# CONNIE JACOCKS, PHD, ABPP

### **CURRICULUM VITAE**

### **DEMOGRAPHIC AND PERSONAL INFORMATION**

**Current Appointments** 

March 2015- present Board Certified Clinical Neuropsychologist, Owner

Vista Neuropsychology, LLC

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March 2015- November 2020 Clinical Neuropsychologist

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**Professional Experience** 

October 2013- March 2015 Assistant Professor

Division of Rehabilitation Psychology and Neuropsychology

Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine 600 N. Wolfe Street, Phipps, Room 174

Baltimore, Maryland 21287

**Education and Training** 

2011-2013 Post-doctoral Fellowship, Neuropsychology

Division of Rehabilitation Psychology and Neuropsychology

Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation

Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore, MD

APPCN Member Program

2010-2011 Pre-doctoral Internship, Adult Neuropsychology

Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Neuroscience

University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

APA Accredited

2011 Doctor of Philosophy, Clinical Psychology

University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL

APA Accredited

2008 Master of Science, Clinical Psychology

University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL

2004 Bachelor of Science, Psychology

The Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL













#### Certification

American Board of Professional Psychology- Clinical Neuropsychology- Diploma #8564 State of Colorado, Licensed Psychologist- PSY0004215

#### **CLINICAL ACTIVITIES**

### Clinical Service Responsibilities (current and former)

Craig Hospital

March 2015- present

- Clinical Responsibilities:
  - Attending clinical psychologist specializing in neuropsychology and rehabilitation psychology including
    assessment and intervention services, 100% clinical effort. Broad-based neurologic practice including individuals
    with traumatic brain and spinal cord injuries. Current position is within the interdisciplinary Craig hospital
    outpatient program.
  - Patient population includes individuals across the developmental spectrum from older adolescents to elderly, and from a variety of socioeconomic backgrounds. Typically, patients are admitted to Craig Hospital from one to four weeks post injury, and depending on injury severity, remain in the inpatient program for two to three months, prior to discharge to outpatient program.
  - O Working within an interdisciplinary team, both brief neurocognitive testing and comprehensive neuropsychological evaluation are utilized to inform treatment approach, monitor (often evolving) cognitive status, and provide recommendations for discharge planning and community return. Goals of therapy intervention include providing patient education, cognitive rehabilitation (compensatory strategies), and health behavior intervention, in order to promote engagement in- and benefit from- rehabilitation therapies, maximize daily function and management of psychosocial stressors related to TBI/SCI, and facilitate community reintegration. Outpatient psychological services are also provided on an as-needed basis to current and former Craig patients and may include both assessment and intervention.
- Clinical Instruction/Training Program:
  - Supervise and train psychology externs. This includes weekly group supervision, and weekly neuroanatomy didactic series. Serve as minor or major rotation supervisor, introducing externs to clinical practice, facilitating their professional and personal growth, and providing additional guidance towards attainment of clinical degrees.

### **EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES**

#### **Translational Research**

2017-2019

Craig H. Neilsen Grant-Improving Patient Engagement in Self-Management of SCI/D by Improving Provider Motivational Interviewing Skills.

With multi-year grant funding, created the Rehabilitation Engagement Collaborative (REC) in a partnership with Johns Hopkins School of Medicine. The mission of the REC is to assist rehabilitation professionals in delivering patient and family-centered care and promoting a collaborative rehabilitation culture using motivational interviewing (MI) and relationship building skills. Wrote, co-directed, and filmed multiple video vignettes of MI skills in rehab settings, now available on <a href="https://www.rehabilitationengagementcollaborative.org">www.rehabilitationengagementcollaborative.org</a>.

### **Teaching**

2015-present

Rehabilitation Psychology and Neuropsychology Extern Didactic Series

Co-leader in providing didactic experiences to visiting externs. Topics include structural brain anatomy, the cerebrovascular system, traumatic and acquired brain injury, spinal cord injury, and professional issues (e.g., capacity for decision-making).

#### PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

**Publications: Peer-reviewed Original Science Research** 

- Butt, L., Jacocks, C., Castillo, R., Staguhn, E., Schechter, N., and Wegener, S. (2020, Under Review). Evaluation of an online motivational interviewing training program for rehabilitation professionals: A pilot study. *Clinical Rehabilitation*.
- Levin BE, Katzen HL, Maudsley A, Post J, Myerson C, Govind V, Nahab F, Scanlon B, Mittel A. (2014). Whole-brain proton MR spectroscopic imaging in Parkinson's Disease. *J Neuroimaging*, 24: 39–44.
- Katzen, H.L., Myerson, C.E.\*, Papapetropoulos, S., Ledon, J., Nahab, F.B., Gallo, B.V., et al. (2010). Multi-modal hallucinations and cognitive function in Parkinson's disease. *Dementia and Geriatric Cognitive Disorders*, 30:51-56.

#### **National or International Conference Presentations**

- Jacocks, C., Schechter, N., Butt, L., & Wegener, S. (2019, September). *Motivational Interviewing to Overcome Common Challenges in SCI Rehabilitation*. Presented at the annual conference of the Academy of Spinal Cord Injury Professionals, Nashville, TN.
- Butt, L., Jacocks, C., Schechter, N., & Wegener, S. (2018, September). Motivational Interviewing Resources for Rehabilitation Professionals. Presented at the annual conference of the Academy of Spinal Cord Injury Professionals, New Orleans, LA.
- Butt, L., **Jacocks, C.,** Schechter, N., & Wegener, S. (2017, June). *Putting Motivational Interviewing into Practice: A Workshop in Patient Engagement Skills*. Presented at the annual conference of the Academy of Spinal Cord Injury Professionals, Denver, Colorado.

#### **Educational Publications**

### **Book Chapters**

Jacocks, C.M. (2017) Fatigue. In Budd, M.A., Hough, S., Wegener, S.T., & Stiers, W. (Eds.) *Practical Psychology in Medical Rehabilitation*. Springer, 2016.

#### **Funding Activity**

- Investigator, Craig H. Neilsen Grant (2017-2019) involving the utilization of Patient Engagement/Motivational Interviewing skills within interdisciplinary SCI professionals
- Recipient of Craig Hospital 2017 Seiden Grant to support patient engagement motivational interviewing initiative.

### ORGANIZATIONAL ACTIVITIES

#### **Professional Societies**

American Academy of Clinical Neuropsychology (AACN) American Board of Professional Psychology (ABPP) American Psychological Association (APA)

- Division 40- Neuropsychology
- Division 22- Rehabilitation Psychology

Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado (BIAC) Colorado Neuropsychological Society (CNS)

## RECOGNITION

2015

Johns Hopkins Medicine, Award for Excellence in Psychology Teaching and Supervision- Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation. Recognizes "high level of commitment, dedication, and excellence in the teaching and supervision of psychology fellows and graduate students."