

## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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### **Objective**

To create an outstanding private practice in Orange County, CA. To serve the community by providing expert and compassionate care in all areas of child and adolescent neurology.

### **Current Scope of Practice**

Solo provider in a new private practice in Laguna Niguel, California. Accepting patients under 18 years of age. Initial evaluation and ongoing management of patients with a range of neurologic concerns to include ADHD, Autism, epilepsy, headaches, concussion, movement disorders, epilepsy, et al. Credentialed at CHOC at Mission Hospital.

### **Prior Scope of Practice**

One of three child neurologists in an active academic and clinical environment. Practice included all areas of child neurology. Rotating call and responsibility for pediatric neurology consultations on the general pediatric ward, pediatric ICU, and neonatal ICU. Providing formal and informal student, resident, and staff lectures. Interpreting EEGs, diagnosing and managing epilepsy of all severities. Epilepsy management including medications, Vagal Nerve Stimulator programming, and initial work up and referral for epilepsy surgery when appropriate. Providing spasticity management involving oral therapies, botulinum toxin injections, and intrathecal baclofen pump management. Initiating and maintaining a monthly adolescent headache clinic involving child and adolescent neurology, adolescent medicine fellows, child and adolescent psychology staff and fellows, and social work services. Mentoring residents and fellows.

### **Education and Training**

Institution: National Capital Consortium, Walter Reed Army Medical Center  
Washington, DC  
Certification: Child and Adolescent Neurology Fellow  
Dates: 2006-2010

Institution: Tripler Army Medical Center, Honolulu, HI  
Certification: Pediatric Intern and Resident  
Dates: 2002-2005

Institution: University of Health Sciences (now KCUMB), Kansas City, MO  
Certification: Doctorate of Osteopathy  
Dates: 1998-2002

Institution: University of California, Los Angeles  
Certification: Bachelor of Science, Physiological Sciences  
Dates: 1993-1997

### **Assignment Records**

12/2009-10/2013 Child and Adolescent Neurology Staff Physician  
San Antonio Military Medical Center

3/2011-8/2011 Theater Neurology and Pediatric Neurology Consultant for the  
Iraqi Joint Operations Area  
Primary Care Provider  
86<sup>th</sup> CSH, Sather Airbase, Baghdad, Iraq; OND

6/2006-12/2009 Child and Adolescent Neurology Fellow  
Walter Reed Army Medical Center/National Capital Consortium  
Washington, DC

7/2005-6/2006 Staff Pediatrician  
Bassett Army Community Hospital  
Fort Wainwright, AK

8/2005-11/2005 Chief of Pediatrics  
Bassett Army Community Hospital  
Fort Wainwright, AK

6/2002-6/2005 Pediatric Intern and Resident  
Tripler Army Medical Center  
Honolulu, HI

### **Board Certification**

Diplomate of the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology  
Neurology with Special Qualifications in Child Neurology  
Achieved: 9/2010  
Expires: December, 2020

Diplomate of the American Board of Pediatrics  
Achieved: 11/2005  
Expires: 12/2017

### **Medical Licensure**

Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons License.  
California 20A12878  
Issued: 7/2013



**Currently Being Submitted for Publication**

Freeman,R., Garfinkle., R., McCann, S., Roberts, T. Middle and High School Teachers Understanding and Opinions of Cognitive Rest Guidelines in the Acute Post-concussive Period.

Madson, S., Garfinkle, R., Faux, B., Hussey, R., Hsieh, D. CNS Case Studies Project: Leigh syndrome

**Teaching and Education Experience**

**Staff**

6/2012 UT 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Teaching Conference, Pediatrics for the Practitioner

Audience: Regional pediatric providers from local and distant communities

Invited lecturer: Neurocutaneous Disorders

**Residents/Fellows/Staff**

2006-Present Formal and Informal Local Lectures  
WRAMC, Wilford Hall Medical Center, SAMMC, UT, Baghdad, Iraq

Audience: Students, residents, fellows and staff in pediatrics, adult and

child neurology, adult and pediatric neurosurgery

Formal Lecture Topics:

Abnormal Head Shapes and Volumes

Pediatric Movement Disorders

Myoclonus

Acute Ataxia

Pediatric EEG Findings and what they mean

Floppy Infant/Hypotonia

Hypoxic Ischemic Encephalopathy

Brain Malformations

Neurofibromatosis

Tuberous Sclerosis

Neurocutaneous Syndromes

Lysosomal Storage Disorders

Glycogen Storage Disorders

BECTS/JME

Concussion/mTBI

Headache

Pediatric Neurologic Exam

Pediatric MS/Demyelinating Disorders

**Medical Students**

2002-Present USUHS Medical Student Clerkship, UTHSCS  
Tripler AMC, USUHS, Walter Reed AMC, SAMMC, UTHSCSA  
Duties: Oversee and teach medical students during inpatient

and outpatient rotations in formal and informal settings.

Neuroanatomy teaching in gross anatomy lab.  
Teaching neurology exam – actual and simulated patients.

### **Military Promotions**

June 2008 Major, Medical Corp, United States Army  
June 2002 Captain, Medical Corp, United States Army  
July 1998 Second Lieutenant, United States Army Reserves

### **Military Training**

4/2005 Humanitarian Assistance Course  
2/2005 Balakatan Humanitarian Mission in the Philippines  
11/2003 Medical Management of Chemical and Biological Casualties Course  
4/2003 Combat Casualty Care Course  
6/1999 Officer's Basic Course

### **Medals**

Meritorious Service Medal  
Iraq Campaign Medal with Bronze Campaign Star  
Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal  
Army Commendation Medal x4  
Army Achievement Medal  
National Defense Service Medal  
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal  
Army Overseas Service Ribbon x2  
Army Service Ribbon

### **Community and Civic Activities**

2008, 2009 Avon Walk for Breast Cancer: 39 miles/2 days  
2004, 2005 Team In Training, fundraising for Leukemia and Lymphoma Society  
Honolulu Marathon 2004 and 2005, Mango Days runs 2004, 2005  
2004 Volunteer, teaching class for new parents on appropriate nutrition for infants  
2005 Volunteer, teaching smoking prevention class for elementary aged children  
2005 Volunteer, Special Olympics  
2003 Volunteer, Habitat for Humanity  
1997-1998 Volunteer with Child Life Specialist, Kaiser San Diego  
1996-7 Project Literacy, UCLA