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Employment

1994 – Present; Private practice, Brookline, MA: clinical, consulting, and forensic expert witness services.

Child, Adolescent and Adult psychotherapy, psychopharmacology, forensic assessments, lectures, and trainings. Consultations to courts, attorneys, juvenile detention facilities, private corporations, social service agencies, schools, and families. Expert testimony.

1998 – Present; The May Center School for Brain Injury & Neurobehavioral Disorders, Brockton, MA.

Team leadership, psychopharmacology, psychiatric consultation, and family psychoeducation for adolescents with traumatic brain injuries, autism spectrum disorders, developmental disabilities, and neuropsychological and genetic disorders (and their parents).

2001 – Present; Center for School Crisis Intervention and Assessment and the Springdale Education Center, Holyoke, MA.

Team leadership, psychopharmacology, individual psychotherapy, and family and team consultations and for children and adolescents and their parents over a wide range of diagnoses, disabilities, behavioral challenges/special needs. Also, trainings, supervision, program and policy development.

2021 – Present; Team Psychiatrist. Institute for Quality Living, Sudbury, MA.

Prior Employment

2020-2022 - Adjunct Professor, State University of New York, Stony Brook, School of Social Welfare - Stony Brook, New York, and Manhattan campuses.

2016-2020 – Psychological Services, Somerville, MA. Diagnostic assessment and psychopharmacology services for recent Federal prison parolees with mental health needs.

2017-2018 – Northeast Behavioral Services, Norwood, MA. Supervision, teaching, diagnostic assessment, psychopharmacology in a community mental health setting.

2001-2017 – Massachusetts Behavioral Health Partnership, Boston, MA, (half-time). Development and implementation of performance improvement initiatives, peer review, risk and quality assessment, consultation to intensive case management teams, CEU trainings.

1996-2013 – The Whitney Academy, E. Freetown, MA, (part time). Medical Director of this residential treatment facility for intellectually and developmentally delayed sexually offending adolescents. Provided diagnostic assessment, psychopharmacology, development and development of policies and procedures, staff training, and clinical supervision.

1996-1999 – Newport Child and Family Services, Newport, RI. (Part time). Diagnostic assessment, psychopharmacology, and CEU trainings.

1995-2010 – United States Postal Service, Boston, MA, Contract Consultant. I performed over 300 Fitness for Duty Assessments and consultations for the USPS and district management and the N.E. area Medical Director. I co-authored an article in their lead professional journal and presented eight workshops with Melissa LeBlanc, RN, COHN, on FFD assessment methods at the annual national conferences of the American Academy of Occupational Health Nurses.

1995-1997 – Taunton State Hospital, Taunton, MA (part-time), DMH treatment unit. Assistant Medical Director, team leader, psychopharmacology, co-leader in group therapy. I also served on Taunton State Hospital Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee while there.

1995-1997 - ComCare, Taunton and Fall River, MA (part-time). Community mental health services, psychopharmacology, supervision, and CEU trainings.

1995-1997 – St. Vincent's Children's Treatment Center, Fall River, MA. (part-time), and also 2011 (part time). I provided assessment, psychopharmacology, and supervision to the residential program for two years, and then returned for several months in 2011 to provide psychiatric services at their short-term treatment until new staff could be hired to fill a short-notice vacancy.

1994-2009 – Team consultant, DMH/DDS Collaborative Assessment Program, Lakeville, MA, Provided ongoing consultation to this State agency DSS and DMH joint venture from time of inception as a pilot until the program was disbanded. Consulted to a team of senior clinicians with diagnostic assessments and treatment recommendations for allocation of resources to create alternatives to residential placement for complex, high resource utilizing children.

1992-1995 – Center for Health and Human Services, New Bedford, Wareham and Plymouth, MA. Team Leadership, diagnostic and crisis assessment, CEU trainings, psychopharmacology, Utilization Review, individual child, and adolescent psychotherapy.

1978 -1981 – Laboratory Science Instructor, Elizabeth Irwin High School, New York, NY

1975-1978 – Classroom Aid, Special Needs 1st grade class, Readiness Program, New Gouveneur Hospital, New York, NY

1970-1975 – Bookstore clerk (while in college) – Barnes & Noble, Brentano's, Sheridan Square Bookstore. Also co-wrote Barnes & Noble's first radio advertisements and the winning store slogan.

Medical Licensure

1995 Rhode Island Medical License, active, continuous
1992 Massachusetts Medical License, active, continuous

Board Certification

Diplomate, American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology:
1999, 2009, 2019 Forensic Psychiatry (10-year certifications)
1994 Child & Adolescent Psychiatry
1993 Psychiatry

Education and Training

1990-1992 Fellowship, Dept. of Child Psychiatry
UCLA Neuropsychiatric Institute, Los Angeles, CA
1987-1990 Residency, Dept. of Psychiatry, Kings County Hospital
& SUNY Health Sciences Center at Brooklyn, NY
1986-1987 Internship, Kings County Hospital, Brooklyn, NY
1981-1986 M.D., SUNY Health Sciences Center at Brooklyn, NY
1978-1981 Premedical Studies, Hunter College, NY
1971-1975 B.A., New York University, NY

Additional Training

2023 - 2024 Tufts University, CELT (Center for the Enhancement of Learning and
Teaching), Advanced Faculty Fellow
2021 Tufts University, CELT (Center for the Enhancement of Learning and
Teaching), 2021 Faculty Fellow
1990-1992 Tavistock Group Relations Conference and Study Groups, GREX, Los
Angeles, CA
1989-1990 Family Therapist Certification Training Program, SUNY Health Sciences
Center at Brooklyn, Brooklyn, NY
1987-1990 Resident Seminars, New York Psychoanalytic Society, New York, NY

Honors and Awards

2016 Distinguished Life Fellow, American Psychiatric Association
2007 Distinguished Fellow, American Psychiatric Association
1988 DiCori Prize for Creativity in Psychiatry, Kings County Hospital,
Brooklyn, NY
1981 Elise Searinghouse Award for Excellence in Biology, Hunter College, NY

Hospital Affiliation

1998-Present Franciscan Hospital for Children, Brighton, MA
1995-2001 Bradley Hospital, Providence, RI
1994-1996 Taunton State Hospital, Taunton, MA

Professional Associations

2019-Present Asperger / Autism Network (AANE)
2019-Present International Society for Nutritional Psychiatry Research
2017-Present Society to Improve Diagnosis in Medicine
2014-Present International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies
2014-Present Massachusetts Medical Society
1998-Present Program in Psychiatry and The Law, Massachusetts Mental Health Center
1997-Present American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law
1996-Present Massachusetts Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers,
(served on Board of Directors, 1996-2016)
1996-Present Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, Clinical Member status
1996-Present Massachusetts Psychiatric Society
1993-Present New England Council of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry
1993-Present National Alliance for the Mentally Ill
1987-Present American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry
1985-Present American Psychiatric Association

Additional Academic Service and Community Service

2021-Present Continuing Education Committee, Massachusetts Psychiatric Society
2017-2019 Nutrition Instructor, Cooking Matters / No Kid Hungry, Boston MA
2016-Present SUNY Stony Brook Manhattan Campus, School of Social Welfare, New York, NY. Guest Lecturer, 2016-2023. Adjunct Professor, appointed in 2020.
2014-Present Assistant Clinical Professor, Tufts University School of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry
2010-Present Member, Advisory Board on matters of Priestly sexual misconduct to Cardinal Sean O'Malley, Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Boston
2010-2017 Member, Board of Directors, Water Way Arts/Brookline Tai Chi
1999-2000 Supervisor, Cambridge Hospital, Child Psychiatry Fellowship, Clinical Second Year Elective, off-site placement
1996-2016 Member, Board of Directors, Massachusetts Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers
1994-1996 Supervisor, Brockton VA/Harvard Medical School, PGII Psychiatry Residents
1991-1992 Lecturer and Clinical Supervisor, UCLA Medical Students, Child Psychiatry Rotation
1989-1990 Lecturer, SUNY Health Science Center at Brooklyn, MSIII Psychiatry Student Clerkship,
1989-1990 Medical Student Seminar Instructor, SUNY Health Science Center, Brooklyn Doctor-Patient Relationship and Medical Interviewing courses,
1987-1990 Supervisor, Kings County Hospital for Medical Students and Junior Residents; Psychiatric Emergency Room
1988-1990 Committee Examining the Impact of AIDS, Kings County Hospital, Dept. of Psychiatry representative.
1984-1985 Downstate Medical Center Curriculum Review and Revision Project, Team Member
1983-1985 APA Committee on Medical Student Education, American Medical Student Association, student liaison

Publications

Langone, S, Ricciardi, J, Dever, K, Sherak, D, (in press, 2023) "An Integrated Behavioral-Neuropsychiatric Treatment Plan Reduces Severe Challenging Behavior in an Adolescent with Neurobehavioral Complications of Neonatal Brain Injury" Clinical Case Studies.

Sherak, D, Walter, H, Sarvet, B., (March 2017) "Is your patient being prescribed antipsychotic medication?" McPAP News (Massachusetts Child Psychiatry Access Program), Boston, MA.

Sherak, D. (2011) "The Tarasoff decision and the Physician's duty to third parties -- what Psychiatry learned and lessons for the rest of Medicine," Alumni Today Magazine, Fall 2011, pp. 5-16. SUNY Downstate Medical Center College of Medicine

Luiselli, J., Sherak, D., Dunn, E., and Pace, G. (2005) "Sexual behaviors among children and adolescents with acquired brain injury: An incidence survey at a community-based Neurorehabilitation center," Behavioral Interventions, 20: 17-25 (2005).

Sherak, D. (2000) "Juvenile Sexual Offenses and Psychiatric Comorbidities" Poster, 31st Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law, Boston MA.

Sherak, D. (2000) "Psychopharmacologic Treatment of Cognitively Impaired Sex Offenders," Journal of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disability V.3 No.2 pp 62-74.

Luiselli, J.K., Dion, D., Hammil, E., Potoczny-Gray, A., Savage, R.C., Sherak, D. (2000) "Psychiatric Hospitalization and School and Community Adjustment of Children and Adolescents with Acquired Brain Injury," Journal Child Family Studies V.9 No.4 pp. 488-489.

LeBlanc, M. and Sherak, D. (1999) "Advisory: Getting Results with Psychiatric Fitness for Duty Exams," AAOHN Journal (pp. 448 A-B) V. 47 No.10.

Sherak, D. (1998) "Prior Approval," Bulletin of the New England Council on Child and Adolescent Psychiatry.

Speier, P., Sherak, D., Hirsch, S., Cantwell, D.P. (1995). "Depression in children and adolescents" in Beckham, E.E., and Leber, W.R. (Eds.), Handbook of Depression, Second Edition, (pp.467-493), New York, Guilford Press.

Sherak, D., Speier, P., Cantwell, D.P. (1994). "Classification and diagnostic criteria for affective disorders in children and adolescents," in Reynolds, W.M. and Johnson, H.F. (Eds.) Handbook of Depression in Children and Adolescents, (pp 169-182), New York. Plenum Press.

Sherak, D. (1992). "Pathways to Reality by John Lovern," (book review), Am. J. Clin. Hypnosis, 35 (1): 62- 63.

Sherak, D. (1988). "Confronting terminal illness: The training of a physician," Chapter, Klagsburn, S.C., et al. (Eds.), Psychiatric Aspects of Terminal Illness (pp. 3-12), Philadelphia. The Charles Press.

Presentations

2023

“Essential Psychopharmacology Concerns for Court Appointed Child Special Advocates” CASA – Court Appointed Special Advocates, Boston, MA.

“PTSD: screening & assessment, diagnosis, psychopharmacologic interventions” 3-lecture series, in HWC 588 Dynamics and Therapeutic Interventions with Trauma, SUNY Stony Brook University, Manhattan campus.

“Tai Chi Chuan and Chi Gung: introduction to health practices for your patients and yourself” – half-day training, Tufts University School of Medicine, Dept. of Psychiatry, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship, Boston, MA.

“Assessment and treatment of Adolescent sexual offending behavior” With Ruth Lewis, PhD, Tufts University School of Medicine, Dept. of Psychiatry, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship Program, didactic lecture series, Boston, MA.

2022

“Was it a PTSD flashback and/or was it Resisting Arrest? – an intersection of mental health and the law” In Forensic Social Work: Psychosocial and Legal Issues, SUNY Stony Brook, Manhattan campus.

“Psychopharmacological treatment of Autism Spectrum Disorder (and comorbid conditions) - the evidence base and the current practices of prescribers - and of families, using alternative treatments” given via Zoom, as Grand Rounds, Dept. of Psychiatry, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor, MI, and as plenary lecture at the VIth School of Autism, Lviv, Ukraine, via Zoom.

“The Roles of Psychopharmacologic and Complimentary/Alternate treatments for children with Autism and comorbid psychiatric disorders: evidence & best practices” Tufts University School of Medicine, Dept. of Psychiatry, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship, Boston, MA.

“Tai Chi Chuan and Chi Gung as health practices for your patients, and for yourself” - half day training, Tufts University School of Medicine, Dept. of Psychiatry, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship, Boston, MA.

“Posttraumatic Stress Disorder psychopharmacology: current evidence, best practices and what we know about neuropeptides” at Tufts Medical School, Dept. of Psychiatry, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship, Boston, MA.

“Posttraumatic Stress Disorder psychopharmacology: finding a path through the new evidence and conflicting best practices and protocols” at Tufts Medical School, Dept. of Psychiatry, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship, Boston, MA.

2021

“Ask a Child Psychiatrist - empowering parent-prescriber communications” Presentation to Parents, Fusion Academy, Belmont, MA.

“PTSD diagnosis and pharmacologic treatments: Steps and potential Missteps” – SUNY Stony Brook, Manhattan Campus, In Forensic aspects of Trauma and Mental Health, with George Leibowitz, PhD.

“Assessment and Treatment of Adolescents with Problematic Sexual Behaviors” with Ruth Lewis, Ph.D., Tufts University School of Medicine, Dept. of Psychiatry, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship, Boston, MA.

“Acute Pharmacologic and Nonpharmacologic Interventions for Aggressive Children on the Autism Spectrum presenting in the Emergency Department,” with James Luiselli, PhD, to joint meeting of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellows and Pediatrics Residents, Tufts University School of Medicine, Boston, MA.

“The Roles of Psychopharmacologic and Complimentary/Alternate treatments for children with Autism and comorbid psychiatric disorders: evidence & best practices” Tufts University School of Medicine, Dept. of Psychiatry, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship, Boston, MA.

“Psychotherapy strategies with patients along the Autism Spectrum” Tufts University School of Medicine, Dept. of Psychiatry, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship, Boston, MA.

“Mastering the DSM-5” Preparatory Exam Course and CEU program for Graduate Social Work Students, Stony Brook University, New York, NY.

“Psychopharmacology and related treatments of Sexual Offending Behaviors: Deepening what we know, improving what we do.” with George Leibowitz, PhD, New York ATSA (Association for the treatment of Sex Abusers) Virtual 2021 Conference, New York, NY.

“PTSD: What it is, how it gets that way, and some forensic implications” Massachusetts Association of Trial Lawyers, Coffee Hour, via Zoom.

“Tai Chi Chuan and Chi Gong exercises for self-care, and for your patients - the emerging science, the theory and the practice” Tufts University School of Medicine, Dept. of Psychiatry, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship, Boston, MA.

“Juveniles with Autism Spectrum Disorders and co-occurring ADHD as Subjects of Forensic Psychiatric Examinations in the United States - what are their special vulnerabilities and needs?” Vth School of Autism, Lviv, Ukraine. Plenary Lecture, via Zoom with simultaneous translation.

(Неповнолітні з розладами аутичного спектра та СДУГ як суб'єкти судово-психіатричної експертизи в США - які їх особливі уразливості та потреби?).

2020

“PTSD – assessment, diagnosis, neurobiology - evidence and best practices in treatment” CME Course for the SUNY Stony Brook, School of Social Welfare, New York City division.

“COVID-19 Toolbox for Now: Essential Facts, Fictions and Self-Care methods,” SUNY Stony Brook, School of Social Welfare, New York City, 3 hr. Webinar series.

“Psychopharmacologic and CAM treatments for children with Developmental and Intellectual Disorders: evidence & best practices” lectures at Tufts Medical School, Dept. of Psychiatry, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship, Boston, MA.

“Psychotherapy with patients on the Autism Spectrum: Spectrum of needs/Spectrum of practice” Massachusetts Psychiatric Society Conference presentation, Boston, MA.

“Psychopharmacology with patients with Intellectual Disabilities: A different Spectrum of needs/Spectrum of practice” Massachusetts Psychiatric Society Conference presentation, Boston, MA.

2019

“SSRI medications in treatment of individuals with sexually abusive behaviors; what non-prescribing clinicians need to know” with Raphael Sherak, MS-IV, MPH., at the MATSA/MASOC 21st Annual Joint Conference, Marlborough, MA.

“Posttraumatic Stress Disorder psychopharmacology: current evidence, best practices and neuropeptides” and “Children with Intellectual Disability; assessment and treatment” and “CAM and Psychopharmacologic treatments in autism spectrum disorders: evidence & best practices” lectures at Tufts Medical School, Dept. of Psychiatry, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship, Boston, MA.

“Adolescent Language Disorders, Miranda Rights, and related Forensic Issues - Case study” lecture/seminar for the SUNY Stony Brook, School of Social Work, New York City division.

2018

“Side Effects of Psychopharmacologic Medications and their impact on treatment of Sexual Offenders” and “Chi Gong Applications for the treatment of Sexual Offenders – theory and

experiential workshop” - presentations at the MATSA/MASOC 20th Annual Joint Conference, Marlborough, MA.

“Assessment and Treatment of Children with Intellectual Disabilities – evidence and empirical basis” - Tufts Medical School, Dept. of Psychiatry, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship, Boston, MA.

“Adolescent Language Disorders, Adjudicative Competence and related Forensic Issues” lecture at SUNY Stony Brook, School of Social Work, New York City division.

2017

“Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder – best practices in assessment and treatment,” “Children with Intellectual Disability, assessment and treatment” and “CAM and Psychopharmacologic treatments in autism spectrum disorders - evidence and best practice” lectures at Tufts Medical School, Dept. of Psychiatry, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship, Boston, MA.

“Psychopharmacologic and alternate treatments of Autism. What Behaviorists need to know” Webinar, MBHP/Beacon Health Options, Boston, MA.

“Psychopharmacology for NonPrescribers: reviewing evidence, rumors, and fantasy” and “Shared Patient, but not Split Treatment” (with Ruth Lewis, Ph.D.) - presentations at the MATSA/MASOC 19th Annual Joint Conference, Marlborough, MA.

“Psychopharmacologic Treatment of Autism Spectrum Disorders. What’s new and what’s true” Grand Rounds, Franciscan Children’s Hospital, Brighton, MA.

2016

“Second Generation antipsychotics, children, weight gain, and diabetes. Evidence-based guidance of choices and treatments,” for the Tufts Health Plan Case Managers and Beacon Health Options and Intensive Case Managers, MBHP conjoint medical/mental health symposium on diabetes, Watertown, MA, also presented for Intensive Case Managers, MBHP, Boston, MA “Autism. Assessment, Diagnosis and Treatment” Webinar, Beacon Health Options, Boston, MA.

“DSM-5 and how it got this way. History, Application and Future Trends” and “Psychopharmacology for NonPrescribers” lectures at SUNY Stony Brook, School of Social Work, New York City division.

“PTSD – Current Evidence-Based Assessment, Diagnosis and Treatment Methods” MATSA/MASOC 18th Annual Joint Conference, Marlborough, MA.

“Psychiatric Consultations for Intellectual and Developmentally Disabled Children, and their Parents” APA/IPS: Mental Health Services Conference, Washington, D.C.

2015

“Evidence-based psychopharmacological Treatment of PTSD,” “Psychopharmacological Treatment of Autism Spectrum Disorder comorbid conditions,” “Assessment and treatment of juvenile and adolescent sexual abuse - victims,” “Assessment and treatment of juvenile and adolescent sexual abuse – perpetrators,” (with Ruth Lewis, Ph.D.), Tufts Medical School, Dept. of Psychiatry, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship, Boston, MA.

“Getting Results in Fitness for Duty Examinations,” AAOHN annual conference, Boston.

“Assessing and treating ASD individuals with sexual offending behaviors,” presented both at NAPN, Denver and MATSA, Westboro, MA.

2014

“Psychopharmacological Treatment of Aggression,” Tufts Medical School, Dept. of Psychiatry, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship, Boston, MA.

“Intellectual Disabilities: A comprehensive approach to Assessment,” “Intellectual Disabilities: A comprehensive approach to Treatment,” Tufts Medical School, Dept. of Psychiatry, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Trainees, Boston, MA.

“Assessing and Treating Comorbid Psychiatric Disorders in PDD Sex Offenders,” ATSA annual conference, half day training, San Diego, CA.

“Forensic Aspects of Developmental Delay; implications for sexually offending youth”

MATSA/MASOC 16th Annual Joint Conference, Marlborough, MA. “Psychopharmacological Issues for Children in State Custody. Part 2: Best Practices and controversies in ADHD and in antipsychotic prescribing” Continuing Education lecture for Committee for Public Counsel Services, U Mass Law School, Dartmouth, MA.

“Psychopharmacology for NonPrescribers-2014 update,” at Osiris Community Mental Health Center, Roxbury, MA.

“Fitness for Duty Assessments; Managing Risk in the Workplace,” with Melissa LeBlanc, RN, COHN; AAOHN annual meeting, half-day preconference training, Dallas, TX.

2013

“Psychopharmacological Issues for Children in State Custody. Part 1: Best Practices and controversies in the treatment of Depression” For Committee for Public Counsel Services, U Mass Law School, Dartmouth, MA.

“Forensic Aspects of Developmental Delay; interfaces with the legal system” at The May Institute Headquarters, Braintree, MA.

“Psychopharmacology for NonPrescribers,” at Osiris Community Mental Health Center, Roxbury, MA.

“The Developmental approach to the Assessment and Treatment of Depression in Children and Adolescents” at MATSA/MASOC 15th Annual Joint Conference, Marlborough, MA, also given as a CEU in-service program at MBHP, Boston, MA.

2012

“Forensic Risks for individuals with Developmental Delays and Language Disorders” CEU presentation at MCLE Seminar, “To Plea or Not to Plea.”

“The roles of complementary and alternative treatments in your clients’ care” at the 27th Annual Conference National Adolescent Perpetration Network (NAPN), Atlantic City, NJ, also as a CEU training, MBHP, and. at MATSA/MASOC 14th Annual Joint Conference, Marlborough, MA.

“How to obtain and use effective Psychiatric Fitness for Duty Assessments” with Melissa LeBlanc, RN, COHN, American Academy of Occupational Health Nurses, annual conference, Nashville, TN.

“Developmental Aspects of Childhood and Adolescent Depression” CEU training, MBHP.

2011

“The Tarasoff decision and the Physician’s duty to third parties: What Psychiatry learned and lessons for the rest of Medicine,” CME Scientific Program, Downstate Medical Center Alumni Reunion Day Conference.

“Suicide: Assessment and Risk Factors” CUE training, MBHP; also, Whitney Academy in-service training.

“Psychopharmacology Primer” as part of daylong training at MATSA/MASOC 13th Annual Joint Conference, Marlborough, MA.

“Tai Chi, Chi Gong, Trauma and Grounding” at MATSA/MASOC 13th Annual Joint Conference, Marlborough, MA.

2010

“Diagnosing, Deviance and the DSM - from zero to five,” at NAPN (National Adolescent Perpetration Network) annual meeting, Denver, CO, CEU program at MBPH, Boston, MA, and as component of day-long DSM training at MATSA/MASOC 12th Annual Joint Conference, Marlborough, MA.

"Psychiatric Fitness for Duty Examinations; collaborating to assess risk and minimize negative outcomes," with Melissa LeBlanc, RN, OHN, at American Academy of Occupational Health Nurses Annual Conference, Anaheim, CA.

"Forensic Principles for Case Workers" and "Psychopharmacology basics for Case Workers", Communities for People, Providence, RI.

2009

"Forensic Principles for Clinical Practitioners," CEU program at Massachusetts Behavioral Health Partnership, Boston MA, MA and at the MATSA/MASOC 11th Annual Joint Conference, Marlborough, MA.

2009 "The Diagnosing of Deviance in the DSM," at MATSA annual membership meeting, Worcester, MA.

2008

"Psychiatric Fitness for Duty Examinations; assessing risk, minimizing violence," with Melissa LeBlanc, RN, OHN, at American Academy of Occupational Health Nurses Annual Conference, Salt Lake City, UT.

2008 "Emerging Standards of Care for Use of Novel Antipsychotic Medication with Children. Playing Safe in the Traffic." CEU program at MBPH, Boston, MA, and part of national Value Options concurrent in-service lecture series broadcast to 12 sites throughout the country.

2007

"Psychopharmacology, for 'Smart Beginners'", MATSA/MASOC 9th Annual Joint Conference, Marlborough, MA. Also given at the 26th annual conference of NAPN, the National Adolescent Perpetrator Network, Albuquerque, NM.

"Workplace Violence: Assessment, Response, Prevention" Professional Development Lecture Series, The May Institute, Randolph, MA, also given as a CEU training program at MBPH, Boston.

"Psychopharmacology, training modules, parts II and I: Principles and Practice of Child and Adolescent psychiatry" Psychology Intern Training Program lecture series, May Institute, Norwood, MA.

"Partnering for Recovery: Psychiatry's role in Putting Practice into Recovery" in "Partnering for Recovery," the MBHP joint Provider/Member Conference, DCU Center, Worcester, MA.

"Emerging Standards of Care for Use of Novel Antipsychotic Medication with Children Diagnosed as Having ADHD w/Conduct Disorder, Oppositional Defiant Disorder, Autism, and Severely Emotional Disturbed. At "Perspectives on Treatment Using Psychiatric Medications in Children" Louisville, KY.

"Identifying and Responding to Workplace Violence" Training for HR Managers, The Acushnet Company, Fairhaven, MA.

"Phase oriented treatment for PTSD integrated with Psychopharmacology" and "Comorbid Psychiatric Conditions of Sexual Offenders and their treatment" at ATSA, Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, San Diego, CA.

"Peer Review and Child and Adolescent Psychiatry" Chair, Special Interest Group, American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, annual meeting, Boston, MA.

2006

"Recognizing, responding to and documenting adolescent suicidal behaviors" Clinical in-service, Whitney Academy, East Freetown, MA.

"Psychopharmacologic Practice - training module I and II: Principles and Practice; Child and Adolescent psychiatry" Psychology Intern Training Program lecture series, May Institute, Norwood, MA.

“Psychopharmacology: Principles, Practice and Resources” Professional Development Lecture Series, The May Institute, Randolph, MA.

“Sleep: The neglected 1/3 of your client’s treatment”, MATSA/MASOC 8th Annual Joint Conference, Marlborough, MA, also given as a CEU program at MBPH, Boston, MA.

2005

“Psychopharmacology training module I and II: Principles and Practice; Child and Adolescent psychiatry” Psychology Intern Training Program lecture series, May Institute, Norwood, MA.

“Bipolar Mood Disorder and Sexual Offending Behaviors: Comorbidities and confounding variables”, MATSA/MASOC 7th Annual Joint Conference, Marlborough, MA, also given at the annual conference of NAPN, the National Adolescent Perpetrator Network, Denver, CO and as a CEU program at MBPH, Boston.

Panel speaker at “Innovative Approaches to Risk Management” Conference, MBHP, Worcester, MA.

“Adolescent Development and Sexuality” CEU Program, Whitney Academy, E. Freetown, MA.

“Developing and Implementing Psychopharmacology Best Practices for MR/DD clients” Invited Symposium, DMR, Natick, MA.

2004

"Juvenile Bipolar Disorder" Institute, Norwood, MA.

“Half of what we know is wrong: Psychopharmacology and the treatment of sexual offenders” MATSA/MASOC 6th Annual Joint Conference, Marlborough, MA.

“Juvenile Bipolar Disorder and Developmental Disorders: Complexities of diagnosis and treatment" Boston Medical Center, Franciscan Hospital for Children, joint conference on Juvenile Bipolar Disorder, Waltham, MA.

"Juvenile Bipolar and Developmental Disorders: Diagnosis and comorbidity" Grand Rounds Lecture Series, Franciscan Hospital for Children, Brighton, MA.

"Diagnosing and treating Juvenile Bipolar in Developmental Disorders" CEU In-service, The Whitney Academy, E. Freetown, MA.

“Partnering for Recovery: honoring our past, facing our future” MBHP/DMA Joint Provider/Member Conference, Centrum Center, Worcester, MA.

“Assessing Psychiatric Emergencies in people with developmental disabilities” MBHP Developmental Disabilities Task Force presentation to Emergency Service Provider Managers Statewide.

“Psychopharmacology training module I: Principles, adult psychiatry” Psychology Intern Training Program lecture series, May Institute, Norwood, MA.

“Psychopharmacology and your child, Q & A”, Invited Presenter, Parent Advocacy League, Waltham, MA.

2003

“Forensic Aspects of Neuropsychiatric Illness in Children and Adolescents”, part of day long symposium, Cambridge Lecture series: “Neurodevelopmental/Neuropsychiatric Disorders in Children," Boston, MA.

"Sexual Behaviors of Children and Adolescents with ABI" BABAT: Berkshire Association for Behavior Analysis and Therapy, Annual Conference, Amherst, MA.

“Aggression: Integrating Residential Staff and Psychiatric Treatments, With Tom Beaulac, Psy.D. and Ben Allen, MA, MATSA/MASOC 5th Annual Joint Conference, Marlborough, MA, also given at the annual conference of NAPN, the National Adolescent Perpetrator Network, Cherry Hill, NJ.

“Psychopharmacology, the Prescriber and You: Tools for empowerment”, at the MBHP/DMA Joint Provider/Member Conference, Partnering for Recovery, Centrum Center, Worcester, MA.

“Psychopharmacology: Update and Treatment Parameters” MBHP, Boston, MA.
“Psychopharmacology and your child, Q & A”, Invited Presenter, Parent Advocacy League, Milton, MA.

2002

“Aggression: Integrating Residential Staff and Psychiatric Treatments”, With Ben Allen, MA, MATSA/MASOC 4th Annual Joint Conference, Marlborough, MA, also at NAPN, the National Adolescent Perpetrator Network, Toledo, Ohio.

"Getting Results with Fitness for Duty Evaluations: knowing the risks," with Melissa LeBlanc, RN. OHN, half-day workshop at the American Academy of Occupational Health Nursing, Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.

"Psychiatric Fitness for Duty Examinations: making them work," with Melissa LeBlanc, RN, OHN, 22nd Annual National Worker's Compensation & Occupational Medicine Seminar, SEAK Inc., Hyannis, MA.

“Psychopharmacology for Non-Prescribers” Professional Development Lecture Series, The May Institute, Norwood, MA.

"Pharmacologic and Behavioral Treatment of OCD and Sexual Offending: Case Study" BABAT: Berkshire Association for Behavior Analysis and Therapy, Annual Conference, Amherst, MA.

“Psychopharmacology update”, Invited Presenter, Parent Advocacy League, Milton, MA.

2001

Invited Testimony at the Joint Committee on Public Safety, Special Public Hearing on Violence in the Workplace, February 13, 2001 (in response to mass shooting on at Edgewater Technology, Wakefield MA, December 26, 2000) at the request of the Mary Lou Sudders, Commissioner of Mental Health, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Boston, MA.

"Comorbidities of Juvenile Sex Offending and Schizophrenia " Poster Presentation, American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law, Annual Meeting, Boston, MA.

"Suicide Risk Assessment and Level of Care Determinations" Massachusetts Behavioral Health Partnership, Boston, MA.

"Fitness for Duty and Workplace Violence Risk Assessments" with Melissa LeBlanc, RN at the 7th Annual Millender Occupational Health Conference, Danvers, MA

"Psychiatric Aspects of Developmental, Genetic and Neurological Childhood Psychiatric Disorders" solo presenter of an all-day training, Clinical and Education Staff, Center School for Crisis Intervention, Springfield, MA.

"Psychopharmacological Intervention in Behavior Management for the Child with Brain Injury" at Facing the Challenge: Behavioral Barriers in Children with Developmental Disabilities, Franciscan Children's Hospital & Rehabilitation Center and Boston University, Needham, MA.

“Psychopharmacology for Non-Prescribers”, MATSA/MASOC 3rd Annual Joint Conference, Marlborough, MA.

“Psychopharmacologic treatment of Sexual Offending behaviors”, panel discussion with Drs. Kafka and Saleh, MATSA Membership Meeting, Westborough, MA

"Psychopharmacology: Tools for Understanding " half-day presentation at The Institute Annual Conference on Dual Diagnosis, Chapel Hill, NC, and also The First Midwest Institute on Dual Diagnosis, Columbus OH.

“Child Psychopharmacology”, Invited Presenter, Parent Advocacy League, Milton, MA.

2000

"Violence, Stress and Vulnerability in the Workplace” Arthur D. Little, Inc. noon seminar series, Belmont, MA.

"Diagnoses, Clinical Symptoms and Pharmacologic Treatments for Teens" Teen Living Program Providers, Day long workshop, Department of Social Services, Worcester, MA.

"Assessment of Suicidality and Homicidality in Adolescents" Professional Development Lecture Series, May Institute, Norwood, MA.

"Assessment and Prevention of Violence in the Workplace," Keynote Presenter at 6th Annual Millender Occupational Medicine Conference, Waltham, MA.

"Getting Results with Fitness for Duty Evaluations," with Melissa LeBlanc, OHN, workshop at the American Academy of Occupational Health Nursing, Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.

"Psychopharmacology: Tools for understanding" MATSA/MASOC 2nd annual conference, Waltham, MA.

"Psychopharmacology: Tools for understanding parts 1 and 2" The Institute Annual Conference on Dual Diagnosis, Chapel Hill, NC.

"Schizophrenia, OCD and the Paraphilias: Diagnostic & Treatment Considerations" Taunton State Hospital/DMH Fall Psychiatric Conference, Raynham, MA

"Child Psychopharmacology", Invited Presenter, Parent Advocacy League, Waltham, MA.

1999

"Pitfalls in Fitness for Duty Assessments" a component of the "Aspect of Expertise" Program presented by the Program in Psychiatry and the Law at the Massachusetts Mental Health Center, at the XXIV International Congress on Law and Mental Health, Toronto, Canada.

"Psychopharmacology for the non-prescriber" Association for the Treatment of Sex Abusers, Orlando, FL.

"The Diagnosis and Psychopharmacologic Treatment of Children," presented to Brockton Area DSS caseworkers and senior staff, Brockton, MA.

"The Spectrum of Self Injurious Behaviors in Adolescents," presented to Department of Mental Health, MA regional managers, Taunton, MA.

"The Whitney Academy Residential Treatment Experience," at "Care and Treatment of Mentally Ill' Sexual Perpetrators," U. Mass Medical School, Worcester, MA.

"Getting Results with Psychiatric Fitness for Duty Exams" with Melissa LeBlanc, OHN, at Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Occupational Health Nursing, New Orleans, LA.

"Violence in Your Workplace: Can it be prevented?" Milton Hospital Occupational Health Services Advisor's Breakfast Meeting, Milton, MA.

1998

"Symptoms, Diagnoses and Treatments of Childhood Psychiatric Disorders," Solo presenter of a Full Day Program of Lectures and Instruction, Child and Family Services of Newport County, Residential Programs Staff.

"Violence Risk Assessment in the Psychiatric Fitness for Duty Examination," presented to N.E. Region Occupational Health Nurses, U.S.P.S., N.E. Regional Office, Wilton, CT.

1997

"Psychotropic Medications: Treatment Effects/Side Effects," Whitney Academy staff training.

1996

"The Clinical Presentation of Trauma Across Cultures," in "Mental Health Intervention for Traumatized Immigrant School Children" Annual Meeting AACAP, Philadelphia, PA.

"Understanding Psychotropic Medications and their Side Effects," Whitney Academy In-service.

"Conduct Disorder: Etiology, Outcome and Treatment," for DSS Program Managers, Taunton, MA.

"The Role of the Psychiatrist in the Diagnosis and Treatment of ADHD," ComCare training, Taunton, MA.

1995

"Psychotropic Medication for the Non-prescriber," half day training, ComCare Staff, Taunton, MA.

"The Psychiatrist as a Team Member in the Treatment of ADHD," presenter and panel discussant at day long C.H.A.D.D. conference, Fall River, MA.

"Becoming an informed consumer of psychiatric services and psychopharmacology," C.H.A.D.D. Parents Support Group, Fall River Chapter, Fall River, MA.

1994

"Self-Esteem and Depression in Children," Wareham Special Needs Advisory Council.

"Integrating Pharmacotherapy into the treatment of children with ADHD," C.H.A.D.D. Parents Support Group, New Bedford, MA chapter.

1993

"Medical Aspects of Psychiatric Illness/Psychiatric symptoms of Medical Illnesses," CEU Program, Center for Human Services, New Bedford, MA.

"Fetal Alcohol Syndrome: Assessment and Interventions," Wareham Public Schools Special Needs Teaching Staff, Wareham, MA.

"Developmental Concerns and Psychopathology in Preschoolers," Head Start, New Bedford, MA.

"Assessing Suicidality in Children and Adolescents," presentation to clinic staff. Center for Human Services, New Bedford, MA.

1992

"Elective and Selective Mutism: Differential diagnosis and treatment," Grand Rounds, Dept. of Child Psychiatry, UCLA-NPI.

"After sexual abuse disclosure," presentation to Los Angeles area high school teachers with Veronica Abney, LICSW, of the UCLA Sexual Abuse Assessment Team.

1991

"The Heart of Medical Student Education," Foundation of Thanatology, NY, NY.

1990

"Substance Abuse and the House Officer, risks and realities" in-service presentation to the Chief Residents of all Clinical Services, Kings County Hospital, Brooklyn, NY.

1989

"Living and Dying in the Hospital: Patients and Staff," in-service presentation to the Department of Social Work, SUNY Health Sciences Center at Brooklyn, NY.

1988

"Outpatient management of the potentially violent patient," presented at the clinical lecture series, Dept. of Psychiatry, Kings County Hospital, Brooklyn, NY.

"Facilitating the Exceptional Patient," Foundation of Thanatology, NY, NY.

1987

"The Death of a Surgeon," Foundation of Thanatology, NY, NY.

1986

"Teaching Medical Students at the Bedside, and the work of Dr. Bernie Seigel" Foundation of Thanatology, NY, NY.