

# STEPHAN M. CARLSON, MD, MBA, FAPA

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## QUALIFICATIONS AT A GLANCE

- ABPN board-certified in Psychiatry and Forensic Psychiatry; Diplomate of the American Board of Adolescent Psychiatry.
- Director, Comprehensive Psychiatric Emergency Program at One Brooklyn Health.
- Editor-in-Chief, Adolescent Psychiatry; Assistant Professor, SUNY Downstate College of Medicine.
- Forensic psychiatric analysis grounded in active clinical practice, record review, and explicit reasoning tied to legal standards.

## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

- Board-certified psychiatrist with over 17 years of clinical and forensic experience, specializing in forensic psychiatry, emergency psychiatry, and adolescent and young adult mental health.
- ABPN board-certified in Psychiatry and Forensic Psychiatry, with Diplomate status through the American Board of Adolescent Psychiatry.
- Forensic expert providing independent psychiatric evaluations and testimony in civil, criminal, family court, and administrative matters.
- Director of a Comprehensive Psychiatric Emergency Program at One Brooklyn Health, maintaining active clinical practice that informs forensic opinions with current diagnostic standards and acute-care expertise.
- Assistant Professor at SUNY Downstate College of Medicine, Editor-in-Chief of the peer-reviewed journal Adolescent Psychiatry, and Past President of the American Society for Adolescent Psychiatry.
- Combines clinical psychiatry, forensic methodology, and organizational systems thinking to provide clear, methodologically sound, and defensible expert opinions.

## LICENSURE & CERTIFICATIONS

- Board Certification, Forensic Psychiatry | American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology
- Board Certification, Psychiatry | American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology
- Diplomate | American Board of Adolescent Psychiatry
- Medical License: New York State | Active

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### ONE BROOKLYN HEALTH SYSTEM | Brooklyn, NY

#### Director, Comprehensive Psychiatric Emergency Program (CPEP) | 2015 - Present

- Oversee clinical and administrative operations of a high-volume psychiatric emergency service, including evaluation, crisis intervention, and disposition.
- Lead a multidisciplinary team of psychiatrists, nurses, social workers, and support staff to provide patient care and maintain regulatory compliance.
- Develop and implement protocols for risk assessment, suicide prevention, and management of psychiatric emergencies.

#### Director, Medical Education & Faculty Development | 2015 - Present

- Design and support educational curricula for medical students, residents, and fellows.
- Lead faculty development initiatives, including mentorship, teaching-skills development, and continuing medical education activities.

## FORENSIC PSYCHIATRY EXPERTISE

### Criminal Matters

- Competency to stand trial and criminal responsibility.
- Mental state at the time of the offense, including psychosis, substance use, and cognitive impairment questions.
- Violence and recidivism risk assessment; sentencing mitigation and treatment planning.

### Civil & Administrative Matters

- Psychiatric standard of care and malpractice; psychiatric damages and emotional distress claims.
- Wrongful death evaluations; fitness for duty and workplace accommodation; discrimination and retaliation claims.
- Testamentary capacity and undue influence.

## **Family, Youth & Immigration**

- Child custody and parenting capacity evaluations; juvenile competency and transfer hearings.
- Trauma and impact evaluations involving children, adolescents, and young adults.
- Immigration evaluations involving asylum, hardship, persecution, and trauma.

## **Correctional & Regulatory**

- Correctional psychiatry standards, including suicide prevention and withdrawal management.
- Justice Center abuse and neglect investigations; professional licensure and regulatory proceedings involving psychiatric fitness to practice.

## **EXPERT TESTIMONY EXPERIENCE**

- Independent forensic psychiatric evaluations and expert testimony in federal and state courts, including civil, criminal, family court, and administrative proceedings.
- Experience with matters requiring specialized forensic psychiatric expertise under Daubert, Frye, and Rule 702 frameworks.

## **Representative Case Types (Confidential)**

- Competency to stand trial evaluations in complex felony prosecutions.
- Criminal responsibility assessments involving homicide, violent crime, psychosis, substance use, and cognitive impairment.
- Standard of care evaluations in psychiatric malpractice and wrongful death litigation.
- Psychiatric damages assessments in personal injury, employment discrimination, and emotional distress claims.
- Juvenile competency, transfer hearings, custody evaluations, and school-based liability matters.
- Fitness-for-duty, ADA accommodation, professional licensure, asylum, hardship, and VAWA-related evaluations.

## **METHODOLOGY & APPROACH**

- Comprehensive clinical interviews and mental status examinations when clinically and legally appropriate.
- Detailed collateral record review, including medical records, depositions, witness statements, police reports, and treatment records.
- Validated assessment instruments incorporated where appropriate for the referral question and available data.
- Independent analysis with explicit reasoning linking clinical findings to relevant legal standards.
- Written reports informed by AAPL ethics guidance and applicable evidentiary standards.

## **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

- Assistant Professor of Psychiatry | SUNY Downstate College of Medicine | 2020 - Present
- Associate Professor | Ross University School of Medicine | 2014 - Present
- Assistant Professor of Psychiatry | New York Medical College | 2014 - 2022
- Assistant Professor | Hofstra Northwell School of Medicine | 2012 - 2016
- Assistant Professor | LSU Health Sciences Center | 2009

## **EDUCATION & TRAINING**

- Executive MBA | Quantic School of Business and Technology | 2022
- Forensic Psychiatry Fellowship | Columbia University / NY State Psychiatric Institute | 2007 - 2008
- Psychiatry Residency | Vanderbilt University Medical Center | 2004 - 2007
- Doctor of Medicine (MD) | LSU Health Sciences Center, New Orleans | 2001
- Bachelor of Arts, Biology & Humanistic Studies (Phi Beta Kappa) | Johns Hopkins University | 1997

## **LEADERSHIP & PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

### **Editorial Leadership**

- Editor-in-Chief | Adolescent Psychiatry (Bentham Science) | 2021 - Present
- Publications Board Member | Group for the Advancement of Psychiatry (GAP) | 2021 - Present

### **Professional Societies**

- Past President & CME Chair | American Society for Adolescent Psychiatry
- Executive Council | Brooklyn Psychiatric Society
- Fellow | American Psychiatric Association
- Member | American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law
- Member | American Society of Addiction Medicine
- Member | COPE (Committee on Publication Ethics) | 5+ years

### **Previous Leadership Roles**

- Deputy Director, Ambulatory Behavioral Health | Elmhurst Hospital | 2013 - 2014
- Medical Director, Addiction Psychiatry Services | Staten Island University Hospital | 2010 - 2013
- Medical Director, Geriatric Psychiatry | Seaside Behavioral Center | 2010 - 2011
- Medical Director | New Orleans Narcotic Treatment Clinic | 2009 - 2010

### **HONORS & AWARDS**

- Staples Award | American Society for Adolescent Psychiatry | 2023
- Laretta Bender Honored Lecturer | NYCCC Advisory Council | 2018
- Best Research Mentor & Teacher of the Year | Brookdale University Hospital | 2016, 2017
- First Place, Best Insanity Defense Forensic Report | Columbia/NYU/Einstein Programs | 2008

### **INDUSTRY RELATIONSHIPS & DISCLOSURES**

- Bristol Myers Squibb (2025-2026): Promotional education for COBENFY
- Johnson & Johnson (2021-2025): Promotional education for Invega Sustenna, Invega Trinza, Invega Hafyera
- Alkermes (2021-2024): Promotional education on LAI antipsychotics, including ARISTADA and LYBALVI