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## **EDUCATION**

**Post-doctoral Researcher**      The Ohio State University Medical Center, Columbus, OH  
Department of Psychiatry, 2008-2009

**PhD**      The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH  
College of Social Work, December 2007

**MSW**      The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH  
College of Social Work, June 2004

**BA**      The University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA  
Psychology & Sociology, January 2002

## **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

**Director**      2013-Present  
Office of Child Welfare & Children's Mental Health  
School of Social Welfare  
University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas

**Assistant Professor**      2009-Present  
School of Social Welfare  
University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas

**Graduate Teaching Assistant**      2005-2007  
College of Social Work  
The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH

**Pre-Social Work Advisor**      2004-2005  
College of Social Work  
The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH

## **RESEARCH GRANTS**

### **Funded Proposals**

**Principal Investigator**      2012-2013  
*Kansas Evaluation of Mental Health First Aid.*  
Funded by title XVIX Children's Mental Health Grant- Kansas Social and Rehabilitation Services  
(Federal flow through Funding) for \$50,000.

**Principal Investigator**

2012

*Success by 6 Collaboration Evaluation*

Funded by Kansas Early Childhood Block Grant for \$10,000 for one year. Evaluation will measure collaboration within the early childhood system and identify and measure relevant child and family outcomes.

**Principal Investigator***Children's Enhancement Project Assessment- Year 1*

2010-2011

*Children's Enhancement Project Assessment- Year 2*

2011-2012

*Children's Enhancement Project Assessment- Year 3*

2012-2013

Funded by the Health Care Foundation of Greater Kansas City for \$60,000 in Years 1 and 2 and \$50,000 for Year 3. Project provides ongoing integrated feedback for the development and implementation of individualized services for children with serious mental, emotional or behavioral disorders in Western Missouri.

**Principal Investigator**

2011-2013

*Exploring Mental Health Literacy in Children's Mental Health*

New Faculty General Research Program grant funded by KU Center for Research for \$8,000. Project explores children's mental health literacy and how it relates to client and practitioner characteristics and disparities in service utilization.

**Proposals Under Review****Principal Investigator**

2013-2014

*Kansas Evaluation of Youth Mental Health First Aid*

Submitted as title XVIX Children's Mental Health Grant- Kansas Department of Aging and Disability Services (Federal flow through Funding) for \$203,638. Project would include an evaluation of Youth Mental Health First Aid in Kansas with a focus on schools.

**Principal Investigator**

2013-2014

*Strength-based Case Management for Children*

Submitted as title XVIX Children's Mental Health Grant- Kansas Department of Aging and Disability Services (Federal flow through Funding) for \$288,377. Project would adapt adult strengths-based case management approach for use with children.

**Principal Investigator.**

2014-2016

*Children's Mental Health Literacy Scoping Review*

R21 grant proposal submitted to National Institute of Health for \$402,940 for two years. Project would conduct systematic scoping review of children's mental health literacy.

**RESEARCH EXPERIENCE****Methodological Consultant**

2013-2014

*Medicaid Waiver Functional Eligibility Instrument (PI: Rosemary Chapin)*

Kansas Department of Aging and Disability Services

**Methodological Consultant** 2010-2011  
*Psychoeducational Psychotherapy by Telemedicine for Children with Mood Disorders in Rural Kansas* (PI: Nicole Klaus)  
 Research Council, Wichita Council on Graduate Medical Education.

**Methodological Consultant** 2009-2010  
*Study of Wraparound Services provided to SED Waiver Youth* (PI: Steve Kapp)  
 Office of Mental Health Policy, Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services

**Post-Doctoral Researcher** 2008-2009  
*Longitudinal Assessment of Manic Symptoms in Children* (PI: Mary Fristad)  
 Department of Psychiatry, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH  
Project Management Responsibilities: completing NIH progress reports, managing IRB submissions, scheduling subject assessments, financial management of project expenditures, coordination and communication with other study sites, data management, day-to-day management of research lab  
Teaching & Supervision Responsibilities: supervision of 10-15 undergraduate and 6 graduate research assistants, teaching two sections of an undergraduate research seminar focusing on children's mental health, research, and education  
Clinical Responsibilities: conducting comprehensive assessments of children's symptoms and behaviors for initial and follow-up evaluations, conducting feedback sessions with families in the study, participation in clinical case reviews for study participants, screening potential participants

**Graduate Research Assistant** 2005-2007  
*Longitudinal Assessment of Manic Symptoms in Children* (PI: Mary Fristad)  
 Department of Psychiatry, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH  
Responsibilities: Screening and assessment of child & family participants

**Graduate Research Assistant** 2007  
*Families and Schools Together* (PI: Keith Warren)  
 College of Social Work, The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio  
Responsibilities: Secondary data analysis of FAST data

**Graduate Research Assistant** 2004-2006  
*Ohio Community Collaboration Model for School Improvement* (PI: Dawn Anderson-Butcher)  
 College of Social Work, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH  
Responsibilities: Project dissemination and evaluation

## **PROFESSIONAL WRITING**

### **Major Publications (Peer Reviewed)**

#### ***Refereed Articles***

**Mendenhall, A.N.** (principal author), Frauenholtz, S., & Hiebner, A. (under review). Clinicians' perspectives on what children know about children's mental health. *Child and Adolescent Social Work Journal*.

- Mendenhall, A.N.**, Kapp, S.A., Rand, A., Robbins, M.L., & Stipp, K.F. (revision under review). Theory Meets Practice: The Localization of Wraparound Services for Youth with Serious Emotional Disturbance. *Community Mental Health Journal*.
- MacPherson, H. A., Algorta, G. P., **Mendenhall, A. N.**, Fields, B. W., & Fristad, M. A. (in press). Predictors and moderators in the randomized trial of Multi-Family Psychoeducational Psychotherapy for Childhood Mood Disorders. *Journal of Clinical Child & Adolescent Psychology*.
- Mendenhall, A.N.** & Early, T.J. (in press). Pediatric bipolar disorder: considerations for school social workers. *School Social Work Journal*.
- Mendenhall, A.N.** & Frauenholtz, S. (in press). Mental Health Literacy: Social Work's Role in Improving Public Mental Health. *Social Work*.
- Mendenhall, A.N.** & Frauenholtz, S. (in press). Predictors of Mental Health Literacy among Parents of Youth Diagnosed with Mood Disorders. *Child and Family Social Work*.
- Mendenhall, A.N.**, Iachini, A. & Anderson-Butcher, D. (in press). Exploring facilitators and barriers to implementation of an expanded school improvement model. *Children & Schools*.
- Mendenhall, A.N.** Jackson, S, & Hase, S. (in press). Mental Health First Aid USA in a Rural Community: Impact on Knowledge, Attitudes, and Behavior. *Social Work in Mental Health*.
- Mendoza, N.S., Resko, S.M., De Luca, S., **Mendenhall, A.N.**, & Early, T.J. (2013). Social workers and post-doctoral experience. *Social Work Research*, 37(1). 76-80.
- Mendenhall, A.N.** & Frauenholtz, S. (2012). System of care development in children's mental health: lessons learned from a process evaluation. *Journal of Child & Family Studies*, DOI: 10.1007/s10826-012-9701-2
- Mendenhall, A.N.** (2011). Predictors of service utilization among youth diagnosed with mood disorders. *Journal of Child and Family Studies*, 21(4), 603-611.
- Mendenhall, A.N.**, Horwitz, S., Demeter, C., Fristad, M.A., & the LAMS Group. (2011). Mental health service use by children with serious emotional and behavioral disturbance: Results from the LAMS Study. *Psychiatric Services*, 62, 650-658.
- Mendenhall, A.N.** & Mount, K. (2011). Parents of youth with mental illness: a look at caregiver strain & caregiver-focused interventions. *Families in Society*, 92(2), 183-190.
- Mendenhall, A.N.**, Davidson, K.H., & Fristad, M.A. (2010). The Service Provider and Medication Usage Grids: A new method to measure "Treatment as Usual" (TAU). *Child & Adolescent Social Work Journal*, 6, 423-434.
- Mendenhall, A.N.**, Fristad, M.A., & Early, T.J. (2009). Factors influencing Service Utilization and Mood Symptom Severity in Children with Mood Disorders: Effects of Multi-Family

Psychoeducation Groups (MFPG). *Journal of Consulting & Clinical Psychology*, 77, 463-473.

**Mendenhall, A.N.** (2007). Mary's Emancipation: The Integrative Social Work Approach of a MSW Student. *Reflections: Narratives of Professional Helping*, 13(2), 17-26.

**Mendenhall, A.N.** (2007). Switching Hats: Transitioning from the Role of Clinician to the Role of Researcher in Social Work Doctoral Education. *Journal of Teaching in Social Work*, 27(3), 273-290.

**Mendenhall, A.N.** (2006). A Guide to the Earned Income Tax Credit: What Everyone Should Know About the EITC. *Journal of Poverty*, 10(3), 51-68.

### **Minor Publications (Non-Peer Reviewed)**

#### ***Invited Book Chapters***

**Mendenhall, A.N.**, & Fristad, M.A. (2010). Psychoeducational Approaches to Children with Bipolar Disorder. In D.J. Miklowitz & D. Cicchetti (Eds.), *Bipolar Disorder: A Developmental Psychopathology Approach* (pp. 494-521). New York: Guilford Publications.

**Mendenhall, A.N.**, Arnold, L.E., & Fristad, M.A. (2010). Parent Counseling, Psychoeducation, & Parent Support Groups. In M.K. Dulcan (Ed), *Textbook of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry* (pp. 825-844). Washington, DC: American Psychiatric Publishing.

Bronson, D.E. & **Mendenhall, A.** (2006). Women's contributions to social work research and evaluation in the United States: 1890-1940. In K. Slany (Ed.), *Women's Contributions to Social Work*. Jagiellonian University: Krakow, Poland.

### **Manuscripts in Preparation**

**Mendenhall, A.N.** & Frauenholtz, S. *Child and Adolescent Mental Health Disorders*. Invited article for the Encyclopedia of Social Work Online.

**Mendenhall, A.N.** & Jackson, S. *Models for offering Mental Health First Aid in the community*. Peer reviewed article.

Frauenholtz, S., Hiebner, A., & **Mendenhall, A.N.** *Clinicians' perspectives on parents' knowledge about children's mental health*. Peer reviewed article.

Frauenholtz, S., **Mendenhall, A.**, & Williford, A. *Mental health literacy in schools: social workers' role*. To be submitted to Children & Schools.

## **PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS**

### **Major Presentations**

Frauenholtz, S. & **Mendenhall, A.** (accepted). Improving Children's Mental Health Literacy: The Role of Social Work. Paper presentation to be given at the Council on Social Work Education 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Program Meeting in Dallas, TX in October/November 2013.

**Mendenhall, A.** & Frauenholtz, S. (accepted). A Comparison of Traditional and Blended Formats in an Advanced Practice Course. Poster presentation to be given at the Council on Social Work Education 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Program Meeting in Dallas, TX in October/November 2013.

Frauenholtz, S. & **Mendenhall, A.** (2012). Child & Family Voice in Systems of Care: A Qualitative Study. Poster presentation at the National Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health Conference in Washington DC in November 2012.

**Mendenhall, A.** & Frauenholtz, S. (2012). Empowering Children and Families in Mental Health Services and Supports: The Role of Mental Health Literacy. Poster presentation at the National Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health Conference in Washington DC in November 2012.

Frauenholtz, S. & **Mendenhall, A.** (2012). *The Children's Enhancement Project: An Overview and Evaluation of an Innovative System of Care in Children's Mental Health*. Poster presentation for Georgetown University Center for Child & Human Development Training Institute: Improving Children's Mental Health Care in an Era of Change, Challenge, and Innovation: The Role of the System of Care Approach held in Orlando, Florida from July 25-29, 2012.

Kapp, S.A., Robbins, M.L., **Mendenhall, A.**, & Rand, A. (2012). *Theory Meets Practice: The Localization of Wraparound Services for Youth on the HCBS/SED Waiver*. Presentation at the Research & Training Center for Children's Mental Health 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference held in Tampa, FL from March 4-7, 2012.

**Mendenhall, A.N.**, Fristad, M.A., & Horwitz, S.M. (2010). *Service utilization for children in the Longitudinal Assessment of Manic Symptoms (LAMS) Study*. Poster Presentation at American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Annual Meeting, New York City, NY.

Mendoza, N., Resko, S. & **Mendenhall, A.** (2010). *Social Workers and the post-doctoral experience: Building foundations for an interdisciplinary career*. Presentation at Council on Social Work Education 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Program Meeting, Portland, OR.

Aschbrenner, K., Gehlert, S., Greenberg, J., Proctor, E., & **Mendenhall, A.** (2009). *Preparing the Next Generation of Social Work Researchers: Interdisciplinary Paths in Post-Doctoral Training and Early Career Development*. Roundtable Presentation at Society for Social Work Research Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA.

**Mendenhall, A.N.**, Fristad, M.A., & Early, T. (2008). *Direct and Mediated Effects of Psychoeducation on Outcome for Children with Mood Disorders*. Poster Presentation at Pediatric Bipolar Conference, Boston, MA.

**Mendenhall, A.N.**, Early, T., & Fristad, M.A. (2008). *Service Utilization of Children with Mood Disorders: Effects of a Multi-Family Psychoeducation Program*. Poster Presentation at the Research & Training Center for Children's Mental Health 21st Annual Research Conference, Tampa, FL.

De Luca, S., **Mendenhall, A.N.**, & Warren, K. (2007). *Acculturation: Is it Hazardous to Your Child's Health?* Poster Presentation at Society for Social Work Research Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA.

**Mendenhall, A.**, Iachini, A., & Ledgerwood, A. (2005). *A Project Overview of the Ohio Community Collaboration Model for School Improvement*. Poster presentation at 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on Advancing School-Based Mental Health, "Effective School Mental Health Practice: Building a Shared Agenda with Schools, Communities, and Families," Cleveland, OH.

### **Minor Presentations**

**Mendenhall, A.** & Fraunholtz, S. (2012). *The Children's Enhancement Project: Program Overview & Assessment*. Presentation for the Fostering Strategies for Change: Children, Families & Their Communities Conference held in Kansas City, Missouri from October 9-10, 2012.

**Mendenhall, A.N.** (2011). *Childhood Mood Disorders: Issues in Diagnosis & Application of Psychoeducational Psychotherapy Treatment*. Presentation at the University of Kansas School of Social Welfare Field Forum on March 4, 2011.

**Mendenhall, A.N.** (2008). *Healthy Kids for a Brighter Future: Information about ADHD, Bipolar Disorder, ODD, and Fetal Alcohol Syndrome*. Presentation at Firstlink Organization, Columbus, OH.

**Mendenhall, A.N.** & De Luca, S. (2006). *The Misdiagnosis of Pediatric Bipolar Disorder: Has it Led to the High Rates of Suicide among Adolescents?* Paper Presentation at Ohio National Association of Social Work Annual Conference, Columbus, OH.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### **University of Kansas**

#### ***MSW Graduate Courses***

SW 832 Social Work in Health & Mental Health	2009
SW 863 Mental Health & Psychopathology	2010, 2012
SW 863 Mental Health & Psychopathology- Blended Format	2010-Present

### **Ohio State University**

#### ***BSW Undergraduate Courses***

SW 571 Introduction to Research Methods in Social Work	2005
SW 570 Quantitative Analyses of Social Data Computer Lab	2006 & 2007
SW 576 Critical Assessment of Social Research (Assistant/Grader)	2006

#### ***MSW Graduate Courses***

SW 771 Data Analysis Designs (Assistant/Grader)	2006 & 2007
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## **STUDENT ADVISING**

### **Advising**

15-20 BSW Students	2009-2012
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### **Qualifying Paper Committees**

#### Committee chair:

Tami Radohl	Fall 2012
Susan Frauenholtz	Spring 2013

#### Committee member:

Kathryn DePaolis	In progress and to be completed Fall 2013
Marlo Winstead	Spring 2013
Rebecca Gillham	Spring 2012
Trevor Manthey	Spring 2012
April Rand	Fall 2011

### **Dissertation Committees**

*Chair* for Susan Frauenholtz. In progress.

*Chair* for Tami Radohl- *The Role of Personal Medicine in Shared Decision Making and Mental Health Recovery*. Dissertation proposal defended on March 11, 2013. In progress.

*Methodologist* for Rebecca Gillam- *Predictors of Interagency Coordination in Early Childhood*. Dissertation proposal defended on November 7, 2012. In progress.

*Methodologist* for Trevor Manthey- *Investigating the MY VOICE: Strengths-based and Self-directed recovery program*. Defended on June 4, 2012.

*Committee member* for April Rand- *An ecodevelopmental model for understanding the commercial exploitation of girls in the United States: Implications for Practice, Policy, and Prevention*. Dissertation proposal defended on June 26, 2012. In progress.

*Committee member* for Kaela Byers- *Buffering the Effects of Toxic Stress in Early Childhood: Screening for the Prevention of Childhood Social-Emotional Disorders and Family System Disruption*. Proposal defense on April 18, 2013. In progress.

*Outside committee member* for Lauren Spears (Clinical Child Psychology Program)- *An Examination of Magical Beliefs as Predictors of Obsessive-Compulsive Symptom Dimensions*. Dissertation defense on April 22, 2013.

*Outside committee member* for Mary Wilson (Clinical Child Psychology Program)- *Economic Strain and Adolescent Functioning in at-risk Families: The Mediating Roles of Stressful Parent/Child Relationships and Stressful Life Events*. Dissertation defense on October 29, 2012.

*Outside committee member* for Thu-Thao Bui (Clinical Psychology Program)- *A Comparison of Videoconferencing and Face-to-Face Administration of the Yale-Brown Obsessive Compulsive Scale*. Dissertation defense on August 16, 2012.



## **SERVICE**

### **School of Social Welfare at University of Kansas**

<i>Advisor</i> , BSW Student Group	Fall 2011-Present
<i>Member</i> , Search Committee	Fall 2013-Present
<i>Member</i> , Awards Committee	Fall 2011-Present
<i>Member</i> , Clinical Electives Curriculum Area Group	Fall 2009-Present
<i>Member</i> , Faculty Executive Committee	2010-2013
<i>Member</i> , Integrative Seminar Curriculum Area Group	2009-2010

### **University of Kansas**

<i>Member</i> , University Senate Libraries Committee	Fall 2011-Present
<i>Member</i> , Student Housing Advisory Board	2009-2012

### **Community**

<i>Board Member</i> , Success by 6 Coalition of Douglas County	Jan 2011-Present
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### **National**

<i>Reviewer</i> , Journal of Behavioral Health Services & Research	2012-present
<i>Editorial Review Board</i> , The Journal of the Society for Social Work & Research	2012-present
<i>Consulting Editor</i> , Families in Society	2012-present
<i>Proposal reviewer</i> , Society for Social Work Research Annual Conference	2012
<i>Ad Hoc reviewer</i> , Journal of Family Issues	2012
<i>Invited book proposal reviewer</i> , Sage Publications	2011
<i>Ad Hoc reviewer</i> , Children & Schools	2011-2012
<i>Ad Hoc reviewer</i> , Children and Youth Services Review	2010
<i>Ad Hoc reviewer</i> , Journal of Clinical Psychology	2010
<i>Ad Hoc reviewer</i> , Journal of Consulting & Clinical Psychology	2009
<i>Proposal reviewer</i> , CSWE 2009 Annual Program Meeting	2009

## **HONORS & AWARDS**

Meriss Cornell Distinguished Researcher Award for Dissertation	2008
Anna Marie Robinson Scholarship in Mental Health Research	2007
Selma & Alexander W. Erlen Award for Doctoral Student Excellence	2006
Ohio State University Graduate Associate Teaching Award Nominee	2005-2006
Judith Holm Memorial Award, American Board of Examiners in Clinical SW	2004
Meriss Cornell Distinguished Researcher Award for Master's Thesis	2004
Graduate Enrichment Fellow, The Ohio State University	2002-2003
OSU College of Social Work Margaret & Peter F. Cavanaugh Scholarship	2003-2004

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

APA Division 53 - Society of Clinical Child and Adolescent Psychology	since 2008
Council on Social Work Education	since 2008
Society for Social Work and Research	since 2003