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Curriculum Vita

CONTACT INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

Department of Veterans Affairs – Palo Alto & Stanford University, Menlo Park, CA

- Center for Health Care Evaluation & National Center for PTSD 07/06-Present
 - Postdoctoral Research Fellowship

University of California – San Francisco, San Francisco, CA

- Clinical Services Research Training Program 07/04-06/06
 - NIH-Funded Postdoctoral Research Fellowship
- Clinical Psychology Training Program 07/03-06/04
 - Clinical Psychology Internship (APA Accredited)

University of Louisville, Louisville, KY

- Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology (APA Accredited) 08/04
 - Dissertation: *Relative Merits of Competing Factor Structures of the Psychopathy Checklist – Revised in Megan’s Law Risk Assessments*
- M.A. in Clinical Psychology 05/02

West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV

- B.A. in Psychology with Departmental Honors 05/96
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PUBLICATIONS

Books

- Meyer, R. G., Chapman, K., & **Weaver, C. M.** (2008). *Case Studies in Abnormal Behavior* (8th ed.). Boston, MA: Allyn & Bacon.
- Meyer, R. G., & **Weaver, C. M.** (2007). *The Clinician’s Handbook: Integrated Diagnostics, Assessment, and Intervention in Adult and Adolescent Psychopathology* (5th ed.). Long Grove, IL: Waveland Press.
- Meyer, R. G. & **Weaver, C. M.** (2006). *Law & Mental Health: A Case Based Approach*. New York: Guilford Press.

Peer-Reviewed

- McNiel, D. E., Fordwood, S. R., **Weaver, C. M.**, Chamberlain, J., Hall, S., & Binder, R. (in press). Effects of training on suicide risk assessment. *Psychiatric Services*.
- Weaver, C. M.** (2008). The necessity of responsibly pursuing work in juvenile psychopathy. *Journal of Forensic Psychology Practice*, 8, 198-211.
- McNiel, D. E., Chamberlain, J., **Weaver, C. M.**, Hall, S., Fordwood, S. R. & Binder, R. (2008). Impact of training on violence risk assessment. *American Journal of Psychiatry*, 165, 195-200.
- Weaver, C. M.**, Trafton, J. A., Walser, R. D., & Kimerling, R. E. (2007). Pilot test of seeking safety treatment with male veterans. *Psychiatric Services*, 58, 1012-1013.
- McNiel, D. E., **Weaver, C. M.**, & Hall, S. (2007). Base rates of firearm possession by hospitalized psychiatric patients. *Psychiatric Services*, 58, 551-553.
- Woodward, S. H., Stegman, W. K., Pavao, J. R., Arsenault, N. J., Hartl, T. L., Drescher, K. D., & **Weaver, C. M.** (2007). Self-selection bias in psychobiological studies of PTSD. *Journal of Traumatic Stress*, 20, 619-623.
- Weaver, C. M.**, Meyer, R. G., Tristan, L., & Van Nort, J. A. (2006). Two, Three, and Four-factor PCL-R Models in Applied Sex Offender Risk Assessments. *Assessment*, 13, 208-216.
- Weaver, C. M.**, Oliver, J. M., & Meyer, R. G. (2002). Impressions of Expert Witness Credentials in Responsibility Cases. *Bulletin of the American Academy of Forensic Psychology*, 23, 11-16.
- Oliver, J. M., Knight, S. C., **Weaver, C. M.**, & Meyer, R. G. (2001). Attitudes of forensic practitioners about competency to stand trial evaluations: Theoretical and practical considerations. *Bulletin of the American Academy of Forensic Psychology*, 22, 20-22.
- Oliver, J. M., Knight, S. C., **Weaver, C. M.**, Boyd, A. R., & Meyer, R. G. (2000). Attitudes of board certified forensic psychologists toward critical issues in forensic psychology and the legal system. *Bulletin of the American Academy of Forensic Psychology*, 21, 8-10.

In Preparation

- Weaver, C. M.**, Moos, R., et al., (2008). *Prevalence of Legal Problems in a National Sample of Veterans Receiving Substance Use Treatment*. Manuscript in preparation.
- Weaver, C. M.**, & Kimerling, R. E. (2008). *Factor Structure Variability for Clinician-administered and Self-report PTSD Assessments Across African American, Hispanic American, and White Veterans*. Manuscript in preparation.
- Weaver, C. M.**, & McNiel, D. E. (2008). *Mental health service "career" differences between violent and non-violent psychiatric patients*. Manuscript in preparation.

PRESENTATIONS

Research

- Weaver, C. M.,** Kimerling, R., Goldberg, D., Jacobs-Lentz, J., & Trafton, J. (August, 2008). *Criminal Offending History in Male Veterans with SUD and PTSD*. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Psychological Association, Boston, MA.
- Goldberg, D., **Weaver, C. M.,** Jacobs-Lentz, J., & Trafton, J. (August, 2008). *Associations Between Posttraumatic Stress Disorder Factors and Criminal Offending*. Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Psychological Association, Boston, MA.
- Weaver, C. M.** (May, 2008). *Criminal Offending in America's Veterans*. Paper presented at the Forensic Trends: Psychiatric and Behavioral Issues Conference, Las Vegas, NV.
- Sullivan, A. C., **Weaver, C. M.,** & Trafton, J. (March, 2008). *Offending Among High-risk Substance Using Veterans: General Patterns and Effectiveness of Standard Treatment*. Poster presented at the Annual Conference of the American Psychology-Law Society, Jacksonville, FL.
- Weaver, C. M.,** & Kimerling, R. (February, 2008). *Is PTSD Always PTSD?: Factor Structure Variability for Clinician-administered and Self-report PTSD Assessments Across African American, Hispanic, and White Veterans*. Poster presented at the Department of Veterans Affairs Health Services Research & Development National Meeting, Baltimore, MD.
- Weaver, C. M.,** & Alvarez, J. (November, 2007). *Facilitating Cross-expertise in Violence Perpetration and Victimization Research*. Workshop presented at the International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies, Baltimore, MD.
- Weaver, C. M.,** Crawford, E., Timko, C., Schaefer, J., McKellar, J., Rosen, C., Trafton, J. & Kimerling, R. (February, 2007). *Preventing Chronicity and Relapse in Veterans with PTSD and Substance Use Disorders: Research Issues*. Workshop presented at the Department of Veterans Affairs Health Services Research & Development National Meeting, Washington, DC.
- Weaver, C. M.** (August, 2005). *Impact of Firearms Access Screening on Clinical Practice*. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the American Psychological Association, Washington, DC.
- Tristan, L., **Weaver, C. M.,** Meyer, R. G., & Matala, K. (March, 2005). *Psychopathy Factors and Degree of Forcefulness in Sex-Offenders: Implications for Risk Assessment Practices*. Poster presented at the 2005 Annual Conference of the American Psychology-Law Society, La Jolla, CA.
- McNiel, D. E., Chamberlain, J. R., Binder, R. L. **Weaver, C. M.,** & Hall, S. E. (March, 2005). *Impact of Clinical Training on Violence Risk Assessment*. Paper presented at the 2005 Annual Conference of the American Psychology-Law Society, La Jolla, CA.
- Matala, K., Hundley, M., Meyer, R. G., & **Weaver, C. M.** (March, 2005). *Attitudes Toward Capital Punishment: Can Contextual Variables Mediate "Current Standards of Decency?"* Poster presented at the 2005 Annual Conference of the American Psychology-Law Society, La Jolla, CA.

- Briscoe-Smith, A., **Weaver, C. M.**, Van Horn, P., & Lieberman, A. (November, 2004). *A confirmatory factor analysis of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder in a sample of ethnically diverse females in an interpersonal violence sample*. Poster presented at the 2004 International for traumatic stress studies Annual Conference of the American Psychology-Law Society, La Jolla, CA.
- Saldanha, C., McNeil, D. E., & **Weaver, C. M.** (March, 2004). *Involuntary Commitment Proceedings in Civil Psychiatric Patients*. Paper presented at the 2004 Annual Conference of the American Academy of Psychiatry and Law, Scottsdale, AZ.
- McNeil, D. E. & **Weaver, C. M.** (July, 2004). *Firearms screening and management of suicide risk by psychiatric patients*. Paper presented at the 2004 Annual Conference of the American Psychological Association, Honolulu, HI.
- McNeil, D. E. & **Weaver, C. M.** (March, 2004). *Firearms screening and management of risk of violence by psychiatric patients*. Paper presented at 2004 Annual Conference of the American Psychology-Law Society, Scottsdale, AZ.
- Weaver, C. M.**, Oliver, J., & Meyer, R. G. (August, 2002). *Juror comprehension of complex mental health concepts*. Poster presented at 2002 Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association, Chicago, IL.
- Weaver, C. M.**, Tristan, L., Meyer, R. G. & VanNort, J. (March, 2002). *Factor Structure of the PCL-R in Megan's Law Risk Assessments: Confirming Competing Factors*. Poster presented at 2002 Biennial Conference of the American Psychology-Law Society, Austin TX.
- Weaver, C. M.**, Boyd, A. R., Meyer, R. G., & Szczygiel, S. (August, 2001). *Exploratory analysis of legal attitudes among forensic professionals and undergraduates*. Poster presented at 2001 Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association, San Francisco, CA.
- Boyd, A. R., **Weaver, C. M.**, Meyer, R. G., & Fintel, T. (August, 2001). *The role of the APA ethics committee: A survey of professionals and students*. Poster presented at 2001 Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association, San Francisco, CA.
- Weaver, C. M.**, Bock, P., Knight, S. C., Gretarsdottir, E. (November, 1999). *A Demographic Study of the 1998 Jefferson County Guardianship Population*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Kentucky Psychological Association, Louisville, KY.
- Kasdin, M., Passamaneck, R., Bock, P., Toney, D. M., Vinson, J., Bohler, C., & **Weaver, C. M.** (October, 1999). *Guardianship Services and the Treatment of the Mentally Ill: Legal Conflicts and Practical Considerations*. Paper presented at the 10th Annual meeting of the Mental Health Institute of Kentucky, Louisville, KY.

PRESENTATIONS: Clinical Training

- Weaver, C. M.** (May, 2008). *Assessing Violence Risk in Civil Psychiatric Settings*. Paper presented at the Forensic Trends: Psychiatric and Behavioral Issues Conference, Las Vegas, NV.
- Weaver, C. M.** (October, 2007). *Assessing and Managing Violence Risk: Methods and Implications for Practitioners*. Clinical grand rounds presented at the Oakland Army Base outpatient VA clinic, Oakland, CA.

Weaver, C. M. (September, 2007). *Trauma and Perpetration: Making a Case for Dual Expertise*. Paper presented at the Military Sexual Trauma Support Team Training and Meeting, Menlo Park, CA.

Weaver, C. M. (September, 2007). *PTSD and Criminal Perpetration: Assessing and Managing Risk*. Clinical training presented at the National Center for PTSD Clinical Training Program, Menlo Park, CA.

Weaver, C. M., Boyd, A. R., & Meyer, R. G. (June, 2002). *Current Research on the Use of the PCL-R in Kentucky Sex Offender Risk Assessments: Results and Implications for Practitioners*. Paper presented at the annual Kentucky Department of Corrections Training for Sex Offender Risk Assessment and Treatment Providers, Louisville, KY.

PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

Research

VA Palo Alto Health Care System – Menlo Park 06/06 – Present
Center for Health Care Evaluation and National Center for PTSD

Mentors: Jodie Trafton, Ph.D.
Rachel Kimerling, Ph.D.

Position: Postdoctoral Research Fellow

Description: Design and implement add-on study assessing and tracking violence potential and psychopathy in male veterans with substance use disorders (SUD) and PTSD. Design and implement archival study of psychometric assessments of veterans with PTSD. Co-investigator on funded randomized control treatment trial of veterans with SUD/PTSD. Co-investigator on proposed grant assessing ability of treatment to reduce violence perpetration in veterans with SUD. Recruit, train, and supervise research assistants. Prepare and submit funding grants.

University of California – San Francisco 07/03 – 6/06
Department of Psychiatry Mentor: Dale McNiel, Ph.D.

Position: NIH Postdoctoral Psychology Research Fellow

Description: Collaborated in research design and implementation, publication and presentations. Coordinated, supervised, and mentored graduate and undergraduate research assistants. Provide research design and statistical consultation.

University of Louisville 08/99 – 06/03
Department of Psychological & Brain Sciences Mentor: Robert G. Meyer, Ph.D.

Positions: Forensic Psychology RA, Grawemeyer Fellow, & Lab Coordinator

Description: Collaborated in development of research program with the Sex Offender Risk Assessment unit at the Kentucky State Reformatory. Conducted and defended dissertation research, and supervised undergraduate and graduate students.

Central State Hospital - Louisville, KY 08/98 – 07/99
Psychology Department Supervisor: Paul Bock, Ph.D.

Position: Inpatient Psychiatry/Psychology Research Assistant

Description: Developed program of medical record auditing and data analysis.

POSITIONS: Teaching

University of San Francisco – San Francisco, CA 08/06 – 05/07
Psychology Department

Position: Adjunct Professor - *Introductory Psychology*

Holy Names University – Oakland, CA 08/05 – 05/06
Counseling Psychology Graduate Program

Position: Adjunct Professor - *Introductory and Advanced Human Diversity in Counseling*

University of California – San Francisco 04/04 – 07/04
Department of Psychiatry

Position: Anchor Attending Supervisor

Description: Supervised medical students during the Psychiatry Department rotation.

University of Louisville 08/01 – 05/02

Department of Psychological & Brain Sciences Co-instructor: Charlotte Manly, Ph.D.

Position: Co-Instructor – *Graduate Univariate & Multivariate Statistics & Methods*

University of Louisville 08/00 – 05/01

Department of Psychological & Brain Sciences Supervisor: John Birkimer, Ph.D.

Position: Instructor – *Undergraduate Statistics & Research Methods I and II*

Guest Lectures

Department of Veterans Affairs – Palo Alto

- Health Service Research and Development Forum: Assessing psychopathy and violence risk in veterans with PTSD and substance use disorders; Preventing chronicity and relapse in veterans with PTSD and substance use disorders: Research issues.

Pacific Graduate School of Psychology

- Child and Adolescent Assessment: Assessing psychopathy in juveniles: Practical application and the potential for misuse.

Holy Names University

- Graduate Theories of Psychology: Interpersonal Theory and Therapy: A practical guide.

University of California – San Francisco

- Community Academic Research Training Alliance (CARTA) Seminar: Violence Risk Assessment: Improving practice and Practicing Improvements; Assessment of Psychopathy in Juveniles: Issues and Implications.
- Psychiatric Consultation-Liaison Service Didactic Seminar: Assessment of Psychopathy in Psychiatric Risk Assessment Determinations
- Forensic Psychiatry Fellowship Training Program: Assessing Harm in Offender Risk Assessment; The Factor Structure of Psychopathy in Sex Offender Risk Assessments

San Francisco State University

- Undergraduate Statistics: Path Analysis, Factor Analysis, and Structural Equation Modeling in Psychometric Assessment of Psychopathy

University of Louisville

- Undergraduate Abnormal Psychology: Diagnosis and Treatment of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disorders; Diagnosis and Treatment of Personality Disorders

- Undergraduate Forensic Psychology: Historical and Contemporary Considerations in Psychopathy Diagnosis; Sex Offenders and Sex Offenses; Legal and Empirical Developments in Offender Risk Assessment

POSITIONS: Clinical

University of California – San Francisco 07/03 – 09/04
Langley Porter Psychiatric Institute *Supervisor:* Linda Pfiffner, Ph.D.
 San Francisco, CA
Position: Child Therapist – Manualized Group Therapy for Combined-Type ADHD.

University of California – San Francisco 07/03 – 06/04
Langley Porter Psychiatric Institute *Supervisors:* Beverly Lehr, Ph.D.
 San Francisco, CA Dale McNiel, Ph.D.
Position: Predoctoral Clinical Psychology Fellow (APA-approved)

Primary Rotations:

- Neuropsychological Assessment: Conducted outpatient and inpatient evaluations for UCSF Memory and Aging Center, inpatient psychiatry, and on self-referral basis.
- Psychiatric Consultation Service: Provided on-call diagnostic, risk assessment, and treatment planning services to UCSF Emergency Department physicians.
- Adult Outpatient Clinic: Provided psychological assessment and individual treatment services. Co-facilitated manual-based group therapy for patients with chronic pain.
- Adult Inpatient Unit: Provided diagnostic assessment and psychosocial treatment.
- Partial Hospitalization Unit: Provided assessment and individual treatment services for intensive outpatient program. Co-facilitated DBT social skills and process groups.

University of Louisville - Louisville, KY 07/99 – 05/02
Psychological Services Center *Supervisors:* Stanley Murrell, Ph.D.
Position: Graduate Student Therapist Joseph Aponte, Ph.D.
Description: Provided individual therapy and assessment services to primarily lower income community and student clientele. Provided supervision of less experienced graduate students for Interpersonal Therapy (IPT) and psychological assessments.

Kentucky State Reformatory - LaGrange, KY 09/99 – 05/02
Correctional Psychiatric Treatment Unit *Supervisor:* Phillip Johnson, Ph.D.
Position: Graduate Student Therapist
Description: Conducted psychological assessments (e.g. intellectual functioning and malingering) and conducted individual and group therapy with inmates.

Meyzeke Middle School - Louisville, KY 09/99 – 05/00
Position: Graduate Student Therapist *Supervisor:* Joseph Aponte, Ph.D.
Description: Co-facilitated group therapy on peer relation issues (e.g. racial and ethnic identity and multicultural interaction) with middle school children.

Steven Simon, Ph.D. – Private Practice - Louisville, KY 07/99 – 05/00
Position: Assessment Practicum Student – Disability, cognitive, and malingering.

Pressley Ridge Schools of West Virginia - Clarksburg, WV 08/96 – 08/98
Specialized Child and Foster Care Agency *Supervisor:* Stephanie Kennedy
Position: Transitional Living Specialist/Family Service Coordinator
Description: Provided behavioral counseling, mentoring, and case management for at-risk children and adolescents. Supervised and trained foster parents. Developed specialization in school law and advocacy and adolescent crisis management.

Federal Correctional Institution - Morgantown, WV 08/95 – 05/96
Psychology Department *Supervisor:* Jeffrey Hammond, Ph.D.
Position: Undergraduate Practicum Student

POSITIONS: Consultation & Professional Service

Understanding Behavior, Inc. – Program for Judicially Involved Consumers
Forensic Consultant 04/08 inception – Present

- Conducted forensic risk assessment and management plans for a program providing services to consumers with developmental delays and a history of judicial involvement.

Ad Hoc Reviewer

- Peer review: *Journal of Traumatic Stress, Assessment, Addiction*
- Conference abstracts: APA Division 56 (Trauma) for 2007 APA Convention

California Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation

Member, Multidisciplinary Adult Research Group 04/07 inception – Present

- Group organized by the Chief of Adult Research at CDCR to bring together researchers from multiple disciplines to coordinate, plan, and carry out, research to improve the prison system.

Statistical and Editorial Consultation 12/00 – Present

Description: Provide consultation regarding research design and data analysis, as well as general editorial services for student manuscripts. Tutor individuals and small groups on the use of SPSS and AMOS computer analysis programs.

- Formal Acknowledgement in: Andrews, P. & Meyer, R. (2003). Marlowe-Crowne Social Desirability Scale and Short Form C: Forensic Norms. *Journal of Clinical Psych., 59*, 483-492.

American Academy of Forensic Psychology 04/01 – 07/03
Position: Assistant Editor for the *Bulletin of the American Academy of Forensic Psychology*

Kentucky Commonwealth's Attorney - Louisville, KY 08/00 – 02/01
Position: Psychological Consultation
Description: Prepared cross examination questions for prosecution and defense expert witnesses and direct examination questions for prosecution expert witness.

University of Louisville 03/99 – 08/00
Department of Psychological & Brain Sciences *Supervisors:* Stanley Murrell, Ph.D.
Graduate Interview and Orientation Committee Susanne Meeks, Ph.D.
Position: Co-Chair

University of Louisville

08/99 – 06/00

Department of Psychological & Brain Sciences

Supervisor: John Pani, Ph.D.

Position: Undergraduate Academic and Career Advisor & Program Developer

GRANTS & FUNDING SOURCES

Postdoctoral Fellowships:

- VA/Stanford Fellowship supported by a training grant from the VA Office of Academic Affiliations (TPP 97-006). PI – Ruth Cronkite, PhD
- UCSF fellowship supported by a grant from The National Institutes of Health under the *Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award (5 T32 MH018261)* from the NIMH. PI - Clifford Attkisson, PhD

Graduate Research Fellowship:

- Supported by the 2002 *Grawemeyer Research Fellowship* awarded to the top graduate student in the Department of Psychological & Brain Sciences at the University of Louisville. Total award of \$35,000.
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HONORS & AWARDS

2000 Jefferson County Public Schools Champion for Children Award

- Award of recognition for outstanding commitment, time, and service to the students of the Jefferson County Public School District for work completed in development and implementation of group program at Meyzeke Middle School.

2000 Psychology Department Annual Citizenship Award

- Annual award provided to the student showing the highest commitment to Departmental service. This particular year, the award was shared between two students.

1999 Kentucky Psychological Association 2nd Place Award for Graduate Student Research

- Award provided to Weaver, Bock, Knight, & Gretarsdottir (1999; see Presentations).