Announcements

New Appointments:
December 2015
Kathleen McCoy, PhD – Lecturer. Dr. McCoy will be teaching a 10-week course in Lifespan Developmental Psychology to PhD students. Dr. McCoy is a Social Science Research Analyst for Business Strategies Consulting. She has worked in the Department in the past as a Co-Instructor.

Kathy Zebracki, PhD – Adjunct Assistant Professor. Dr. Zebracki will be collaborating on various research projects in the Department. Dr. Zebracki is a Clinical Associate Professor in the Department of Psychology at Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science. Dr. Zebracki is also the Director of Psychology, Associate Investigator on the Scientific Staff, and Clinical Psychologist at Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Clinical News

Garrett Raubolt LCSW – Garrett is a new LCSW who will work on the Integrated Behavioral Health project with Dr. Jeffrey Rado and physicians/staff in the GIM clinic. He is joining us from the Illinois Mental Health Collaborative for Access & Choice, where he was responsible for clinical decisions related to initial and continued eligibility for ICG services, coordination of care, and determination of the appropriate level of care for consumers, using established criteria, guidelines and policies.

Amy Rust APN, PMHNP-BC, MSN – Amy will join the NMG Psychiatry outpatient practice at the end of the month and will see patients at the Arkes Clinic site. She joins us from Rush University Medical Center and has a strong interest in women’s mental health and TMS services.

Arshia Wajid, MBA, MPH has joined the NMG Psychiatry Clinic as our new practice manager. In her role Arshia will partner with faculty and staff in our continued efforts to deliver an exceptional experience for all clinic patients. Arshia joins Northwestern Medicine from Huron Consulting Group where she worked with numerous health systems on workforce optimization. Prior to being a consultant, Arshia spent six years at Northwestern Medicine in various project management roles.

Education News

Congratulations to all of our PhD students who presented at the Association for Cognitive and Behavioral Therapies in November, including: Alyse Bedell, Megan Connolly, John Fleming, Nicole Hayes, Kallio Hunnicutt-Ferguson, Laina Rosebrock, Lindsey Sankin, Maureen Satyshur, Noel C. Slesinger, Faith Summersett-Ringgold, & Elizabeth Torgersen.

Colleen Stiles-Shields (4th year PhD student, Mohr Lab) received the prestigious Outstanding Student Researcher Award from the Society for the Science of Clinical Psychology.

Rebecca Mullen (3rd year PhD student, Wolf Lab) won the Best Science Prize at the Health Literacy Research Conference.
Presentations and Conferences

Evelyn Perkins and Joan Anzia, MD were panel presenters at Patient Safety Grand Rounds October 19, 2015. Gary Noskin stated that “[the evaluations were] spectacular and our highest individual scores ever!”

Invited talk:
Lei Wang, PhD- Long-term Effects of Perinatally-Acquired HIV on the Subcortical Shape of the Adolescent Brain. PHACS 2015 Fall Network Meeting (Bethesda, MD – 10/29/2015)

Publications


Grants and Awards

C. Paula de los Angeles was awarded a Young Investigator Award by the International Antiviral Society-USA for the 2016 Conference on Retroviruses and Opportunistic Infections (CROI). Paula will present her research on perinatally-acquired HIV infection on the adolescent brain at CROI. CROI is the preeminent HIV research meeting in the world and attracts more than 4,000 HIV/AIDS research leaders internationally. Paula is a fourth year MSTP student in Lei Wang’s lab.
C. Hendricks Brown, PhD participated in:
“Identifying Opportunities for Prevention & Intervention In the Youth Depression Cascade” A joint webinar presented by the American Academy of Pediatrics and The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine. This webinar explored using the continuum of care model to effectively track and increase the proportion of youth at risk for Major Depressive Episodes (MDE) who receive prevention interventions, and to track the youth currently experiencing MDE who are linked to care and show symptom remission.

**INTRODUCTION** by C. Hendricks Brown Northwestern University

**SPEAKERS** included Alain Joffe Johns Hopkins University on Identification, Prevention, and Treatment of Adolescent Depression in Primary Care; R. Eric Lewandowski, New York University on Management of Adolescent Depression in Health Systems; Tatiana Perrino University of Miami on Identifying Opportunities for Prevention and Intervention in the Youth Depression Cascade: A Focus on Prevention

**SUMMARY** Vera Frances “Fan” Tait American Academy of Pediatrics

The 2nd Biennial Perinatal Mental Health Conference, Nov 4 – 6, 2015 was a great success, with over 350 attending from many different countries. For those who did not attend, the program can be found at http://www.perinatalmentalhealth.com/program.html. A special thanks to the sponsors Northwestern University, Feinberg School of Medicine, Northwestern Medical Group, The Marcé International Society for Perinatal Mental Health and the Seleni Institute. Dates for the 2017 conference will be Nov 7 – 10 and will be held at Northwestern Memorial Hospital, Feinberg Pavilion, 251 E. Huron, Chicago, IL.

We are still running a contest to name our newsletter! The link to submit your name is [http://goo.gl/forms/1XOTpfUO4U](http://goo.gl/forms/1XOTpfUO4U). Our newsletter will have a new name by 2016. We look forward to hearing everyone’s recommendations. Submit as many names as you want!