation of a Virtual Training to Community Nursing Homes in Rural Colorado for Dementia Care.Post-Acute and Long-term Care Conference. University of Colorado School of Medicine. Aurora, CO.

Nearing, K., O'Brien, E., **Sussman, J**., Church, S. (2018, March) Geriatrics Associated

Health Training Program Interprofessional Case Conference: Supporting Interpersonal Communication. Western Group on Educational Affairs (WGEA) Regional Meeting. Denver, CO.

**Sussman, J.,** (2014, May). Challenging Dementia Conversations: Driving, Firearms,

and living alone. Symposium conducted at *Wisconsin State Alzhiemer’s*

*Assocation.*, Wisconsin Dells, WI.

**Schoulte, J.,** Sussman, Z., Turskey, D. Lohnberg, J., Rickels, H., & Kaffela, V. (2009,

April). Psychological predication of quality of life following interdisciplinary chronic back pain treatment. Poster presented at *Iowa Psychological Association*, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Lohnberg, J., **Schoulte, J.** Tallman, B., & Altmaier, E. (2008, March) Coping Predicts

Symptom interference Among bone marrow transplant patients. Poster presented at the *Society of Behavioral Medicine Conference,* San Diego, California.

Howarth, R., **Schoulte, J**., & Lamskova, E. (2008, March). Experiences with grief and

loss. Symposium conducted at the *International Counseling Psychology Conference*, Chicago, Illinois.

**Schoulte, J**., & Schultz, J., (2008, August). Explaining microaggressions in the context

of forgiveness. In E. Ward (Chair). Healing from racism- psychologists creating change through resilience and empowerment. Symposium conducted at the *American Psychological Association,* Boston, Massachusetts.

**Schoulte, J**., & Altmaier, E. (2008, August). Do grief measures really measures grief?

Poster presented at the *American Psychological Association,* Boston, Massachusetts.

Rodriguez-Romaguera, J., **Schoulte, J.,** Duff, M., Buchanan, T., & Tranel, D.

(2007, July). Psychological Stress: Sex differences in cortisol response and speech productivity. Poster presented at the *Summer Research Opportunity Program, Research Conference,* Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana.

Doobey, A. F., Clay, D. L., Cortina, S., Hall, T., Gross, J., Butler, C., & **Schoulte, J.**

(2006, April). Examining the effects of bullying: Academic performance, healthcare, and resiliency among middle and high schools students. Poster presented at the *National Conference on Child Health Psychology*, Gainesville, Florida.

**MEDIA:**

Invited Speaker on NPR news story (2018): Firearms and Dementia: How to convince you loved ones to give up their guns.

<https://www.npr.org/sections/health-shots/2018/11/13/660052285/firearms-and-dementia-how-do-you-convince-a-loved-one-to-give-up-their-guns>

**INVITED LECTURES/WORKSHOPS/PRESENTATIONS**:

**Sussman, J.** Invited Keynote: Effectively Engaging Caregivers of Diverse Backgrounds and Needs. VISN 12 Annual Caregiver Summit. Oct 12th. (80 participants).

**Sussman, J.** Train the Trainer – Dementia Care Communication. ECHCS medicine nurse leadership. July 28th, 2020. (250 nurses trained from this workshop).

**Sussman, J.** Virtual Assessment of cognition. ECHCS Psychology Interns. July 17th, 2020.

**Sussman, J,** VandenBergh, L., and Reynolds, I. Guardianship and capacity assessments. ECHCS SW service (88 attendees). July 1st, 2020

**Sussman. J.** & Schumacher J. End stage Dementia and behavioral communication. ECHCS GRECC medicine fellowship. April 29th, 2020.

**Sussman, J** & Tucker, R. Brief cognitive assessment via telehealth in PCMHI. PCMHI team in ECHCS. March 25th, 2020.

**Sussman, J.** Pre-surgery assessment of medical decision making capacity. Eastern Colorado Health Care System, 75 + surgery wellness project team. December 5th, 2019.

**Sussman, J.** Decision Making Capacity and Guardianship in Primary Care. Eastern Colorado Health Care System, PACT Teams across ECHCS. March - July 2019.

**Sussman, J.** Challenging biases and assessing ADL/IADLs for person with dementia. Eastern Colorado Health Care System VAMC Social work service. March 6th, 2019.

**Sussman, J.** Addressing safety and other concerns of dementia caregivers: Language and techniques for providers. GRECC Connect Geriatric Case Conference Series. National Webinar. March 1st, 2019.

**Sussman, J. &** Brungardt, A. Responding to Caregivers of Dementia. Geriatric Grand Rounds. University of Colorado School of Medicine. February 7th, 2019.

**Sussman, J.** Responding to dementia behaviors. Psychiatry PGY2 Residents program. University of Colorado School of Medicine. Dec 19th, 2018.

**Sussman, J.** Receptive language impairment and hearing aid complaints. Audiology department. Rocky Mountain Regional VAMC. Nov 16th, 2018.

**Sussman, J.** Helping the hidden caregiver of dementia. Geriatric Rocky Mountain Conference in Broomfield, CO. September 24, 2018

**Sussman, J** Community Care Access Rounds. ECHCS staff and community agencies. January, 2018

**Sussman, J.** Psychotherapy and Neurocognitive Disorder. ECHCS Psychology Fellows. January, 2018.

**Sussman, J.** Assessment of Medical Decision Making Capacity and Incorporating Patient Values. Geriatric/Palliative Care SCAN ECHO. October 11, 2017.

**Sussman, J.** Brief Tests of Cognition. Psychology Intern Seminar. September 25, 2017.

**Sussman, J.** Hidden Vascular Neurocognitive Disorder. Geriatric Rocky Mountain Conference in Salt Lake City, Utah. August 28, 2017

**Sussman, J.** Identification of Dementia in Geriatrics. Denver VA and University of Colorado GRECC Geriatric Medicine Friday Conference. August 4th, 2017

**Sussman, J.** and Schubmehl, S. Sex, Elderly, and Institutional Care. Professional Advancement Certificate in Gerontology Class in Westminster, CO. March 17, 2017.

**Sussman, J.** Conducting a functional-cognitive screen in primary care. DVAMC Primary Care Mental Health Team. February, 2017.

**Sussman, J.** and Schubmehl, S. Sex and Aging. Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI). University of Denver Professional and Continuing Studies. January, 2017.

**Sussman, J.** Psychology and GeriPACT. National Collaborative Geropsychology Post-Doctoral Seminar. VA Geropsychologists and Psychology Fellows. October 2016.

**Sussman, J.** Update on Cognitive Screening measures in Geriatric Care.University of Colorado Medical Center and DVAMC Geriatric Medicine staff and trainees. Fellows Conference September 2016.

**Sussman, J.** How to utilize Geropsychology services. University of Colorado Medical Center and DVAMC Geriatric Medicine staff and trainees. Fellows Conference September 2016.

**Sussman, J.** Primary Care Patients with Dementia and Fitness to Drive. Golden Community Based Outpatient Clinic Eastern Colorado Health Care VA. August 2016.

**Sussman, J.** Is it PTSD or mild cognitive impairment? PSTD Clinical TeamEastern Colorado Health Care VA. July 2016.

**Sussman, J.** Identifying Neurocognitive Disorder in Primary Care with cognitive screening tools. Primary Care Mental Health Integration team Eastern Colorado Health Care VA. June 2016.

**Sussman, J.** Challenges of Caretaking Dementia. Medical Foster Home Annual Training. Eastern Colorado Health Care VA. May 2016.

**Sussman, J.** &Johnson, E. Identifying Neurocognitive Disorder Symptoms in a Primary Care Setting. PACT social work team Eastern Colorado Health Care VA. March 2016.

**Sussman, J.** &Gowdy, C. Understanding and responding to PTSD behavior at an Adult Day Care Setting. Johnson Center Adult Day Care, Englewood, CO. January and February 2016 (multiple trainings).

**Sussman, J.** Aging and Mental Health. Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI). University of Denver Professional and Continuing Studies. January, 2016.

Johnson, E., & **Sussman, J.** Early Warning Signs of Dementia. ECHS VA Homeless Program Staff. November, 2015.

**Sussman, J. &** Kienitz, E. The 4 session model in Primary Care Mental Health Integration (PMCHI). ECHS VA PCMHI team training, September 2015.

**Sussman, J.** The Usefulness of Teaching Primary Care Patients Diaphragmatic Breathing. Primary Care Providers. VA Easter Colorado HCS, Golden CBOC, October 2014.

**Sussman, J.** Preventing Escalating Behavior of Patients in a Primary Care Setting. Primary Care Staff. VA Easter Colorado HCS, Golden CBOC, October 2014.

**Sussman, J.** Assessing suicide among Veterans. Community Based Program Staff. Zablocki VAMC, August 2014.

**Sussman, J.** Limit setting and Assertiveness Training. Community Based Program Staff. Zablocki VAMC, June 2014.

**Sussman, J.** & Johnson, B. Homelessness and Veterans. VALOR nursing students. Zablocki VAMC, June 2014

Brundage, J. **& Sussman, J.** Caregiving Burden and Interventions. Psychology Intern Seminar. Zablocki VAMC, June 2014

**Sussman, J.** Challenging Dementia Conversations: driving, firearms, and living alone. Psychology Intern Seminar. Zablocki VAMC, April 2014.

**Sussman, J.** Erectile Functioning: The ups and downs of research. Brown Bag Psychology Research Seminar. Zablocki VAMC, April 2014.

**Sussman, J.** Cognitive Screening Measures: When to Use Them and What do with the Results. Lecture to graduate level social work class. University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, March 2014.

**Sussman, J.** Behavioral Modification for Dementia Patients. Presentation to MCW psychiatry residents/fellow. Zablocki VAMC, January 2014.

Williams, T., Smith, H., **Sussman, J.,** Minkin, A., Murry, M., Riggs, G., Lewis, E. & Kostiwa, I. Continuous Protective Observation and Challenging Behaviors. Presentation to acute medicine and float CNAs. Zablocki VAMC, November, 2013.

**Sussman, J** & Kostiwa, I. Responding to Challenging Behaviors Training. Presentation to Wisconsin’s Veteran Home staff. Wisconsin’s Veteran’s Home, King, Wisconsin, October 2013.

**Sussman, J** & Kostiwa, I. Caring for Veterans in the Community. Presentation to Marquette University psychology graduate students. Marquette University, Milwaukee, September 2013.

Bernstein, J. Guedet, P., & **Sussman, J.** Team Case Conference. Presentation to interdisciplinary geriatrics and internal medicine teams. Zablocki VAMC, August 2013

**Sussman, J.** Neurocognitive Impairment and Functional Implications. Presentation to VAMC psychology interns. Zablocki VAMC, June 2013.

Krueger, N. & **Sussman, J.** Coping with Long-Term Care Patients’ Deaths. Workshop for Long-Term Care Staff. Zablocki VAMC, June 2013.

Smith, H.M. & **Sussman, J.** Dementia and Related Challenging Behaviors. Training for Acute Mental Health Staff, Zablocki VAMC, May 2013.

Smith, H.M., & **Sussman, J.** Team Building and Communication. Training for Interventional Radiology staff. Zablocki VAMC, December 2012 – April 2013.

Smith, H.M., & **Sussman, J.** Challenging Behaviors and Sundowning. Training for Long Term Care staff, Zablocki VAMC, March 2013.

**Sussman, J.** Medical Healing and Dementia. Training for Pressure Ulcers Prevention Protocol Interventions Committee. Zablocki VAMC, February 2013.

Smith, H.M., **Sussman, J.** & Regier, N. Challenging Behaviors and Dementia. Training for Long Term Care staff, Zablocki VAMC, September 2012.

**Schoulte, J.,** Smith, H.M., & Byrne, A. Communication. Training for the APS staff, Zablocki VAMC, February 2012 – May 2012.

Byrne, A., **Schoulte, J.** & Keenan, N. Motivational Interviewing Skills. Training for Dieticians, Zablocki VAMC, April 2012.

**Schoulte, J.** & Krueger, N. Challenging Sexual Behaviors and Dementia. Training for Long Term Care staff, Zablocki VAMC, April 2012.

Smith, H. M., & **Schoulte, J.** Communication. Training for Operating Room staff, Zablocki VAMC, January 2012.

**Schoulte, J.** & Kroon, L.Staying Grounded While in Leadership Positions. Women’s Leadership conference sponsored by The University of Iowa Women’s Resource and Action Center, June 2009.

**Schoulte, J.** & Corkery, J. Time Management. Training for new international undergraduate students attending The University of Iowa, March 2008.

**Schoulte, J.** & Schoen, E. Conflict Management for an undergraduate class at The University of Iowa, March 2008.

**TRIANEES MENTORED**:

Megan Gause, MD 12/2020-current Research Supervisor

Kelly Soberay, M.S. 11/2020-current Clinical Supervisor

Lauren Schneider, M.S. 7/2020-current Clinical Supervisor

Julie Wilkings-Johnson, M.D. 7/2019-11/2020 Research Supervisor

Nikhil Banerjee, M.S. 7/2019-current Clinical/Research supervisor

Michaela Cuneo, M.S. 11/2019-2/2020 Clinical Supervisor

Jacquelyn Minahan, M.S. 11/2019-2/2020 Clinical Supervisor

Emily Rogers, M.D. 7/2018-6/2019 Research Supervisor

Natalie Kurnido, M.S 11/2018-3/2019 Clinical Supervisor

Saskia DeVaughn, M.S. 7/2018-6/2019 Clinical/Research supervisor

Julia Sheffler, M.S. 7/2017-6/2018 Clinical/Research supervisor

Sarah Schubmehl, M.A. 7/2016 – 6/2017 Clinical/Research supervisor

Jason Kacmarski, M.S. Ed.S. 10/2015-11/2015 Clinical supervisor

Eliza Kienitz, Psy.D. 8/2015 – 9/2015 Clinical supervisor

Courtney Cornick, B.S. 2/2014 - 5/2014 Clinical supervisor

Lyndsey Wallace, Psy.D. 2/2014 – 8/2014 Clinical supervisor

Irene Kostiwa, Ph.D. 8/2013 – 8/2014 Clinical supervisor

Katherine Reiter, M.S. 6/2013 – 8/2014 Research supervisor

Jessica McClintock, M.S. 8/2012 - 7/2013 Clinical supervisor

**ALLIED HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL MENTORED:**

**Discipline Time Frame Number**

Audiology Residents 7/2017-current 6

Pharmacy Residents 2/2016-current 3

Medical Social Work Intern 1/2016-current 1

Geriatric Medicine Fellow 3/2016 -current 22

Mental Health RN 2015-2016 2

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

**Invited Presenter: GRECC Allied Health Professionals Monthly Lecture Series, September 2016 - current**

Developed and lead a case discussion among GRECC trainees including pharmacy, psychology and social work.

**Invited Presenter: Medical residents/students Monthly Lecture Series, December 2015 -2017**

Division of Geriatrics Seminar Series, Eastern Colorado Health Care System, Denver Colorado

Present a seminar each month on assessing and documenting decision making capacity to University of Colorado medical students and medical residents rotating through the GEM unit.

**Invited Presenter: Medical residents/students Monthly Lecture Series, September 2012 – August 2013**

Division of Geriatrics Seminar Series, Zablocki VAMC, Milwaukee, WI

Present a peer-reviewed seminar each month on assessing and documenting decision making capacity to Medical College of Wisconsin 3rd and 4th year medical students and medical residents rotating through the GEM unit.

**Invited Presenter: Geriatrics Journal Club, February 2012 – August 2013**

Division of Geriatrics Journal Club, Zablocki VAMC, Milwaukee, WI

Present articles related to aging. The journal club is attended by the Medical College of Wisconsin 3rd and 4th – year medical students and medical residents rotating through the GEM unit, attending geriatric physicians, geriatric fellows, psychologists, and other related disciplines.

**Co-Instructor: Conducting a Mental Status Exam, March 2013**

University of Wisconsin Medical College, Milwaukee, WI

Assisted in teaching second year medical students how complete a mental status assessment. Provided written and verbal feedback to students and written feedback to the students’ program instructor (8 students).

**Teaching Fellow: Intro to Psychology, August 2010 – May 2011**

Department of Psychology, Augustana College undergraduate class, Rock Island, IL

Independently taught psychology courses. Prepared syllabi, lectures, assignments, exams, and grading criteria (6 classes with approx. 30 students each).

**PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT**

In Collaboration Veteran Community Partnership colleagues assisted with the 2017 development of a quarterly ACCESS TO CARE grand rounds focused on bridging resources and networking between community and VA staff.

Developed and implement a 6 –week interdisciplinary educational healthy aging 2015

class for Veterans receiving primary services at Eastern Colorado Health Services VA.

Developed and implemented a monthly lecture series for Medical College of 2013

Wisconsin medical residents and students on assessing decision- making capacity.

Developed and implemented a 6-week ACT for pain management group for 2012

Veterans enrolled in residential treatment at the Milwaukee VAMC.

**COMMITTEE SERVICE:**

Member, Virtual Cognitive Assessment workgroup 2020

Member, Geriatric Mental Health Outpatient workgroup 2019-current

Member, Elder Abuse Task Force 2019-current

Member, Alzheimer’s Task Force 2019-current

Member, REACH VA for Dementia planning committee 2018-current

Member, GRECC regional conference planning committee 2017

Member, VA Central Office, Cognitive Screening Measures 2016-2018

Member, Eastern Colorado VA psychology intern assessment committee 2016-current

Chair, Eastern Colorado VA Dementia Steering Committee 2016-current

Chair, VISN 19 Dementia Steering Committee 2018-current

Member, Eastern Colorado VA Pre-Doctoral Training Committee 2015-current

Member, Eastern Colorado VA Disruptive Behaviors Committee 2015- 2017

Member, Eastern Colorado VA Post-Doctoral Training Committee 2015- 2016

Chair, Milwaukee VA HBPC Substance Abuse Work Group 2014

Member, Milwaukee VA HBPC Policy Review Committee 2014

Member, HBPC National Conference Call Planning Committee 2014

Co-Chair, Milwaukee VA Understanding Advance Directives 2013 - 2014

Member, Milwaukee VA Psychology Research Work Group 2013 - 2014

Member, Milwaukee VA Dementia Steering Committee 2012 – 2014

**SPECAILIZED TRAINING:**

ACT for compassion led by Jason Luoma, PhD. Boulder Center for Cognitive & Behavioral Therapies, LLP

ACT for insomnia led by Alisha Brosse, Ph.D. Boulder Center for Cognitive & Behavioral Therapies, LLP

Certified REACH Interventionist (a caregiver support treatment)

Interpersonal Therapy (IPT) led by Scott Stuart, PhD University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics

Dialectic Behavioral Therapy (DBT) led by Laura Meyers, PhD, ABPP & Kim Endres, LICSW Minneapolis VA