

Dr. Joseph M. Latham Psy.D.
Licensed Psychologist

EDUCATION:

The Chicago School of Professional Psychology, Anaheim, CA 2022
Doctorate in Clinical Psychology (Psy.D.)

EMDR Institute, San Diego, CA 2020
Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing Level 1 Training

Argosy University, Orange County 2018
Master of Arts in Clinical Psychology

Grand Canyon University, Phoenix, AZ 2015
Bachelor of Arts in Psychology

Uniform Victim Advocates Course, Okinawa, JPN 2009
Sexual Assault Response Coordinator Certificate

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Owner / Licensed Psychologist

Seahorse Psychology Center – Mission Viejo, CA March 2024 - Present

- Provide psychological (neuro, personality, & presurgical) assessments, as well as evidence-based, solution-focused therapy to clients.
- Conduct 730 child custody evaluations and provide court reports.
- Specialize in adult neuropsychological and personality assessments, offering services for conditions including anxiety, depression, PTSD, trauma, addiction, and cultural issues.
- Supervise clinical operations, manage administrative duties, and oversee billing and insurance processes.
- Maintain partnerships with insurance providers (e.g., Cigna, Aetna, Blue Shield, Optum, Triwest) to ensure accessible services for a broad client base.
- Deliver virtual and in-office appointments, emphasizing high-quality, individualized care.

Consulting Psychologist

California Forensic Assessment Project (CFAP) – July 2024 - Present

- Conduct psychological assessments and provide detailed reports for CONREP patients within the California Forensic Assessment Project.
- Collaborate with program directors and primary therapists to align assessments with patient clinical issues and develop relevant referral questions.
- Coordinate testing protocols and ensure completion of initial assessments, administering tests as needed and gathering necessary patient records.
- Participate in research development focusing on assessment outcomes and recidivism trends.

Clinical Psychologist

Department of Veterans Affairs – Jan 2024 - Oct 2025

- Provide direct, evidence-based mental health services to veterans, including diagnosis, individual, group, and family therapy, and assessments in an outpatient setting.
- Engage in multidisciplinary consultations to support comprehensive patient care.
- Conduct program evaluation and research to monitor treatment efficacy, educating VA staff and trainees on best practices in mental health.

Director of Veteran Services

Irvine Valley College – July 2022 - Jan 2024

- Oversaw the Veterans Services Center, managing a \$4.5 million budget and leading a team to support mental health, educational, and social integration of student veterans.
- Developed programs for community engagement and social adjustment, including veteran outings and support events.
- Created protocols for identifying and addressing mental health concerns across campus in collaboration with the Behavioral Intervention Team.

Psychologist

Pacific Integrative Therapy – Dec 2022 – Jan 2024

- Conduct neuropsychological and personality assessments for adolescents and adults, providing comprehensive reports to inform treatment and accommodations in academic and work settings.
- Offer ongoing therapy services for underserved populations, including veterans and minorities, using tailored interventions to support daily functioning and mental health.

Infantryman

United States Marine Corps – March 2001 - April 2016

Honorably retired as Staff Sergeant

- Led operations and comprehensive training programs across five deployments, with over 100 real world combat missions, cultivating in being selected for QRF Platoon Sergeant for the POTUS
- Maintained case files and coordinated care for sexual assault victims, ensuring confidentiality and support.
- Directed detainee operations and monitored detainee behavior in Afghanistan, enhancing security and intelligence gathering.

INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE:

Clinical Therapist I

San Bernardino County Behavioral Health – July 2021 - June 2022

- Supported the Adult Criminal Justice Division with diversion, competency, and screening evaluations for inmate populations.
- Conducted psychological assessments, developed treatment recommendations, and collaborated with attorneys and the courts to support mental health recovery for patients with severe mental illness.

PRACTICUM EXPERIENCE:

Therapist

Southern California Recovery Center – August 2020 - 2021

- Provided therapy for dual-diagnosis patients using CBT, EMDR, and Schema Therapy, with a focus on PTSD and social awareness.
- Conducted biopsychosocial assessments and managed caseloads, facilitating psychoeducational groups and contributing to cultural competence initiatives.

Therapist

Norooz Clinic – August 2019 - July 2020

- Delivered community mental health services, conducting diagnostic assessments and using evidence-based approaches for diverse client issues, including trauma, neurocognitive disorders, and substance abuse.
- Participated in weekly professional development on assessment techniques, enhancing skills in cognitive and dialectical behavioral therapy.

Disability Services Therapist

Vanguard University – August 2018 - 2019

- Conducted comprehensive psychological evaluations and assessments for undergraduate and graduate students referred to disability services, focusing on accommodations and support.
- Completed detailed reports including histories, interviews, and various assessments (e.g., personality, intellectual, cognitive, and neurological) to guide academic and social accommodations.
- Provided targeted recommendations for personal, disability, and family interventions to address students' mental health needs.
- Collaborated with a multidisciplinary team, including physicians, nurses, teachers, and disability services staff, to enhance student well-being and provide integrated support.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

Department of Veteran Affairs, Long Beach, CA

Overlooked: Predictors of Weight Loss in a Behavioral Intervention for Men with Obesity

Dissertation Chair: Gilly Koritzky, Ph.D.

Principal Investigator: Ian Gordan, M.D. Ph.D.

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Presentations:

Latham, J. M., Verone, T., Morales A. C., Ma, C., Gordan I. L., & Koritzky G. (2019, November 3-7). *Overlooked: Predictors of Weight Loss in a Behavioral Intervention for Men with Obesity* [Poster presentation]. The Obesity Society 2019 Convention, Las Vegas, NV, United States.

Latham, J. M., Verone, T., Morales A. C., Ma, C., Gordan I. L., & Koritzky G. (2019, April 4-7). *Overlooked: Predictors of Weight Loss in a Behavioral Intervention for Men with Obesity* California Psychological Association Conference, Long Beach, CA, United States.

Latham, J. M., Verone, T., Morales A. C., Ma, C., Gordan I. L., & Koritzky G. (2020, June 22-26). *Overlooked: Predictors of Weight Loss in a Behavioral Intervention for Men with Obesity* [Online presentation]. Graduate Research Forum, Online, United States.

Publications:

Latham, J. M. (2023). *Transgenerational Resiliency: Unlock the Strength in Your DNA*. Joseph Latham.

Latham, J. M., Berger, S., Verone, T., Morales A. C., Ma, C., Gordan I. L., & Koritzky G. (2022). *Obesity and Weight Loss in Male Veterans*

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