



PSYCHOLOGICAL CENTER
for Expert Evaluations, Inc.

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Licensed Psychologist #PY8460
Practice Limited to Clinical & Forensic Psychology

Licensure

2011 **Florida Licensed Psychologist**
License #: PY8460, Expires May 31, 2016

Education

2010 **Doctor of Psychology (Psy.D.)**
Clinical Psychology, Forensic Concentration
Carlos Albizu University, Miami
(Formerly Miami Institute of Psychology)
APA Approved Doctoral Program

2005 **Master's of Science (M.S.)**
Clinical Psychology, Forensic Concentration
Carlos Albizu University, Miami, FL
(Formerly Miami Institute of Psychology)

2003 **Bachelor's of Arts (B.A.), Psychology**
University of Central Florida, Orlando, FL

State Expert Qualifications

2010-Present Florida: Qualified Expert Witness (Daubert)

2014-Present Maryland: Qualified Expert Witness (Frye-Reed)

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Professional Employment

- 2012-Present **Psychological Center for Expert Evaluations, Inc.**
Forensic Psychology Practice, Palm Beach Gardens, FL
Owner/President: Specialization in family law matters, providing:
- Child Custody and Parenting Evaluations (Social Investigations)
- Focus on Balanced, Unbiased Procedures
 - Research Informed Recommendations
 - Guided by APA and AFCC Standards
- Child Custody Litigation Consultation
- Behind-The-Scenes Mental Health Consulting
 - Disclosed Expert for Court Testimony
 - Work Product Reviews/Rebuttal Witness Testimony
 - Mental Health Cross Examination Question Development
- Psychological Evaluations
- Ordered by Family Court or Dependency Court
 - Adult/Child Psychological Evaluations
- Counseling & Therapeutic Services
- Individual Therapy
 - Reunification Therapy
 - Therapeutic Supervised Visitation
 - Court Involved/Court ordered cases

Current Professional Contracts & Affiliations

- 2012-Present **15th Judicial Circuit, Palm Beach County, FL**
Contracted Court Appointed Expert Witness
Included in the following Registries: Social/Home Investigations, Psychological Evaluations, Probate/Guardianship Examining Committee, Adult and Juvenile Competency Evaluations, Determination of Mental Retardation, and Developmental Disabilities Examining Committee
- 2012-Present **ChildNet**
Credentialed Provider
Approved for psychological evaluations, supervised visitation, therapeutic supervised visitation, and therapeutic services for children and adults in-

volved with the Department of Children and Families/Child Protective Services

2012-Present

Justice Administrative Commission (JAC)

Contracted Due Process Vendor

Psychological Evaluations and Expert Witness Testimony

2012-Present

Florida Department of Education/Vocational Rehabilitation

Approved provider of psychological evaluations and therapeutic services

Previous Professional Experience

2010-2011

C.O.R.T.E. Program, Delray Beach, FL

Post-Doctoral Resident, Clinical/Forensic Specialist

Provided psychological evaluations for physically, mentally, and sexually abused children involved in dependency cases, parental fitness evaluations, custody evaluations, expert witness testimony, individual therapy, and group therapy for a forensic population

2009

Highridge Family Center, West Palm Beach, FL

Pre-Doctoral Internship, Second Rotation

Provided individual, family and group therapy in a residential facility for children and adolescents involved with, and at risk for, entering into the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice

2008-2009

Youth Service Bureau, West Palm Beach, FL

Pre-Doctoral Internship, First Rotation

Provided court ordered psychological assessments, parent education groups and brief family therapy for individuals in a community based, outpatient setting

2006-2008

The Chrysalis Center, Delray Beach, FL

Primary Therapist and Psychological Examiner for physically, sexually, and mentally abused children involved in child protective services.

Integrated psychological assessments were also provided to the perpetrators of abuse.

2006

The Watershed Addiction Treatment Program, Delray Beach, FL

Primary Therapist

Provided individual, family and group therapy to adults in a residential, dual diagnosis facility

- 2005-2006 **Sandy Pines Hospital, Tequesta, FL**
Primary Therapist
Provided individual, family and group therapy to children and adolescents in a residential psychiatric hospital. Children were treated for psychological disorders, often associated with exposure to sexual abuse, physical abuse, mental abuse, and traumas of attachment.
- 2005-2008 **Palm Beach County Detention Center, West Palm Beach, FL**
Practicum Student
Provided individual and group therapy, psychological assessments, crisis intervention and suicide risk assessments to inmates housed in the general population and psychiatric units
- 2004-2005 **Goodman Psychological Center, Miami, FL**
Practicum Student
Provided individual therapy, family therapy, and psychological assessments to children, adolescents and adults in an outpatient setting

Specialized Training

- 2013 **Supervised Visitation: Child Sexual Abuse Training**
Clearinghouse on Supervised Visitation at Florida State University
- 2013 **Intersection of Mental Illness and Substance Abuse**
Clearinghouse on Supervised Visitation at Florida State University
- 2013 ***Daubert* and the Mosaic of Child Custody Assessment**
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
Presented by Jonathan W. Gould, PhD, ABPP; Gary L. Nickelson, Esq. and Moderator Gaetano “guy” Ferro, Esq.
- 2013 **Deconstructing the Custody Evaluator’s Report**
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
Presented by Pamela Sloan, Esq. and Philip M. Stall, PhD, ABPP
- 2013 **Parenting Plan Evaluations and Intimate Partner Violence**
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
Presented by Nancy Ver Steegh, JD, MSW and Leslie M. Drozd, PhD.
- 2013 **Challenging Psychological Testing in Custody Litigation**
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
Presented by Timothy M. Tippins, Esq.

- 2013 **Transparency and the Rights of Clients**
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
Presented by Harold A. Mayerson, Esq.; Larry Fong, PhD; Hone. Dianna Gould-Saltman; Andrew Shepard, JD and Moderator Arnold T. Shienvold, PhD.
- 2013 **Developing Parenting Plans that Benefit Children: Current Research and Practice Implications**
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
Presented by Joan B. Kelly, PhD.
- 2013 **Cross Examining the Expert in Custody Litigation**
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
Presented by Timothy M. Tippins, Esq.
- 2013 **Advanced Issues in Child Custody: Evaluation, Litigation and settlement**
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
- 2013 **Ethics & Beyond: Sensitivity in the Performance of Evaluations in Family Law Actions**
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
Presented by David A. Martindale, Ph.D
- 2013 **Visitation: Why It's Worth All the Effort**
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
Presented by The Honorable Lynn Tepper & Mimi A. Graham, Ed.D.
- 2013 **Assessing & Differentiating Parental Gatekeeping & Alienation in Parenting Time Recommendations**
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
Presented by William G. Austin, Ph.D
- 2013 **Who Represents the Child?**
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
Presented by Angela Vigil, Esq.
- 2013 **Initial Examining Committee Member Training**
Florida State Guardianship Association, Inc.
Heart of Florida Chapter - FSGA

- 2010 **Florida Forensic Examiner’s Training**
University of South Florida, Louis de la Parte, Florida Mental Health Institute Department of Mental Health and Law & Policy
Presented by Randy K Otto, Ph.D., ABPP & Chris Slobogin, J.D., LL.M
- 2009 **New Florida Standards for the Diagnosis & Treatment of Learning Disabled Student: Response to Intervention**
Florida Psychological Association
- 2008 **Family Violence Interventions**
Palm Beach County Youth Affairs Division
- 2008 **Parenting Education/S.T.E.P: Trainer’s Workshop**
Palm Beach County Youth Affairs Division
- 2006 **Young Offenders, Mental Disorders and Immaturity: Challenges for Lawyers and Mental Health Professionals**
Presented by Dr. Thomas Grisso & Law Professor Michael Dale

Presentations Given

- 2011 **Disorders of Attachment and Bonding**
Foster Children’s Project, Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County

Dissertation

- 2010 Tolbert, K.M., Attachment focused care: A pre-service training program for adoptive parents and foster caregivers. 2010
Doctoral Dissertation

Volunteer/Pro Bono Activities

- 2013-Present **Palm Beach County Medical Society, Project Access**
Pro Bono Psychological Services, Department of Health

Professional Associations

2014-Present	Mental Health Association of Palm Beach Gardens Board Member
2014-Present	Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers Member Status
2014- Present	Florida Bar: Family Law Section Affiliate Member Status
2013-Present	Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC) Member Status
2013-Present	Supervised Visitation Network (SVN) Member Status
2013-Present	Society for Child and Family Policy & Practice, Division of APA Member Status
2013-Present	Adult Development and Aging, Division of APA Member Status
2012-Present	American Psychology-Law Association, Division of APA Member Status
2012-Present	American Psychological Association (APA) Member Status