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LICENSURE / CERTIFICATIONS

Licensed Psychologist

State of California, Board of Psychology (PSY27471)
State of New York, Office of the Professions (22189)
State of Hawaii, Board of Psychology (PSY1877)
State of Florida, Florida Department of Health (PY 11007)
State of New Jersey, Division of Consumer Affairs, Temporary License (006525)

Registered Health Service Psychologist, *National Register of Health Service Psychologists*

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Clinical Psychology 2014
Fuller Graduate School of Psychology, Pasadena, California (APA-Accredited Program)

Master of Arts (MA) in Psychology 2010
Fuller Graduate School of Psychology, Pasadena, California

Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Psychology, Minor in Criminal Justice 2007
Northwest Nazarene University, Nampa, Idaho

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

InPsych Inc. – Private Practice in Pasadena, CA 08/2015 – present
Licensed Psychologist, Founder and President

Forensic Practice

- Conducts forensic evaluations addressing psycholegal issues pertaining to mental health issues, capacity, mental health diversion (AB1810 / PC 1001.36), immigration (asylum/Adam Walsh Act), insanity (PC 1026), competency to stand trial (PC 1368), alternative sentencing, as well as sexual and violence risk assessments including Sexually Violent Predator (SVP) evaluations.
- Conducts Independent Medical Examinations (IME) to assess plaintiff's emotional damages and/or cognitive compromise resulting from an injury and provides recommendations regarding necessary treatment to address potential emotional damages or neuropsychological deficits.
- Conducts psychosexual evaluations to assess for any potential sexual proclivities or deviance.
- Provides attorney consultation and expert testimony related to various psycholegal issues (i.e., Child Sexual Abuse Accommodation Syndrome, suggestibility, sexual deviance, cognition, etc.).

Clinical Practice

- Conducts psychological assessments of children, adolescents and adults for diagnostic clarification.
- Conducts neuropsychological /psychoeducational assessments to assess IQ, cognitive strengths/weaknesses, learning disorders, AD/HD, to inform treatment planning, as well as to identify necessary academic and/or standardized testing (GRE, MCAT, SAT, etc.) accommodations.
- Provides individual therapy for anxiety, mood, and thought disorders as well as personality disorders/traits using brief psychodynamic and evidenced based therapies (CBT, ACT, and DBT).

Administration and Supervision

- Developed and oversees a formal practicum training program for doctoral students.
- Supervises doctoral students in forensic, clinical and neuropsychological assessment.

Dr. Ermshar & Associates – San Marino, California
Clinical Associate and Licensed Psychologist

01/2016 – 11/2019

Forensic Practice

- Conducted forensic evaluations addressing psycholegal issues pertaining to mental health, insanity, immigration, capacity, competency, sexual/violent risk and Sexually Violent Predator.
- Performs psychosexual assessments to identify the presence of sexual deviance or proclivities.
- Conducted Independent Medical Examinations (IME) to assess plaintiff's emotional damages and/or cognitive compromise resulting from an injury and provides recommendations regarding necessary treatment to address potential emotional damages or neuropsychological deficits.
- Provided attorney consultation and expert testimony related to various psycholegal issues (i.e., Child Sexual Abuse Accommodation Syndrome, suggestibility, sexual deviance, cognition, etc.).

Clinical Practice

- Conducted psychological and personality assessments of children, adolescents, and adults to assess for the presence of psychiatric symptoms, diagnostic clarification, and/or treatment planning.
- Conducted psychoeducational and neuropsychological assessments of children, adolescents and adults for IQ, cognitive strengths/weaknesses and academic/ standardized testing accommodations.
- Provided outpatient therapy to children, adolescents, and adults to treat anxiety, mood, thought disorders and personality traits/disorders using evidenced based therapies (CBT, ACT, and DBT).
- Provided Neurofeedback (EEG Biofeedback) to improve cognition and psychiatric symptoms.
- Conducted cognitive rehabilitation to improve cognitive deficits due to aging or brain injury.

Administration and Supervision

- Participated in business development by developing marketing strategies to expand practice
- Assisted in the development of a formal doctoral practicum training program.
- Supervised doctoral practicum students in clinical, forensic and neuropsychological assessment.

PCH Treatment Center – Pasadena, California
Licensed Psychologist

11/2016 – 02/2018

Clinical

- Conducted weekly group and individual therapy for subacute in-residential treatment center, treating clients with severe persistent psychotic and mood as well as co-occurring disorders.
- Member of a multidisciplinary treatment team and participated in weekly team meetings.

Administration and Supervision

- Assisted in developing group therapy treatment curriculum and schedule.
- Responsible for developing behavioral contracts and assisting staff in managing psychiatric crises.

Sterling Medical Corporation – Los Angeles, California
Forensic Evaluator

08/2016 – present

- Conducts immigration competency evaluations for Department of Justice Executive Office for Immigration Review, prepares thorough court reports, and is available for testimony, as needed.

Gateways Conditional Release Program (CONREP) – Los Angeles, CA 12/2015 – present
Forensic Evaluator and Licensed Psychologist

- Conducts assessments of Mentally Disordered Offenders (MDO), Mentally Disordered Sex Offenders (MDSO), Parolees (PC 2962/PC 2972) and Not Guilty by Reason of Insanity (NGRI) acquitees at various state hospitals to assess violence risk and suitability for outpatient treatment.
- Prepares reports to submit to the court and provides court testimony, as needed.
- Provides state hospitals with recommendations to mitigate a patient's violence risk.

Jail Based Competency Treatment Program– Rancho Cucamonga, CA 07/2015 – 09/2016
Forensic Psychologist

- Conducted clinical intakes to evaluate inmates' psychiatric symptoms for diagnostic clarification to inform treatment planning, cognitive functioning, and response style (malingering).
- Facilitated weekly treatment team meetings with the multidisciplinary team and provided summary of assessment results to assist in treatment planning.
- Conducted competency to stand trial evaluations every 30 days to assess treatment progress.
- Prepared and submitted court reports pursuant to PC 1370 and 1372 and testified as needed.

HeadCheck Inc. – Private Practice, Pasadena, California 09/2014 – 08/2015
Post-doctoral Psychological Assistant (PSB94020957)
Supervisor: Ryan Howes, PhD, ABPP, Board Certified Clinical Psychologist

Clinical Practice

- Conducted individual therapy with adolescents and adults with various mood, anxiety, and personality disorders using evidence-based therapies (CBT, CPT, and DBT).
- Provided court-mandated therapy for domestic violence perpetrators as well as individuals accused of sex-related offenses to manage their sexual thoughts and deviancy for safety of the community.
- Conducted psychological and cognitive assessments with adolescents and adults to clarify diagnosis, identify cognitive strengths/weaknesses, disability eligibility, or treatment planning.

Administration and Supervision

- Developed and implemented assessment protocol for "HeadCheck" and assisted in marketing.
- Co-founded National Psychotherapy Day and assisted in research, development and marketing.

City of Hope National Medical Center – Duarte, California 09/2014 – 07/2015
Post-doctoral Fellow in Neuropsychology
Supervisor: Sunita K. Patel, PhD, Neuropsychologist

Clinical Practice

- Conducted neuropsychological assessments of adults to identify cognitive strengths/ weaknesses as well as any functional limitations due to various neurological disorders or cancer treatment.
- Conducted neuropsychological and psychoeducational assessments of children and adolescents to identify IQ, cognitive abilities, academic achievement, and provided recommendations for academic accommodations as well as treatment interventions.

Administration and Supervision

- Supervised practicum students in conducting psychoeducational assessments of children who were receiving cancer treatment, including test selection, scoring, and report writing.

New York University (NYU) Bellevue Hospital Center – New York, NY 07/2013 – 06/2014
Pre-doctoral Psychology Intern, Forensic Track (APA-Accredited Internship)
Supervisors: Chriscelyn Tussey, PsyD, ABPP, Forensic Neuropsychologist
Brian Belfi, PsyD, Forensic Psychologist and Director of Kirby Forensic Psychiatric Hospital

Forensic Practice

- Conducted forensic evaluations at Kirby Forensic Psychiatric Center (KPFC), a maximum-security forensic state hospital, with patients deemed incompetent to stand trial and insanity acquitees.
- Conducted forensic evaluations at the Bronx Court Clinic with defendants who were pre-arraignment or pre-trial addressing psycholegal issues related to malingering, mental health, diagnostic clarification, and trial competency.
- Conducted individual and group psychotherapy on Bellevue's locked Department of Corrections (DOC) inpatient unit and at KPFC addressing issues related to mental health as well as competence to stand trial and criminal responsibility to mitigate violence risk.
- Member of a multidisciplinary team and participated in daily grand psychiatric rounds on DOC locked inpatient unit.

Clinical Practice

- Conducted psychiatric intakes with children, adolescents, and adults on an inpatient (acute) unit and an outpatient clinic to identify psychiatric symptoms and develop a relevant treatment plan.
- Provided individual therapy in an inpatient (acute) and outpatient setting using Cognitive-Behavioral and Psychodynamic therapy to assist clients in improving psychiatric symptoms.
- Conducted psychological and psychoeducational assessments of children and adolescents to identify psychiatric symptoms and academic achievement and provide recommendations for accommodations.
- Conducted psychological assessments of adults in both inpatient (acute) and outpatient settings for diagnostic clarification and to develop an effective treatment plan to address psychiatric symptoms.
- Conducted neuropsychological assessments with adults on an inpatient brain rehabilitation unit and in an outpatient setting to identify cognitive deficits stemming from traumatic brain injuries and various neurological disorders (i.e., Parkinson's, Huntington's, and epileptic disorders)

Administration and Supervision

- Supervised doctoral practicum students' cognitive assessments in an inpatient forensic setting.
- Assisted in developing research projects and supervised students' data collection.

Dr. Ermshar & Associates, Private Practice – San Marino, California 08/2012 – 12/2015
Assessment Assistant

Supervisor: Annette Ermshar, PhD, Forensic Psychologist and Neuropsychologist

- Scored and interpreted psychological, neuropsychological, and cognitive assessment measures administered to children, adolescents, and adults.
- Prepared written report of testing results in clinical and psycholegal (criminal and civil) cases.
- Gained experience conducting and writing juvenile and adult psycholegal evaluations, addressing issues related to mental health, trial competency, sexual risk assessments, asylum, and insanity.
- Conducted extensive psycholegal research on Child Sexual Abuse Accommodation Syndrome (CSAAS), child suggestibility, as well as the brain development of children and adolescents.
- Assisted in conducting various psycholegal research and preparing legal affidavits.

Veteran's Affairs (V.A.) Medical Center, Long Beach – Long Beach, CA 08/2012 – 06/2013
Pre-doctoral Intern in Neuropsychology

Supervisor: Duke Han, PhD, ABPP, Board Certified Neuropsychologist

- Conducted neuropsychological assessments of adults and geriatric Veterans with traumatic brain injury and neurologic issues (Parkinson's, dementia, epilepsy), often with psychiatric overlay.
- Provided individual, group, and couples therapy to Veterans presenting with PTSD, depression, anxiety, and co-occurring disorders using Evidenced-Based Therapies (CPT, ACT, PE, I-BCT).

La Paz Psych Group, Sex Offender Treatment Program – Laguna Hills, CA 06/2012 – 02/2014
Psychological Assistant (PSB36924) and Certified Sex Offender Treatment Provider

Forensic Practice

- Conducted forensic evaluations addressing civil and criminal psycholegal questions, pertaining to sexual offending (SRA-FVL, Static-99R, AASI-3, LS/CMI), competency, and grave disability.
- Provided individual and group psychotherapy for probationers mandated for sex offender treatment using CASOMB Containment, Risk-Need-Responsivity (RNR) and Good Lives models.
- Consulted with probation officers and presented on various topics related to sexual offending.
- Assisted with probate and capacity evaluations to determine necessity of conservatorship.

Administration and Supervision

- Assisted in developing treatment curriculum for mandated sex offender therapy groups.

Patton State Hospital, Maximum-Security Forensic Hospital – Patton, CA 09/2011 – 07/2012
Clinical Assessment Extern

- Conducted clinical intakes, psychological and diagnostic assessments, as well as neuropsychological screenings with severe, persistently mentally ill patients.
- Conducted forensic evaluations addressing psycholegal issues pertaining to dangerousness, sexual risk (Static-99R, STABLE-2007, ACUTE 2007, etc.), trial competence, malingering, and effort.
- Co-facilitated weekly sex offender treatment groups using Dialectical Behavioral (DBT) and psychodynamic interventions, as well as Containment, Risk-Need-Responsivity, and Good Lives.

Twin Towers Correctional Facility – Los Angeles, California 09/2010 – 06/2011
Psychology Extern

- Conducted diagnostic intakes and evaluated inmate's level of danger to self and/or others as well as grave disability in order to write psychiatric holds and LPS conservatorship applications.
- Represented the inpatient hospital at probable cause legal hearings for psychiatric holds.
- Provided Cognitive-Behavioral-based individual and group therapy for inmates with severe mental illnesses and co-occurring disorders on the Forensic Inpatient Unit and general mental health units.
- Developed treatment plans and planned for discharge of newly admitted patients.
- Assisted in competency restoration for inmates deemed incompetent to stand trial.

PUBLICATIONS

Yeh, A., Miller, K. J., **Meier, A.**, Carr, D. R., Kim, J. ... Small, G. W. (In Progress). The influence of apolipoprotein ε4 status on cognitive decline in non-demented older adults.

- Arentsen, T. J., Clements, M., **Meier, A.**, Pannell, L., & Putman, K. M. (2020). Multisource Evaluation of Policing Competence: The Development of Self- and Supervisor-Rating Scales for Police Recruits. *Police Practice and Research*, online.
- Patel, S., Kim, S-H., Johansen, C., Mullins, W., Nolty, A., ... **Meier, A.** (2020). Threshold score for the Pediatric Distress Thermometer. Currently under review for publication in *Psycho-oncology*, online.
- Patel, S., **Meier, A.**, Fernandez, N., Lo, T., Moore, C. & Delgado, N. (2017). Convergent and criterion validity of the CogState computerized brief battery cognitive assessment in women with and without breast cancer. *The Clinical Neuropsychologist*, online.
- Meier, A.**, Putman, K., Arentsen, T., & Pannell, L. (2016). Attrition of police officers as predicted by peer evaluations during academy training. *Policing and Society*, online.
- Patel, S., Fernandez, N., **Meier, A.**, & Nolty, A. (2015). Socioeconomic status as a possible moderator of neurocognitive outcomes in children with cancer. *Psycho-oncology*, online.
- Carr, D. R., King, P.E., & **Meier, A.** (2014). Purpose and spirituality: Exploring the role of fidelity in diverse adolescents. *Journal of Youth Development*, 9(2), 1-11.
- Ermshar, A. L. & **Meier, A.** (2014). Forensic psychology: Preparing female clinicians for challenging offenders. *Women & Therapy*, 37, 72-82.
- Meier, A.**, Carr, D. R., Currier, J. M., & Neimeyer, R. A. (2013). Attachment anxiety and avoidance in coping with bereavement. *Journal of Social and Clinical Psychology*, 3, 315-334.
- Meier, A.** & Vorwerk, M. (2013). Sex Offender Treatment Workbook: Phase I and II. Unpublished treatment manual. La Paz Psychological Group, Laguna Hills, California.
- Patel, S. K., Breen, E. C., Davtyan, A., Beier, E., **Meier, A.** et al. (2012). Interaction effects of IL6 and treatment on neurobehavioral functioning in women with breast cancer. *Brain, Behavior, & Immunity*, 26, S21.

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

- Meier, A.** (2020, September). *Overcoming fears and anxieties to increase sales*. Presented at Elite Realty Inc.
- Tamanaha, A. & **Meier, A.** (2019, May). *Risk, Needs, & Responsivity Principles Applied to Sexual Offender Treatment and Management*. Eight-hour training presented at the California Coalition on Sexual Offending Convention, San Ramon, California.
- Meier, A.** & Hindman, D. (2019, March). *Advocacy as Persuasive Dialogue*. Presented at the California Psychological Association Leadership Advocacy Conference, Sacramento, CA.

- Meier, A., & Fazio, R.** (2014, March). *Prison Conduct Violations: Predictive Validity and Recidivism Risk*. Poster presented at American Psychology and Law Society Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
- Meier, A.** (2013, April). *Risk-Need-Responsivity Model: Implications for Probation Supervision of Sex Offenders*. Presented at the CCOSO Containment Meeting, Orange, California.
- Meier, A., Wong, A., Barrera, K., & Patel, S.** (2013, February). *Impact of anxiety on neurocognitive functioning*. Poster presented at the 41st annual International Neuropsychological Society meeting.
- Meier, A., Beier, E., Davtyan, A., Avis, E., & Patel, S. K.** (2012, August). *Effects of co-morbid disease on baseline neurobehavioral functioning in breast cancer patients*. Paper presented during the Psychological Science Idol Datablitz at the APA 120th Annual Convention, Orlando, Florida.
- Davtyan, A., Wong, A., Cuevas, M., **Meier, A., & Patel, S.** (2012, August). *The relationship between parent report of executive dysfunction performance in survivors of childhood cancer*. Poster presented at the American Psychological Association Annual Convention, Orlando, Florida.
- Carr, D. R., Kwon, E., Nelson, E., **Meier, A. M.,** Yeh, D-A., Ercoli, L...Small, G. W. (2012, June). *Interactions of Executive Functioning and mood on cognitive status in older adults*. Poster presented at UCLA's Annual Research Conference on Aging, Los Angeles, CA.
- Meier, A.** (2012, May). *Attachment theory, sexual offending, and reintegration*. Poster presented at the California Coalition of Sexual Offending Annual Conference, San Diego, CA.
- Turner, C., **Meier, A.,** Putman, K. M., & Pannell, L. (2012, April). *Field Training Officers' Views on the Performance of LAPD Officers in Community Relations*. Poster presented at the California Psychological Association Conference, Monterrey, CA.
- Yeh, D.-A., Carr, D. R., **Meier, A.,** Gomez, M. E., Kim, J., Miller, K. J., & Small, G. W. (2012, February). *Insomnia and attentional decline in cognitively intact older adults*. Poster presented at the 40th annual meeting of International Neuropsychological Society in Canada.
- Patel, S., Beier, E., Davtyan, A., **Meier, A.,** Palomares, M., Hurria, A., & Bhatia, S. (2011, Sept). *Treatment-related changes in Neurobehavioral symptoms*. Paper selected from 365 abstracts to be presented at Poster Discussion at ASCO Breast Cancer Symposium, San Francisco, CA.
- Meier, A.,** Putman, K. M., Wierenga, J., Gomez, M. E., Varnell, M. A. & Pannell, L. (2011, August). *Overall attrition of police officers as predicted by peer evaluations during academy training*. Poster presented at American Psychological Association Convention, Washington D.C.
- Putman, K. M., Pannell, L., Wierenga, J., & **Meier, A.** (2011, June). *Design and evaluation findings for the new problem-based curriculum at the LAPD*. Paper presented at the Society for Community Research and Action Biennial Conference, Chicago, Illinois.

Tait, R. N., Wong, J., Putman, K. M., **Meier, A.**, Wierenga, J., Hess, E., Jacobs, M. A., & Pannell, L. (2011, June). *Evaluating training at the Los Angeles police academy*. Poster presented at the Society for Community Research and Action Biennial Conference, Chicago, IL.

Wierenga, J., Putman, K. M., **Meier, A.**, Perry, L. R., Arentsen, T. J., & Pannell, L. (2011, June). *Evaluating the LAPD Academy Training Program: Attrition and gender differences*. Poster presented at Society for Community Research and Action Biennial Conference, Chicago, IL.

Salo, S., Wasson, T., Gomez, M., **Meier, A.**, Wierenga, J., Pannell, L., & Putman, K. (2010, August). *Field evaluations of police officer human relations and critical thinking*. Poster presented at the American Psychological Association Annual Convention, San Diego, CA.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Fuller Graduate School of Psychology 05/2015 – present
• Lectures on forensic neuropsychology, sex offenders and feminist psychology.

Southern New Hampshire University 03/2016 – 10/2017
Adjunct Faculty Member
• Taught courses on the intersection of psychology and the law.

Alliant International University, Forensic Studies 08/2012 – 05/2016
Invited Lecturer and Data Manager
• Lectured in graduate courses on sexual risk assessment, sex offender treatment and assessment.
• Oversaw students' doctoral dissertations in forensic psychology and managed research data.

Fuller Graduate School of Psychology 09/2011 – 07/2012
Clinical Instructor
• Taught and supervised first year graduate students' clinical work and individual therapy.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

City of Hope Medical Center, Beckman Research Institute – Duarte, CA
Research Consultant 08/2015 – present
• Assists in preparing manuscripts based on neuropsychological and psycho-oncology research with children and adults.

Clinical Research Intern 10/2010 – 12/2012
• Administered, scored and interpreted neuropsychological assessments as part of a NIH funded study investigating breast cancer treatment and neurocognitive functioning in adult females.
• Provided feedback regarding testing results to patients regarding performance across time points.

Fuller Graduate School of Psychology, Headington Lab – Pasadena, CA
Research Consultant 09/2014 – present
• Assists in developing manuscripts based on research with the LAPD.

Research Fellow 06/2011 – 06/2012
Project Manager 06/2010 – 05/2011

Fuller Graduate School of Psychology, Headington Lab – Pasadena, CA
Student Researcher 09/2008 – 08/2014

- Managed, organized, and led the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) program evaluation research lab, which consisted of eight graduate doctoral students.
- Facilitated lab meetings and provided mentorship for doctoral students' dissertation projects.
- Assisted in developing manuscripts and presentations based on research with the LAPD.

California State University, Long Beach – Long Beach, California 01/2009 – 06/2011
Database Manager and Research Assistant

- Collaborated with the LAPD to perform a program evaluation of their newly designed police recruit academy training program focusing on community collaboration/relations.
- Member of a coding team, which met weekly to assess/code qualitative participant responses.
- Transcribed participant interviews from focus groups and utilized NVivo to code qualitative data.

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

California Psychological Association (CPA), Member since 2009

- Division I Board Member, *Member-At-Large* and *LAN Chair* 01/2019 – present
- Student Advocacy, *Committee Member* 08/2012 – 06/2013
- Participated in Leadership and Advocacy Day (LAD) lobbying at the state capitol in 2010, 2011, 2017, and 2019

California Coalition on Sexual Offending (CCOSO), Member since 2011

- Board Member 01/2020 – present
- Board Member and Social Media Work Group Chair 11/2017 – 12/2019

American Psychology-Law Society (APLS), Member since 2011

- Professional Development of Women Committee Member 12/2014 – 08/2017
- Graduate School Campus Representative 08/2012 – 07/2014

San Gabriel Valley Psychological Association (SGVPA), Member since 2010

- Board Member and Local Advocacy Network (LAN) Chair 12/2015 – 12/2018
- Student Leadership and Government Affairs Committee Member 08/2011 – 06/2014

Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, Member since 2020

American Psychological Association (APA), Member since 2008