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Expert Information

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Additional Information

EDUCATION

Fairleigh Dickinson University

2000-2004

Ph.D. Clinical Psychology

Fairleigh Dickinson University

1998-2000

M.A. General Theoretical Psychology Program

Seton Hall University

1994-1998

B.A. Honors Psychology

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Center for Cognition and Communication (NY)

9/06-Present

Clinical Director, Neuropsychology

. Clinical seminars and supervision

. Neuropsychological evaluation and cognitive rehabilitation (spectrum of neurologic disease, TBI, other acquired medical disorders for adults/children, learning disabilities)

POST DOCTORAL RESIDENCY IN NEUROPSYCHOLOGY

JFK Johnson Rehabilitation Institute

9/04-9/06

Center for Head Injuries (NJ)***Neuropsychological Rehabilitation (Adults/Children)***

- . Lead a multidisciplinary team of health professionals at the Center For Head Injuries, including speech, educational, occupational, physical and vocational therapy (assessment, collaboration with the team on a monthly basis, develop multidisciplinary treatment goals and discharge plan, submit baseline multidisciplinary findings and ongoing treatment reports)
- . Perform neuropsychological baseline assessments on new program admissions to the brain injury program, along with ongoing individual cognitive mediation/psychotherapy, co-lead groups (i.e. problem solving group)
- . Comprehensive outpatient neuropsychological evaluations (traumatic brain injury and other acquired medical disorders with adults/children)
- . Neuropsychological assessment on the inpatient Acute Brain Trauma Unit and the Extended Recovery Unit (severe brain injury including assessment of post-coma and related disorders of consciousness)
- . Neuropsychological consultation to JFK Medical Center (diverse forms of neurologic disease including stroke syndromes, epilepsy, brain tumors, movement disorders, memory disorders, and dementia, along with general rehabilitation patients)

CLINICAL INTERNSHIP**Rusk Institute of Rehabilitation Medicine**

9/03-9/04

(NW Medical Center)***Neuropsychological Rehabilitation (6 months outpatient; 6 months inpatient)***

- . Neuropsychological assessments/reports, cognitive remediation, individual and group psychotherapy
- . Comprehensive outpatient neuropsychological assessments/reports (traumatic brain injury, stroke, epilepsy, tumors, vestibular disorders, and other acquired medical disorders with adults/children)

CLINICAL PRACTICUM**Fairleigh Dickinson Psychological Services**

9/02-7/03

Psychotherapist

- . Individual psychotherapy with a diverse clinic population
- . Coordinator and leader of AMID and social skills groups

North Shore Hospital

5/00-8/00

Psychotherapist

- . Individual psychotherapy in the Anxiety Clinics (OCD, Phobias, Generalized Anxiety, PTSD)

CLINICAL EXTERNSHIP**University of Medicine and Dentistry (UMDNJ)**

9/01-5/02

Neuropsychology Extern

- . Completed neuropsychological assessments and comprehensive reports with a diverse patient population (stroke, epilepsy, tumors, TBI, Huntington's disease, other medically acquired disorders with adults/ children)
- . Assisted in the WADA procedure (pre-surgical procedure to determine language and memory locality)

RESEARCH PRACTICUM

Fairleigh Dickinson University

9/00-8/03

Adult ADHD/LD Assessment

- . Administered and scored complete neuropsychological batteries
- . Administered psychological testing (MMPI, DIS, etc...)
- . ADHD and LD Adult Assessment Interviews

Fairleigh Dickinson University

6/99-1/02

Research Assistant for the Weight Loss Study (Research Team)

- . Assisted in the organization of a weight loss research study
- . Phone screening to meet study criteria
- . Administered psychological measures to screen for exclusions
- . Group leader for cognitive-behavioral treatment meetings

RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE**UMDNJ/ DVA Veterans Hospital**

2/99-8/03

Research Assistant, Senior Data Technician

- . Assisted in completing psychological and neuropsychological studies at the Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Research Center
- . Performed neuropsychological and psychiatric evaluations on CFS patients (i.e., WAIS-R, DIS-Diagnostic Interview Schedule)
- . Responsible for MRI tracking and psychiatric evaluations on veterans suffering from Gulf War Syndrome
- . Completed scoring of test data for neuropsychological battery, along with scoring programs for other psychological measures
- . Responsible for the maintenance of testing materials
- . Managed all psychological and neuropsychological related databases (data input, management, analysis)
- . Extensive work on data integration and statistical analyses
- . Worked independently on manuscripts for submission
- . Assisted with IRB submission along with grant and manuscript preparation
- . Trained other research assistants to perform necessary duties

KMRREC

5/00-2/03

Kessler Medical Rehabilitation Research and Education Corporation***Research and Clinical Associate***

- . Worked on an R&D1 Project: "Natural Setting Behavior Management: An Alternative Approach to Community Stabilization Following TBI"
- . Intake information and administration of questionnaires (screen severe TBI patients)
- . Set-up behavioral management programs for patients with TBI along with their caregiver (a community-based approach)
- . Co-led an educational and CBT treatment module for TBI patients and their caretakers
- . Manuscript preparation
- . Statistical analyses and database management

Fairleigh Dickinson University Psychological Services

8/02-7/03

Coordinator of the Learning Disability (LD) and Adult ADHD Clinic

- . Reviewed screening forms and determined criterion eligibility
- . Assigned cases to student and supervisors
- . Trained Ph.D. and Psy.D students to administer and score a structured psychological interview along with a standard neuropsychological battery
- . Reviewed testing protocols to ensure accuracy on scoring and norming
- . Maintained subject database to track status and progress of cases
- . Addressed students' concerns on a case-by-case basis

Children's Aid and Family Services, Inc.

6/00-12/00

Social Skills Group Leader

- . Group leader for social skills training for children and adolescents (diagnosed with ADHD, Aspergers Syndrome, PDD, Tourette, Specific Learning Disabilities, GAD, OCD, Depression)

Essex County Hospital - Psychology Department

9/98-5/99

College Companion -- Day Treatment Program

- . Co-led a variety of therapeutic activities with the patients (creative writing, art therapy, music therapy)

Seton Hall University (New Jersey)

9/97-8/98

Research Lab Assistant

- . Responsibility to conduct an experiment
- . Animal maintenance
- . Data input and statistical analyses

MANUSCRIPTS

Carnevale, G.J., Anselmi, V., Johnston, M.V., **Busichio, K.**, & Walsh, V. (2006). A Natural Setting Behavior Management Program for Persons with Acquired Brain Injury: A randomized controlled trial. *Archive of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation*, 87 (10), 1289-97.

Kim Busichio, Lana A. Tiersky, John DeLuca, & Benjamin H. Natelson. (2004). Clinically significant neuropsychological impairment in patients with chronic fatigue syndrome. *Journal International Neuropsychological Society*, 10(2), 278-286.

Donald S. Ciccone, **Kim Busichio**, Michael Vickroy, & Benjamin H. Natelson. (2003). Psychiatric morbidity in the chronic fatigue syndrome. Are patients with personality disorder more physically impaired? *Journal of Psychosomatic Research*, 54 (5), 445-452.

George J. Carnevale, Vera Anselmi, **Kim Busichio**, & Scott R. Millis. (2002). Changes in ratings of caregiver burden following a community-based behavior management program for persons with traumatic brain injury: A Randomized Clinical Trial. *The Journal of Head Trauma Rehabilitation*, 17 (2), 83-95.

DOCTORAL DISSERTATION

"Utilization of the Cognitive Failures Questionnaire Establish a Relationship Between Subjective and Objective Cognitive Functioning in Chronic Fatigue Syndrome."

ABSTRACTS

Carnevale, G.J., Anselmi, V., **Busichio, K.**, Walsh, V., Millis, S., and Johnston, M. (2003). Efficacy of community-based behavior management for patients with brain injury: Results of a four-year Model System project. *Journal of the International Neuropsychological Society*, 9(2), 225.

Kim Busichio, Lana Tiersky, John DeLuca, & Benjamin Natelson. (2001). Neuropsychological Impairment in Patients with Chronic Fatigue Syndrome. *Journal of the International Neuropsychological Society*, 7(2), 172.

Spinowitz, F., Valenti, N., **Busichio, K.**, & Capuano, C.A. (2000). Long-term Maintenance of treatment gains on a sample of mildly to moderately obese women. *Annals of Behavioral Medicine*, 22 (supplement), S151 (D-73).

Atar-Greenfield, H., **Busichio, K.**, Eisen, A.R., & Capuano, C.A. (2000). Factors related to attrition in a treatment outcome study of obese women. *Annals of Behavioral Medicine*, 22 (supplement), S150 (D-72).

Kim Busichio (March 2000). Reflections of an Intern. *NJPA-Student Affiliate Newsletter*, (volume 1, issue 1, page 2). Editorial.

PRESENTATIONS

International Neuropsychological Society (INS)

2003

George Carnevale, Vera Anselmi, **Kim Busichio**, Vanessa Walsh, & Mark Johnston "Efficacy of Community Based Behavior Management For Patients with Brian Injury: Results of a Four-Year Model Systems Project."

American Association for Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (AACFS)

2003

D. Ciccone, **K. Busichio**, & B. Natelson "Physical Impairment in the Chronic Fatigue Syndrome: A Test of the Fatigue Severity Hypothesis"

American Association for Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (AACFS)

2003

K. Busichio, S. Weaver, J. Ottenweller, N. Aktan, G. Lange, & B. Natelson "Scrotonergic Functioning in CFS and the Harm Avoidance Subscale of the TPQ"

American Association for Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (AACFS)

2003

G. Lange, M. Brimacombe, **K. Busichio**, B. Natelson "Application Of a Cognitive Function Index (CFI) for CFS Patients: Relationship Of Brain Abnormalities to Cognitive Function"

International Neuropsychological Society (INS)

2001

Kim Busichio, Lana Tiersky, John DeLuca, & Benjamin Natelson "Neuropsychological Impairment in Patients with Chronic Fatigue Syndrome"

American Association For Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (AACFS)

2001

Kim Busichio, Lana Tiersky, Michael Vickroy, & Benjamin Natelson "Traumatic and Negative Life Events Impact Illness Attributions in Patients with Chronic Fatigue Syndrome"

American Association For Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (AACFS)

2001

Kim Busichio, Lana Tiersky, Michael Vickroy, & Benjamin Natelson "Examining the Validity of The Community Integration Questionnaire: A Measure to Assess Functional Status in Patients with Chronic Fatigue Syndrome"

American Association For Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (AACFS)

2001

Michael Vickroy, Lana Tiersky, **Kim Busichio**, & Benjamin Natelson "Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Attributions Match Self-Reported Disability"

American Association For Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (AACFS)

2001

Michael Vickroy, Lana Tiersky, **Kim Busichio**, & Benjamin Natelson "Traumatic and Negative Life Experiences Relate to Dysfunction in Chronic Fatigue Syndrome"

American Association For Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (AACFS)

2001

Lana Tiersky, **Kim Busichio**, Michael Vickroy, & Benjamin Natelson "Malingering in Chronic Fatigue Syndrome: A Neuropsychological Investigation"

American Association For Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (AACFS)

2001

Lana Tiersky, **Kim Busichio**, Michael Vickroy, & Benjamin Natelson "The Relationship Between Subjective and Objective Neuropsychological Functioning in CPS: Documented at Last"

National Association Society for Obesity (NASO)

2001

Kim Busichio, Robert Witheridge, Francine Spinowitz, & Chrisopher Capuano "Subclinical Psychopathology Relates to Weight Loss in Mild To Moderately Obese Women"

American Psychological Association (APA) Conference

2000

Kim Busichio, Lana Tiersky, Emily Horowitz, Gabrielle Rappolt, & Ben Natelson "Evaluating Disability in Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (CFS)"

American Psychological Association (APA) Conference

2000

Lana Tiersky, Emily Horowitz, **Kim Busichio**, Gabrielle Rappolt, & Ben Natelson "Evaluating Disability in Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (CFS)" abstract submitted

Society of Behavioral Medicine

2000

Helit Atar-Greenfield, **Kim Busichio**, Andrew R. Eisen, & Christopher A, Capuano "Factors Related to Attrition in a Treatment Outcome Study of Obese Women"

Society of Behavioral Medicine

2000

Francine Spinowitz, Nicole Valenti, **Kim Busichio**, & Christopher A. Capuano "Long-term Maintenance of Treatment Gains in a Sample of Mildly to Moderately Obese Women"

Fifth Annual Psychology Student Research Exhibit

Fairleigh Dickinson University-School of Psychology

2000

Kim Busichio, Lana Tiersky, John DeLuca, & Ben Natelson "Neuropsychological Impairment in Patients with Chronic Fatigue Syndrome"

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Conference on Federally Sponsored Gulf War Veterans' Illnesses Research

1999

Kim Busichio, Lana Tiersky, Phillip Golden, Gabrielle Rappolt, & Ben Natelson "Somatic Complaints in Gulf War Veterans with Unexplained Fatiguing Illness: Gender Differences"

Conference on Federally Sponsored Gulf War Veterans' Illnesses Research

1999

Lana Tiersky, Gudrun Lange, Gabrielle Rappolt, **Kim Busichio**, & Ben Natelson "Unexplained Illness in Gulf War Veterans: Examining Personality Pathology"

Seton Hall Academic Exposition

1999

Michael Vigorito, **Kim Busichio**, Alyssa Baurenschmidt, Jody D'Augustine "Postnatal maternal consumption of ethanol in the rat: Effects on juvenile and post-pubertal maze learning ability of the offspring"

Seton Hall Academic Exposition

1998

Kim Busichio, Michael Vigorito "The Effects of an Anxiogenic Drug on Laboratory Rats' Responses Toward Dangerous Artificial Prey"