

Curriculum Vitae

Leticia Padilla, PSY 28145

EDUCATION

- **Doctoral of Psychology - Clinical Forensic Psychology** Conferred Jul. 2014
Alliant International University - Los Angeles, CA
- **Master of Arts in Clinical Forensic Psychology** Conferred Dec. 2012
Alliant International University – Los Angeles, CA
- **Clear California Multiple Subject Teaching Credential** Conferred May 2005
California State University at Los Angeles – Los Angeles, CA
- **Master of Arts in Psychology** Conferred Sept. 2002
California State University at Los Angeles – Los Angeles, CA

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

- **Clinical Psychologist II** Aug. 2018 – Present
County of Los Angeles – Department of Health Services – Los Angeles, CA
Responsibilities: As a member of a professional, multidisciplinary team, plan treatment programs and disposition of cases, including identifying treatment outcomes and placing patients in appropriate levels of care depending on their ability to engage in treatment, including defining treatment goals and designing behavior intervention strategies that support recovery and resiliency. Main assignments include assessing and treating adult women incarcerated in the facility across different departments such as the Inmate Reception Center and Correctional Treatment Center – Mental Health Unit / FIP. Expanded my specialty to include adult males incarcerated in multiple jails throughout the county. Have learned various procedures while gaining successful outcomes working in a variety of settings. Developed professional and working relationships with mental health colleagues and administrators that are performing and managing the various tasks with similar policies and procedures. Perform direct service activities including diagnostic evaluations, structured clinical interviews, complete Lanterman-Petris-Short (LPS) Act (LPS) applications, intake assessments, various releases, crisis / on-call emergency response services, and individual therapy. Generate reports of diagnostic and psychological findings and/or treatment recommendations. Able to provide testimony before courts of law on results of psychological evaluations. Obtain and study medical, psychological, social, and family histories by interviewing individuals and reviewing relevant records in connection with the diagnosis and evaluation of clients with psychiatric and co-occurring disorders. Provide consultation with custody and medical providers in the management of psychological and behavioral aspects of medical conditions. Evaluate the client responses to treatment, modify treatment strategies, and include the client as part of the decision-making process. Utilize a variety of treatment modalities such as psychotherapy, behavior modification, and various evidence-based or promising practices such as cognitive-behavioral therapy.

- Senior Psychologist Specialist** Oct. 2014 – July 31, 2018
 Department of State Hospitals (DSH) – Coalinga, CA
Responsibilities: Apply forensic psychological knowledge in treating patients with severe mental, developmental, and substance abuse disorders. As primary clinician responsibilities include identifying treatment needs and designing individualized treatment plans, reporting and assessing individual progress, contributing to making appropriate legal decisions, and acting as primary responder in instances of disruptive and assaultive behavior. Duties include evaluation, assessment, diagnosis, treatment, and case planning to mainly forensic populations. Participate in treatment team, staff, and professional meetings. Work collaboratively with other disciplines and consult with legal experts. With provisional privileges participate in Psychology Clinical Training Committee while supervising interns and unlicensed psychologists. Provide individual and group therapy (i.e., Spanish) to inmates and sexually violent predators (SVP) using various techniques including CBT for psychosis, DBT, motivational interviewing, and behavioral interventions. Participated in DBT Implementation Committee and attended weekly clinical consultation group. Was awarded the Licensed Mental Health Services Provider Education Program (LMHSPEP) in 2016 by the Health Professions Education Foundation and featured in the Board of Psychology's summer 2017 Newsletter. Participate in trainings such as 'Changing Patient Behavior in Dialectical Behavior Therapy.'

Supervisor: *Cory Fulton, Psy.D. - Senior Psychologist Supervisor; Psychology Department Chair*
- Pre-Doctoral Psychology Intern to Senior Clinician** Jul. 2013 – Aug. 2014
 Sovereign Health of California – Culver City, CA
Responsibilities: Offered individual, family, and group therapy utilizing a variety of milieus and treatment techniques to multiethnic patients with addictions and / or mental disorders. Provided holistic clinical services including assessment, therapy, case management, and community referral resources. Provided neuropsychological assessments to ethnically diverse and severely mentally ill patients. Conducted, designed, and justified diagnostic batteries and responded to specific referral questions. Afforded patients' other clinical services such as clinical record keeping, medical, pharmacotherapy, and report writing. Consulted regularly with patients' treatment team including psychiatrists, primary care providers, and nutritionists. Received on-going training including weekly on-call telephone service, DSM-5, clinical procedures, and neuropsychological assessment literature updates.
 Total Hours: 2,021 +
 Supervisor: *Bobbie Carlson, Ph.D. – Director of Training*
- Practicum Externship** Sept. 2012 – Jun. 2014
 Augustus F. Hawkins Family Mental Health – Los Angeles, CA
Responsibilities: Provided neuropsychological and psychological assessments (in English and Spanish) to the public with ethnically diverse and severely mentally ill patients. Gained training in evidence based assessment interventions and AFH-FMHC trauma focused recovery model. Translated sessions between Spanish speaking patients and mental health clinicians in triage department. Designed and justified psychodiagnostic batteries and responded to specific referral questions. Selected, administered, and interpreted standard neuropsychological and psychological assessment instruments. Gained experiences understanding cultural and socioeconomic variables in assessment and diagnostic interviewing.
 Total Hours: (754+) - Volunteered for 1 year post-externship
 Supervisor: *Paul G. Longobardi, Ph.D. – Lecturer; Senior Community Mental Health Psychologist*
- Practicum Counselor** Sept. 2011 – Aug. 2012
 Aegis Medical Systems, Inc. – Pomona, CA
Responsibilities: Utilized a holistic approach and provided outpatient treatment services to the male and female adult patients from multiethnic and majority backgrounds. Provided case management, social

work, and counseling services. Updated patients' quarterly treatment plans, identified treatment needs and designed individualized treatment plans, and reported and assessed progress. Provided patients weekly therapeutic services.

Total Hours: 831.5

Supervisor: *Valla Walker, Psy.D. – Clinical Psychologist*

- ***Psychological Assistant*** Sept. 2011 – Mar. 2012
Paladin Eastside Psychological Services, Inc. – Montebello, CA
Responsibilities: Offered trauma focused therapy to victims of crimes clients including individuals, families, and foster children. Provided therapy to children with disorders such as ADHD, depression, or behavioral and oppositional problems. Conducted intake interviews and prepared treatment plans.
Total Hours: 360 (6 mo.)
Supervisor: *Jorge Zamora, Psy.D. – Clinical Psychologist*

CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

- ***Western Psychological Association (WPA) Conference, Irvine, CA*** Apr. 2002
Responsibilities: Presented study findings of classroom environment effects on the academic motivation of at-risk college students.
- ***Tenth Annual CSLA Symposium, Los Angeles, CA*** Mar. 2002
Responsibilities: Conducted presentations on study findings on quality of high schools related to academic motivation.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- ***Independent Teacher Contract Consultant*** Sept. 2005 – Jun. 2014
Los Angeles County Office of Education - Downey, CA
Responsibilities: Taught, evaluated, and implemented educational objectives using STAR computer software. Provided one-on-one and small group instruction to females on probation.
- ***Psychology Instructor*** Sept. 2002 – Sept. 2009
Los Angeles Trade Tech College – Los Angeles, CA
Responsibilities: Taught General Psychology to college students. Methods of student evaluation included multiple choice and short essay exams, problem solving exercises, and research assignments.
- ***Kinder, First, and Second Grade Teacher*** Sept. 2005- June 2010
Los Angeles Unified School District - Los Angeles, CA
Responsibilities: Responsible for teaching students the educational curriculum. Implemented Open Court Reading, Harcourt Mathematics, and Into English instruction. Collaborated with teachers, parents, students, and the community in carrying out job functions and meeting individual student needs. Participated in professional development activities / in-service trainings such as Classroom Management, weekly faculty meetings, and conferences (learning styles, etc.). Involved in various school committees (i.e., Social Committee, School Site Council, Safety Committee, UTLA Chapter Chair, and Discipline Committee). Assisted with the coordination and organization of the Learning Center.

RESEARCH

- ***Dissertation*** Aug. 2011- Jan. 2014
California School of Forensic Studies – Los Angeles, CA
Project: Designed independent research study that examines sub-clinical psychopathy scores, measurement of social protective factors, and earned penalties and sanctions. Adult participants were recruited from the Qualtrics Survey program using a nationwide sample from the United States. Conducted data analysis, results and discussion, and defended and published.

AFFILIATIONS/AWARDS

- Unit 25 Super Star***, Recipient for exemplary service to DSH-C 2017
- Licensed Mental Health Services Provider Education Program (LMHSPEP)***, 2016; 2019
Recipient of the Health Professions Education Foundation and featured in the Board of Psychology's summer 2017 Newsletter.
- Psi Chi***, The International Honor Society in Psychology 2000, 2013
Alliant International University at Los Angeles and CSULA
- Advocacy Committee***, Member 2013
Alliant International University at Los Angeles
- California Psychological Association***, Student Member 2011
- Golden Key National Honor Society*** 2001
California State University at Los Angeles

CERTIFICATIONS

- Spanish Language Proficiency*** 2014
Los Angeles County Department of Human Resources

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