

## Curriculum Vitae

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### **Education**

2004 Ph.D. University of New Orleans, Applied Developmental Psychology  
2002 M. S. University of New Orleans, Applied Developmental Psychology  
1997 B. A. Loyola University, Psychology and Sociology

### **Awards**

2004 Andrew S. Wensel Distinguished Graduate Student Award - Second Place

### **Dissertation**

Modeling the effects of interparental violence on youth. Available full text at :  
<http://etd-db.uno.edu/theses/available/etd-07302004-110916/>

### **Clinical Experience**

2008- **Hillside Children's Center, Waiver Program**

Intensive In-home Provider/Consulting Psychologist  
Supervisor: Kevin Cathy, LCSW

I provided intensive in-home services for the waiver program, an Office of Mental Health program that works with families in their homes in order to keep children out of a higher level of care. I provided family therapy as well as psychological evaluations as needed.

2006- **Hillside Children's Center, Cross Systems Solutions**

Consulting Psychologist  
Supervisor: Robert Tocco, Program Manager

This program is an outpatient program whose goal is to keep children in the lowest level of care possible. I provided psychological consultation and psychological evaluation for children in this program. I worked as part of a multi-disciplinary team to determine the services and level of care that would best meet each child's treatment needs.

2005- **Hillside Children's Center, Short Term Residential/Diagnostic Program**

Psychologist

Supervisor: Mary Alice Schmidt, Program Director

This program consists of 24 beds on the main campus of Hillside as well as 8 beds in a group home in the community. When children are admitted to the diagnostic program, I evaluate them in order to determine the services and level of care that would best meet their treatment needs. I also serve as a consultant to all of the units, in connection with social workers, to work on individualized behavior plans for all clients in the program. In 2008, I served as the interim Clinical Manager of the program. Beginning at the end of 2008, I also supervise the Clinical Manager of the program, who, in turn, supervises all of the social workers. I have worked on teams to help increase the use of Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports. I have also worked as part of a team to work on reducing the use of physical restraints.

2003-2004 **Southeast Louisiana State Hospital, Developmental Neuropsychiatry Unit**

Psychology Extern

Supervisor: Amy Greer, Ph.D., Clinical Director

This unit is comprised of adolescents who are dually diagnosed with an Axis I disorder and a developmental disability. As a psychology extern I led social skills groups, co-led substance abuse groups, conducted individual skills training, assisted in the preparation of special education evaluations as well as behavior support plans, attended and contributed to case conference reviews, attended home visits for the purposes of parent training, and participated in the overall behavioral intervention strategies of the unit.

2002-2003 **Tulane Medical School, Department of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry**

Psychology Extern

Supervisor: Michael Scheeringa, M.D., M.P.H.

Functioned as the sole therapist responsible for piloting a new treatment for PTSD in young children and their mothers following trauma. Treatment addressed both the classic symptoms of PTSD and parent training for externalizing problems that were comorbid with children's symptoms of PTSD. Analyzed the overall effectiveness of the treatment and added this analysis to a grant proposal to fund further outcome studies of this treatment protocol.

### **Research/Program Evaluation Experience**

2006-07 **Hillside Children's Center**

Program Evaluation

Cross Systems Solutions

Conducted data analysis to evaluate the outcome of a Department of Health project designed to keep children in the lowest level of care possible. Conducted

all statistical analyses, prepared reports for Department of Health, and consulted with Department of Health Research Team.

2004-06 **Mercy Family Center/Mercy Learning Center**

Program Evaluation

Clinical Director: Douglas Walker, Ph.D.

Contracted with Mercy Family Center on four separate evaluation projects. These include an evaluation of patient satisfaction with treatment, the effects of psychological treatment of both internalizing and externalizing disorders, and the effects of psychiatric treatment of children diagnosed with ADHD. Also, set up an evaluation project of Mercy Learning Center's reading program. In conjunction with these projects, consulted regarding appropriate assessment instruments for outcome measurement, conducted all data analysis, and created outcome reports.

2005-07 **Louisiana State University**

**Juvenile Justice Program**

Statistical Consultant

Supervisor: Lisa Evans, Ph.D.

Mentored and supported the new research associate for the program. Continued to provide statistical and research design support for the program.

2004-05 **Louisiana State University**

**Juvenile Justice Program**

Research Associate

Supervisor: Lisa Evans, Ph.D.

Provided statistical and methodological support for all research and program evaluation activities for the Juvenile Justice Program (JJP). JJP provides all of the medical and mental health care for youth housed in all three of Louisiana's juvenile corrections centers. Activities included participation in the research program in the area of testing the psychometric properties of assessment instruments, risk assessment, and overall study of the psychopathology of youth housed in these facilities. Program evaluation activities including data collection, mental health case file review, analysis, and report writing to assess the treatment of seriously mentally ill youth housed in all three facilities.

2002-2004 **University of New Orleans, Anxiety Laboratory**

Research Assistant

Supervisor: Carl Weems, Ph.D.

Conducted assessments of children's anxiety using structured interviews and standardized assessments. Examined responses of participants for the purpose of identifying children in need of follow-up assessments for problems with anxiety.

2003 **University of New Orleans, Drug Education Evaluation**

Data Analyst  
Supervisor: Timothy Stickle, Ph.D.

Conducted all of the statistical analyses to assess the effectiveness of an intervention to educate children on the effects of the use of illicit substances.

2002-2003 **State of Louisiana, Office of Mental Health**

Data Analyst, Research Assistant  
Supervisor: Randall Lemoine, Ph.D.  
Faculty Supervisor: Timothy Stickle, Ph.D.

Assisted in the development of a measure to assess the effectiveness of psychological treatments in state hospitals. Consulted with other state offices of mental health to collect existing measures of treatment effectiveness. Developed statistical programs to assess the demographics of the treatment population. Statistically transformed data to web-based graphs and tables for professional presentation.

2001-2002 **Tulane Medical School  
Department of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry,  
Young Child Trauma Project**

Program Coordinator  
Supervisor: Michael Scheeringa, M.D., M.P.H.

Coordinated various aspects of a longitudinal study of young child trauma. Conducted assessments of children's symptoms of PTSD as well as other internalizing and externalizing problems. Responsible for follow-up and scheduling of research participants. Assisted in data entry and was solely responsible for assuring the accuracy of a large database of psychological and physiological data.

**Teaching Experience**

2000-2004 University of New Orleans

**Courses Taught Independently:**

Abnormal Psychology  
Research Design and Methodology  
Introduction to Psychology

**Courses Assisted:**

Abnormal Psychology  
Developmental Psychology  
Educational Psychology

## **Publications**

Dehon, C. & Scheeringa, M. (2006) Screening for Preschool PTSD with the Child Behavior Checklist. *Journal of Pediatric Psychology*, 31, 431-35

Dehon, C., Weems, C. F., Stickle, T., Costa, N. M., & Berman, S. L. (2005) A cross-sectional evaluation of the factorial invariance of anxiety sensitivity in adolescents and adults. *Behavior Research and Therapy*, 43, 799-810

Stickle, T. & Dehon, C. (2005) Home Based Reinforcement. In: Hersen, Michael (Ed.) *Encyclopedia of Behavior Modification and Therapy*, Sage Publications: Thousand Oaks, CA.

Weems, C., Costa, N. M., & Dehon, C. Paul Tillich 's theory of existential anxiety: A conceptual and empirical analysis. (2004) *Anxiety, Stress, and Coping*, 17, 383-99

## **Conference Presentations**

Dehon, C., Costa, N. M., Weems, C. F., Stickle, T., & Berman, S. L. (November, 2003). A cross-sectional evaluation of the factorial invariance of anxiety sensitivity in adolescents and adults. Annual convention of the Association for the Advancement of Behavior Therapy, Boston, MA.

Dehon, Christopher (2006). Assessment of Symptoms of Posttraumatic Stress Following Hurricane Katrina. Annual convention of the American Psychological Association, New Orleans, Louisiana