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## **Professional Experience**

May 2016 to 2022

**DEPT. OF CHILD & FAMILY STUDIES, COLLEGE OF BEHAVIORAL & COMMUNITY SCIENCES, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA, TAMPA, FLORIDA.**

Research Assistant Professor. Principal Investigator for the National Institute of Justice's STOP Program Grantee Perspectives on Violence Prevention and Mental Health Training Program Implementation Evaluation and training curriculum developer for The Center for Child Welfare. Provide team leadership, research design, data analysis, writing and presentation as requested for state and federal evaluations of mental health and child welfare services for children and families. Creation and writing of training materials specific to child welfare and mental health treatment services.

August 2000 to 2015

**DIVISION OF STATE & LOCAL SUPPORT, DEPT. OF CHILD & FAMILY STUDIES, LOUIS DE LA PARTE FLORIDA MENTAL HEALTH INSTITUTE, TAMPA, FLORIDA.**

Research Faculty. Principal Investigator and Co- Principal Investigator roles specific to Florida's IV-E Waiver Demonstration, AHCA Medicaid-funded behavioral health services for children in Florida's child welfare system, Florida's System of Care Evaluation, Utah's IV-E Waiver Demonstration's Process Evaluation, and the evaluation of the Western and Pacific Implementation Center. Perform duties regarding team leadership, research design, data analysis, writing and presentation as requested for state and federal evaluations of mental health and child welfare services for children and families.

April 2000 to September 2001

**DIVISION OF TRAINING, RESEARCH, EVALUATION, AND DEMONSTRATION, DEPT. OF CHILD & FAMILY STUDIES FLORIDA MENTAL HEALTH INSTITUTE, TAMPA, FLORIDA.**

Research assistant responsible for data collection, entry, analysis and writing as requested, for a local evaluation of school and community-based teenage pregnancy prevention and intervention programs. Assisted

with grant applications. Developed in-depth interview protocols for teens and service providers.

December 1998 to  
May 2000

**UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA ANTHROPOLOGY DEPARTMENT, TAMPA, FLORIDA.** Graduate research assistant. Graded an undergraduate web-based writing course on the Anthropological Perspective. Conducted literature searches and library research on historical topics.

May 1999 to  
December 1999

**RYAN WHITE FOUNDATION / UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA, TAMPA, FLORIDA.** Research assistant on local project assessing quality of and access to HIV services for African-Americans. Developed in-depth interview protocol for service providers. Networked with community leaders. Conducted literature searches, qualitative data analysis, and report writing.

February 1999 to  
May 1999

**DACCO (DRUG ABUSE COMPREHENSIVE COORDINATING OFFICE), TAMPA, FLORIDA.** Research intern. Program evaluation involving participant observation, community asset mapping, in-depth interviews, and focus groups to synthesize client and provider perspectives on substance abuse treatment services. Presented strengths / needs assessment and service delivery recommendations to administrative staff.

January 1999 to  
April 1999

**HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY HUNGER TASK FORCE / UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA, TAMPA, FLORIDA.** Rolling Store Feasibility Evaluation. Involved participant observation, in-depth interviews, and self-administered surveys evaluating the need for and feasibility of a mobile grocery store that would cater to multiple senior citizen communities in the Tampa Bay area. Presented preliminary results to the Hunger Task Force.

## Education

- 2015      **Ph.D.**, University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida  
Major: Applied Anthropology  
Concentration: Organizational Anthropology
- 2001      **M.A.**, University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida  
Major: Applied Anthropology  
Concentration: Medical Anthropology
- 1997      **B.A.**, Hope College, Holland, Michigan  
Major: Clinical Psychology  
Minor: Spanish

## Funded Research

Evaluation of STOP Program Grantee Perspectives on Violence Prevention and Mental Health Training Program Implementation

2021-2022 Role: PI

Funded by the National Institute of Justice, the purpose of this study is to inform ongoing implementation and improve program effectiveness for violence prevention and mental health training programs funded by the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) in response to the Students, Teachers, and Officers Preventing (STOP) School Violence Act. The study team will utilize the Active Implementation framework from the National Implementation Research Network (NIRN) to assess stages of implementation and determine what drivers of implementation are contributing to program success or are underutilized. This bi-level study will include a cross-site analysis targeting grantees across 128 sites from implementation years 1 (2018) and 2 (2019), and an in-depth case study analysis including 5 sites across diverse population categories for each implementation year (10 sites total). This evaluation is intended to support grantees in reaching full implementation through a rapid response feedback loop, providing strategic assessment and identification of common implementation factors and processes across sites, as well as specific recommendations for improvements. Additionally, the study will provide evidence to inform broader understandings of program implementation of violence prevention and mental health programs in schools through dissemination of findings to the school and practitioner communities as well as research communities.

#### Center for Child Welfare

April 1, 2019 – present Role: Curriculum Developer

Funded by the Florida DCF, the Center for Child Welfare at the University of South Florida was founded in 2007 out of a need to communicate a consistent policy and practice message to child welfare professionals throughout Florida. The Center utilizes a knowledge management platform currently reaching 12,000 users who serve more than 34,000 children in out-of-home and in-home care. The Center's mission is to provide vital, up-to-date and research-based training, as well as critical resources and information to best prepare and support child welfare front-line staff to meet the needs of Florida's most vulnerable children and families. My specific involvement includes curriculum development such as development of training curriculum on e-professionalism standards related to social media for child welfare case managers and investigators, and development of training curriculum on implicit racial bias for child welfare case managers and investigators.

#### Social Work Behavioral Consultant Training

2020-2021 Role: Curriculum Development and Technical Writing

Funded by the Veteran's Administration via USF School of Social Work; served as technical writer and liaison with faculty experts and production team to develop Social Work competency training and education programs. This includes the roll-out plan, all aspects of the curriculum, and implementation.

#### Child Welfare Pre-Service Training Evaluation

02/01/18 – 01/31/20 Role: PI

Through Senate Bill 1666, the Florida Legislature has prioritized the evaluation of the pre-service training for child protective investigators and case managers. This evaluation is funded by the Florida Institute for Child Welfare at Florida State University. The main objectives of the evaluation are perception, learning and performance. Using Kilpatrick's Level 3 training evaluation model, this evaluation will determine how much transfer of knowledge and skills has occurred following pre-service training curriculum. Specifically, what workplace behaviors are in place as a consequence of training, and if knowledge gain has occurred without the corresponding

behavior change, and what environmental and systems level factors are hindering the desired application of knowledge. The skill transfer will be assessed in a variety of ways, such as, evaluating work tasks (assessment tools), performance checklists, supervisor assessments, peer reviews and observations.

Southern Region Behavioral Health Services Gap Analysis

May 10, 2019 – December 31, 2019 Role: Qualitative Analyst

Funded by the Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF) as a result of a legal settlement between DCF and Plaintiffs under the Counsel of Children Rights, Inc., USF is conducting a gap analysis in the Southern Region of Florida (Miami-Dade and Monroe Counties), specific to behavioral health services for children in Out-of-Home Care. My specific involvement includes participating in regular USF team meetings and conference calls with Florida DCF, protocol development for behavioral health service provider interviews, and data analysis and report writing for monthly reports to DCF.

Evaluation of Florida's Title IV-E Waiver Demonstration.

01/01/15 – 03/30/19 Role: Co-PI

Contracted through the Florida Department of Children and Families.

Evaluation of the Title IV-E Waiver in Florida, which enables federal funds to be more flexibly spent on preventing children who come into contact with Florida's child welfare system from being placed in out-of-home care. Funded through the Department of Children and Families for the evaluation of Florida's second Waiver term. The evaluation is comprised of four related components: (a) a process analysis containing an implementation analysis and services and practice analysis, (b) an outcome analysis, (c) a cost analysis, and (d) two sub-studies. The goal of the implementation analysis is to identify and describe implementation of the Demonstration extension. The services and practice analysis includes an examination of progress in expanding the array of community-based services, supports, and programs provided by CBC lead agencies or other contracted providers, as well as changes in practice to improve processes for identification of child and family needs and connections to appropriate services. The outcome analysis tests the relevant hypotheses listed in the amended Florida Demonstration Terms and Conditions by examining a variety of child-level outcomes that are expected to result from the extension of the Demonstration project. The cost analysis examines the relationship between Demonstration implementation and changes in the use of child welfare funding sources.

The Utah IV-E Waiver Demonstration Evaluation

10/01/13 – 3/1/18 Role: Co-PI of Implementation Study

Subcontract with the University of Utah, funded via the Administration for Children and Families. Funded through the Administration of Children and Families as a subcontract with the University of Utah, this six year contract focuses on process evaluation activities. The process portion of the evaluation is divided into three components: the Implementation Analysis, the Child Welfare Service Array Analysis, and the Fidelity Assessment. The Implementation Analysis includes the Waiver demonstration logic model development, as well as tracking of the Waiver implementation process in terms of key variables such as staff, training, role of the courts, and several contextual factors.

The Florida Children's Mental Health System of Care Expansion Project Evaluation

1/1/14 – 2/28/15 Role: Co-PI

Funded through the Department of Children and Families

This evaluation assesses achievement of all project objectives and activities including a focus on fidelity to implementation of the program components and child and family outcomes using a flexible and responsive approach that is driven by the project's logic model. The results of ongoing evaluation activities are used to provide continuous feedback to the project leadership and management team in order to enhance and improve the Florida Children's Mental Health System of Care Expansion Project during its implementation. The evaluation assesses the overall effectiveness of the project including: 1) the achievement of project objectives, 2) the effectiveness of process objectives including changes in collaboration levels, policies and financing strategies and structures at the state and local pilot levels, and 3) the impact of the project on child and family outcomes.

#### Child-Welfare Specialty Plan Evaluation

7/1/14 – 6/30/15 Role: PI

Contracted through the Dean's Office with the Agency for Health Care Administration.

Funded through the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA), the overall goal is to evaluate the implementation analysis of the CWSP to assess if the components of the Plan are being implemented as intended, and to understand if the organizational and system structures, role definitions and expectations, and level of physical and behavioral health service integration are in place that are necessary to achieve successful implementation.

#### Child Welfare Technical Assistance Implementation Center Evaluation

12/15/08 – 9/30/13 Role: Co-PI of Evaluation

Subcontract with American Institutes of Research (AIR) via award from Administration for Children and Families

The Western and Pacific Child Welfare Implementation Center is designed to assist States, Tribes, and Territories to institutionalize principles, policies, and proven or promising practices that they have adopted. The Implementation Center will support child welfare systems in moving from vision and values to changes in organizational culture and practice that are likely to result in sustainable improvements in outcomes for children and families.

#### Evaluation of Florida's Title IV-E Waiver.

07/01/06 – 03/30/12 Role: PI

Contracted through the Florida Department of Children and Families.

This five year study includes an implementation analysis that will track both the planning process for waiver implementation (Phase One) and the impact of waiver implementation on the state, Community-Based Care lead agencies, provider networks, and local communities (Phase Two), while addressing continual systemic change within Florida's child welfare system as Community-Based Care matures across the state. Additional study components include identification of innovative practices, assessment of caregiver engagement, a cost analysis, and an examination of child safety and permanency administrative data.

#### Child-Welfare Prepaid Mental Health Plan Evaluation

07/01/06 – 06/30/11 Role: PI

Contracted through the Dean's Office with the Agency for Health Care Administration.

The purpose of this project is to describe the structural, organizational and procedural aspects of the Child Welfare Prepaid Mental Health Plan, as well as to obtain data regarding service

needs, access and service use of youth and families in the child welfare system who receive services through this recently implemented behavioral health plan..

National Child Welfare Leadership Institute (NCWLI) Evaluation.

09/30/07 – 05/30/09 Role: Co-PI

Subcontract with University of Utah via award from Administration for Children and Families. This study involves a process and outcome evaluation of a training program designed to increase the leadership skills of public, private and tribal mid-level child welfare leaders across the country.

Evaluation of District 10/11 Pilot Program

07/01/06 – 06/30/09 Role: PI

Contracted through the Florida Department of Children and Families.

This legislatively mandated three year study seeks to compare the community-based systems of care in Broward, Monroe, and Miami-Dade counties with the rest of state on lead agency/provider network agency performance and fiscal management, as well as providing a process study of the pilot program's implementation. The pilot program will allow for the transfer of fiscal, administrative, and programmatic oversight responsibilities held by the Department of Children and Families to independent entities.

Evaluation of Community-Based Care.

11/21/05 – 06/30/09 Role: PI

Contracted through the Florida Department of Children and Families.

The goal of this three-year study is to provide midcourse policy recommendations to key stakeholders and local communities in order to improve services for children in Florida's child welfare system. This evaluation incorporates a mixed-method approach to investigate the legislatively mandated areas of cost, quality, and outcomes, in addition an organizational analysis of lead agencies and implementation analyses of systemic reform efforts.

Evaluation of Florida's Residential Group Care Programs and Model Comprehensive Residential Services Programs.

11/21/05 – 06/30/09 Role: PI

Contracted through the Florida Department of Children and Families.

This three-year project examines Florida's Model *Comprehensive Residential Services Program and placement of children in licensed residential group care*. The Model is assessed on ten statutorily defined performance standards, as well as cost-effectiveness. Reporting on the group care includes a descriptive summary of children eligible for residential group care services and efforts made to assess children for these services.

A Study of the Quality of Children's Behavioral Health Services within Florida's Behavioral Health Managed Care Plans.

07/01/04 – 06/30/06 Role: PI

Contracted through the Dean's Office with the Agency for Health Care Administration.

The goal of this study is to provide an in-depth look at the quality of behavioral health services provided to children in Florida who are SED/at-risk of SED, and whose treatment is financed under Medicaid's Prepaid Mental Health Plan and Health Maintenance Organizations.

Foster Care Child Resiliency Study.

07/01/04 – 06/30/05 Role: PI

Contracted and funded through the University of South Florida Collaborative for Children, Families & Communities Faculty Grant Program. The goal of this study is to examine protective factors and levels of resiliency among young children (0-8 years) and early adolescents (9-12 years) in Florida awaiting foster care placement and/or family reunification.

Behavioral Health Services Provided to Florida's Young Children: An Examination of Interagency Coordination.

09/01/02 – 02/28/03 Role: PI of subproject

Contracted through the Dean's Office with the Behavioral Health Services Integration Workgroup.

The goal of this study was to provide a descriptive inventory of the behavioral health services available to infants and toddlers within the State of Florida so as to determine the gaps and opportunities for linkages of services targeted to early intervention of at-risk children.

**Publications**

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- Vargo, A., Johnson, M. & Armstrong, M. (October 2016). *Implementation Analysis Findings from Utah's Title IV-E Waiver Pilot Program: Utah's Salt Lake Valley Region*. Presentation for Utah's Salt Lake Valley Regional Administration, Tampa, FL.

- Armstrong, M. & **Vargo, A.** (September 2016). *Implementation Analysis Findings from Utah's Title IV-E Waiver Pilot Program: Utah's Northwest Region*. Presentation for Utah's Northwest Regional Administration, Tampa, FL.
- Cruz, A., Johnson, M., Armstrong, M. & **Vargo, A.** (August 2016). *Use of In-Home and Out-of-Home Services for Child Welfare Families: IV-E Waiver Evaluation Findings*. Presentation at Child Protection Summit, Orlando, FL.
- Vargo, A.** & Armstrong, M. (July 2016). *Implementation Analysis Findings from Utah's Title IV-E Waiver Pilot Program: Utah's Southwest Region*. Presentation for Utah's Southwest Regional Administration, Tampa, FL.
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- Vargo, A. (March 2015). "It Takes Time to Shift Historical Paradigms": Changes in Structure, Governance, Perception, and Practice During a Decade of Child Welfare Policy Reform in Florida. Doctoral Defense, University of South Florida.
- Vargo, A. (May 2015). Florida's IV-E Waiver Evaluation. Presentation for the Stakeholder Statewide Planning Group: Ocala, FL.
- Vargo, A., Sharrock, P., Robinson, P. & Boothroyd, R. (2009, September). *Evaluation of Florida's Child Welfare Prepaid Mental Health Plan: Year 3 Findings*. Presentation at Annual Agency for Health Care Briefing Session, Tallahassee, FL.
- Yampolskaya, S., Jordan, N., Vargo, A., Armstrong, M., Sowell, C., Kip, S. & Sharrock, P. (2009, August). *IV-E Waiver Demonstration Evaluation: Outcomes, Fiscal Issues and Changes in Practice*. Paper presentation at the Dependency Court Improvement Summit, Orlando, FL
- Vargo, A., Sharrock, P., Robinson, P., Boothroyd, R., Reyes, F., Lardieri, S., Ort, R. & Armstrong, M. (2008, November). *Evaluation of Florida's Child Welfare Prepaid Mental Health Plan: Rationale, Implementation and Initial Findings*. Poster presentation USF Research One Symposium, Tampa, FL.
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- Vargo, A. C. & Sharrock, P. (2006, September). 2005-2006 Children's Quality of Care Study Briefing. Presentation for Agency for Health Care Administration, Tallahassee, FL
- Armstrong, M. I., Vargo, A. C., Kershaw, M. A., Sharrock, P., Wallace, F. & Yampolskaya, S. (2005, February). *Looking Back and Moving Forward: Critical Factors in Community-Based Care*. Presentation for Juvenile Welfare Board, Clearwater, FL.
- Vargo, A. C. (2005, February). *Foster Care Child Resiliency Study Update*. Presentation for USF Collaborative and local community, Florida Mental Health Institute, Tampa, FL.
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- Kershaw, M. A., Yampolskaya, S., Armstrong, M., Paulson, R., Jordan, N., & Vargo, A. C. (2004, January). *Not Just Privatization: Florida's Child Welfare System and Community-Based Care*. Presentation for the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Southeast Evaluation Association, Tallahassee, FL.
- Armstrong, M., Kershaw, M. A., Vargo, A. C., Yampolskaya, S., Paulson, R., & Jordan, N. (2003, November). *Evaluation of the Privatization of Child Welfare in Florida: The Community-Based Care Initiative*. Presentation for the Educational Foundation for the Advancement of Child Welfare Annual Conference: It's in Our Hands: Shaping the Future for Florida's Children, Orlando, FL.
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- Vargo, A. C., Berson, I. R., Roggenbaum, S., & Baker, D. (2003, July). *Challenges and Successes in Meeting the Behavioral Health Needs of Florida's Foster Children*. Presentation for the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children (APSAC) Annual Colloquium, Orlando, FL.
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- Berson, I. R., Vargo, A. C., Dailey, K., Zheng, Z., & Powell, D. (2003, March). *Medicaid and Part C Services: Funding Mechanisms to Support Interventions for Young Children*. Presentation for the 16th Annual Research Conference: A System of Care for Children's Mental Health: Expanding the Research Base, Tampa, FL.
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