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EDUCATION

<i>Ph.D.</i>	Boston College Graduate School of Social Work	<i>June 2001</i>
<i>M.S.W. Clinical Concentration</i>	Boston College Graduate School of Social Work	<i>May 1997</i>
<i>B. A.</i>	<i>Concentration in Psychology and Law</i> University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA	<i>May 1974</i>

LICENSURE

<i>Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker (LICSW)</i> <i>Massachusetts</i>	<i>1999- Present</i>
<i>Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW), Massachusetts</i>	<i>1997-1999</i>

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

<i>UMass/Memorial Healthcare Inc.</i> <i>Worcester, MA</i> <i>Clinician</i>	<i>June 2008-Present</i>
<i>On-Site Academy, Westminster, MA</i> <i>Clinician and Law Enforcement Consultant</i> Provided mental health services and education and training for public safety professionals, military veterans, and their families. Clinical focus areas included: trauma, substance abuse, and crisis intervention. Served as clinician for Boston Police Department Peer Support Unit.	<i>July 2004-2010</i>
<i>Law Enforcement Assistance Network</i> <i>Worcester, MA</i> <i>Co-Director</i> Provided a multitude of services specific to the law enforcement community. Psychological consultation services to police departments include: Academy training Programs, stress program development, coaching for command personnel, treatment for personnel, and critical incident management. LEAN has been designated as training consultants by MPI to provide assistance in all aspects of police psychology.	<i>October 2006-June 2008</i>

Clinician, *Sept. 2003-October 2004*
Apogee Integrated Mental Health Services
Delivered mental health and substance abuse counseling in group practice setting to adults and adolescents. Worked with individuals, couples, and families.

Clinician, *Sept. 1999-Sept. 2003*
Family Services of Central MA
Provided outpatient mental health and substance abuse counseling to individuals, couples, and families. Conducted psychosocial assessments and provided referrals for agency's Employee Assistance Program (EAP) clients.

Clinician/ Instructor, *Sept. 1999-Sept. 2003*
Parents Apart: A Court Approved Seminar for Divorcing Parents
Family Services of Central Massachusetts
Facilitated seminars assisting divorcing parents to understand the impact of divorce on children, enable parents to help children adjust to new households, and promote co-parenting.

Clinician, *July 1996- July 1998*
Community Health Link
Provided evaluation, treatment, and case coordination to the chronically mentally ill as part of a multidisciplinary team. Facilitated groups for mandated multiple DUI offenders and clients dually-diagnosed with mental illness and substance abuse.

Social Work Intern, *Sept. 1996-May 1997*
UMass/Memorial Healthcare
Provided inpatient and outpatient oncology support services. Conducted psychotherapy with individuals, couples, and families. Co-facilitated cancer patients' support group and the "I Can Cope" program, sponsored by the American Cancer Society.

Social Work Intern, *Sept. 1995-May 1996*
UMass/Memorial Healthcare, Newborn Intensive Care Unit
Provided assistance and support to patients and families with critically ill or premature infants. Conducted initial psychosocial assessments of parent(s), provided support as needed, and coordinated discharge planning with physicians, staff, and community-based agencies. Provided birth loss support services and crisis intervention.

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor of Psychiatry *September 2008-Present*
Department of Psychiatry
UMASS Medical School, Worcester, MA

Instructor *March 2007-2010*
Boston University School of Social Work
Professional Education Program, Boston, MA

Instructor *May 2003-2011*
University of New Hampshire, Professional Development Program

Durham, NH
Part-time Faculty
Boston College Graduate School of Social Work, Chestnut Hill, MA

August 2003-August 2004

Assistant Professor
University of New Hampshire, Department of Social Work, Durham, NH

August 2001-May 2004

CONTINUING EDUCATION WORKSHOPS AND IN-SERVICE TRAININGS FACILITATED

“Understanding Youth Suicide: Recognizing Emotional Problems in Kids” June 2013
Two trainings for MA EMS providers sponsored by MA Dept. of Public Health

Train-the-Trainer, “Understanding Youth Suicide.” Training for MA EMT Instructors, June 2013
Natick, MA. Sponsored by MA Depart. of Public Health

“Suicide Intervention and Prevention: Reaching Out, Saving Lives.” Training for May 2013
MA Department of Veterans Services S.A.V.E. Team and MA National Guard Medical Command Staff

“Assessment and Management of Suicide Risk: Core Competencies for Mental Health Professionals.” Four trainings for mental health services providers funded Mar.-May 2013
by MA Department of Public Health.

“Suicide Intervention and Prevention 2012: What EMTs Should Know” October 2012
Pre-Conference Workshop at Massachusetts EMS Conference, Springfield MA, sponsored by MA Department of Public Health

“Suicide Intervention and Prevention: Reaching Out, Saving Lives.” May 2013
Training for MA Department of Veterans Services SAVE Team and MA National Guard Medical Command Staff

“Assessment and Management of Suicide Risk: Core Competencies for Mental Health Professionals.” Four trainings for mental health services providers funded Mar. – May 2013
by MA Department of Public Health.

“Suicide Intervention and Prevention 2012: What EMTs Should Know” October 2012
Pre-Conference Workshop at Massachusetts EMS Conference, Springfield MA, sponsored by MA Dept. of Public Health

“Suicide Prevention Training for Soldiers.” Train-the trainer material developed for Sept. 2012
and presented to Master Resiliency Trainers and Suicide Intervention Officers of the Massachusetts Army and Air National Guard. Hanscom Air Base, Bedford, MA.

Management of Suicide Risk: Competencies for Mental Health Services Providers.” June 2012
Conducted for MA Department of Veteran’s Services SAVE Team and MA National Guard Yellow Ribbon Program. MA National Guard Family Services Center, Wellesley, MA

“Human Elements of Corrections Work: Training for New Recruits.” June 2012
Conducted separately at Worcester, Middlesex, & Franklin County Sheriff’s Department

Training Academies.

- “Assessment and Management of Suicide Risk: Core Competencies for U.S. Navy Mental Health Clinicians.” U.S. Naval Base, Newport, RI and Camp Pendleton Marine Base, Camp Pendleton, CA. Contracted by U.S. Navy. *May & Sept. 2011*
- “Suicide Intervention and Prevention: What Police Officers Should Know.” *March 2011*
Multiple trainings for Falmouth (MA) Police Department. Funded by MA Department of Public Health’s Suicide Prevention Program
- “Assessment and Management of Suicide Risk: Core Competencies for Mental Health Professionals.” Three trainings funded by MA Department of Public Health. *Feb. - Mar. 2011*
- “The Human Elements of Corrections Work: Training for Recruits of the Worcester County Sheriff’s Department.” Conducted for Worcester County Sheriff’s Department, West Boylston, MA *Dec. 2010*
- “The Human Elements of EMS Work.” Presented at the Focus EMS Conference, Durham New Hampshire *Nov. 2010*
- “Suicide Intervention and Prevention: Reaching Out, Saving Lives” *Nov. 2010*
Training for MA National Guard Army and Air Guard Resilience Corps. Conducted at Hanscom Air Force Base, Bedford, MA
- “Assessment and Management of Suicide Risk: Core Competencies for Mental Health Professionals.” Three trainings funded by MA Department of Public Health. *Oct.–Nov. 2010*
- “Suicide Intervention and Prevention: What EMTs Should Know.” Training for MA EMS providers. Funded by MA Department of Public Health Suicide Prevention Program. Location: Shrewsbury, MA. *April, 2010*
- “Assessment and Management of Suicide Risk: Core Competencies for Mental Health Professionals. “Nine trainings funded by the MA Department of Public Health. *Sept. 2009 – April 2010*
- “Recognizing and Responding to Suicide Risk: Essential Skills for Clinicians.” *Jan. – Feb. 2010*
Conducted two 2-day clinician trainings funded by the NY State Office of Health. Training locations: Schenectady, NY and Staten Island, NY
- “Policing in a ‘Fishbowl’: Customer Service at UMMHC.” *June 2009*
Three separate trainings for UMASS-Worcester Campus Police Department.
- “Police Suicide: Prevention and Available Supports” *Oct. 2009*
Training for Barnstable (MA) Police Department. Funded by MA Department of Public Health’s Suicide Prevention Program
- “Responding to Suicide Calls and Trauma Management for Law Enforcement.” *Feb. 2009*
Training for Nantucket Police Department. Funded by MA Department of Public Health’s Suicide Prevention Program
- “Recognizing and Responding to Suicide Risk: Essential Skills for Clinicians.” *Jan. 2009*

Two-day training for Ministry of Child and Family Development's Northern Region clinical and administrative staff, Vancouver, BC (Canada).

Suicide Prevention, Suicide Assessment and Intervention: Current Standards of Care." *Nov. 2008*
Training for clinicians of MA Multiple Sclerosis Society HomeLinks Program.

Suicide Prevention: A Training for Federal Probation Officers." *Oct. 2008*
Workshop for U.S. Department of Probation in Boston, MA.

'Suicide Intervention and Prevention: A Training for Transit Police Officers.'" *Oct. 2008*
Training for the MA Transit Police Department in Boston, MA.

"Stress, Distress, and PTSD: The Human Elements of Law Enforcement." *Sept. 2008*
Training sponsored by NY State Office of Mental Health. Conducted at Utica Community College in Utica, NY

"Responding to Suicide Attempts: What First Responders Should Know." *Sept. 2008*
Training sponsored by NY State Office of Mental Health for emergency responders. Conducted at Utica Community College in Utica, NY

"Assessment and Management of Suicide Risk: Core Competencies for Mental Health Professionals." Five state-wide trainings for mental health services providers funded by MA Department of Public Health. *Sept. – Dec. 2008*

"Recognizing and Responding to Suicide Risk: Essential Skills for Clinicians." *August 2008*
Two-day training for mental health staff of the Yellow Hawk Tribal Health Clinic of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, Pendleton, OR.

"Suicide Intervention and Prevention: What Police Officers Should Know." *August 2008*
Training for law enforcement officers from local, state, tribal agencies, and jurisdictions in Pendleton, OR region.

Suicide Intervention and Prevention: What First Responders Should Know. *August 2008*
Training for fire/rescue and other medical responders in Pendleton, OR region.

"Assessment and Management of Suicide Risk: Core Competencies for Mental Health Professionals." *May 2008*
Clinical staff training conducted at Wheeler Clinic in Plainville, CT.

"Boot Camp" Training for Police Chiefs. *May 2008*
Four-hour training on psychological health issues for police officers. Presented to newly-hired municipal police chiefs, Grafton (MA) Police Department.

"Suicide Prevention: Training for Probation Officers." *April, 2008*
Six-hour training for MA Probation Department, Clinton, MA.

"Recognizing and Responding to Suicide Risk: Essential Skills for Clinicians." *April 2008*
Two-day pre-conference workshop at the American Association of Suicidology (AAS) Annual Conference, Boston, MA.

<p>“Recognizing and Responding to Suicide Risk: Essential Skills for Clinicians.” Two-day training sponsored by NY Office of Mental Health, Plattsburgh, NY.</p>	<p><i>April 2008</i></p>
<p>“Recognizing and Responding to Suicide Risk: Essential Skills for Clinicians.” Two-day training provided to Wells Center clinical staff, Southbridge, MA.</p>	<p><i>February 2008</i></p>
<p>“College Suicide and Threat Assessment.” Workshop conducted for College of the Holy Cross Campus Administrators and Counseling Center staff, Worcester, MA.</p>	<p><i>January 2008</i></p>
<p>“Recognizing and Responding to Suicide Risk: Essential Skills for Clinicians.” Two-day training provided to United Cerebral Palsy Center staff, Utica, NY.</p>	<p><i>November 2007</i></p>
<p>“Assessment and Management of Suicide Risk: Core Competencies for Mental Health Professionals.” Three trainings funded by MA Department of Public Health.</p>	<p><i>Oct.– Dec. 2007</i></p>
<p>“Psychological Issues Critical to Police Officers.” Full-day training provided to Springfield, MA Police Training Academy recruits.</p>	<p><i>October 2007</i></p>
<p>“Preventing Police Suicides: Prevention and Available Supports.” Training conducted for Lynn, MA Police Department Command Staff.</p>	<p><i>October 2007</i></p>
<p>“Suicide and the Police Culture.” Training for new police recruits at Springfield, MA Police Training Academy.</p>	<p><i>September 2007</i></p>
<p>“Assessment and Management of Suicide Risk: Core Competencies for Mental Health Professionals.” Two trainings provided at US Air Force bases (Little Rock, AR & Moody, GA). Funded by Department of Defense through Suicide Prevention Resource Center</p>	<p><i>August 2007</i></p>
<p>“Assessment and Management of Suicide Risk: Core Competencies for Mental Health Professionals.” Three trainings funded by the MA Department of Public Health Injury Prevention Program (Marlboro, Northampton & Plymouth)</p>	<p><i>April-June 2007</i></p>
<p>“Assessment and Management of Suicide Risk: Core Competencies for Mental Health Professionals.” Two trainings provided to the NY State Office of Mental Health (Binghamton & Potsdam)</p>	<p><i>April 2007</i></p>
<p>“Assessment and Management of Suicide Risk: Core Competencies for Mental Health Professionals.” Two trainings provided to the Maine Department of Health & Human Services (Brewer & Portland)</p>	<p><i>April 2007</i></p>
<p>“Assessment and Management of Suicide Risk: Core Competencies for Mental Health Professionals.” Training provided to Kit Clark Elder Services Center Dorchester, MA.</p>	<p><i>January 2007</i></p>
<p>“Suicide Prevention and Self-Injurious Behavior: What Teachers Should Know”</p>	<p><i>August 2006</i></p>

Training conducted for Newton Public Schools

“Suicide Assessment and Intervention: Current Standards.” *Sept. 2005-June 2006*
Instructor/trainer for a series of all-day continuing education trainings
funded by the MA Department of Public Health Injury Prevention Program.

“Assisting Individuals in Crisis and Peer Support” *March 2006*
Training conducted for Massachusetts Department of Fire Services

“Suicide Assessment and Intervention: Current Standards of Care” *Sept. 2004-June 2006*
Instructor/trainer for a series of all-day continuing education trainings.
Sponsored by the Massachusetts Coalition for Suicide Prevention, funded
by Massachusetts Department of Public Health

“Assisting Individuals in Crisis and Peer Support” *February 2006*
Training conducted for Brigham & Women’s Hospital Peer Support
Program, Boston, MA

“Preventing Police Suicides: Available Support Systems” *February 2005*
Training conducted for Boston Police Training Academy’s recruit class

“Assisting Individuals in Crisis and Peer Support” *February 2005*
Training conducted for Boston Emergency Medical Services (BEMS)

“Assisting Individuals in Crisis and Peer Support” *December 2004*
Training conducted for American Response Ambulance (AMR)

“Suicide Assessment and Intervention: Current Standard Care” *October 2004*
Instructor/ trainer of a six-hour Continuing Education training presented
in affiliation with University of New Hampshire Division of Continuing Education (DCE).

“Suicide Assessment and Intervention for Social Workers: Current Standards of Care.” *April 2004*
Instructor/ trainer of a six-hour Pre-conference Workshop presented at the
Annual Conference of the American Association of Suicidology, Miami, FL.

“Suicide and Mental Illness: Information for Law Enforcement Personnel.” *January 2004*
Workshop presented to the Massachusetts State Police Crisis Negotiation Team,
Conducted at the MA State Police Training Academy at Braintree, MA.

PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS

Feldman, B.N. (2013). “The First Line of Support.” Suicide prevention lecture for MANG Family
Readiness Group. Presented at the Massachusetts National Guard Family Program Volunteer
Conference. Southbridge, MA April 14.

Feldman, B.N. (2013). “Working with Schools on Suicide Prevention: A Collaborative Approach.”
Presented at the Massachusetts Statewide Suicide Prevention 12th Annual Conference, Framingham,
MA April 2.

Feldman, B.N. (2013). “Preventing Youth Suicide: A Brief Introduction.” Presented at the Central MA

Child Fatality Review Conference. Shrewsbury, MA March 27.

Feldman, B.N. (2012). "Youth Suicide Prevention: A Brief Introduction." Presented at the Mount Wachusett Community College Conference for Youth Mental Health, Leominster, MA October 11.

Feldman, B.N. (2012). "Youth Suicide Prevention: Connecting the Links." Presented at the Worcester Institute on Loss and Trauma 13th Annual Conference, Worcester, MA September 19.

Feldman, B.N. (2012) "Human Elements of Corrections Work and Preventing Correctional Officer Suicide." Presented at MA Sheriff's Association Training & Education Committee Annual Conferences Plymouth, MA June 14 and Holyoke, MA June 8.

Feldman, B.N. (2012). "The Impact of Suicide Calls on Emergency Medical Services Providers: Strategies to Limit Critical Incident Stress and Prevent EMS Suicides." Presented at the Massachusetts Statewide Suicide Prevention 11th Annual Conference, Marlboro, MA. May 1.

Feldman, B.N. (2012). "Human Elements of Corrections Work and Preventing Suicide Among Correction Officers." Presented at the Massachusetts Statewide Suicide Prevention 11th Annual Conference, Marlboro, MA. May 1.

Feldman, B.N. (2012). "The Impact of Suicide Calls on Emergency Medical Services Providers: Strategies to Limit Critical Incident Stress and Prevent EMS Suicides." Presented at the American Association of Suicidology (AAS) 45th Annual Conference, Baltimore, MD. April 21.

Schimtz, W., Feldman, B.N., Quinnett, P. (2012). The Crisis in Suicide Training for Mental Health Professionals: Overlooked, Resisted & Often Dismissed." Presented at the American Association of Suicidology (AAS) 45th Annual Conference, Baltimore, MD. April 21.

Feldman, B.N. & Grudzinskas, A.J. (2012). "Human Elements of Correction Work: Stressors and Strategies." Presented at the 5th Annual Academic & Health Policy Conference on Correctional Health. Atlanta, GA March 22.

Grudzinskas, A.J. & Feldman, B.N. (2012). "Crisis Intervention and Risk Management Training for Correction Officers: Working with Mentally Ill Offenders." Presented at the 5th Annual Academic & Health Policy Conference on Correctional Health. Atlanta, GA March 22.

Feldman, B.N. (2011). "Suicide Watch: Assessing and Managing Suicide Risk in Schools and on Campus." Presented at the Virginia School and Campus Safety Training Forum. Hampton, VA. August 2.

Feldman, B.N. (2011). "The Impact of Suicide Calls for Responding Police Officers: Strategies to Limit Critical Incident Stress and Prevent Potential Police Officer Suicides." Presented at the International Critical Incident Foundation 11th World Congress on Stress, Trauma, and Coping: Mapping the Future of Crisis and Disaster Response. Baltimore, MD February 26.

Feldman, B.N. (2011). "Preventing Firefighter Suicide." Presented at Fire Chief's Association of Massachusetts Professional Development Conference. Leominster, MA February 9.

Feldman, B.N. (2010). "Teen Suicide Prevention: What Educators Should Know." Sponsored by Anna Maria College's Criminal Justice and Fire Science Programs, The Molly Bish Center for the Protection

of Children and the Elderly, and the Worcester District Attorney's Office. Presented at the Safe Schools Summit Conference, Worcester, MA September 23.

Feldman, B.N. (2010). "The Impact of Suicide Calls for Responding Police Officers: Strategies to Limit Critical Incident Stress and Prevent Potential Police Officer Suicides." Presented at the New England Chiefs of Police Annual Conference, Burlington, VT September 13.

Feldman, B.N. (2010). "The Impact of Suicide Calls for Responding Police Officers: Strategies to Limit Critical Incident Stress and Prevent Potential Police Officer Suicides." Presented at the American Association of Suicidology (AAS) 43rd Annual Conference, Orlando, FL April 21.

Grudzinskas, A., Clayfield, J.C., Feldman, B.N. (2010). "The Boston Police Study: Improving Outcomes for Justice-Involved People with Mental Illness." Presented at the GAINS Center Conference, Lake Buena Vista, FL March 19.

Feldman, B.N. (2010). "Human Elements of First Responder Work." Sponsored by Anna Maria College's Criminal Justice and Fire Science Programs, The Molly Bish Center, for the Protection of Children and the Elderly, and the Worcester District Attorney's Office. Presented at the Conference for First Responders, Paxton, MA March 11.

Feldman, B.N. (2009). "Risk Management for Suicide: What Clinicians Should Know. Presented at the MA Executive Office of Health & Human Services Department of Public Health 8th Annual Suicide Prevention Conference, Sturbridge, MA May 15.

Feldman, B.N. & Grudzinskas, A. (2009). "Understanding the Impact of Trauma: What Prosecutors Should Know. Presented to District Attorney's Office for the Middle District Prosecutorial staff, Worcester, MA October 20.

Feldman, B.N. (2008). "Preventing Police Suicides: Prevention and Available Supports." Presented at the American Association of Suicidology (AAS) Annual Conference, Boston, MA, April 18.

Feldman, B.N. (2007). "Preventing Police Suicides: Prevention and Available Supports." Presented at the Society for Police and Criminal Psychologists Annual Conference, Springfield, MA, September 29.

Feldman, B.N. (2007). "Risk Management for Suicide: What Clinicians Should Know." Presented at the Executive Office of Health and Human Services Department of Public Health 5th Annual Suicide Prevention Conference, Sturbridge, MA, May 15.

Feldman, B.N. (2007). "Caregivers and Stress: Taking Care of Yourselves." Presented at the Aiding Suicide Survivors Conference for Clergy and Funeral Director, Worcester, MA March 21.

Feldman, B.N. (2006). "Police Suicide: Prevention and Available Supports." Presented at the International Association of Chiefs of Police Law Enforcement Education and Technology 113th Annual Conference, Boston, MA October 14.

Feldman, B.N. (2005). "Clinical Assessment for Risk and Lethality of Suicide." Presented at the Coalition for Kids in Danger 12th Annual Conference, Framingham, MA November 8.

Feldman, B.N. (2005). "Risk Management for Suicide: What Clinicians Should Know." Presented at

the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services Department of Public Health 4th Annual Suicide Prevention Conference, Worcester, MA May 17.

Feldman, B.N. (2005). "Crisis Negotiators and Stress: *Taking Care of You*." Presented at the New England Association of Crisis Negotiators 5th Anniversary Conference, Falmouth, MA April 25.

Feldman, B.N. (2004). "Suicide Assessment and Intervention for Social Workers: Current Standards of Care." Pre-conference Workshop presented at the Annual Conference of the American Association of Suicidology, Miami, FL April 14.

Feldman, B.N. & Freedenthal, S. (2004). "Social work education in suicide intervention and prevention: An unmet need?" Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the American Association of Suicidology. Miami, FL April 16.

Feldman, B.N. & Freedenthal, S. (2004). "Social work education in suicide intervention and prevention: An unmet need?" Paper presented at the Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education in Anaheim, CA February 29.

Freedenthal, S. & Feldman, B.N. (2004). "Working with suicidal clients: Predictors of social workers' perceived competence." Presented at the Eighth Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research in New Orleans, LA January.

Feldman, B.N. (2003). "Developing and Piloting Curricula for Post-graduate Social Workers on Suicide and Suicide Prevention: A Project Overview." Presented at the Annual Conference of the American Association of Suicidology, Santa Fe, NM April 26.

Feldman, B.N. (2002). "The Influence of Relational Factors on Men's Adjustment to Their Partners' Newly-Diagnosed Breast Cancer." Presented at the Jean Baker Miller Training Institute Research Forum, Wellesley Center for Women's Studies, Wellesley College, Wellesley, MA June.

Feldman, B.N. (2001). "The Influence of Relational Factors on Men's Adjustment to Their Partners' Newly-Diagnosed Breast Cancer." Presented at the National Council on Family Relations Conference, Rochester, NY November.

Kayser, K., Feldman, B.N., Borstelmann, N., & Daniels, A. (2002). "A Psychosocial Program for Breast Cancer Patients and Their Partners: An Evaluation Study." Presented at the Society for Social Work and Research Conference, San Diego, CA January.

Kayser, K., Feldman, B.N., Borstelmann, N., & Daniels, A. (2001). "Evaluating a Psychosocial Program for Couples Coping with Breast Cancer: Preliminary Results." Presented at the National Council on Family Relations Conference, Rochester, NY November.

Kayser, K., Feldman, B.N., Borstelmann, N., & Daniels, A. (2000). "Evaluating a Psychosocial Program for Couples Coping with Breast Cancer: Preliminary Results." Presented at the International Evaluation for Practice Conference, Huddersfield, England July.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Current/ Ongoing Research Support

- Emergency Department Safety Assessment and Follow-up Evaluation (ED-SAFE)* 2009-2014
(Training Director)
Agency: National Institute of Health (NIH)/National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH)
The goal is to examine the effectiveness, feasibility, and sustainability of a multi-component screening and intervention for suicide within general ED settings. The study will have important implications for a variety of stakeholders, including patients, family members, healthcare providers, financial managers, health insurers, administrators, and policy makers.
- Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Curriculum Modules for Adolescent Mental Health Emergencies* 2012- 2013
(Principal Investigator)
Agency: Emergency Medical Services for Children Program, MA Department of Public Health
This project focuses on curriculum development for EMTs specific to their dealing with adolescent behavioral health emergencies and related issues and represents the continuation of work which commenced in 2010. This earlier work evolved over the past two years to provide the groundwork and curriculum development for EMS front-line workers and EMS trainers. The current project provides the underpinnings for creating multiple training modules for EMS trainers/instructors to educate EMTs across Massachusetts. The overall purpose of this phase of the EMSC project is to develop and provide current, evidence-based, and practical training materials for MA EMS instructors/trainers.
Curriculum Development for Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) 2011-2012
(Principal Investigator)
Agency: MA Department of Public Health Injury Prevention Program
The purpose of this work was to develop a series of in-service suicide prevention training modules for EMTs. Based on results from the EMT needs assessment survey (see below), these modules were developed to help EMTs to better understand and identify persons at risk for self-harm or violence, due to mental health or other stress related issues. The trainings and related materials were prepared for presentation to a select cadre of trainers who will over time develop sufficient competence in the topic areas to deliver it back to their respective institutions.
- On-Line EMS Suicide Prevention Survey Administration Project* 2011
(Principal Investigator)
Agency: MA Department of Public Health Injury Prevention Program
This research project extended the prior work conducted for the MA Department of Public Health's Emergency Medical Services for Children Program (EMSC). This work incorporated the print version of a 40-item survey, developed by the Principal Investigator, to assess the suicide-prevention training needs of Massachusetts EMTs, as well as their perceptions and experiences related to suicide prevention into an on-line survey template. Working in consort with UMASS Medical School's Office of Survey Research, the project resulted in the formatting and development, administration, and data analysis of the EMT training needs assessment survey.
- Suicide Intervention and Prevention Training for Massachusetts Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs)* 2010-2011
(Principal Investigator)
Agency: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) and Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC), MA DPH
The purpose of this research was to establish through focus groups, literature review, and other sources, a detailed needs assessment survey to determine EMT training needs in suicide intervention and prevention. Previous data suggest that calls involving the deaths/near deaths of children and adolescents are anxiety-provoking, and that EMTs feel especially under-prepared to interact with or support families of deceased or critically-injured children/adolescents. These concerns provided the rationale for

developing a comprehensive needs assessment survey (see above). The project was supported by MA DPH Suicide Prevention Program, but much of the material has important cross-over value in areas of family/bystander interactions, proper death delivery notices/referral to family support services and EMT self-care.

“Risk Identification and Management Training for Correctional Personnel” 2012-2013
(Co-Principal Investigator)

Agency: MA Department of Public Health Injury Prevention Program

The purpose of the research is to develop a needs assessment survey to determine the suicide prevention training needs for correction officers. This survey will be modeled on previous research conducted in 2011 by Dr. Feldman which identified suicide prevention-related training needs for Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs). This project will focus on Sheriffs’ Department personnel in Massachusetts. Results will help guide and the development of training needs and eventual curriculum development for correction officers.

Making Educators Partners in Suicide Prevention (MEPSP) Training and Evaluation 2011
Principal Investigator

Agency: MA Department of Public Health Injury Prevention Program

This pilot study was designed to train teachers and staff by way of in-person or on-line trainings at several Massachusetts high schools. The purpose of the research was to compare two different methods of delivering the MEPSP suicide prevention program to high school teachers: (1) presenting this training via a two-hour in-person training; or (2) by completing the identical suicide prevention curriculum at one’s own pace via on-line training. In either training delivery format, teachers completed pre- and post-knowledge questionnaires to evaluate effectiveness of the MEPSP training.

Completed Research Support

Police Suicide Prevention through Peer Support” and Means Restriction: 2008-2010
Policies for Police Chiefs
(Co-Principal Investigator)

Agency: MA Department of Public Health & MA Chiefs of Police Association,

The goal of this project is to develop protocols for municipal peer support program formulation.

Boston Police Study
(Co-Investigator) 2008-2010

Agency: Sidney R. Baer Jr. Foundation

The goal of this program is to develop crisis intervention and risk management training protocols for police and first responders, and to compare a specialty response unit model with a generalist training for all officers model in a setting where resources are identical. The program will then evaluate the system change and the effectiveness of both models over a two year period, and provide strategies for community implementation of either model.

The Social Work Education in Suicide Study (SWESS) 2003-2004
(Principal Investigator)

Funder: Irving and Barbara C. Gutin Family Charitable Foundation of New Hampshire

Working with the New Hampshire Institute for Health Policy and Practice, the project involved the formulation, distribution, and analysis of 600 social workers in a national, Web-based survey to examine their graduate-level training and education experiences about suicide and suicide intervention and prevention. This research required collaboration with the Suicide Prevention Partnership (SPP) and the American Association of Suicidology (AAS).

The Development of Suicide Prevention and Intervention Curricula Project 2002-2004
(Principal Investigator)

Funder: Irving and Barbara C. Gutin Family Charitable Foundation of New Hampshire

Under the auspices of the New Hampshire Institute for Health Policy and Practice, the project entailed development of methodology to assess higher education curricula in suicide prevention and intervention and developing a model curriculum for social workers.

Responsible for implementing, pilot-testing, and evaluating the curricula. The project also required implementing and evaluating the curriculum. This research involved collaboration with the Suicide Prevention Partnership (SPP) and the American Association of Suicidology (AAS). Funded by the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation of the Irving and Barbara C. Gutin Family Charitable Foundation.

Skills Training for Breast Cancer Patients and their Partners: An Evaluation Study 1999- 2001
(Project Coordinator)

This multi-site research study (Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and Massachusetts General Hospital) sought to determine the efficacy of a newly-developed psychosocial intervention for newly-diagnosed breast cancer patients and their partners. Responsibilities included data management, coordination of recruitment process, monitoring treatment adherence, collection of data at three points in time, and data analysis. Funded by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health's Breast Cancer Research Program.

Dissertation Research 1999-2001
"The Influence of Relationship Factors on Men's Adjustment to Their Partner's Newly-Diagnosed Breast Cancer." Dissertation Chair: Karen Kayser, Ph.D.

Field Education Reflection Study 1998-2001
(Project Coordinator)

Boston College Graduate School of Social Work,

Position: Research Assistant

Funder: Boston College Graduate school of Social Work

The purpose of this research was to examine and better understand MSW students' field work/internship experiences to determine future program directions. I assisted in development of the study questionnaire, and was responsible for data collection, data management, and data analysis.

Center for Work and Families, The Carroll School of Management, Boston College 1998 - 1999
(Student Research Associate)

Assisted in developing survey instrument to assess effectiveness of newly-established on-site childcare centers for a leading pharmaceutical manufacturer. Analyzed data and reviewed manuscripts for publication.

PUBLICATIONS

Schmitz Jr., W.M., Allen, M.H., Feldman, B.N., Gutin, N.J., Jahn, D.R., Kleespies, P.M., Quinnett, P., Simpson, S., (2012). Preventing suicide through improved training in suicide risk assessment and care: An American Association of Suicidology Task Force Report Addressing Serious Gaps in U.S. Mental Health Training. *Suicide and Life-Threatening Behavior*, 42(3): 292-304.

Ruth, B., Gianino, M., McLaughlin, D., Muroff, J., Feldman, B.N. (2012). You can't recover from suicide: Perspectives on suicide education in MSW programs. *Journal of Social Work Education* (In press).

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- Feldman, B.N. & Broussard, C.A. (2006). Men's adjustment to their partners' breast cancer: A dyadic coping perspective. *Health and Social Work*, 31(2).
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- Kayser, K., Feldman, B.N., Borstelmann, N., & Daniels, A. (2002). Evaluating a psychosocial program for couples coping with breast cancer: Preliminary results. *Research in Social Work Practice*. (In press).

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Project Coordinator, Emergency Response and Crisis Management Grant* Sept. 2006 – Oct. 2007
 Newton Public Schools, Newton, MA
 Coordinated and facilitated activities related to DOE-funding for improving and establishing crisis management and safety policies, procedures, and planning. Responsible for developing and enhancing collaboration with community partners (e.g., police, fire, public health) with Newton public and non-public school ERCM-related efforts.
- President, Capitol Enterprises, Inc.* 1976-1993
 Performed multiple administrative functions related to operating multi-unit, general merchandise retail chain with six operating units and a central warehousing facility that employed over 400 full-and part-time individuals. Oversaw major operational activities.

TRAINING CERTIFICATIONS

- Lifelines: A Comprehensive Suicide Awareness and Responsiveness Program for Teens* February 2013
 (Certified Instructor) Society for the Prevention of Teen Suicide (SPTS)
- Multi-hazard Emergency Planning for Schools – Field Delivered* April 2012
 (Certified Trainer) Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
- Recognizing and Responding to Suicide Risk: Essential Skills for Clinicians* May 2007
 (Approved Trainer) American Association of Suicidology
- International Critical Incident Stress Foundation (ICISF)* July 2006
 Trained trainer – Group Crisis Intervention
- Assessing and Managing Suicide Risk: Core Competencies for Mental Health* April 2006

Professionals

(Approved Trainer) Suicide Prevention Resource Center (SPRC)

Federal Emergency Management Assistance (FEMA)

March 2006

National Incident Management System (NIMS), IS-00700

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of State Police

May 2005

Crisis Negotiations – Basic Crisis Negotiator

International Critical Incident Stress Foundation (ICISF)

May 2005

Suicide Prevention, Intervention, and Postvention

International Critical Incident Stress Foundation (ICISF)

October 2004

Trained trainer – Assisting Individuals in Crisis and Peer Support

International Critical Incident Stress Foundation (ICISF)

June 2004

Advanced Critical Incident Stress Management

Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing (EMDR)

July 2004

EMDR Institute

International Critical Incident Stress Foundation (ICISF)

June, 2003

Advanced Group Crisis Intervention

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Association of Suicidology (AAS)

International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP)

International Critical Incident Stress Foundation (ICISF)

National Police Suicide Awareness Foundation (NPSF)

National Ski Patrol (NSP) – Professional Division

New England Association of Crisis Negotiators (NECNA)

Society for Police and Criminal Psychologists (SPCP)

SERVICE AND VOLUNTEER AFFILIATIONS

National Network of Depression Centers

Sept. 2011-Present

Member, Suicide Prevention Task Group

Member, Military Families Task Group

Society for the Prevention of Teen Suicide

2009-Present

Member, Clinical Advisory Board

Suicide Intervention and Prevention Academic Interest Group

Sept. 2009-Present

UMMHC, Psychiatry Department

*MA Violent Death Reporting System (MVDRS)
Member, Advisory Committee*

Oct. 2008-Present

*Massachusetts Coalition for Suicide Prevention,
Executive Committee
(Chair, 2008-2012)*

2004-Present

***Boston Police Critical Incident Stress De-briefing Team,
Clinician***

2004-2010

Youth Suicide Prevention Assembly (YSPA) of New Hampshire

2003-2004

*Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drugs Community Coalition Member
University of New Hampshire*

2001-2004

*Devereux Massachusetts, Advisory Board Member,
The Devereux School, Rutland, Massachusetts*

1998-2004

Served on Quality Assurance Committee monitoring program development,
and training of new staff members, safety compliance, and research programs.