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Introduction:

The Military Suicide Research Consortium’s (MSRC) continued goal (as stated in the initial report) is suicide prevention in the military, through research, including on primary, secondary, and tertiary interventions, as well as through information management/scientific communications (cataloguing and disseminating knowledge on military suicide). Specifically, suicidal personnel compromise force readiness, place a strain on the healthcare resources of the military, impact unit morale, and take a large emotional toll on the involved friends, family, and commanders. As noted, these points still have not changed and continue to direct how MSRC progresses in its mission. The stigma associated with being suicidal, which limits the extent to which at-risk individuals are willing to seek help, is still present. As MSRC progresses in the development of its tools, it has established a go-to resource for decision-makers to obtain accurate and efficient answers regarding suicidal behavior, again with an emphasis on the military perspective. MSRC continues with and has not changed its design, to facilitate information management/scientific communications for the DoD and to maximize research efforts at understanding and improving suicide risk screening and assessment, interventions, and population-level prevention programs. Now beyond the early stages, the programs and projects conducted by the Consortium continue to provide significant assistance to those involved and continue to ensure that information management/scientific communications occur seamlessly, and that screening and assessment, intervention, and prevention efforts are based on the best possible scientific evidence, specific to military personnel. As will be conveyed in the following sections MSRC and its associates have increased their level of involvement and dissemination of information. (Note the updates on studies, outcomes, publications, conferences, white papers and other activities.) MSRC continues to receive acknowledgement for its work and its contributions have been noted by many senior level positions. MSRC has stayed true to its goal: expanding knowledge, understanding, and capacity to prevent, treat, and enhance the quality of life of persons in military communities who are affected by suicide-related problems. These basic statements seem duplicative from previous years but it enforces the adherence to the initial purpose for MSRC.

The Consortium's overall mission has not changed and continues to be summarized as follows; again, with each function developed to have clear military relevance:

1. Produce new scientific knowledge about suicidal behavior in the military that will improve mental health outcomes for our men and women in uniform.

2. Use high quality research methods and analyses to address problems in policy and practice that will have a direct impact on suicide-related and other mental health outcomes for military personnel.

3. Disseminate Consortium knowledge, information, and findings through a variety of methods appropriate for decision makers, practitioners, and others who are accountable for ensuring the mental health of military personnel. This will include a rapid response function so that queries from decision makers and others to the Consortium will be answered with speed and efficiency. Technical assistance and support for decision makers and others is an integral aspect of this Consortium function. This aspect of the Consortium will warehouse knowledge about suicidal
behavior in general (e.g., from civilian and international sources as well as from military sources), so that military issues can be informed in a comprehensive manner.

4. Train future leaders in military suicide research through experience within a multi-disciplinary setting for Ph.D. students and postdoctoral scholars interested in research questions on military suicide of both a basic and applied nature.

Once again, the inter-relations and flow of information between the Cores and the research program continues to be an important component of the Consortium. The Executive Management Core (Core A) continues to be involved with all other Cores and the research program, to exert vision, oversight, leadership and quality control over them including the external advisory board, public relations, training, and the operation of all other Cores and the intramural and extramural research programs. In its capacity as knowledge warehouse/communication center, the Information Management/Scientific Communications Core (Core B) receives data and materials from all elements of the Consortium, and continues to generate information to military decision makers and others. All this is handled in an efficient and rapid manner. The MIRECC site PI continues to provide additional administrative oversight. The Database Management/Statistical Core (Core C) continues to be a very important asset to the Consortium, since it still provides world-class data management and analysis infrastructure and consulting. The intramural and extramural research programs are still focusing on doing cutting-edge empirical studies and continue to further the knowledge base on topics such as risk assessment, treatment, and prevention, all as pertain to suicidal behavior in the military.

Body:

Statement of Work

Task 1. Project Start-up (months 1-3)
   1a. Create infrastructure for all Cores (month 1)
      • This task is fully in place and functioning.
   1b. Hire and train staff (month 2)
      • All Cores are fully staffed and progressing.
   1c. Core C conduct first comprehensive literature review (month 3)
      • This task was completed on schedule.

Task 2. Plan research projects (months 4-9)
   2a. Establish intramural research priorities in consultation with External Advisory Board (month 4)
      • The initial priorities were established in conjunction with the Military External Advisory Board (MEAB).
      • The MEAB and Core A met with additional potential research teams and selections were made.
   2b. Assemble research teams (months 5-6)
      • The research teams have been selected.
   2c. Continue creation of Core B infrastructure (months 4-9)
      • The infrastructure is developed and functioning.
      • Continue to work with Mendeley and Citagora, and at no additional cost.
• Continue to maintain two websites. The MSRC site (msrc.fsu.edu) continues to be for general user information, public interaction and for overall updates. The dashboard site (msrc.idiginfo.org) is for repository research, technical review and related functions.
• Build tools for finding publications by topic and displaying relevant paragraphs.
• Develop controlled vocabulary for analyzing research publications. Such as extracting vocabulary from core papers, analyzing that vocabulary to group words by topic. These topics are used to enhance discovery of documents in the bibliography. Each document in the bibliography is indexed by these words.
• Developed tools for extracting text from PDF documents. Developed XtractPDF, which combines automatic text extraction with human curation to create full text documents.
• Conduct research in semantic enhancements - deployed the Biotea tool for annotating and displaying rich information from the full text of 300,000 documents from the Pubmed Central document store. This allows users to search the documents using standard biomedical vocabularies and read the matching documents by relevant paragraphs.
• Publication of research reports and presentations at professional conferences, such as the Extended Semantic Web Conference.
• Continue to provide materials to the military resources via the MSRC website.
• Increased the available documents in the bibliographical digital repository to over 8,000 items.

2d. Core C review protocols to ensure proper military relevance (month 9)
• Core C is fully operational.

Task 3. Implement intramural research projects (months 10-12)
  3a. Preliminary study information submitted to core B (month 12)
• The preliminary study information was submitted to Core B an added to the Consortium's website.

Task 4. Initial Consortium review by External Advisory Board (month 12)
• The Military External Advisory Board completed their reviews on a timely manner.
• Core A reviewed the progress of the Consortium with their senior advisors.

Task 5. Preparing year one quarterly reports (months 3, 6, 9, 12)
• These tasks were fully completed on time.

Task 6. Continue intramural research projects (months 13-24)
• MEAB completed their reviews of presented research projects and provided their recommendations for funding.
• Both sites (FSU and MIRECC) have their complete set of approved and funded research projects. (FSU has eight and MIRECC has twelve.)
• LOI/proposals are still being accepted – with the notice that the current funds have been allocated.
• See sub-section “FSU Funded Projects” under “Key Research Accomplishments” for a more detailed update on the FSU studies underway.

Task 7. Establish pre-doctoral and postdoctoral training experiences at FSU and MIRECC (month 24)
• Pre-doctoral and post-doctoral training experiences are in-place and fully operational.
• Graduate students have received awards, stipends and recognitions for their contributions and research results.
• A pre-conference training program geared for graduate students was held in conjunction with the AAS annual conference. It was a full day event.
• See the sub-section “Pre-doctoral and postdoctoral training experiences at FSU and Denver” under the “Reportable Outcomes” section for more details.

Task 8. **Consortium review by External Advisory Board** (month 24)

Task 9. **Preparing year two quarterly reports** (months 15, 18, 21, 24)
  • The 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th quarter reports were prepared and distributed on time.

Task 10. **Establish extramural research priorities** (months 25-36)
  • 10a. The requests for proposals were published.
  • 10b. Five additional projects were selected to be funded by FSU.
  • 10c. The projects received their contracts and have initiated their tasks.

Task 11. **Consortium review by External Advisory Board** (month 36)
  • A meeting was held in May 2013.
  • Senior military personnel determined that a meeting in November was not needed.
  • Core A continues to review the progress of the Consortium with their senior advisors by way of meetings and conference calls.

Task 12. **Preparing year three quarterly reports** (months 27, 30, 33, 36)
  • The 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th quarter reports were prepared and distributed on time.

**Overall project timeline:**
Year 1 - Complete Tasks 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5
  • Tasks 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 were completed. Tasks 6 and 7 were initiated.
Year 2 - Complete Tasks 6, 7, 8, and 9
  • Tasks 7, 8 and 9 were completed. Task 6 is continuing. Task 10 was initiated.
Year 3 - Complete Tasks 6, 10a, 10b, 10c, 11, and 12
  • Tasks 10a, 10b, 10c, 11 and 12 were completed. Task 6 is continuing.
Year 4 – Complete tasks 6, 13 and 14.
Year 5 – Complete tasks 15 and 16.
**Key Research Accomplishments:**

**FSU Funded Projects** (material gleaned from other reports)

Five new studies were added to FSU as sub-awards. Four have already begun their activities and the fifth will begin next year. The three existing FSU funded projects are progressing with one having completed its tasks.

*Brief Interventions for Short Term Suicide Risk Reduction in Military Populations -- PI: Craig J. Bryan, PsyD*

- The scheduled staff meetings continue as planned.
- Annual IRB progress reports were submitted and continuing review was received in August 2013.
- Intake evaluations and follow-up assessments continue. To date 34 subjects have been enrolled and 3 subjects have completed all follow-up assessments.
- One of the research therapists recently left due to a family move - since hired and trained a new research therapist. Have also hired a part-time research fellow (Dr. Tracy Clemans) to assist with on-site training, supervision, and oversight.
- Clinician-administered data are entered within 72 hours of data collection. Backlogged clinician-administered data due to initial database problems are now being entered, with an anticipated completion date of 15 September 2013.
- Automatic data verification and QA mechanisms have been built into the database to identify errors. Additional reviews were completed during August 2013, with errors being corrected at that time.
- No empirical results have yet been obtained from this study since enrollment has not yet begun. The first year of this study has resulted in the successful accomplishment of regulatory approvals required for the conduct of research with human subjects.
- Due to the early success of this project, Dr. Bryan has been featured in the military regarding military suicide and effective interventions for this population. He was also selected as the recipient for the Peter J.N. Linnerooth National Service Award by the Psychologists in Public Service for his research and work focused on military suicide treatment development.
- Dr. Craig Bryan currently has four manuscripts under review and eleven published articles, related to military and veteran suicide. The most notable is:

*Military Continuity Project (MCP) -- PI: Kate Comtois, Ph.D.*

- Sub-Contracts for the following bases have been completed: Fort Bragg, Twentynine Palms and Camp Lejuene.
To date, 53 participants have been enrolled, i.e., consented, assessed, and assigned to treatment condition.

A plan for collection of medical records has been set out with both Col Earles, Director of Behavioral Health, at Ft. Bragg and through Michelle Wideman with HQMC.

Data collection is proceeding at all installations and all policies and procedures are working well.

Plans for next quarter:
- Complete the recruitment process.
- Continue data collection.
- Continue delivering the caring text messages.

#### Development and Evaluation of a Brief, Suicide Prevention Intervention Reducing Anxiety Sensitivity -- PI: Brad Schmidt, Ph.D.

- The CAST project was completed in June of 2013. As such, there are no further plans or project milestones.
- Results for major findings:
  - The aim of this investigation was to design and evaluate the efficacy of an AS treatment more specifically focused on its cognitive component. Non-treatment seeking participants (N = 108) with elevated AS were randomly assigned to a one-session intervention utilizing psychoeducation and interoceptive exposure techniques to target AS or a health information control intervention and assessed posttreatment and at one-month follow-up.
  - The active treatment condition produced significantly greater reductions in AS at posttreatment. Group differences persisted at one-month follow-up that were specific to AS cognitive concerns. Moreover, changes in cognitive AS mediated symptom change at follow-up including suicide outcomes.
  - Despite the brevity of the treatment intervention, findings demonstrate that it resulted in substantial reductions in AS cognitive concerns that were linked with symptom improvement.
- Have presented the following:
- Manuscripts under review:
- Professional Presentations:
of Panic Symptoms Across Anxiety, Mood, and Related Disorders. Symposium submitted for the Annual meeting of the Anxiety and Depression Conference, Chicago, Illinois.


- Poster Presentations:

Identifying factors associated with future self-directed violence within a sample of Mississippi National Guard personnel -- PI: Michael D. Anestis, Ph.D.

- Have secured IRB approval from the University of Southern Mississippi and are awaiting final approval through the remaining channels. Expect this process will be completed within the next 1-2 weeks.
- All required materials have been acquired and programmed and all staff has been hired and is in the process of training.
- The entire research team conducted a practice run (with no participants) on site at Camp Shelby to determine if any logistical issues needed to be addressed prior to the onset of data collection. No problems were encountered and preliminary work on scheduling participants pending full approval of the protocol has begun.
- Annual IRB progress reports were submitted and continuing review was received in August 2013.
- Plans for next quarter:
  - Initiate baseline data collection: with 75-125 participants (expected) assessed each day.

Controlled evaluation of a computerized anger-reduction treatment for suicide prevention -- PI: Jesse Cougle Ph.D.
• Hired a research assistant and developed intervention protocol for all three conditions that will be evaluated through this study.
• Began recruitment for this study.
• Plans for next quarter:
  o Continue the recruitment process: will involve extensive advertisements and screening procedures conducted by the project therapist and research assistant.

New approaches to the measurement of suicide-related cognition -- PI: Matthew K. Nock, Ph.D.

• Hiring and training the project staff at both the Harvard site and the Boston VA site.
• Applying for approval from the Harvard and VA Boston Institutional Review Boards (IRBs) and approval from Human Research Protection Office (HRPO). The Harvard site received IRB approval on 08/15/13 and the Boston VA site received IRB approval on 09/24/13.
• Developing (writing & practicing) a detailed script for the protocol. At this point the Harvard site has all computer tasks programmed, and have been practicing this script on pilot subjects (other members of the Nock Lab) and making adjustments to the protocol as necessary.
• Plans for next quarter:
  o Hosting a joint meeting with Boston VA and Harvard personnel to go over study designs and to work together on developing recruitment procedures at both sites.
  o Recruiting subjects and beginning data collection at the Harvard site: mid-to-end of October.
  o Recruiting subjects and beginning data collection at the Boston VA site; by December of 2013.
  o Entering data as they are collected.

Development and Evaluation of a Brief, Suicide Prevention Intervention Targeting Anxiety and Mood Vulnerabilities -- PI: Norman B. Schmidt, Ph.D.

• Working with software developers to produce a brief, computer-based intervention targeting two suicidal risk factors: perceived burdensomeness and thwarted belongingness.
• And, working with a software developer to produce a brief, computer-based intervention aimed at reducing cognitive bias modification.
• Working with Co-Investigator, Dr. Edward Bernat, to finalize and test the suicidal biomarker protocol.
• Plans for next quarter:
  o Begin the recruitment and initiation of the randomized clinical trial.
Reportable Outcomes:

Leveraging

The Consortium continues to leverage its existing materials and tasks into projects and resources for other entities. The MSRC collaborates in leveraging funds that include an increase of grant funds, time, and infrastructure support. Below are some of the most noteworthy leveraging funds efforts: (Total funds - approximately $72,222,470.)

Dr. Peter Gutierrez provided consultation for the recently awarded $10,000,000 Omega-3 and Suicide Prevention grant, in exchange for Dr. Acierno including the MSRC Common Data Elements in its data collection.

Jennifer Hames, FSU graduate student, earned a dissertation grant for the amount of $10,000 with the support of MSRC Co-Director, Thomas Joiner. The grant was awarded by the Greater Good Science Center/John Templeton Foundation to support on gratitude. Ms. Hames research is titled, “Testing the Efficacy of a Gratitude Intervention in Individuals at Risk for Suicide and Depression”.

Dr. Rebecca Bernert, funded PI, was awarded the NIH Extramural Career Development LRP for Clinical Researchers.

Dr. Gutierrez is working with the Colorado Office of Suicide Prevention as an advisor on their public health campaign targeting working age men. Dr. Gutierrez sent the MSRC common data elements to them as an opportunity to use as a self-assessment on their website.

Dr. Thomas Joiner collaborated with Dr. Pamela Keel on a study of suicidal behavior and eating disorders. They will review the inclusion of military history questions in the survey.

At the request of Jane Pearson at NIMH, Drs. Gutierrez and Joiner are discussing ways to leverage the MSRC CDE and make us of existing data sets to explore questions of treatment effectiveness.

Dr. Peter Gutierrez reviewed and consulted on the Defense Center of Excellence’s (DCoE) Screening and Assessment Tools for Suicide Prevention Guide Resource.

In efforts to support the next generation of suicidologists, the MSRC is providing pilot grant opportunities for Denver VAMC MIRECC postdoctoral fellows. The postdoctoral fellows’ salaries are supported by the fellowship program; MSRC pilot grants allow fellows to conduct research relevant to the Consortium, within the structure of a developed program.

Dr. Gutierrez participated on a panel during the Virtual Mentoring Network to Enhance Diversity of the Mental Health Research Workforce (VMED) program at the AAS Annual Conference, to discuss career options and strategies that allow one to contribute to the goal of reducing the toll of suicide.

Drs. Gutierrez and Joiner and CO Castro provided written input on the VA-DOD Clinical Practice Guidelines for Suicide Prevention.

Drs. Gutierrez and Joiner, at the request of Col Castro and the House of Representatives, discussed the development of a proposal and designating an expert team to research IED exposure and possibly include this in the Common Data Elements.

The MSRC provided a Research Training Day to 25 doctoral and postdoctoral students prior to the AAS Annual Conference. This leveraged the space and infrastructure of the conference. Also MSRC members served as faculty, allowing the leveraging of honorarium fees.
Dr. Joiner provided his expert opinion to Dr. Andrew Blatt regarding Dr. Elder and the DOD study on Predictive Analytics for Suicide Risk, on the application of these techniques. At the request of Dr. Nassauer, Dr. Joiner consulted on hyperbaric oxygen therapy (HBOT).

Elizabeth Allen, Ph.D., USAMRMC/TATRC funded PI requested the support of the MSRC to help recruit Army couples for a family study with a military suicide risk component. The MSRC connected Dr. Allen with MSRC funded PI, Dr. Julie Cerel to support each other’s recruitment efforts.

MSRC will assist the Defense Suicide Prevention Office (DSPO) and the VA DOD with their community summits. (VA DOD will not have a Suicide and Prevention conference this year.) The intent is to provide 4 presenters – 2 at each summit (clinical and research). Based on agenda entries they will try to select MSRC projects that match the subject areas.

Pre-doctoral and postdoctoral training experiences at FSU and Denver

- The MSRC funds four postdoctoral pilot grants:
  - Assessment of Cognitive Functioning as it relates to Risk for Suicide in Veterans with HIV/AIDS, Dr. Gina Signoracci, Denver VAMC, $47,454.
  - Behaviorally Assessing Suicide Risk, Dr. Sean Barnes, Denver VAMC, $46,328.
  - Romantic Relationship Satisfaction and Self-Directed Violence in Veterans, Dr. Amanda Stoeckel, SLC VAMC, $40,160.
  - Longitudinal Assessment of Physical Activity and Suicide Risk, Dr. Collin Davidson, Denver VAMC, $46,665.

- MSRC offered dissertation awards of $2,000 to:
  - Jessica Ribeiro from FSU on her study, Overarousal and Fearlessness about Death in Imminent Suicidal Behavior. She successfully defended her dissertation in June 2013.
  - Alexis May with the University of British Columbia on the study, Assessing Motivations for Suicide Attempts: Developing and Validating a Theoretically Driven Instrument.
  - Dan Capron from FSU on the Evaluation of a Cortisol-Augmented Interpretation Bias Modification for Anxiety Sensitivity on Suicidal Ideation.

- The first annual MSRC Pre-Conference Training Day was April 23rd, in Austin, TX in conjunction with the AAS annual conference. The MSRC provided financial support to graduate/medical students, postdoctoral fellows, or residents to attend the American Association of Suicidology’s annual conference and participate in the MSRC pre-conference training day. The aims of the pre-conference training day were to educate advanced students and fellows in state-of-the-art research techniques, including grant writing, research design, and regulatory issues.

- The success of the Training Day was so well noted that the event will be held again at next year’s AAS conference.

- Chris Hagan and Caroline Silva presented posters at the International Society for the Study of Self Injury conference. Also, Chris Hagan presented a poster and received an early career prize (Andrej Marusic Prize and $1,300) at ESSSB.
• Jennifer Hames, in collaboration with Co-Director, Dr. Thomas Joiner, submitted a letter of intent for a project on suicidology with a military component.
• Caroline Silva, with the support of Dr. Joiner, submitted an F-31 application to NIH. The preliminary data and training experience were provided by the MSRC.

Research and review on various manuscript projects continues
• Mike Anestis (lead) provided updates on the impulsivity manuscript. Was submitted to Clinical Site Review.
• Sean Barnes (lead) provided updates on the LGBTQ paper. The resubmit was accepted in SLTB. Some feedback was provided and it recommended future research.
• Lindsay Bodell (lead) provided updates on the eating disorders and suicide review paper. Revisions were done and still with Clinical Psychology Science and Practice.
• Mike Anestis (with assistance from Jetta Hanson) provided updates on the BAC (blood alcohol content) meta-analysis paper. Mike Anestis has reviewed the methods and results. There has been a great amount of interest after the AAS presentation. Dr. Gutierrez is reviewing the updates.

Possible new entries for manuscripts - maybe one of the first within a study team:
• Cerel – she is working on a paper using the bereavement data from her study and plans to submit it to JAMA. She is presenting the data at a conference in New Zealand.
• Windows to Hope study - is considering a manuscript.
• OConner (et al) – based out of the Louisville VA, a theoretical paper on rational behind suicide prevention group and the use of the CAMS framework. It is mainly anecdotal safety and feedback data from the participants. A first draft is expected soon and then a possible submission afterwards.

Other
Core C Director, Jon Maner, Ph.D., FSU Professor of Psychology, was selected as the recipient of the 2013 American Psychological Association (APA) Distinguished Scientific Award for Early Career Contribution to Psychology in the area of social psychology. This is a great accomplishment for Dr. Maner, as only one person is chosen every two years as the top person in an entire discipline's early career cohort.

Dr. Brad Schmidt (the PI for one of our projects), has been selected as one of this year's Florida State University (FSU) Distinguished Research Professors. The award was presented at the Faculty Awards Ceremony in April. Each year only 3 FSU faculty members are selected for this prestigious award, which recognizes outstanding career achievements in research and creative activity.

The “References” section contains a listing of the many conference presentations, publications and white papers that are directly or indirectly associated with MSRC.
Conclusion:

The Military Suicide Research Consortium at Florida State University has again reached its annual goals and research aims. Florida State University has eight active subcontracts with various institutions, in stages from initiating to near completion, and MSRC continues to accept additional letters of intent noting that all current funds have been allocated. The three Cores continue to collaborate, working toward the same ultimate goals of suicide prevention in the military and information dissemination to affected parties who are accountable and/or involved in ensuring the mental health of military personnel.
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Publication Under Review:
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White Papers
These were approved for submission by MSRC Co-Directors, Drs. Gutierrez and Joiner.

July 9, 2013: Thomas E. Joiner, Ph.D. responded to a request from Dr. Kate Nassauer, providing information on HBOT for suicide.

May 13, 2013: Jetta Hanson, M.A., wrote the white paper “Reviewing the Relationship between Cholesterol and Suicide,” at the request of COL Carl Castro.
**Appendices:**

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1983 - 1987  Princeton University  Major field: Psychology  B.A., Magna Cum Laude

Honors/Awards


Recipient of the Cottrell Family Endowed Professorship, Florida State University, 2009.


Recipient of the Graduate Faculty Mentor Award, Florida State University, 2006.

Recipient of the Mentoring Award, Section IV of APA’s Division 12 (Clinical Psychology of Women), 2006.


Recipient of the William R. Jones Most Valuable Mentor Award from the Florida Education Fund’s McKnight Doctoral Fellowship Program, 2005.


Recipient of the William R. Jones Most Valuable Mentor Award from the Florida Education Fund’s McKnight Doctoral Fellowship Program, 2002.

Named The Bright-Burton Professor of Psychology, Florida State University, 2001.

Recipient of the American Association for Suicidology’s Edwin S. Shneidman Award for Contributions to Suicide Research, 2001.


Recipient of the Developing Scholars Award, Florida State University, 1999.

Visiting Scholar Award, University of Montana, 1999.


Recipient of the Young Investigator Award, National Alliance for Research on Schizophrenia and Depression, 1994.

Publications List (overall number of books, articles, and chapters = 478; Current and former trainees’ names are italicized)

Authored Books


Edited Books


Journal Articles in Refereed Journals (listed chronologically; N = 412)

**IN PRESS (N = 21)**


IN PRESS (N = 21, continued)


2012 (N =21)


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2011 (N = 18, continued)


2010 (N = 17)


2010 (N = 17, continued)


2009 (N = 20)


2008 (N = 32, continued)


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Chapters in Edited Books/Invited Articles/Commentaries (listed chronologically; N = 49)


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44. Joiner, Jr., T. E., Voelz, Z., & Pettit, J. (1999). Concatenating clinical trials to one another and embedding them within one another. Prevention and Treatment, 2, 0006c.


Workshops Conducted


4. Joiner, Jr., T. E. (1998). You don’t have to be afraid of taxometrics. Advanced Methodology and Statistics Seminar (AMASS) for the Association for the Advancement of Behavior Therapy (AABT), Washington, DC.

Chaired Symposia, Chaired Poster Sessions, & Chaired Grand Rounds


2. Joiner, Jr., T. E., Chair (1995, November). Depression as a social problem: Recent advances in interpersonal approaches to depression. Symposium for the 29th annual convention of the Association for the Advancement of Behavior Therapy (AABT), Washington, DC.


Presentations (samples from over 400)


7. Joiner, Jr., T. E. (1994, March). Depression and bulimia: The affective variant hypothesis vs. the secondary depression hypothesis. Paper presented at Grand Rounds, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston, TX.


Grants

Completed or Ongoing Grant Projects

1. Young Investigator Award, National Alliance for Research on Schizophrenia and Depression, $60,000 over 2 years for project entitled, “Cognitive vulnerability to depression in youth.” 1994-1996.

2. Grant, Sealy Small Grant Program, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston; $12,500 over 1 year for project entitled, “Testing an integrative interpersonal theory of depression among child and adolescent psychiatric inpatients.” May, 1994 - May, 1995.

3. Grant, American Suicide Foundation Institutional Program, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston; $8,199 over 1 year period for project entitled, “Impulsivity, hostility, and anxiety as discriminators between suicide ideators and attempters.” December, 1994 - December, 1995.


5. Grant, American Suicide Foundation Institutional Program, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston; $5,002 over 1 year period for project entitled, “Impulsivity, hostility, and anxiety: Predicting long-term response and attrition.” January, 1996 - December, 1996.


8. Grant, National Institute of Mental Health (R03MH56912); $25,000 over 1 year, entitled, “Stability and Structure of Bulimotypic Indicators.” January, 1997 - December, 1997.

9. Grant, Committee on Faculty Research Support (COFRS), Florida State University; $8,000 over three months for project entitled, “Taxometrics of mood disorder nosology.” June, 1998 - August 1998.


11. Grant, Developing Scholars Award, Florida State University, $6,000 for general research, 1999.

12. Planning Grant, Florida State University, $6,000 over 1 year for planning a larger grant on the serotonin transporter gene and suicidal symptoms, 2000.


14. Planning Grant, Florida State University, $10,000 over 1 year for planning a larger grant on the possible dopaminergic basis of positive emotion - broad-minded coping inter-relations, 2001.


20. Grant, Rockefeller Foundation Bellagio Fellowship, ~$10,000, 2006.


Editing, Editorial Boards, Academic Consulting, and Reviewing of Grants

Editor:
Suicide & Life-Threatening Behavior, 2009-
Journal of Social & Clinical Psychology, 2008-
Clinician’s Research Digest, 2006-

Associate Editor:
Journal of Abnormal Psychology (invited, 2000; declined).
Journal of Adolescence (invited, 2001; declined).

Board of Advisors:
Men’s Health

Editorial Board Member:
The Scientific Review of Mental Health Practice, appointed 2002.
Suicide & Life-Threatening Behavior, appointed 2003.
Revista de Psicopatologia y Psicologia Clinica (Review of Psychopathology & Clinical Psychology), Spain, appointed 1995.
Behavior Therapy, appointed 2005.


Journals:
- Psychological Bulletin, since 1995.
- Psychological Review, since 2003.
- Cognitive Therapy and Research, since 1993.
- Behavior Genetics, 1999.
- Cognition and Emotion, since 1996.
- Behaviour Research and Therapy, since 1997.
- Social Science and Medicine, since 2002.
- Ambulatory Child Health, since 1998.
- Psychological Reports, since 1997.
- Social Behavior & Personality, since 1996.
- Professional Psychology: Research & Practice, since 1999.
- The Scientific Review of Mental Health Practice, since 2002.
- Clinical Psychology Review, since 2000.
- Journal of Affective Disorders, since 2001.
- Psychotherapy Research, since 2001.
- Circulation, since 2003.

Book Publishers: Guilford; Academic Press; American Psychological Association; Erlbaum; Oxford; Harvard; Brooks/Cole; W.W. Norton; Wiley.

NASA Standing Review Panel Member, Human Research Program (Behavioral Health and Performance), 2012-

Consultant, National Institute of Mental Health grant #NIMH R18 48097, entitled “Problem-solving factors in suicide,” awarded to David Rudd, Ph.D. 1993 to 1997.

Consultant, National Institute of Mental Health grant #NIMH R15 55870-01, entitled “Predictors of Negative Mood Intensity and Recovery,” awarded to Sam Catanzaro, Ph.D. 1996 to 1999.

NIMH Study Section Member, F12B[20], 2004.

NIMH Study Section Member, ZMH1 ERB-L [03], 2005.

NIMH Study Section Member, Adult Psychopathology (BBBP-5), 2000; 2006-7.

NIMH B/START Reviewer, April, 2001.


Grant Reviewer, The Hospital for Sick Children Foundation, Toronto, Canada, Fall, 1997.

Grant Reviewer, Sealy Endowment for Biomedical Research, UTMB-Galveston, 1996.

Grant Reviewer, Dissertation Award, American Psychological Association, Fall, 1996.

Grant Reviewer, Student Travel Award, American Psychological Association, Spring, 1997.

Professional Affiliations and Memberships

Elected Member, Society for Research in Psychopathology.
Elected Member, International Society for Research in Child and Adolescent Psychopathology.
Member, Society for the Science of Clinical Psychology (SSCP).
Member, Association for the Advancement of Behavior Therapy (AABT).

Leadership, Committees, and Administrative Service

Chair, Faculty Development Committee, FSU Psychology, 2002, 2004, 2006-present.
Chair, Selection Committee for the Aaron T. Beck Award, given by the Across Species Comparison and Psychopathology (ASCAP) Society, Spring, 1997; Spring, 1998.
Chair, Grants Committee, Society for the Science of Clinical Psychology Dissertation Award, American Psychological Association, Fall, 1997.
Graduate Training Committee, Department of Psychology, Florida State University, 1997 - 1998.
Host for Post-Doctoral Scholars, Drs. Tulin and Faruk Gencoz, Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Turkey, at Florida State University, Summer - Fall, 1999.
Host for Visiting Scholar, Dr. Lourdes Lostao, Universidad Publica de Navarra, Pamplona, Spain, at the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Summer, 1997.
Director and Founder, Behavioral, Social, and Cognitive Sciences Faculty Interest Group, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Spring, 1995 - Spring, 1996.
Member, Board of Directors, Interpsych Internet Research Forum, 1994 - 1996.
Member, Internal Review Board, Interpsych Internet Research Forum, 1994 - 1996.
Training Team Member, Psychology Internship Training Program, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Fall, 1994 - present.


Member, Undergraduate Education Committee, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Fall, 1995 - present.

Member, Committee to Reduce Length of Patient Stay, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Summer, 1994 - Fall, 1995.

Member, Committee to Establish Guidelines for Teaching Effectiveness, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, 1994.

Member, Ad Hoc Committee on Staff - Patient Boundary Issues, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Fall, 1996.

Member, Ad Hoc Committee on Sexual Abuse of Psychiatric Patients, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Spring, 1994.

**Community Service**

Participant, National Depression Screening Day, developed to educate public about depression and refer depressed people to treatment, October 6, 1994.


Presentation, “Depression in Adults and Youngsters: A Research Update,” Invited address at the annual convention of the Texas Alliance for the Mentally Ill, Corpus Christi, Texas, 1995.


**Teaching/Supervisory Experience**

**Educational Materials Developed**


**Masters Thesis and Critical Review Paper Committees**

1. Ivonne Indrikovs, “Eating attitudes, self-esteem and body image in males,” School of Allied Health Sciences, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, 1996.
2. Lorraine MacLean, “The effects of mood and sex-role beliefs on interpersonal responses to depressed persons,” Lakehead University, Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada, Fall, 1996.
13. [Chaired], Marisol Perez, “The interpersonal consequences of positive illusory bias in inpatient psychiatric youth,” Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, Fall, 2000.
15. [Chaired], Foluso Williams, “Mood regulation and depressive subtypes.” Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, Spring, 2003.
22. [Chaired], Daniel Hollar, “Acculturative stress, ethnicity, and bulimic and suicidal symptoms.” Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, Spring, 2005.
23. [Chaired], Katie Merrill, “Self-esteem stability, interpersonal behaviors, and depression.” Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, Spring, 2005.
24. [Chaired], Tracy Witte, “Multiple suicide attempt status and mood lability.” Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, Spring, 2006.
27. [Chaired], Rebecca Bernert, “Circadian rhythms and depressive symptoms.” Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, Spring, 2006.
33. [Chaired], Mike Anestis, “Urgency and maladaptive behaviors.” Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, Spring, 2006.
34. [Chaired], Ted Bender, “The acquired capacity for suicide.” Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, Fall, 2007.
35. [Chaired], Scott Braithwaite, “Models of marital discord.” Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, Fall, 2007.
36. [Chaired], Eddie Selby, “Emotion regulation and Borderline Personality Disorder.” Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, Fall, 2007.
37. [Chaired], April Smith, “Achievement strivings and eating disorder symptoms.” Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, Fall, 2007.
39. Ben Miller, outside member to Department of Philosophy, Florida State University, “Philosophical aspects of suicide.” Spring, 2008.
42. [Chaired], Erin Fink, “Need for cognition and eating disorder symptoms.” Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, Fall, 2008.

Dissertation Committees

22. Tam Dao, outside member to Department of Counseling Psychology, “Rorschach and MMPI convergence.” Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, 2005.
42. Lacey Sischo, outside member to Department of Sociology, “Qualitative study of women’s reactions to breast surgery.” Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, 2006.
43. Matt Hobson, outside member to Department of Sociology, “Fiction.” Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, 2007.
48. Marissa Brattolle, outside member to Department of Educational Psychology, “Factors influencing eating disorder detection, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, 2008.
Teaching Experience

Graduate Seminar on Prepracticum & Ethics, Summer 2003-present.

Graduate Seminar on Differential Diagnosis of Psychopathology in Works of Non-Fiction, Spring, 2010.


Graduate Seminar on Mood Disorders, Spring, 2001.

Graduate Techniques of Behavior Change, 2002-present.

Graduate Psychopathology, Florida State University, 1999-present.


Behavioral Science Research Methods (Undergraduate), Florida State University, Spring, 1999.

The Psychology of Adjustment (Undergraduate), Florida State University, 1997-2000.

Introduction to Patient Evaluation for 1st Year Medical Students, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Fall, 1994 - Spring, 1995; Fall, 1995 - Spring, 1996.

Community Continuity Experience for 1st Year Medical Students, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Fall, 1994 - Spring, 1995; Fall, 1995 - Spring, 1996.

Lecturer, Behavioral Sciences Component of Introduction to Patient Evaluation for 2nd Year Medical Students, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Summer, 1995.

Discussion Group Leader, Behavioral Sciences Component of Introduction to Patient Evaluation for Medical Students, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Summer, 1994 - 1996.

Seminar on Psychotherapy Termination for 3rd Year General Psychiatry Residents, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Spring, 1996; Spring, 1997.

Seminar on Boundaries in Psychotherapy for 2nd Year General Psychiatry Residents, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Fall, 1996.

Seminar on Diagnostic Interviewing with Adolescents, 4th Year General Psychiatry Residents, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Spring, 1997.
Seminar on School Consultation for 5th Year Child/Adolescent Psychiatry Residents, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Fall, 1996.

Continuous Case Conference on Child and Adolescent Psychotherapy for Child/Adolescent Psychiatry Residents, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, 1994 - 1997.

Childhood and Adolescent Development for 4th and 5th Year Child/Adolescent Psychiatry Residents, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Spring, 1994.

Psychological Assessment for 4th and 5th Year Child/Adolescent Psychiatry Residents, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Spring, 1994; Spring, 1995.

Psychological Theories of Depression for Psychology Interns, School of Allied Health, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Fall, 1993; Fall, 1994.

Continuous Case Conference on Child and Adolescent Psychiatry for Child/Adolescent Psychiatry Residents, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, 1993 - 1997.

Undergraduate Abnormal Psychology, University of Texas at Austin, and Austin Community College, Fall, 1989 - Spring, 1991.

Clinical Supervisory Experience

Primary Supervisor, Clinical Psychology Graduate Students Psychotherapy Practicum, University Psychology Clinic, Florida State University, Summer, 1998 - present.

Primary Supervisor, Clinical Psychology Graduate Students Assessment Practicum, Easter Seals Placement, Florida State University, Summer, 1998 - Fall, 1999.

Primary Supervisor, 5th Year Child/Adolescent Psychiatry Residents’ School Consultation Rotation, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Fall, 1996.

Primary Research Supervisor, 3rd Year Psychiatry Residents’ Research Paper, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Spring, 1995, 1996.

Primary Supervisor for Psychology Interns, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, 1993 - 1997.

Primary Supervisor, Postdoctoral Psychology Fellows’ Psychological Assessment and Psychotherapy for Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, 1994 -1997.
Group Psychotherapy Supervisor for Psychiatry Residents’ and Psychology Interns’ Rotation on Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, 1994 - 1996.

Individual Psychotherapy Supervisor for Child Psychiatry Residents, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, 1995 - 1997.

Assistant Supervisor, Child and Family Psychotherapy Practicum, Learning Abilities Center, University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas. Spring, 1990.

**Clinical and Professional Consulting Experience**

Director of the University Psychology Clinic, Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida.

Direct full-service community mental health center. Activities involve oversight of five psychologist supervisors, twenty clinical psychology graduate student therapists (who see approximately 70 patients per week), and three staff persons. 1998 to present.

Legal Consultant, Tallahassee, Florida

Case review and consultation on cases involving death by suicide. 1997 to present.

Private Practice, Tallahassee, Florida

Diagnostic evaluation and psychotherapy practice, 2003 to present.

Director of Psychological Assessment for Children and Adolescents, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Galveston, Texas.


Staff Psychologist, University Psychiatry Center, Clear Lake, Texas (a satellite clinic of the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston).

Activities include individual, family, and group psychotherapy, diagnostic interviews, and psychological assessments, with children, adolescents, and adults. 1993 - 1997.

Group Psychotherapist, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Galveston, Texas.

Staff Psychologist, ADHD/Depression Outpatient Clinic, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston.

Activities include supervision of psychoeducational testing, and collaboration on clinical research projects. March, 1995 to August, 1997.

Project Psychotherapist, Pfizer Study of Behavior Therapy vs. Pharmacotherapy for Obsessive Compulsive Disorder, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston.


Project Psychotherapist, Bristol-Myers Squibb Study of Combined Efficacy of Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy vs. Pharmacotherapy for Chronic Depressions, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston.


Staff Psychologist, University Nutrition Center, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Galveston, Texas.

Activities include group psychotherapy with obese adults. June to November, 1994.

Clinical Psychology Intern, Olin E. Teague Veterans’ Administration Medical Center and Scott and White Hospital, Temple, Texas.


Staff Psychotherapist, Waterloo Counseling Center, Austin, Texas.

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