



Poster Session Descriptions

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Convention 2018 Poster Session Information

The following presents a listing of poster presentations that will be included in NACSW's Convention 2018 with abstracts and presenters' bios. The poster sessions are sorted alphabetically by presenters' last names.

Poster Title: When Moral Injury Happens to Pastors: A Qualitative Study

Poster Presenter(s): Matthew Benorden, M.Div., BCC, CT

Poster Abstract: What happens when clergy receives abuse? Through in-depth interviews, seven clergy describe their pastoral callings and how to fulfill those within the local parish. The pastors then describe the moral injury that happened to them and their families. Lastly, the clergy shared their meaning making in those difficult circumstances.

Presenter Bio (s): Matthew Benorden is currently employed as a hospice spiritual care coordinator with Great Lakes Caring. He has served as a hospice chaplain for over 11 years. Also, he has served as a hospice bereavement coordinator. Matthew earned his Master of Divinity degree from Central Baptist Theological Seminary (Shawnee, KS) in 2011. He has served as a pastor for over twenty years in South Dakota and Kansas. However, he is currently pursuing a Master of Social Work degree from Washburn University in Topeka, KS. In addition to obtaining his board certification in chaplaincy, Matthew is also certified in thanatology: death, dying and bereavement. He has presented on various topics such as loss, grief, mourning, and spiritual care on the local, regional, and national levels.

Poster Title: Mindfulness: A Tool or Taboo for Christian Clinical Social Work

Poster Presenter(s): Shanel Bishop, DSW, LMSW

Poster Abstract: The word Mindfulness conjures up different meanings for people, depending on their own perspective and worldviews. From this presentation, you will understand the concept of mindfulness and how faith and culture impacts its meaning. Opportunities to learn and practice clinical strategies for mindfulness in faith based set

Presenter Bio (s): Dr. Shanel Bishop, Assistant Professor and Subject Matter Expert of the Clinical Courses for the MSW Program at Indiana Wesleyan University. Dr. Bishop received her DSW from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, an MSW from the University of Michigan, and a BS in Psychology from Grand Valley State University in Michigan. Dr. Bishop is licensed in the state of Michigan and possesses a school social work certificate. Dr. Bishop has presented at schools, churches, social work professional development workshops, and the National Conference for the School Social Work Association of America. Prior to coming to higher education, she was a school social worker and a clinical therapist.

Poster Title: Lived Theology: How Our Beliefs on Female Ecclesial Leadership Impact Women

Poster Presenter(s): Mallory Boyce, student

Poster Abstract: This workshop shares the findings of undergraduate research exploring how college-aged Christian women are impacted by the theological decisions made by churches in regard to the biblical correctness of female ecclesial leadership. Consideration will be given as to how social workers can use a client's theological background to aid in assessment.

Presenter Bio (s): Mallory Boyce is a senior social work student at Trinity Christian College in Palos Heights, IL. She served as the Kids Count Intern at the Michigan League for Public Policy in the summer of 2017.

Poster Title: Sex in the City: Developing, Implementing and Testing a Sex-Education Model

Poster Presenter(s): Kesslyn Brade Stennis, PhD, MSW, MDiv; Consuelo Montgomery; Tyron Bratcher; Jusvenus Hinton; Shevron Desomond; Sy Wainwright and Karen Allen

Poster Abstract: The rates of STIs, STDs and unplanned pregnancies are extremely high in persons ages 18-24 and in communities of color. This presentation will discuss the experiences of five BSW interns, one MSW intern, and two seasoned professionals who worked collaboratively to develop, implement and test a curriculum designed to address these issues.

Presenter Bio (s): Kesslyn Brade Stennis Chair & Associate Professor of Social Work Kesslyn Grade Stennis received her PhD from Howard University, she has presented

several times at conferences sponsored by NACSW, NASW, CSWE and SSWR. Her presentation topics have related to faith communities, communities of color, gentrification, domestic violence and women's well-being. Consuelo Montgomery is planning to graduate from Coppin State University and pursue an MSW degree. She is committed to working in communities of color and pursuing her passion to support single mothers.

Poster Title: Am I My Brother's Keeper or His Judge?

Poster Presenter(s): Ann-Marie Buchanan, PhD, MSW, LMSW

Poster Abstract: Many Christians have a list of sins and diseases that they deem acceptable: alcoholism, adultery, cancer or even murder. However, they won't stand for AIDS, domestic violence victims or perpetrators, and certainly not those addicted to drugs or pornography. In this rapidly changing world, we're supposed to love our neighbors.

Presenter Bio (s): Ann-Marie C. Buchanan is an assistant professor of Social Work at Lincoln Memorial University (LMU) in Harrogate, TN, teaching undergraduate students. She has been the Faculty Senate President at LMU since Fall 2016. She has a BSW (Oakwood College, now University, Huntsville, AL), MSW (University of Central Florida, Orlando, FL) & Ph.D. in Human Services, with an emphasis on Management of Non-Profit Agencies (Capella University). Dr. Buchanan has taught social work in a full time capacity at Andrews University (Berrien Springs, MI), Mississippi Valley State University (Itta Bena, MS), and now LMU. She has taught undergraduate and graduate classes. Dr. Buchanan credentials include a Licensed Graduate Social Work (LGSW) in AL. She also holds a TN Licensed Master of Social Work License.

Poster Title: Hippie Christian Fellowship: Our Approach to Ending to Opioid Epidemic

Poster Presenter(s): J. Scott Dixon, MSW; Chelsey Dixon AAS

Poster Abstract: Hippie Christian Fellowship is an online advocacy, support, educational, and spiritual organization with a focus on ending the opioid epidemic. They discuss the journey with the organization, started on Father's Day of 2017 and where it is today. They are strong advocates for using medical marijuana for medically-assisted detox with psychotherapy.

Presenter Bio (s): J. Scott Dixon is the Executive Director of Hippie Christian Fellowship, Professor of Community Ministries, and an adjunct social work professor. Mr. Dixon has an MA Theology from Regent University (1986), MSW from Temple University (2000), ABD Social Work from Fordham University (2012), and currently is a student in the DSW program at University of Southern California. He has presented on Religious Coping and Depression Among Multi-Ethnic Evangelical College Students and

completed a qualitative study on Inner-Healing Prayer. He has over 30 years of academic and practice experience in the field of human services. My research has been in the area of mental health and spirituality. Mr. Dixon is currently focusing on ending the opioid epidemic. Chelsey Dixon is administrative assistant to the Executive Director of Hippiie Christian Fellowship. She has an Associate of Applied Science from Eastern West Virginia Community & Technical College. She has presented as a student in classes.

Poster Title: The Effects of African American Positive Parenting Upon Young Children

Poster Presenter(s): Arletta Frazier-Tucker, DSW;

Poster Abstract: Parenting style can dictate scholastic success or failure. Different styles of child rearing can foster positive or negative behavior. How a child is parented during the pre-kindergarten years can affect personal relationships, health, college acceptance, and job performance.

Presenter Bio (s): Dr. Arletta Frazier-Tucker is currently employed at Concordia University, Wisconsin. She holds her Undergraduate degree from Carthage College, with a major in Criminal Justice and a minor in Sociology. Dr. Frazier-Tucker's Graduate work at Aurora University, Master of Social Work degree and a Master of Education from Carthage College. Doctor of Clinical Social Work at Aurora University. Licensure: Applied for Wisconsin Advance Practice Social Work (test date 3/26/18) National Association for the Education of Young Children (NACEY) titled Child Development, Family Support and Healthcare Services: How to Coordinate, Collaborate and Communicate. Governor's Summit (Wisconsin) " State Call to Action on Child Abuse and Neglect - titled Innovative Approaches on Comprehensive Family Support Programs. More than ten years of extraordinary leadership and public service in the area of human service/social work.

Poster Title: Can Problem-Based Learning Aid in Competency Attainment for Social Workers?

Poster Presenter: Christine Fulmer, MSW

Poster Abstract: Problem-Based Learning [PBL] is a form experiential education that has been successful in a number of disciplines bridging the gap between theoretical concepts taught in the classroom and the real world. The basic tenants of PBL correspond well with social work practice behaviors including multi-disciplinary collaboration and critical thinking.

Presenter Bio (s): Christine Fulmer is the chair of the Department of Social Work at Liberty University. Christine earned her BS from Baptist Bible College of PA in Clark

Summit in 1990 and her MSW from Marywood University in Scranton, PA in 1996. Christine presented at numerous conferences abroad and nationally. Her areas of social work practice includes providing clinical social work to children and families, program development and assessment.

Poster Title: Use of Self Report Scales in Clinical Assessment and Practice

Poster Presenter(s): Thomas Idiculla, PhD

Poster Abstract: The Behavior and Symptom Identification Scale 24 (BASIS-24) instrument is a widely used tool for mental health assessment across diverse populations. It is a 24 item patient self-report questionnaire designed to assess symptoms and functional difficulties experienced by individuals seeking mental health counseling.

Presenter Bio (s): Dr. Thomas Idiculla received his MSW degree from Indore University and a PhD from Boston College. Dr. Idiculla is the Director of Mental Health Services Evaluation Department at McLean Hospital, and is also the Instructor in Psychiatry at Harvard Medical School. He has extensive experience in validating consumer self-report measures of mental health quality and outcomes of care using qualitative and quantitative methods. He is the architect of eBASIS, performance measurement system and the licensing of the Behavior and Symptom Identification Scale (BASIS-24, patient self-report instruments designed to assess mental health treatment outcomes from the patient's perspective. Dr. Idiculla's research interests include psychiatric assessment, patient-centered care, and racial/ethnic/gender disparities in mental health.

Poster Title: PBIS: The impact of policy & practice on students/community.

Poster Presenter(s): Dornicho Pulliam, Ed.D., M.Ed., MSW

Poster Abstract: The use of Positive Behavior Intervention Supports (PBIS) is a multi-tiered framework that is implemented in schools as a school-wide initiative. Research shows that when PBIS is implemented with fidelity, the reduction of classroom behavioral and suspensions are decreased. All stakeholders play a critical part in implementing PBIS with fidelity.

Presenter Bio (s): Dr. Dornicho Pulliam is an Assistant Professor at Concordia University, Wisconsin. Dr. Pulliam has a Bachelor of Social Work, from Mississippi Valley State University, May 1998, Master of Social Work, University of Southern Indiana, August 1999, Master of Education in Administration and Supervision, National Louis University, April 2012, Doctorate in Educational Leadership, National Louis University, September 2017, Springfield College, Adjunct Professor, 2012-current Milwaukee Public School, Assistant Principal, 2013-2017, Milwaukee Public School, School Social Worker, 2007-2013, Rockford Public School, Guidance Counselor, 2006-

2007. Dr. Pulliam has over eight years of experience working in the mental health field with individuals and families.