Announcements

Lisa Berghorst, PhD – Lecturer: Dr. Berghorst is a Clinical Psychologist and Managing Director for the Cognitive Behavioral Growth, LLC. She will be teaching a Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT) course in the Clinical Psychology Doctoral program, and may participate in other courses in the with the doctoral program in the future.

Tracy Binius, MD – Health System Clinician: Dr. Binius works as a psychiatrist in Psychosomatic Medicine at CDH. She will get involved in educational programs with the Department.

Ellen Markus, MD – Health System Clinician: Dr. Markus works as a psychiatrist in her private practice on campus. She will supervise residents and participate in other educational programs in the Department.

Ashok Nagella, MD – Health System Clinician: Dr. Nagella works as a psychiatrist at the collaborative care program at Erie Family Health FQHC. He will work with residents as part of the new integrated care rotation.

Pavan Prasad, MD – Health System Clinician: Dr. Prasad is the Executive Director at Clarity Clinic on campus, and will collaborate with the Department’s protocols by referring patients, and will provide other contributions to the educational and research programs in the Department.

Education

PGY2 Ronke Pederson was chosen as an APA Diversity Leadership Fellow for 2017-2019.

PGY2 Elizabeth Ryznar was chosen as an APA Leadership Fellow for 2017-2019.

PGY3 Chandon Khandai was elected President of the APA Leadership Fellows, a group of 20 psychiatry residents from around the U.S. who are chosen for a 2 year fellowship in leadership sponsored by the APA.

Twelve psychiatry residents travelled to Springfield March 2017 for Advocacy Day sponsored by the Illinois Psychiatric Society.

PGY4 Amy Curtis presented her work in poster format, along with faculty member Suena Massey MD, at the Lewis Landsberg Research Day, and the poster won third place in the Public Health and Social Sciences division. The title of the poster was, “Social information processing ability and change in cigarette smoking during pregnancy: Testing a novel social-cognitive-affiliative model of health behavior change”.

Womens Mental Health Fellow Lisette Rodriguez-Cabezas co-presented a workshop at AADPRT on culture in residency training.
Presentations and Conferences

Joan Anzia, M.D. gave a plenary presentation at the annual AADPRT meeting entitled “Assessment of Fatigue and Distress in Residents”. Dr. Anzia also presented three workshops at AADPRT. She also delivered a plenary presentation at the ABPN (American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology) Crucial Issues Forum on Physician Wellness on April 10th.

Burnett-Zeigler, I. presented Expanding the Scope of Mindfulness: Examining the acceptability, feasibility and effectiveness of a mindfulness intervention for depressed women in a Federally Qualified Health Center, Women’s Health Research Initiative, Northwestern University, February 20, 2017

R. Brett Lloyd, MD/PhD was a co-presenter for the following workshop at the AADPRT meeting in March of 2017: So You Developed a Great Course, Now What? How (and why) to Create a Model Curriculum. American Association of Directors of Psychiatry Residency Training Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, March 10, 2017.

Nielsen, A. gave a workshop, “A Roadmap for Couple Therapy” at the International Family Therapy Association’s World Congress in Malaga, Spain, 3/16/17.


Perkins, E. podium and panel presentations at the 42nd March of Dimes Conference, Lombard, IL; “Community and Family Violence.”

Michael J. Schrift, DO, MA was the Chair and Moderator of the Clinical Platform Presentations held at the annual meeting of the American Neuropsychiatric Association held in Atlanta, GA on March 9, 2017.


Publications


Burnett-Zeigler, I. Eliminating mental health coverage will create a crisis for millions, Think Progress, February 9, 2017.


Publications, continued


J.D. Smith served as Guest Editor of a special section published this month in the Journal of Personality Assessment titled, "Teaching, Training, and Supervision in Personality and Psychological Assessment." He penned an introduction to the section and also contributed an empirical article (citations below). The section contains 7 articles and 2 comments. The comments were provided by Drs. Elena Eisman and Katherine Nordal of the American Psychological Association Practice Organization (APAPO) and by Drs. Nadine Kaslow and Glenn Egan from the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at Emory University School of Medicine and concern the implications of the articles in the special section for health services psychology and competencies in clinical psychology, respectively.


Grants and Awards

Benbow, Nanette (PI): Gilead Sciences, Inc. via the University of Chicago; Title: Expanded Testing and Linkage to Care (XTLC).

Brown, Hendricks (PI): NIDA via the University of Miami; Title: Evaluating the Effectiveness of an eHealth EBI for Latino Youth in Primary Care.

John Franklin, MD, professor of psychiatry, was inducted this month into the Alpha Omega Alpha (AOA) honorary medical society.

Meriden, Zina (PI); ACADIA Pharmaceuticals Inc.; Title: A Phase 3, Randomized, Double-Blind, Placebo-Controlled Study to Evaluate the Efficacy and Safety of Adjunctive Pimavanserin for the Treatment of Schizophrenia.

Teplin, Linda (PI); National Institute of Justice; Title: Firearm Involvement in Delinquent Youth and Collateral Consequences in Young Adulthood: A Prospective Longitudinal Study.

Katherine Wisner, MD Norman and Helen Asher Professor of Psychiatry and Ob/gyn, has been awarded the American Psychiatric Association’s 2017 Award for Research in Psychiatry, for her contributions to perinatal psychiatry. This is one of APA’s most prestigious awards and comes with an award of $5000 along with the award lecture. First awarded in 1949 as the Hofheimer Prize, the Award for Research in Psychiatry recognizes a single distinguished contribution, a body of work, or a lifetime contribution that has had a major impact on the field and/or altered the practice of psychiatry.
Other News

Linda A. Teplin, PhD was appointed to serve on the National Academy of Science’s Standing Committee on Law and Justice.

Ce-PIM researchers successfully conducted the first of a series of workshops on the basics of Implementation Science this past December. The workshop was led by Dr. C. Hendricks Brown, Dr. J.D. Smith, Nanette Benbow and Juan Villamar and was well attended both in person and online via webcast. The webinar recording and slides can be accessed and downloaded here: https://goo.gl/lL4kQY, or you can watch the video stream on Vimeo here: https://vimeo.com/198863105.

The Prevention Science and Methodology Group (PSMG) continues its 20-year history of weekly “virtual” grand rounds presentations this spring with three mini-series. Dr. Wouter Vermeer just concluded organizing a section on complexity models, kicked off by Dr. Uri Wilensky on agent-based modeling. March 14th we are shifting gears into a three-part series on intensive longitudinal data headed up by Dr. Bengt Muthen of UCLA. Dr. Booil Jo of Stanford University will round out the year by organizing a series of six presentations on personalized medicine. Presentations occur on Tuesdays throughout the semester from 12 to 1:30pm CT. To join PSMG and receive an invitation to our virtual grand rounds, please email PSMG@northwestern.edu. PSMG is free to join! Please feel free to pass the schedule along to colleagues, we just ask that members not share presentation materials without the express permission of the author.


If you would like to submit an item or photo to the newsletter, please email Rachel Rodriguez at rrodrig3@nm.org for information.
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