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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Social Welfare, University of California, Berkeley, 2001

Dissertation: Effects of early maltreatment and foster care history on adopted

youths' later psychosocial adjustment

M.S.W. Social Welfare, University of California, Berkeley, 1997

Concentration: Families, Individuals, & Groups (Direct practice): Children &

Families

B.A. Psychology, University of California, Berkeley, 1989

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2013--Associate Professor, with tenure, School of Social Work, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey

Assistant Professor, School of Social Work, Rutgers, The State University of New 2004--2013 Jersey. (on leave 2007-2008; 2011)

RESEARCH ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

2018 (Spring) Acting Director, PhD Program, School of Social Work, Rutgers University

2014 Acting Co-Director, Center on Violence Against Women and Children, School of Social Work, Rutgers University

2010--2014 Appointed as Senior Consultant for Research & Evaluation, Office of Performance Management & Accountability, New Jersey Department of Children and Families.

RESEARCH and TEACHING INTERESTS

Child welfare programs, services, and policies; long-term effects of child maltreatment; child and youth development and developmental psychopathology, especially for those involved in the child welfare system; services for youth aging out of child welfare system; international child welfare systems; research ethics; and research methods for underserved populations.

FUNDED RESEARCH & COLLABORATIONS

External Funding Awards

Training Grant

2021-2025 Co-Principal Investigator (with Patricia Findley), Health Resource Service Administration (HRSA) Rutgers University Behavioral Youth (RUBY) Collaborative, a Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training (BHWET) Program, Total costs \$1,919,833.

Research Grants

- 2021-2024 Senior Advisor, NSCAW Leadership Team, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Preliminary Activities to Support Future Data Collection for NSCAW (National Survey of Child and Adolescent Well-being). Sub-contract award with Research Triangle Institute (RTI), Total costs \$61,424.
- 2019-2022 Principal Investigator, Evaluation of Court Appointed Special Advocate of New Jersey (CASA). Funded by CASA of New Jersey. Total costs \$269,090.
- 2018-2019 Principal Investigator, Evaluation of New Jersey's Department of Children and Families' Kinship Navigator Program. Funded by New Jersey's Department of Children and Families and the Children's Bureau. Total costs \$356,184.
- 2018-2019 Principal Investigator, New Jersey Child Welfare Data Hub, including Data Portal (\$252, 784) and Longitudinal Data Reporting (\$239,671). Funded by New Jersey's Department of Children and Families.
- Principal Investigator, Needs Assessment Research Project. Funded by New 2018-2019 Jersey's Department of Children and Families. Total costs \$214,449.
- Co-Principal Investigator, Comparative Effectiveness of State Psychotropic 2015-2018 Oversight Systems for Children in Foster Care. Funded by Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute, \$2,032,074 (total costs) (Steve Crystal, Principal Investigator).
- 2015-2017 Principal Investigator, Evaluation of Quick Cents program for Youth. Funded by the New Jersey Department of Children and Families & the U.S. Department of Treasury, \$87,109 (total costs).
- 2015-2017 Co-Principal Investigator, Evaluating the Domestic Violence Liaison Program funded by the New Jersey Department of Children and Families, \$349,964 (total costs) (Judy Postmus, Principal Investigator).

2014-2015 Co-Principal Investigator, Addressing the Needs of Domestically Trafficked Adolescents project, funded by the New Jersey Department of Children and Families, \$233,604 (total costs) (Judy Postmus, Principal Investigator). Principal Investigator, Evaluation of Parent Linking Programs. Funded by Prevent 2013-2014 Child Abuse-New Jersey, \$30,000 (total costs). 2013-2014 Principal Investigator, Needs Assessment of Adolescents involved with the Department of Children and Families. Funded by the New Jersey Department of Children and Families, \$110,000 (direct costs). 2012-13 Principal Investigator, Needs Assessment of Adolescents involved with the Department of Children and Families & Impact of School Based Services on Middle School Youth. Funded by the New Jersey Department of Children and Families, \$158,000 (direct costs). 2010-12 Principal Investigator, Engagement in Child Welfare Services: Understanding the Effects of New Jersey's Case Practice on Family Outcomes. Funded by the New Jersey Department of Children and Families, \$225,000 (direct costs). 2007-08 Principal Investigator, The Smith Richardson Foundation, Domestic Public Policy Grant Program: Serving Adolescents in the Child Welfare System: The Efficacy of Policies for Foster Youth, \$60,000 (total costs). 2006-08 Principal Investigator, The Silberman Fund, Faculty Research Grant: Examining Adolescents' Experiences in Foster Care, \$30,000 (total costs). Principal Investigator, Fahs-Beck Fund for Research and Experimentation, Faculty 2006-08 Research Grant: Family Factors Contributing to the Display of Child Abuse, \$6,000 (total costs). 2000-01 Principal Investigator, Fahs-Beck Fund for Research and Experimentation,

Internal Funding Awards

Dissertation Grant, \$3,000.

- 2020 Principal Investigator, The Impact of COVID-19 on at-Risk Families in New York City. Funded by the Rutgers Center for COVID-19 Response and Pandemic Preparation. \$30,000.
- 2019-21 Principal Investigator, Post-Doctoral Hire Award (funding for full-time 2-year post-doctoral fellow, Liwei Zhang). Rutgers University School of Social Work.
- Principal Investigator, Assessing the Feasibility of a Pilot Intervention for Parents 2018-20 Transitioning from Child Welfare Services Oversight. Rutgers School of Social

	Work Seed Grant funding. \$10,000.
2012-13	Principal Investigator, Rutgers University Faculty Council Grant: <i>Measuring Positive Youth Development in Former Foster Youth</i> , \$1,000.
2009	Principal Investigator, Rutgers University Faculty Council Grant: <i>Mapping Youths' Placement Patterns in Foster Care</i> , \$1,000.
2005-06	Principal Investigator, Rutgers University Faculty Council Grant: Family Factors Contributing to the Display of Child Neglect, \$2,500.

AWARDS & HONORS

2021	Outstanding Professor in the Policy Curriculum, School of Social Work, Rutgers University (voted by Rutgers MSW student body)
2015-2020	Fulbright Specialist Candidate, U.S. Department of State' Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs
2010	Professor of the Year, School of Social Work, Rutgers University (voted by Rutgers MSW student body)
2007-2011	Appointed Member, Policy and Communications Committee, Society for Research in Child Development, Washington, D.C. (2007-2011 term)
2002	Selected Participant, Summer Research Institute, National Center on Child Abuse and Neglect, National Data Archive, Cornell University
2001-04	Selected Child Policy Research Fellow, Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD), Washington, D.C.
1995-97	U.C. Berkeley Graduate Student Fellowship Award

ADDITIONAL SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

2021-current	Senior Consultant, <i>Reimagining National Survey of Child and Adolescent Wellbeing</i> (NSCAW), 4 th cohort. Subcontract Consultant to Research Triangle Institute. Funded by Office of Planning Research and Evaluation, US Department of Health and Human Services.
2019-2021	Invited Technical Advisory Member to Mathematica, Building Capacity to Evaluate Interventions for Youth/Young Adults with Child Welfare Involvement at

	Risk of Homelessness: Phase III (YARH-3). Funded by the Children's Bureau at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.
2019-current	Member, Society for Social Work and Research Social Policy Committee.
2019-current	Co-founder, Society for Social Work and Research Special Interest Group: <i>Youth Behavioral Health Policy and Services</i> (with Genevieve Graf and Kathleen Pottick).
2015-2020	Invited Technical Work Group Member, <i>National Survey of Child and Adolescent Well-being III (NSCAW)</i> , U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.
2015	Moderator, 1 st Annual Academic Meeting at the WHO Milestones Conference: <i>Merging Evidence and Implementation</i> , Geneva, Switzerland
2013-18	Member, Violence Prevention Alliance at the World Health Organization
2013-19	Research Consultant to Mathematica Policy Research, <i>Youth at Risk for Homelessness (YARH)</i> project, funded by the Children's Bureau at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.
2012-17	Invited Member, <i>The Wicked Problems in Child Welfare Institutes</i> , sponsored by University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill & Children's Home Society
2007	Invited Member, <i>Late Adolescence Work Group</i> , National Survey of Child and Adolescent Well-being project II (NSCAW), U.S. Department of Health and

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

Human Services.

**Golden, K., Zhang, L, & Simmel, C. (in progress). Examining the roles of rurality and Latine ethnic density on child maltreatment report and substantiation rates among Latine families: A county-level analysis

REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES

(** indicates supervised/mentored graduate student at time of submission/publication)

Bowden, C. F., Simmel, C., **Mendez, A., **Yu, M., Neese Todd, S., & Crystal, S. (in 34. press). Psychotropic medication prescription and treating trauma among youth in foster care: Perspectives from lived experiences. Administration and Policy in Mental Health and Mental Health Services Research

- Zhang, L., & Shimizu, R., Zhang, Y., & Simmel, C. (in press). Early childhood 33. income instability, food insecurity, and adolescents' mental health. Family Relations.
- 32. **Greenfield, B., Zhang, L, & Simmel, C. (2022). Exploring state level factors associated with short-stays in child welfare: The role of systemic risk and surveillance. Child Maltreatment.
- 31. **Getz, Z., Simmel, C., **Greenfield, B., Zhang, L. (in press). "Short-stayers" in child welfare: Characteristics and system experiences. Children and Youth Services Review.
- 30. Zhang, L., Simmel, C., Nepomnyaschy, L. (2021). Neighborhood inequality and child maltreatment rates in US counties, 2009-2018. Child Abuse and Neglect. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.chiabu.2021.105328
- 29. Shpiegel, S., Simmel, C., Sapiro, B., & Ramirez Quiroz, S. (2021). Resilience among youth leaving foster care: Findings from the National Youth in Transition Database. Journal of Public Child Welfare. DOI: 10.1080/15548732.2021.1899098
- 28. Zhang, L., Nepomnyaschy, L., Simmel, C. (2021). So close yet so different: Neighborhood inequality and child maltreatment. Child Abuse and Neglect. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.chiabu.2021.104988
- 27. Nikolva, K., **Buttner, C., **Cardenas, I., **Khetarpal, R., Postmus, J. L., & Simmel, C. (2021). Workers' attitudes about domestic violence (DV): Does personal experience matter? Human Service Organizations: Management, Leadership, & Governance, 45(2), 95-108.
- 26. Simmel, C., Bowden, C., Neese Todd, S., Hyde, J., & Crystal, S. (2021). Antipsychotic treatment for youth in foster care: Perspectives on improving youths' experiences in providing informed consent. American Journal of Orthopsychiatry, 91(2), 258-270.
- 25. Mackie, T, I., Kovacs, K, Simmel, C., Crystal, S., Neese-Todd, S., Akincigil, A. (2020). A best-worst scaling experiment to identify patient-centered claims based outcomes for evaluation of pediatric antipsychotic monitoring programs. Health Services Research Journal. Advance online publication. doi: 10.1111/1475-6773.13610
- 24.**Sapiro, B., **Johnson, L., Postmus, J. L., & Simmel, C. (2016). Supporting youth involved in domestic minor sex trafficking: divergent perspectives on youth agency. Child Abuse & Neglect, 58, 99-110.
- 23. Simmel, C., Merritt, D., Kim, H. M. S., & Kim, S. (2016). An exploratory study of neglect and emotional abuse in adolescents: Classifications of caregiver risk factors. Journal of Child and Family Studies, 1-15.

- 22. Simmel, C., Merritt, D., Kim, S., & Kim, H. M. S. (2016). Developmental disabilities in children involved with child welfare: correlates of referrals for service provision. Journal of Public Child Welfare, 10(2), 197-214.
- 21. Shpiegel, S. & Simmel, C. (2016). Functional outcomes among sexual minority youth emancipating from the child welfare system. Children and Youth Services Review, 61(1), pp. 101-108.
- 20. Simmel, C., Postmus, J. L., & **Lee, I. (2016). Revictimized adult women: Perceptions of mental health functioning and associated services. Journal of Family Violence, 1-10.
- 19. Morton, C., Simmel, C., & Peterson, A. (2014). Neighborhood alcohol outlet density and rates of child abuse and neglect: Moderating effects of access to substance abuse services. Child Abuse and Neglect, 38, 952-961.
- 18. Simmel, C., **Lee, I., **Kim, S., & Miles, J. (2014). Multiple assessors of child welfare youths' mental-health functioning: comparing perceptions of adolescents, caregivers and teachers. Child & Family Social Work, 19(3), 343-354.
- 17. **Shpiegel, S., Simmel, C., & Huang, C. C, (2013). Emotional maltreatment reports in children: The influence of state statutes and co-occurring maltreatment. Journal of Aggression, Maltreatment, & Trauma, 22:6, 626-643.
- 16. Simmel, C. & **Shpiegel, S. (2013). Describing the context and nature of emotional maltreatment reports in children. Children and Youth Services Review, 35(4), 626-633.
- 15. **Ocasio, K., **Morton, C., Simmel, C. (2013). An exploration of child welfare disparity differences between states. Journal of Public Child Welfare, 7(1), 79-97.
- 14. Simmel, C., **Shpiegel, S., & **Murshid, S. N. (2012). Foster care alumni and postsecondary support: Exploring variation in state support. Journal of Policy Practice. 12. 43-61.
- 13. Simmel, C., Postmus, J., & **Lee, I. (2012). Sexual revictimization in adult women: Examining factors associated with their childhood and adulthood experiences. Journal of Child Sexual Abuse, 21:5, 593-611.
- 12. Simmel, C., **Morton, C. M., & Cucinotta, G. (2012). Understanding extended involvement with the child welfare system. Children and Youth Services Review, 34(9), 1974-1981.

- 11. Simmel, C. (2012). Highlighting adolescents' involvement with the child welfare system: A review of recent trends, policy developments, and related research. Children and Youth Services Review, 34(7), 1197-1207.
- 10. **Morton, C. M., **Ocasio, K., & Simmel, C. (2011). A critique of methods used to describe the overrepresentation of African Americans in the child welfare system. Children and Youth Services Review. 33(9), 1538-1542.
- 9. Simmel, C. (2011). Demographic profiles of children reported to the child welfare system. Journal of Public Child Welfare, 5(1), 87-110.
- 8. Simmel, C. (2010). Why do adolescents become involved with the child welfare system? Exploring risk factors that affect young adolescents. Children and Youth Services Review, *32*(12), 1831-1836.
- 7. Simmel, C. (2007). Risk and protective factors contributing to the longitudinal psychosocial well-being of adopted foster children. Journal of Emotional and Behavioral Disorders, 15(4), 237-249.
- 6. Simmel, C., Barth, R. P., & Brooks, D. (2007). Adopted foster youths' psychosocial functioning: A longitudinal perspective. Child and Family Social Work, 12(4), 336-348.
- 5. Simmel, C. & Price, A. (2002). The Shared Family Care demonstration project: Challenges of implementing and evaluating a community-based project. Children and Youth Services Review, 24(6/7), 455-470.
- 4. Simmel, C., Brooks, D., Barth, R.P., & Hinshaw, S.P. (2001). Externalizing symptomatology among adopted children: Prevalence and pre-adoption risk factors. Journal of Abnormal Child Psychology, 29(1), 57-69.
- 3. Hinshaw, S.P., Zupan, B.A., Simmel, C., Nigg, J.T. & Melnick, S.M. (1997). Peer status in boys with and without attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder: Predictions from overt and covert antisocial behavior, social isolation, and authoritative parenting beliefs. Child Development, 68 (5), 880-896.
- 2. Hinshaw, S.P., Simmel, C., & Heller, T. (1995). Multimethod assessment of covert antisocial behavior in children: Laboratory observations, adult ratings, and child selfreport. Psychological Assessment, 7(2), 209-219.
- 1. Anderson, C. A., Hinshaw, S. P., & Simmel, C. (1994). Mother-child interactions in ADHD and comparison boys: Relationships to overt and covert externalizing behavior. Journal of Abnormal Child Psychology, 22(2), 247-265.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

Simmel, C., Graf, G., & Zhang, L. (in process). Voluntary placements in the child welfare system: The impact of children's behavioral health on caregivers

Graf, G., Zhang, L., & Simmel, C. (in process). Medicaid home and community-based waivers for behavioral health and voluntary child welfare placements

Simmel, C., Bowden, C., Neese Todd, S., Hyde, J., & Crystal, S. (in process). Alumni values regarding mental health treatment oversight and clinical interactions.

Simmel, C. & Zhang, L. (in process). Patterns of poverty exposure and trajectories of parentto-child maltreatment.

INVITED ARTICLES

- 3. Simmel, C. & Kelly, V. (2019). Special Foreword: Twenty years after the Foster Care Independence Act of 1999 ("Chafee"): What we know now about meeting the needs of teens and young adults. Special Issue of Child Welfare, Volume 97(5). vii-xvi.
- 2. Kelly, V. & Simmel, C. (2019). Current context of federal policy for teens involved in or transitioning out of foster care. Special Issue of Child Welfare, Volume 97(6), 287-296.
- 1. Barth, R.P, Price, A., & Simmel, C. (2000). Shared Family Care: Caring for the whole family to keep the family whole. Children's Voice, 9(1), 24-27.

INVITED BOOK & ENCYCLOPEDIA CHAPTERS

- 8. Simmel, C., Merritt, D., Jones Harden, B., & Greenfield, B. (in process). Assessing Child Neglect in the Context of Age, Race, and Household Financial Hardship. Child Welfare League of America.
- 7. Simmel, C. & Shpiegel, S. (2019). Child Neglect and Emotional Maltreatment. In E. J. Mullen (Ed.). Oxford Bibliographies in Social Work. New York, NY: Oxford University Press.
- 6. Simmel, C. (2013). Sexual revictimization. In J. Postmus (Ed.). Sexual Violence and Abuse: An Encyclopedia of Prevention, Impacts, and Recovery. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, Inc.
- 5. Simmel, C. (2013). Child Maltreatment (Neglect & Physical abuse). In J. Postmus (Ed.). Sexual Violence and Abuse: An Encyclopedia of Prevention, Impacts, and Recovery. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, Inc.

- 4. Simmel, C. (2008). Adopted children. In D. Carr, R. Crosnoe, M.E. Hughes, & A. Pienta (Eds.). Encyclopedia of the Life Course and Human Development. Farmington Hills, MI: Gale/CENGAGE Learning.
- 3. Simmel, C., Flanzer, S., & Webb, M. B. (2006). A new look at ethical issues in child maltreatment research. In M. Freerick, J. Knutson, P. Trickett, & S. Flanzer (Eds.). Defining and classifying child abuse and neglect for research purposes. Baltimore, MD: Brooks Publishing.
- 2. Brooks, D., Simmel, C., Wind, L., & Barth, R.P. (2005). Contemporary adoptive families and Implications for the next wave of adoption research. In D. Brodzinsky & J. Palacios (Eds.). Psychological issues in adoption: Linking theory, research, and practice. Westport, CT: Greenwood Press.
- 1. Hinshaw, S. P., & Simmel, C. (1994). Attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder. In M. Hersen, R. Ammerman, & L. Sisson (Eds.), Handbook of aggressive and destructive behavior in psychiatric patients. New York: Plenum Press.

INVITED GUEST EDITOR of PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL

1. Simmel, C. & Kelly, V. (2019). Twenty years after the Foster Care Independence Act of 1999 ("Chafee"): What we know now about meeting the needs of teens and young adults. Special Issue of Child Welfare, Volume 97, 5-6.

RESEARCH REPORTS, CURRICULA, & POLICY BRIEFS

- Simmel, C., Greenfield, B., Bowden, C. (2022). Summary Report on the Evaluability Assessment Project for CASA of New Jersey. Report prepared for the Court Appointed Special Advocates of New Jersey. Rutgers University School of Social Work. (217 pages).
- Crystal, S., Mackie, T., Simmel, C....et al (2020). Comparative Effectiveness of State Psychotropic Oversight Systems for Children in Foster Care. Final Grant Project Report for project funded by Patient Centered Outcomes Research Initiatives (PCORI). (81 pages). PCORI Award Number: IHS-1409-23194
- Simmel, C., Bowden, C., Greenfield, B., Logue Conroy, R., Mendez, A., Yu, M., & Arnold-Berkovits, I. (2019). Summary Report of the Kinship Navigator Formative Evaluation Project in New Jersey. Report prepared for the New Jersey Department of Children and Families. Rutgers University School of Social Work. (134 pages).
- Simmel, C. (April 2018). Preliminary Report on Aim 2: Perspectives for Foster Care Alumni,

- Clinicians, Prescribers, Caregivers, and Caseworkers. Report prepared for Stakeholder Advisory Board for project funded by Patient Centered Outcomes Research Initiatives (PCORI). (69 pages). PCORI Award Number: IHS-1409-23194
- Simmel, C., Mendez, A., Postmus, J. L., Berrios, J., & Goldberg, S. (2017). Summary Report on the QuickCents for YOUth Evaluation Project. Report prepared for the New Jersey Department of Children and Families. Rutgers University School of Social Work. (185 pages).
- DiBella, B., Postmus, J.L., Simmel, C., Buttner, C., & Eckert, C. (2016). From Research to Practice: Factors that Facilitate Successful Cross System Collaboration. Research Brief prepared for The New Jersey Department of Children and Families.
- DiBella, B., Postmus, J.L., Simmel, C., Buttner, C., & Eckert, C. (2016). From Research to Practice: An Overview of Systems Collaboration Efforts to Address the Co-occurrence of Domestic Violence and Child Maltreatment. Research Brief prepared for The New Jersey Department of Children and Families.
- Johnson, L., Postmus, J. L., Simmel, C., Sapiro, B., & Buttner, C. (2015). *Addressing the needs of domestically trafficked adolescents*. Report prepared for the New Jersey Department of Children and Families. Rutgers University School of Social Work. (105 pages)
- Bilder, S., Simmel, C., & Crystal, S. (2015). *Trends and patterns in ADHD diagnosis and treatment in Medicaid youth*. Report prepared for the Board on the Health of Select Populations, Institute of Medicine, National Academy of Sciences, Washington DC. Project conducted by Rutgers University Institute for Health. (41 pages)
- Simmel, C., Forenza, B., Kim, S., Phillips, A., Sapiro, B., & Ocasio, K. (2015). *Compendium report on the Comprehensive Needs Assessment of DCF-involved Youth Project* (Volumes 1-5). Report prepared for New Jersey's Department of Children and Families. Rutgers University School of Social Work. (444 pages)
- Schafhauser, J., Arntson-Kynn, Buttner, C., Johnson, L., Postmus, J. L., & Simmel, C. (2015). Secondary trauma and domestic minor sex trafficking. *From Research to Practice Policy Brief*, volume 2, issue 2. Center on Violence Against Women and Children; Rutgers University School of Social Work.
- Johnson, L., Arntson-Kynn, J., Postmus, J. L., & Simmel, C. (2014). Identification and assessment of domestic minor sex trafficking. *From Research to Practice Policy Brief*, volume 2, issue 1. Center on Violence Against Women and Children; Rutgers University School of Social Work.

- Simmel, C., Kim, S., & Vikses, J. (2014). Summary report on the Assessment of Parent Linking Programs Project. Report prepared for Prevent Child Abuse New Jersey. Rutgers University School of Social Work. (103 pages)
- Simmel, C., Forenza, B., & Sapiro, B. (2014). Assessment of the 2013 Summer Internship & Housing Programs (SHIP & SIP). Report prepared for New Jersey's Department of Children and Families. Rutgers University School of Social Work. (86 pages)
- Longstreet, D., Forenza, B., & Simmel, C. (2013). LGBTQ Adolescents in out-of-home care. From Research to Practice Policy Brief, volume 1, issue 3. Rutgers University School of Social Work.
- Sapiro, B. & Simmel, C. (2013). The implications of natural disasters on child welfare systems. From Research to Practice Policy Brief, volume 1, issue 2. Rutgers University School of Social Work.
- Sapiro, B., Simmel, C., & Forenza, B. (2013). Sexual risk behaviors in youth involved with or aging out of the child welfare system: A national perspective. From Research to Practice Policy Brief, volume 1, issue 1. Rutgers University School of Social Work.
- Ocasio, K., Simmel, C., Phillips, A., Kim, S., & Kim, M.S. (2013). Implementation of New Jersey's School Based Youth Services Program in Middle Schools. Report prepared for New Jersey's Department of Children and Families. Rutgers University School of Social Work. (67 pages)
- Forenza, B., Simmel., & Phillips, A. (2012). Summer Housing and Internship Program (SHIP) 2012 Final Report. Report prepared for New Jersey's Department of Children and Families. Rutgers University School of Social Work. (32 pages)
- Simmel, C., Ocasio, K., Redcay, A., Forenza, B., Murshid, N.S., & Kim, S. (2012). Reflections on New Jersey's Case Practice Model. Report prepared for New Jersey's Department of Children and Families. Rutgers University School of Social Work. (70 pages)
- Simmel, C., Forenza, B., & Shpiegel, S. (2012). Summary report of the 2011 Summer Housing and Internship Program (SHIP). Report prepared for New Jersey's Department of Children and Families. Rutgers University School of Social Work. (22 pages)
- Simmel, C., Shpiegel, S., & Murshid, S. (2011). Survey of the Project MYSELF and SHIP programs at Transitions for Youth: Reflections from program participants and Support Coaches (2010-2011). Report prepared for New Jersey's Department of Children and Families. Rutgers University School of Social Work. (54 pages)

- Price, A. & Simmel, C. (2002). Partners' influence on women's addiction and recovery: The connection between substance abuse, trauma, and intimate relationships. Berkeley, CA: National Abandoned Infants Assistance Resource Center, School of Social Welfare, U.C. Berkeley.
- Simmel, C. (2001). Evaluation of A New Life program (Philadelphia, PA.). Report prepared for Zellerbach Family Fund. National Abandoned Infants Assistance Resource Center, School of Social Welfare, U.C. Berkeley.
- Simmel, C. & Price, A. (2000). Annual progress report on Shared Family Care: Progress and lessons learned. Prepared for Zellerbach Family Fund. National Abandoned Infants Assistance Resource Center, School of Social Welfare, U.C. Berkeley. (75 pages)
- Price, A. & Simmel, C. (1999). Annual report on Shared Family Care: Progress and lessons learned. Prepared for Zellerbach Family Fund. National Abandoned Infants Assistance Resource Center, School of Social Welfare, U.C. Berkeley. (75 pages)
- Berrick, J.D., Needell, B., Shlonsky, A., Simmel, C., & Pedrucci, C. (September). Assessment, support, and training for kinship care and foster care: An empirically-based curriculum. Center for Social Services Research, School of Social Welfare, U.C. Berkeley.
- Simmel, C., Lim-Brodowski, M., Goldberg, S., & Austin, M. (1997). Foster parents: Recruitment, retention, and rate setting. Report prepared for the Santa Clara County Department of Family and Children's Services.

PEER REVIEWED & INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- Greenfield, B., Getz, Z., Zhang, L., Simmel, C. (2021, April). "Short-stayers" in child welfare: Exploring characteristics and experiences. Poster presented at the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD): Virtual. Received special designation as a 2021 SRCD Strategic Plan Poster.
- Greenfield, B., Bowden, C. F., Logue-Conroy, B., & Simmel, C. (2021, January). Challenges and needs of kinship caregivers enrolled in a kinship navigator program. Paper presented at the annual conference of the Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR): Virtual
- Zhang, L., Nepomnyaschy, L., & Simmel, C. (2020, virtual). So close yet so different: Neighborhood inequality and child maltreatment. Paper presented at the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management 2020 Fall Research Conference.
- Zhang, L., & Simmel, C. (2020, virtual). Patterns of Poverty Exposure and Trajectories of Parent-to-Child Maltreatment. Paper presented at the Society for Research in Child

- Development Inequality Workshop.
- Bowden, C., Mendez, A., Simmel, C., Neese Todd, S., & Crystal, S. (January 2020). What Are We Treating? The Complexity of Addressing Trauma in Mental Health Treatment for Youth in Foster Care. Symposium session in Recognizing and Addressing Trauma in Diverse Child-Serving Systems, Chaired by C. Simmel. 24th Annual Society for Social Work and Research Conference. Washington, DC
- Yu, M., Bowden, C., Simmel, C., Neese Todd, S., & Crystal, S. (January 2020). Balancing Risks and Benefits: Stakeholder Perspectives on Antipsychotic Medication Use for Youth in Foster Care. Paper presentation for the 24th Annual Society for Social Work and Research Conference. Washington, DC.
- Yu, M., Lynch, J., Simmel, C., & Shpiegel, S. (January 2020). Defining Child Neglect: A Scoping Review of Perceptions, Trends, and Risk Factors in Different Cultural Groups. Poster presentation for the 24th Annual Society for Social Work and Research Conference. Washington, DC.
- Shpiegel, S., Simmel .C., Sapiro, B., & Lynch, J. (January 2020). Resilience Among Youths Leaving Foster Care: Evidence from the National Youth in Transition Database. Paper presentation for the 24th Annual Society for Social Work and Research Conference. Washington, DC.
- Simmel, C. & Kelly, V. (September 2019). Invited Panelists for Webinar entitled, The Promise of Adolescence: Realizing Opportunity for all Youth. Sponsored by Child Welfare League of America.
- Greenfield, B., & Simmel, C. (2019, July). Exploring associations between maternal cumulative risks and children's attachment security. Poster presented at the biennial International Attachment Conference: Vancouver, BC, Canada.
- Simmel, C., Bowden, C., Neese Todd, S., & Crystal, S. (March 2019). Talking and Listening Together: Understanding Shared Decision Making for Child Welfare & Mental Health Care Teams. Poster presentation at the biennial meeting for the Society for Research in Child Development, Baltimore, MD.
- Bowden, C., Simmel, C., Neese Todd, S., & Crystal, S., (March 2019). Stakeholder Perspectives on the Informed Consent Process in Prescribing Antipsychotic Medications for Foster Youth. Poster presentation at the biennial meeting for the Society for Research in Child Development, Baltimore, MD.
- Nikolva, K., Buttner, C., Cardenas, I., Khetarpal, R., Simmel, C., & Postmus, J.L. (January 2019). Child Protection Workers' Attitudes about Domestic Violence: The Impact of Education Updated June 2022

- and Personal Experience. Paper presentation at the 23rd Annual Society for Social Work and Research Conference. San Francisco, CA.
- Mackie T.I., Kovacs K., Rojas E., Akincigil A., Simmel C., Neese-Todd S., and Crystal, S. (June 2018) Eliciting Stakeholder Preferences in Outcomes Measurement: An Application of Best-Worst Scaling to Prioritize Outcomes in Comparative Effectiveness Research. Poster presentation at Academy Health Annual Research Meeting (ARM), Seattle WA.
- Simmel, C. (June 2018). Services for Adolescents involved with US Child Welfare System. Invited Presentation at Nankai University in Tianjin, China.
- Simmel, C. (May 2018). Overview of US Child Welfare System. Invited Presentations at Ai You Foundation, Beijing, China & at Renmin University, Beijing, China.
- Simmel, C. (May 2018). Overview of U.S. Welfare State. Invited Presentation at Renmin University, Beijing, China.
- Neese-Todd, S. & Simmel, C. (March 2018). "Let Young People be Heard!" The Clarion Call for Shared Decision-making in Treating Mental Health Challenges. Symposium session in Judicious Use of Psychotropic Medications for Youth in Foster Care: Empowering Youth to Guide the Way, Chaired by Bellonci, C. 31st Annual Research and Policy Conference on Child, Adolescent, and Young Adult Behavioral Health, Tampa, Florida.
- Stepleton, K., Elkins, J., Morton, C., Bosk, E., Simmel, C., Ocasio, K, Duron, J., Van Alst, D., MacKenzie, M. (January, 2018). Continuity in Maltreatment Typology for Repeat Victimization in Childhood. Poster presentation at the 22nd Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, Washington, DC.
- Neese-Todd, S., Bergen, J., McClung, D., Simmel, C. (March, 2017). Transforming Health Care Systems through Public/Academic Partnerships with Young Adult Collaborators. 30th Annual Research & Policy Conference—Child, Adolescent, and Young Adult Behavioral Health, Tampa, FL.
- Simmel, C. & Neese-Todd, S. (March 2017). Invited moderators, Youth Move National's Learning Lab. Pre-conference Workshop at the 30th Annual Research & Policy Conference— Child, Adolescent, and Young Adult Behavioral Health, Tampa, FL.
- Simmel, C., Abrams, L.S., Munson, M., & Valdovinos D'Angelo, A. (January 2017). *Progress* and Challenges in Conducting Research with Hard-to-Reach Youth and Young Adult Populations. Roundtable Session at the 21st Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, New Orleans, LA.

- Baer, J. C., Simmel, C., Danis, F. (January 2017). Fight or Flight vs. Tend and Befriend: Exploring Differences in Women's Biological Responses to Stress. Poster presentation at the 21st Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, New Orleans, LA.
- Eckert, C. J., Buttner, C. E., Postmus, J. L., Simmel, C., DiBella, B. (January 2017). The Effect of Personal Experiences with Domestic Violence: Understanding Child Welfare Workers' and Domestic Violence Service Providers' Attitudes and Beliefs around Domestic Violence. Poster presentation at the 21st Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, New Orleans, LA.
- Johnson, L., Simmel, C., & Postmus, J. (August 2016). Examining State-Wide Trends on Domestic Trafficking: Implications for Interventions by Youth-Serving Agencies. Paper presentation for the 21st ISPCAN International Congress on Child Abuse and Neglect. Calgary, Canada.
- Sapiro, B. & Simmel, C. (August 2016). Perspectives of System-Involved Youth on Giving and Receiving Social Support. Paper presentation for the 21st ISPCAN International Congress on Child Abuse and Neglect. Calgary, Canada.
- Crystal, S., Bilder, S., Simmel, C., & Fenton, M. C. (August 2016). *Increasing Mental Health* Diagnosing and Treatment among U.S. Medicaid Youth, 2001-2010. Presentation at the annual International Society for Pharmacoepidemiolgy meeting. Dublin, Ireland.
- Simmel, C. (April 2016) (chair) Advancing the Research Agenda on System-involved Youth: Multidisciplinary Perspectives on Identifying the Needs of Youth. Symposium session at the biennial meeting of the Society for Research on Adolescence, Baltimore, MD.
 - Sapiro, B., Simmel, C., Postmus, J., & Buttner, C. (2016) Perceptions of Youth Involved in Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking: A Multi-System Perspective. Paper presented at symposium session.
- Simmel, C., Forenza, B., Trombetta, J., & London, N. (April 2016). Aging Out of Foster Care and Post-secondary Education: Identifying Factors of Matriculation, Retention, and Graduation. Poster presentation at the biennial meeting of the Society for Research on Adolescence, Baltimore, MD.
- Simmel, C., Sapiro, B., Trombetta, J., & London, N. (April 2016). Navigating the Transition from Foster Care to Independent Living: Youth Perceptions about their Functional Outcomes. Poster presentation at the biennial meeting of the Society for Research on Adolescence, Baltimore, MD.

- Shpiegel, S. & Simmel, C. (January 2016). Sexual Minority Youth Emancipating from Foster Care: An Examination of Outcomes at Age 19. Paper presentation at the 20th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, Washington, DC.
- Iovu, M., Simmel, C., Davis, R., Roth, M. (September 2015). Transition to Adulthood for Youth in Romania: The Impact of Childhood Trauma on Preparing for the Future. Paper presentation at the 14th ISPCAN European Regional Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect, Bucharest, Romania.
- Simmel, C. & Kim, S. (September 2015). Substantiation of Abuse and Neglect Reports: Developmental Stage Variation. Poster presentation at the 14th ISPCAN European Regional Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect, Bucharest, Romania.
- Shpiegel, S. & Simmel, C. (September 2015). Risky Sexual Behaviors among Youth Aging-Out of Foster Care: A Gender-Based Analysis. Poster presentation at the 14th ISPCAN European Regional Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect, Bucharest, Romania.
- Forenza, B., Simmel, C., Sapiro, B. (March 2015). Trends in Housing and Residential Stability/Instability among Current and Former Foster Youth. Poster presented at the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Philadelphia, PA.
- D'Angelo, A. V., Simmel, C., & Worthington, J. (November 2014). Data collection techniques with youth. Invited paper presentation at the Technical Assistance meeting for the Youth at-Risk of Homelessness grantees. Baltimore, MD. Meeting sponsored by Mathematica Research group.
- Sapiro, B., Simmel, C., & Forenza, B. (August 2014). Coping with Challenges: A Snapshot of Problem-Solving and Personal Growth Among Former Foster Youth. Paper presentation at the National Pathways to Adulthood conference, sponsored by the National Resource Center for Youth Development, Philadelphia, PA.
- Simmel, C., Forenza, B., Dixon, L. (May 2014). From Research to Practice: A Statewide Response to Summer Housing and Job Training for Foster Care Alumni and Youth Aging Out of Care currently in Postsecondary Institutions. Workshop presentation at the Children's Bureau 19th Annual Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect, New Orleans, LA.
- Forenza, B. and Simmel, C. (May 2014). Civic Engagement among Youth Aging Out of Foster Care: Processes and Outcomes of a Statewide Initiative. Poster presentation at the Children's Bureau 19th Annual Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect, New Orleans, LA.

- Simmel, C. (April 2014). Developmental perspectives on child maltreatment. Invited presentation to the Pediatric Interest Group at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School at Rutgers University.
- Simmel, C. (March, 2013). On their own: Exploring foster youths' transitions into adulthood. Invited colloquium presentation at Rutgers University, Newark, Department of Psychology. Newark, NJ.
- Simmel, C. (October, 2012). Moderator: developing cooperative research agendas (University-Agency Partnerships). Invited session in the Wicked Problems of Child Welfare and their Incomplete Solutions, 2nd meeting. Chicago, Illinois.
- Simmel, C. (September 2011). Measuring risk in African American males involved with child welfare. Invited presentation at the Improving Outcomes for African American Males in the Child Welfare System. Sponsored by the Center for the Study of Social Policy and the Substance Abuse and Mental health Services Administration. Washington, D.C.
- Simmel, C. (September, 2011). Child welfare youth: Precipitating risk factors and behavioral functioning. Invited presentation at the Behavioral and Mental Health Needs of Children in Foster Care Symposium sponsored by Casey Family Programs and the Administration on Children, Youth, and Families. Washington, D.C.
- Simmel, C. (April, 2011). Exploring parent-child relationships in high risk environments. (Chair) Paper symposium prepared for the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Montreal, Canada.
- Murshid, N.S., Simmel, C., & Shpiegel, S. (April, 2011). Child and infant mortality in Bangladesh: A problem for the uneducated poor. Poster presented at the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Montreal, Canada.
- Lee, I., Simmel, C., & Postmus, J. (January, 2011). The effects of disclosing childhood sexual abuse on adult women's experiences of sexual revictimization. Paper presented at Society for Social Work and Research, Tampa, Fla.
- Lee, I. & Simmel, C. (January, 2011). Causal relations between behavior problems and caregiver and peer relationships among adolescents in child welfare. Paper presented at Society for Social Work and Research, Tampa, Fla.
- Simmel, C. & Lee, I. (April, 2010). Child welfare youth and juvenile delinquency: Examining precipitating risk factors. In The Intersection of Child Welfare and Juvenile Delinquency. Invited session presented at the 22nd annual meeting of the National Consortium on Racial and Ethnic Fairness in the Courts, New Brunswick, NJ.

- Lee, I. & Simmel, C. (March 2010). Examining longitudinal factors related to foster youths' academic achievement. Poster presented at Society for Research on Adolescence, Philadelphia, PA.
- Lee, I., & Simmel, C. (January, 2010). Developmental trajectories of youth in child welfare: In home vs. Out-of-home comparisons. Symposium paper presented at Society for Social Work and Research, San Francisco, CA.
- Sirota, K., Simmel, C., & Farmer, A. (November, 2009). Is teaching psychopathology still relevant? Addressing trends, challenges, and evolving CSWE standards. Roundtable session organized for the annual meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, San Antonio, Texas.
- Simmel, C. (May, 2009). Defining and assessing change in child well-being. Invited panelist at Children's Bureau National Child Welfare Evaluation Summit, Laura Radel, Moderator, Washington, D.C.
- Simmel, C., Lee, I., & Kim, S. (April, 2009). Who knows me the best? Multiple reporters' views on foster youths' mental health problems. Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development Conference, Denver, Co.
- Kim, S., Lee, I., & Simmel, C. (April, 2009). Connecting foster youth to mental health services: How do system-level factors influence the process? Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development Conference, Denver, Co.
- Simmel, C. (April, 2009). Youth in the foster care system: Precipitating risk factors and placement trajectories. In B. Jones Harden & M. B. Webb (chairs), A Developmental Perspective on Child Welfare Research: Findings from the National Survey of Child and Adolescent Well-being. Symposium organized for the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Denver, Co.
- Simmel, C. (April, 2009). From research to policy and back again. Symposium roundtable organized for the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Denver, Co.
- Kim, S., Simmel, C., & Lee, I. (January, 2009). Determinants of mental health service use among maltreated children. Poster presented at the Society for Social Work and Research Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana.
- Lee, I., Simmel, C., & Kim, S. (January, 2009). The developmental outcomes of adolescents involved in child welfare: The effect of peer and caregiver relationships. Poster presented at the Society for Social Work and Research Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana

- Simmel, C. (June, 2006). Learning from Migrant Head Start Families: An exploratory look at the research process in MSHS programs. In M. Capello (chair), Migrant Head Start Issues. Invited presentation at the 8th National Head Start Research Conference, Washington, DC.
- Simmel, C. (Chair, April, 2005). Ensuring the protection of child and youth participants involved in child maltreatment research. Workshop organized for 15th National Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect, Boston, MA.
- Simmel, C. & Stagner, M. (April, 2005). Multi-site Evaluation of Foster Youth Programs. In C. Simmel, (Chair), Advances and Challenges in Child Maltreatment and Child Welfare Research. Symposium organized for the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Atlanta, GA.
- Simmel, C. (Chair; June, 2004). A comprehensive overview of the Migrant Head Start Research Design Development Project. Symposium organized for the biennial Head Start National Research Conference, Washington, D.C.
- Stagner, M., Geen., R. & Simmel, C. (April, 2004). Overview of the Multi-site Evaluation of Foster Youth Programs. Paper presented at the National Independent Living Conference, Washington, DC.
- Simmel, C. & Stagner, M. (Co-chairs; March, 2004). *Understanding at-risk youth populations:* Recent research and policy challenges. Symposium organized for the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Adolescence, Baltimore, Md.
- Nakamoto, J., Resnick, G., Gabbard, S., Simmel, C. (February, 2004). Conducting research with vulnerable populations: The Migrant Head Start Research Design Project. Paper presented at the 35th Annual Migrant and Seasonal Head Start National Conference. Washington, DC.
- Gibbs, D., Dalberth, B., Ashley, O., & Simmel, C. (July, 2003). Terminating the parental rights of older children: Early outcomes of the Adoption and Safe Families Act. Paper presented at the 43rd Annual National Association for Welfare Research and Statistics. San Diego, California.
- Simmel, C. (April, 2003). The effects of early maltreatment and foster care history on adopted foster youths' psychosocial adjustment. Invited presentation at the Fifteenth National Symposium on Doctoral Research in Social Work. Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio.
- Simmel, C. (April, 2003). Long-term psychosocial functioning of adopted youth: The effects of pre adoptive risk factors. In C. Simmel (Chair), Adopted foster children: Pre-adoptive risks,

- long-term functioning, and service needs. Symposium organized for the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Tampa, Fla.
- Simmel, C. (April, 2003). Life after foster care: Research and policies related to older foster youth. In C. Simmel, (Chair), Interpreting the will of Congress: SRCD Policy Fellows discuss the relationship between research and policy. Symposium organized for the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Tampa, Fla.
- Simmel, C. (moderator). (August, 2002). *Model program panel*. AIA Symposium: The Role of Partners in Women's Recovery, University of California, Berkeley.
- Webb, M.B., Jones Harden, B., & Simmel, C. (2002, April). The National Survey of Child and Adolescent Well-being: What we have learned about America's foster children. Paper presented at the Governor's 9th Annual Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect. Baltimore, Maryland.
- Simmel, C. (2002, April). Child welfare research: The relationship between policy, science, and practice. Invited presentation at the Development and Psychopathology Brown Bag, Department of Psychology, University of Oregon, Eugene.
- Simmel, C. & Price, A. (2000, August). Evaluation overview of Shared Family Care. Invited presentation at the Healing Havens for Families Affected by Substance Abuse Conference, University of California, Berkeley.
- Simmel, C., Shlonsky, A., & Needell, B. (2000, May). Assessment, support, and training for kinship care and foster care. Poster presented at the 10th Anniversary of California of Social Work Education Center Conference. Oakland, CA.
- Shlonsky, A., Simmel, C. & Needell, B. (2000, February). Assessment, support, and training for kinship care and foster care: An empirically-based curriculum. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Council on Social Work Education. New York, NY.
- Simmel, C. (1999, April). Shared Family Care. Invited presentation at the annual meeting of California Association of Services for Children, Anaheim, CA.
- Hinshaw, S.P., Zupan, B.A., Simmel, C., Nigg, J.T., Melnick, S.M. (1997, April). Authoritative parenting style predicts peer status in boys with and without attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder. Poster presented at the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Washington, DC.
- Hinshaw, S.P., Simmel, C., Melnick, S.M., Anderson, C.A., & Zupan, B.A. (1996, January). Overt and covert antisocial behavior, negative parenting practices, and peer status in ADHD and comparison boys: Structural equation models. Poster presented at the meeting of the

- International Society for Research in Child and Adolescent Psychopathology, Santa Monica, CA.
- Simmel, C. (1995, March). Covert antisocial behavior in boys with ADHD: Laboratory observations, child self-report, and parenting styles. Poster presented at the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Indianapolis.
- Simmel, C., & Hinshaw, S. P. (1993, March). Moral reasoning and antisocial behavior in boys with attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder. Poster presented at the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, New Orleans.
- Hinshaw, S. P., Herbsman, C., Melnick, S., Nigg, J., Simmel, C. (1993, February). Psychological and familial processes in ADHD: Continuous or discontinuous with those in normal comparison youngsters? Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Research in Child and Adolescent Psychopathology, Santa Fe.
- Hinshaw, S. P., Heller, T., & Simmel, C. (1992, February). Covert antisocial behavior boys with ADHD: Effects of stimulant medication and moral reasoning. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Research in Child and Adolescent Psychopathology, Sarasota.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2004-Current Rutgers School of Social Work

Advanced Contemporary Policy: Children & Youth (Lead teacher, 2019-present) Adolescents: Understanding Risk and Resilience (Lead teacher, 2007-present) Bibliography and Dissertation Proposal Development (doctoral seminar) Child and Adult Psychopathology

Conceptual Foundations of Social Work and Social Welfare (doctoral seminar)

Human Behavior and the Social Environment I & II

Social Policy Analysis (doctoral seminar)

Social Welfare Policy & Services II

Social Welfare Policy & Services II: Child Welfare Policy (for PCWIW program) Social Work Practice II

Rutgers University: Byrne Seminar for Freshman

Growing Up on The Wire: Exploring Adolescents' Lives in Urban Settings

2004 Lecturer, The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C., School of Social Service. MSW Policy Topics: Legislative Processes; Policy Analysis; Policy Advocacy.

2004	Lecturer, The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C., School of Social Services. <i>Human Behavior and the Social Environment</i> (MSW level).
1998	Lecturer, California State University, Hayward, Department of Sociology and Social Services. <i>Human Behavior and the Social Environment</i> .
1998	Graduate Student Instructor, School of Social Welfare, University of California, Berkeley. <i>Topics in Social Welfare</i> (with Dr. Leonard Miller).
1997-98	Graduate Student Instructor, School of Social Welfare, University of California, Berkeley. <i>Social Work as a Profession</i> (with Dr. Bart Grossman).
1992-96	Reader, Psychology Department, University of California, Berkeley. <i>Introduction to Clinical Psychology</i> and <i>Developmental Psychopathology</i> (with Dr. Stephen Hinshaw).

MANUSCRIPT REVIEWS for PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS

Invited Co-Guest Editor of Special Issue

Child Welfare Journal: "Twenty Years after the Foster Care Independence Act of 1999 ("Chafee"): What We Know Now About Meeting the Needs of Teens." (Volume 97, 5 & 6)

Editorial Board Member

- Developmental Child Welfare
- Journal of Public Child Welfare
- Journal of Child Sexual Abuse (2015-2022)

Manuscript Reviewer

- Administration and Policy in Mental Health and Mental Health Services Research
- Administration in Social Work
- American Journal of Preventive Medicine
- Child Abuse and Neglect
- Child Abuse Review
- Child Maltreatment
- Child Welfare Journal
- Children and Youth Services Review
- Development and Psychopathology
- Developmental Psychology
- Journal of Abnormal Child Psychology

- Journal of Aggression, Maltreatment and Trauma
- Journal of Child and Family Studies
- Journal of Clinical Child & Adolescent Psychology
- Journal of Family Issues
- Journal of Interpersonal Violence
- Journal of Public Health Policy
- Journal of Research on Adolescence
- Residential Treatment for Children & Youth
- Social Service Review
- Social Work in Mental Health

RUTGERS SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK/UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- 1. Appointed Member, Steering Committee, Child Health and Well-being Research Group (CHRG), Rutgers University Common Interest Group. (2020--)
- 2. Appointed Chair, Child and Adolescent Well-being Certificate Program (2017--)
- 3. Appointed Member, Research Advisory Committee (2019--)
- 4. Appointed Faculty Lead, Unit on Child Welfare and Well-being (2018-19).
- 5. Appointed Faculty Member, *Dean's Evaluation Committee* (2017)
- 6. Elected Chair, Faculty Compensation Program Committee (2017)
- 7. Appointed Faculty Mentor, *Doctoral Student Association* (2019-)
- 8. Appointed Chair, Doctoral Qualifying Exams Sub-committee, School of Social Work (2014-current; Committee member 2006-2013)
- 9. Appointed Faculty Special Topics course: China Study Abroad program (2018).
- 10. Appointed Senior Faculty Mentor, Junior Faculty Mentor Program, School of Social Work (2016--)
- 11. Appointed Member, Senior Faculty Search Committee, School of Social Work (2014)
- 12. Appointed Member, Faculty Search Committee, School of Social Work (2005-06; 2013-2014; 2015; 2018-19)
- 13. Member, Management and Policy (MAP) Curriculum Committee (2014-current)
- 14. Appointed Member, NTT Review Committee, School of Social Work (2015)
- 15. Appointed Co-lead for Special Topics course: Romania's Revolution: Investing in Children and Families Across the Life Cycle (Study abroad program in Cluj, Romania) (2014)
- 16. Elected Member, Dean's Advisory Committee, School of Social Work (2013-14)
- 17. Elected Member, MSW Curriculum Committee, School of Social Work (2006-10; 2013-14; 2017-2019)
- 18. Appointed Member, Faculty Mentoring Development Committee, School of Social Work (2014)
- 19. Reviewer, Doctoral Dissertation Award Committee, School of Social Work (2013)

- 20. Moderator, Teaching Circle for Doctoral Student Instructors, School of Social Work (2013)
- 21. Faculty Marshall, Rutgers University Commencement (2010)
- 22. Appointed Member, Doctoral Executive Committee, School of Social Work (2012-13; 2018; 2019-21)
- 23. Member, Doctoral Admissions Committee, School of Social Work (2009-10; 2013-current)
- 24. Appointed Lead teacher, Social Welfare Policy and Services II (2005-10; co-lead 2015-17);
- 25. Appointed Lead Teacher, Adolescents at-Risk, School of Social Work, (2007-current)
- 26. Appointed Lead Teacher, Clinical Social Work with Children (2018-current)
- 27. Appointed Lead Teacher, Clinical Social Work with Adolescents (2018-current)
- 28. Appointed Lead Teacher, Developmental Perspectives on Child Well-being (2018-current)
- 29. Appointed Lead Teacher, Advanced Contemporary Policy: Children and Youth (2018current)
- 30. Appointed Coordinator, MSW Field Preparation Workshop Program Committee, School of Social Work (2006)
- 31. Member, *Psychopathology Curriculum Committee*, School of Social Work (2006-10)
- 32. Elected Member, New Brunswick Faculty Council, Rutgers University (2005-07)
- 33. Member, MSW HBSE Curriculum Committee, School of Social Work (2005-07)
- 34. Selected Participant, President's New Faculty Tour of New Jersey, Rutgers University (2005)
- 35. Member, MSW Social Work Practice Curriculum Committee, School of Social Work (2005-06)
- 36. Member, MSW Admissions Committee, School of Social Work (2005)

PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY SERVICE

2017-present	External reviewer for tenure and promotion (universities not identified for
	confidentiality purposes).

2011; 2013;

2015 Reviewer, American Academy for the Advancement of Science, Fellowship Application Reviewer.

2008-2011 Reviewer, Society for Research in Child Development, Fellowship Application Reviewer.

2005-07 Faculty Representative, Health Task Force, New Brunswick Tomorrow, New Brunswick, New Jersey.

2000 Co-producer, Shared Family Care: Mentor Training Video. Prepared in collaboration with Athletes United for Peace for Zellerbach Family Fund & Stuart

	Foundations. National Abandoned Infants Assistance Resource Center, School of Social Welfare, U.C. Berkeley.
1997-98	Doctoral Student Body Representative, School of Social Welfare, University of California, Berkeley.
1996-97	Student Representative, Combined MSW/Ph.D. Program Committee; School of Social Welfare, University of California, Berkeley.
1996	Student Representative, CSWE Accreditation Committee: Student Development; School of Social Welfare, University of California, Berkeley.

GRANT REVIEW PANELS

2021	Grant reviewer, William T Grant Foundation
2004-06;	
2009; 2014	Grant Reviewer/Chair, Children's Bureau, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.
2005	Grant Review Chair, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.
2004	Subject Area Grant Review Manager, Head Start Bureau/Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation.
2003	Grant Reviewer, Department of Defense, Family Advocacy Program Domestic Violence topic area).
2003	Subject Area Grant Review Manager, Children's Bureau, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

CONFERENCE REVIEW PANELS

2009-current	Society for Research in Adolescence (SRA) Biennial Conference (also serve as reviewer mentor for several doctoral student reviewers)
2016; 2009-2012	Head Start Research Conference, Child Development & Mental Health Panels
2006-2013; 2016-current	Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR) Annual Conference (abstract proposal reviewer), Child Welfare; Mental Health; Adolescent and Youth Development Review Panels

2006-current Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD) Biennial Conference (proposal reviewer), (also serve as reviewer mentor for several doctoral student reviewers)

FORMAL MENTORING

Dissertation Committees

- 1. Dissertation committee member, Chieh-Wen Hu: Fathers' Involvement with Young Children in Fragile Families: A Longitudinal Study of Dyadic Effects of Unwed Couples and its Correlates (Ph.D. awarded December, 2006)
- 2. Dissertation committee member, Nancy Violette: Smoking Cessation among Substance Abusers (Ph.D. awarded April, 2007)
- 3. Dissertation committee member, Richard Lange: Examining Emotional Abuse in the LONGSCAN sample (Ph.D. awarded December, 2007)
- 4. Dissertation committee member, Melissa Kasmin: In the Face of Adversity: An Ecological Approach to Understanding the Resiliency of Disadvantaged Kindergarteners (Ph.D. awarded December, 2008)
- 5. Dissertation committee member, Colleen Daly Martinez: The Role of the Mother-child Relationship in Child Sexual Abuse: Using an Attachment Framework to Examine Risk (Ph.D. awarded May, 2009)
- 6. Dissertation committee member, Soyoun Kim: Mental Health Needs and Service Use Among Foster Children (Ph.D. awarded May, 2010)
- 7. Dissertation committee member, Inseon Lee: Pathways to Child Well-being in the NSCAW Foster Care (Ph.D. awarded December, 2009)
- 8. Dissertation committee member, Heather Harcourt: Judging Failures in Moral Development: A Classification of Antisocial Behavior (Ph.D. awarded May 2013)
- 9. Dissertation committee member, Cory Morton: Alcohol outlets and child maltreatment: Moderating effect of the density of community prevention and treatment (Ph.D. awarded June 2012)
- 10. Dissertation committee member, Shaanta Murshid: Examining the Linkages between Microfinance, and Domestic Violence, Autonomy, Decision-Making Power, and Social Networks (Ph.D. awarded May 2013)

- 11. Dissertation committee member, Hillary MiSung Kim: The Role of Maternal Verbal Sensitivity during Mother-child Shared Book Reading in the Development of Preschool Children's Socio-Emotional Functioning. (Ph.D. awarded May 2012).
- 12. Dissertation committee member, Svetlana Shpiegel: Resilience among youth transitioning out of foster care: Cumulative risk and protection and their relationship with positive adaptation (Ph.D. awarded July 2012)
- 13. Dissertation committee member, Kerri Ocasio: Utilizing Health Behavior Theories to Extend Understanding of Repeat Services Usage in Primary Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Programs. (Ph.D. awarded 2015).
- 14. Dissertation committee member, Brad Forenza: Aging out, tuning in: Civic engagement among youth aging out of foster care. (Ph.D. awarded May 2014).
- 15. Dissertation (external) committee member, Catherine Cummings (Fordham University doctoral student): Does familiarity breed collaborative practice? Co-location of domestic violence liaisons in child welfare offices in New Jersey: An implementation study. (Ph.D. awarded May 2019).
- 16. Dissertation committee chair, Beth Sapiro: Closed off and opening up: The relational experiences of transition-age youth living with mental health difficulties. (Ph.D. awarded May 2018)
- 17. Dissertation committee member, Kate Stepleton: Health care case management as preventive intervention: Examining effects on child welfare outcomes and the role of behavioral health services. (Ph.D. awarded May 2019).
- 18. Dissertation (external) committee member, Meghan Doughty: Public administration and the citizen: Administrative burdens, policy effects and the art of the impossible profession. American University's School of Public Affairs. (Ph.D. awarded 2018).
- 19. Dissertation (external) committee member: Joanna Kubik: New approach to understanding gang-involved youth: Examining the impact of gang involvement and a new diversion program on juvenile recidivism outcomes. Rutgers University-Newark. School of Criminal Justice. (Ph.D. awarded May 2019).
- 20. Dissertation committee chair, Kate Golden: Foster care alumni's perceptions on belongingness and community. (Proposal defended October 2020).
- 21. Dissertation committee chair, Alicia Mendez: The intergenerational transmission of trauma. (Proposal defended January 2022)

- 22. Dissertation committee member, Christine James: Serious school discipline and law enforcement involvement among urban youth with disabilities: Implications for transition to adulthood. (PhD Awarded 2022).
- 23. Dissertation committee member, Brett Greenfield. Exploring connections between early attachment relationships, adoption decision making, and parental identity among gay and lesbian couples. (Proposal defended February 2021).
- 24. Dissertation committee member, Yafan Chan. Intimate partner violence and children's mental health. (Proposal defended August 2021)
- 25. Dissertation Committee chair, Jordan Goodwin. Well-being of youth experiencing homelessness. (in progress).
- 26. Dissertation committee, chair, Melanie Yu. Experiences of migrant families and children (in progress)

Research Internships/Independent Study & Research Project Supervision

Doctoral Student & Postdoctoral Supervision

- 1. Liwei Zhang, post-doctoral scholar, multiple child welfare research projects (2019current).
- 2. Brett Greenfield, DCF Kinship Navigator and CASA Evaluation (2018-current).
- 3. Kate Golden, DCF Needs Assessment & DCF Child Study Team (2018-2019).
- 4. Melanie Yu, multiple child welfare research projects (2018-2020).
- 5. Alicia Mendez, *Quick Cents Evaluation Project* (2016-2017); multiple child lwefare projects 2017-2020...
- 6. Svetlana Shpiegel, Project MYSELF/SHIP/SIP Evaluation Projects and Comprehensive Assessment of DCF Adolescents' Needs (2009-2012).
- 7. Brad Forenza, Project MYSELF/SHIP/SIP Evaluation Projects and Comprehensive Assessment of DCF Adolescents' Needs (2012-2014).
- 8. Kerrie Ocasio: Evaluation of Case Practice in New Jersey's DYFS (2009-2012; Faculty Mentor for Doris Duke Fellowship Award)

- 9. Beth Sapiro, Project MYSELF/SHIP/SIP Evaluation Projects and Comprehensive Assessment of DCF Adolescents' Needs (2012-2014; 2016).
- 10. Kate Stepleton, Child Welfare and Psychotropic Medication Usage (multiple projects), Institute for Health (2013-14).
- 11. Cory Morton, Child Policy Research Fellow at New Jersey's Department of Children and Families. (2011-12).
- 12. Alex Redcay: LGBTQ Adolescents & Child Welfare (2012, Research Internship).
- 13. Soyoun Kim: Mental Health Needs, Placement Status, and Service Use Among Foster Children (NSCAW project) (doctoral student: 2006-2010; postdoctoral: 2011-2014)
- 14. Inseon Lee: Adolescents in the US Child Welfare System (NSCAW project) (2006-10)
- 15. Shaanta Murshid: Evaluation of Case Practice in New Jersey's DYFS (2010-12)
- 16. Minwha Cho: Education and Retention of Child Welfare Workers (PCWIW project) (2007).

MSW Student Field Supervision

- 1. Field Supervisor to Alicia Mendez Sawers, MSW Field Placement Intern, Child Welfare and Child Well-being Unit, (2016-17).
- 2. Field Supervisor to Sarah Baig, MSW Field Placement Intern, Center on Violence Against Women and Children. (Fall 2014)
- 3. Field Supervisor to Juliann Vikse, MSW Field Placement Intern, Center on Violence Against Women and Children (Spring 2014)
- 4. Field Supervisor to Ijeomoa Opara, MSW Field Placement Intern, Center on Violence Against Women and Children (Spring 2014).
- 5. Field Supervisor to Imani Nettleford, MSW Field Placement Intern, 2020-21.
- 6. Field Supervisor to Saman Nadeem, MSW Field Placement Intern, 2020-21.

MSW Research Assistant Supervision/Independent Studies (2009-2020)

Ryan Appleby; Monica Avisado; Jessica Barreau; Christina Boehler; Anna Brownschidle; Rich Byrne; Shovaughn Chism; Trista Chui; Rebecca Clark; Shannon Curry; Jessica Delbert; Samantha Eckerling; Kiara Fountain; Samantha Goldberg; Megan Grady; Abigail Johnston; Jenna King; Jillian Kramer; Joanna Kubik; Dana Longstreet; Danielle Lucas; Neshama

Marcus; Kerry Millen; Larissa Petillo; Alisha Phillips; Kerenza Reid; Jessica Saravia; John Schaffhauser; Bridget Schirripa; Courtney Stephens; Courtney Stormann; Zoe Getz Other Supervision/Advising

- 1. Undergraduate Honors Reader, Department of Psychology, Rutgers University, Laura Novello: The Perceived Efficacy of the NJ Division of Youth and Family Services (DYFS)(B.A. awarded Spring 2006).
- 2. Ad hoc Research Mentor to Victoria Santucci, student at Ossining Science High School (2008-2010)

CONSULTING ACTIVITIES

2012-2013	Consultant, Center for International Social Work (at Rutgers University). Case
	Management Toolkit: A User's Guide for Strengthening Case Management
	Services in Child Welfare in Central and Eastern European Countries. Funded by
	JBS/Aguirre International and US AID.

- 2011 Invited Consultant to Commissioner Bryan Samuels, Administration on Children Youth and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; *Exploring* the Mental Health and Socio-emotional Development of Children Involved with the U.S. Child Welfare System.
- 2004-2006 Consultant, Migrant Head Start Research Design Development Project, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families.
- 2005 Invited Presenter for web-based training and educational tool on Child Mental Health Intervention Operational Archive, sponsored by 3-C Institute for Social Development, Inc., and the National Institute for Mental Health (NIMH).
- Program Development Consultant, Catholic University Group Home for Female 2003-2005 Delinquent Youth, Washington, DC. Consult on the development of residential treatment center for female youth involved with the juvenile justice system.

RESEARCH and POLICY EXPERIENCE

2001-04 SRCD Child Policy Fellow, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, Administration for Children & Families, U.S. DHHS. Served as the Project Officer for the following research projects and grants:

1. Multi-site Evaluation of Chafee-funded Foster Youth Programs;

- 2. Migrant and Seasonal Farmworkers Head Start Research Design Development Project;
- 3. Termination of Parental Rights of Older Foster Children Project;
- 4. Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act-Funded Research Projects;
- 5. University Fellowships for Child Abuse and Neglect Research.
- 2001-03 Postdoctoral Research Associate, Partner-Related Factors Affecting Women's Recovery from Substance Abuse, Abandoned Infants Assistance Resource Center, School of Social Welfare, U.C. Berkeley, (Dr. Neil Gilbert & Amy Price, MPA, Co-Principal Investigators).
- 2001-03 Postdoctoral Research Associate, California Long-Range Adoption Study (CLAS), University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill & University of Southern California. (Drs. Richard P. Barth & Devon Brooks, Principal Investigators)
- 1998-00 Associate Program Evaluator, Shared Family Care Project, AIARC, U.C. Berkeley. (Dr. Neil Gilbert & Amy Price, MPA, Co-Principal Investigators)
- 1998 Graduate Research Associate, Kinship Care Project, Center for Social Services Research & California Social Work Education Center, School of Social Welfare, U.C. Berkeley. (Drs. Jill Duerr Berrick & Barbara Needell, Co-Principal Investigators)
- 1995-97 Graduate Research Associate, California Long Range Adoption Study (CLAS), Child Welfare Research Center, U.C. Berkeley. (Dr. Richard P. Barth, Principal Investigator)
- 1995-97 Graduate Research Associate, Bay Area Social Services Consortium, Center for Social Services Research, School of Social Welfare, U.C. Berkeley. (Drs. Mike Austin, Jill Duerr Berrick, & Sheryl Goldberg, Co-Principal Investigators)
- Research Project Manager, U.C. Berkeley Research Program for Boys with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD). University of California, Berkeley, Department of Clinical Psychology. (Dr. Stephen Hinshaw, Principal Investigator)
- 1989-1991 Research Assistant, School Partnership Project. University of California, Berkeley, Department of Clinical Psychology. (Drs. Meryl Botkin & Rhona Weinstein, Principal Investigators).

DIRECT PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

2001 Substance Abuse Counselor, Michigan Department of Corrections, Jackson Family Services. (Supervisor: Tom Burke, MSW). Led intensive cognitive-behavioral substance abuse treatment groups for incarcerated males. Treatment focused on identification of psychosocial triggers and relapse prevention strategies. Also conducted pre--and post--treatment individual assessments of participants.

- 1996-97 Social Work Intern, Santa Clara County District Attorney's Office, Juvenile Dependency Unit. (Supervisor: Michael Gammino, LCSW). Performed psychosocial assessments of court dependent children; wrote court reports advocating for disposition of child clients; testified in court.
- 1995-96 Counselor Intern, Bay Area Community Resources, Richmond, CA. (Supervisor: Stephanie Hochman, LCSW). Conducted individual, group, and family counseling with at-risk middle school youth and their families. Conducted psychosocial assessments of youth, including assessments of substance use and abuse; case management and crisis interventions.
- 1994-2000 Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA), Alameda County, CA. (Supervisor: Arnold Chavez, Ed.D.) Advocated on behalf of children and juveniles involved in the dependency court system. Held weekly meetings, maintained contact with children's social workers, counselors, and (foster) parents. Also wrote court reports outlining suggestions, recommendations, and concerns pertaining to the children and youth and appeared in court to advocate for these issues
- 1994-95 Adjunct Educational Advocate, Ken Oliver and Associates, Oakland, CA, Attended IEP meetings; performed classroom observations and consulted with clients and school personnel; wrote clinical reports advocating for restructuring of clients' classroom environments.
- 1991-95 Clinical Staff ADHD summer program, U.C. Berkeley Research Program for boys with ADHD. (Supervisor: Dr. Stephen Hinshaw). Oversaw implementation of cognitive-behavioral summer treatment program; coled cognitive behavior therapy groups for children with ADHD; administered standardized cognitive and behavioral assessments to participants.
- 1989-1990 Volunteer Milieu Counselor, Children's Unit of Langley Porter Psychiatric Institute, University of California, San Francisco, CA (Supervisor: Danita Sorenson, Ph.D.)

Worked as part of a multi-disciplinary team on an inpatient facility for seriously emotionally disturbed children, ages 3-14. Tutored children; organized and supervised individual and group activities; behavior management.

MEMBERSHIPS/AFFILIATIONS

American Association for the Advancement of Science (2001-03)

American Orthopsychiatric Society (1998-2001)

American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children (2015-current)

Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (2014-current)

International Society for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (2007-current)

Society for Research in Adolescence (2002-current)

Society for Research in Child Development (2000-current)

Society for Social Work and Research (2007-current)