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PERSONAL HISTORY

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EDUCATION & TRAINING

1993-1997	Bachelor of Arts (with Distinction)	University of California, Berkeley Berkeley, CA
1998-2003	Medical Doctorate	University of California, Los Angeles, School of Medicine, Los Angeles, CA
2003-2004	Internship	Columbia, New York Presbyterian Hospital/New York State Psychiatric Institute, New York NY
2004-2007	Residency	Columbia, New York Presbyterian Hospital/New York State Psychiatric Institute, New York, NY
2007-2008	Addiction Psychiatry Fellowship	Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, Los Angeles, CA
2011-2013	Masters of Business Administration	Anderson School of Management, University of California, Los Angeles, CA

CERTIFICATION& LICENSURE

- California State Medical License (Physician and Surgeon) - A99119
- Diplomate of the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology
 - Qualification added in Addiction Psychiatry
 - Certificate of Addiction Medicine
- Controlled Substance Registration Certificate – BD9364441

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2009-2014	Assistant Professor of Psychiatry	Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Neurosciences, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, Los Angeles, CA
2011-2014	Assistant Clinical Professor, Health Sciences Professorial Series	UCLA Department of Psychiatry and Biobehavioral Sciences, Los Angeles, CA
2014	Associate Professor of Psychiatry	Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Neurosciences, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, Los Angeles, CA
2021	Professor of Psychiatry	Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Neurosciences, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, Los Angeles, CA

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2005-2007	Staff Psychiatrist	New York Presbyterian Hospital, Columbia University Campus, Allen Pavilion, New York, NY
2007-2008	Staff Psychiatrist	Alcott Center for Mental Health Services, Los Angeles, CA
2008-2012	Director, Addiction Psychiatry Clinical Services	Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Neurosciences, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, Los Angeles, CA
	Associate Director, Addiction Psychiatry Fellowship	Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Neurosciences, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, Los Angeles, CA
2012-Present	Chairman	Department of Psychiatry, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, Los Angeles, CA

Director, Addiction Psychiatry Department of Psychiatry, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, Los Angeles, CA

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- 01/00–05/00** **Admissions Committee**, UCLA School of Medicine
- 11/05–06/07** **Liaison to the Rosenthal Center for Complementary Medicine**,
New York State Psychiatric Institute/ Columbia University Medical Center
- 06/05–06/07** **Graduate Medical Education Committee**, New York Presbyterian Hospital,
Elected member
- 06/05–06/07** **Council on Quality**, American Psychiatric Association,
Council member
- 07/08-01/09** **NORA Advisory Board Member** (Non-Violent Offender Rehabilitation Act),
California Ballot Measure, “Proposition 5”
- 12/08-07/09** **Difficult Patient Working Group**
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
- 12/08-10/09** **Planning Committee: CSAM “State of the Art” Annual Conference**
10/10-10/11 *California Society of Addiction Medicine (CSAM)*
- 03/09- Present** **CSAM Committee on Public Policy**
California Society of Addiction medicine (CSAM)
- 09/09-Present** **Chair, Dept. of Psychiatry Performance Improvement Committee**
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
- 11/09-06/10** **Smoking Cessation Taskforce**
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
- 11/09-10/13** **Chair, CSAM Committee on Communication**
California Society of Addiction medicine (CSAM)
- 07/10-Present** **Physician Wellbeing Committee**
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
- 11/10-06/11** **Medical Marijuana Practice Advisory**
Council of Scientific Affairs (SCA) Subcommittee for California Medical Association (CMA)
- 11/10-07/12** **Marijuana Legalization Taskforce**
American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM)
- 02/11-08/17** **Board of Directors (Executive Council)**
California Society of Addiction Medicine (CSAM)

- 09/11-Present** **Cedars-Sinai Medicine Pain Management Project**
Taskforce to increase HCAHPS “pain well controlled during stay” score from 62% to 80%
- 09/11-06/14** **Cedars-Sinai Medicine Strategic Implementation Group (SIG)**
Leadership group that oversees, directs and coordinates Clinical Work Team Activities
- 10/11-10/13** **President Elect**
California Society of Addiction Medicine
- 02/12-Present** **Quality Council**
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
- 02/12-Present** **Chief of Staff Advisory Council (COSAC),**
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
- 03/12-Present** **Medical Executive Committee (MEC)**
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
- 03/12-Present** **Medical Leadership Group (MLG)**
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
- 03/12-Present** **Executive Management Committee (EMC)**
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
- 10/13-10/15** **President**
California Society of Addiction Medicine
- 10/13-10/15** **Chapters Council**
American Society of Addiction Medicine
- 10/13-Present** **Comprehensive Pain Management Taskforce**
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
- 10/13-Present** **Project Leader- Preoperative Opioid Reduction Program**
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
- 10/15-08/17** **Immediate Past President**
California Society of Addiction Medicine
- 11/15-Present** **Clinical Academic Promotions and Appointments Council (Clin-APAC)**
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
- 01/16-Present** **Medical Policy Committee**
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
- 12/16-Present** **Committee on Substance Use Disorders**
California Psychiatric Association
- 01/17-Present** **Vice Chair, Committee on Innovation**

California Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission

- 07/17-06/18** **Executive Sponsor, Quality Council Goal: Preventing Opioid-Related Harms**
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
- 06/17-Present** **Member, ASAM Annual Conference Planning Committee**
American Society of Addiction Medicine
- 02/18-Present** **Chair, Committee on Research and Evaluation**
California Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission
- 02/18-04/19** **Director-at-Large, Board of Directors**
American Society of Addiction Medicine
- 07/18-06/19** **Executive Sponsor, Quality Council Goal: Improving Appropriateness of Opioid Prescribing**
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
- 08/18-Present** **Member, ASAM Criteria Strategy Committee**
American Society of Addiction Medicine
- 08/18-Present** **Member, Committee for the Management of Industry Relations and Conflicts of Interest (IR/COI)**
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
- 01/19-08/19** **Member, Hospital Network Steering Committee**
Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health
- 11/20-Present** **Terminology and Definitions Subcommittee of Quality Improvement Council (QIC)**
American Society of Addiction Medicine
- 02/21-Present** **Allocation Resource Committee**
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
- 04/21-Present** **Region II Director (CA), Board of Directors**
American Society of Addiction Medicine

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- 09/96-06/97** **Volunteer, San Francisco General Hospital Emergency Department**
- 06/96-12/-97** **Volunteer, Berkeley Suitcase Clinic**
Homeless Health Service Center
- 03/01-05/01** **Health Clinic Practitioner, UCLA Student-Run Homeless Family Clinic**
Provided health care to homeless families in a transitional housing facility
- 06/99-08/99** **Aesculapian Mexico Program, Centro de Salud, Micheacan, Mexico**
Rural vaccination program

- 09/01-03/02** **Health Clinic Practitioner**, Atitlan, Guatemala
*Provided medical consultation, public health education, and emergency care
 To underserved rural communities*
- 08/06-06/07** **Volunteer**, Doctors of the World, New York
*Non-profit offering psychiatric assessment for torture victims seeking political
 asylum in the United States*
- 10/06-06/07** **Co-Host**, Free Arts NYC, New York
*Non-profit organization dedicated to introducing art and mentorship to abused
 and at-risk children*
- 02/16-Present** **Commissioner**
California Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission

PROFESSIONAL AND SCHOLARLY AFFILIATIONS

- American Psychiatric Association, *Fellow*
 California Psychiatric Association
 Southern California Psychiatric Association
- American Society of Addiction Medicine, *Distinguished Fellow*
 California Society of Addiction Medicine
- American Academy of Addiction Psychiatry
 Academy of Psychosomatic Medicine
 American College of Psychiatry

EDITORIAL ACTIVITIES

- 08/98-08/00** **Editor-in-Chief/ Co-Founder**, UCLA Beat: School of Medicine Literary Journal
- 04/00-08/01** **Section Editor**, Western Journal of Medicine (WJM)
- 08/00-06/03** **Editor**, UCLA Beat: School of Medicine Literary Journal
- 06/11-6/12** **Guest Editor**, Psychiatric Clinics of North America Addiction Issue
- 11/09-10/13** **Editor**, CSAM News
 Quarterly Newsletter of the California Society of Addiction Medicine
- 01/18-02/18** **Academic Editor**, PLOS One
- 2012** **Reviewer**
 Journal of Clinical Psychopharmacology
- 2013** **Reviewer**
 American Journal on Addictions

2013	Journal of Addiction Medicine
2014	Journal of Studies on Alcohol and Drugs
2014	Journal of Clinical Psychiatry
2014	Journal of Graduate Medical Education
2014	Addiction Science and Clinical Practice
2014	JAMA Psychiatry
2016	Journal of Graduate Medical Education
2017	Drug and Alcohol Dependence
2017	Behavioral Sciences
2018	BMJ Open
2018	Cochrane Collaboration; Drugs and Alcohol Group
2018	Transplantation
2018	Psychosomatics
2018	Psychiatry Research
2020	Journal of Psychoactive Drugs
2020	Palliative Medicine

HONORS AND AWARDS

12/93-05/95	Dean's List , UC Berkeley
01/94-05/97	Academic Honors , English Studies, UC Berkeley
09/95-Present	Golden Key , International Honor Society
04/97	James Phelan Award for Outstanding English Major, UC Berkeley
05/98	H.W. Hill Scholarship for Outstanding Achievement in English Studies, UC Berkeley
04/02	Vital Signs Award for Literature in Medicine, 2 nd Place
05/03	UCLA Edward A. Langdon Award for Compassion and Humanitarianism In Medicine
05/03	AMA Johnson F. Hammond, MD Memorial Scholarship for Medical Journalism
06/05-06/07	APA GlaxoSmithKline Fellowship for National Leadership in the field of Psychiatry
01/08	American Group Psychotherapy Foundation Scholarship
09/08	MERF Scholar Award , Medical Education and Research Foundation for the

Treatment of Alcoholism and other Drug Dependencies

- 06/09** **Golden Apple Award** for Excellence in Teaching, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
- 12/14** **Fellow**, American Psychiatric Association
- 01/16** **Distinguished Fellow**, American Society of Addiction Medicine
- 02/20** **Certificate of Recognition** for efforts in improving the health of the community,
Beverly Hills City Council
- 02/20** **Certificate of Recognition** for educating the community by lecturing at the 16th
Annual Valentine's Health Seminar, City of Los Angeles

RESEARCH GRANTS, PROJECTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Grants

- 6/01/20- 5/31/24 Co-Principal Investigator**, National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences (NCATS) of the National Institutes of Health (NIH)
U01TR002756; \$5,000,000; 20% Effort
Collaborative care teams for hospitalized patients with opioid use disorders:
Translating evidence into practice.
The goal of this mixed-methods, multi-site, randomized pragmatic trial in three diverse hospitals is to evaluate whether hospitalized patients with opioid use disorders have increased initiation of medication assisted treatment and improved follow-up after intervention by an interdisciplinary collaborative care team as compared with usual care.
Principal Investigator(s): Itai Danovitch, MD; Katherine Watkins, MD
- 9/25/19-7/31/24 Co-Investigator**, National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases (NIAMS)
4UH3AR076573-02; \$1,199,516; 5% Effort
Randomized-controlled trial of virtual reality for chronic low back pain to improve patient-reported outcomes and physical activity.
The goal of this study is to assess the impact of immersive Virtual Reality interventions on patient reported outcomes, activity metrics, and opioid use among patients with chronic lower back pain. In addition, we will determine patient level predictors of virtual reality treatment response.
Principal Investigator: Brennan Spiegel, MD
- 1/15/19- 12/31/21 Co-Principal Investigator**, National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA).
R34DA047492; \$279,084; 7% Effort
Pilot Test of a Collaborative Care Team for Medical Inpatients with Opioid and Alcohol Use Disorders
Despite high prevalence, few hospitalized inpatients with opioid and alcohol use disorders receive evidence-based treatments while in the hospital or get linked with appropriate follow-up care, leading to poor clinical outcomes and high readmission rates and costs. In this planning study, we will develop a protocol and resources for a specific collaborative care team based in the hospital consultation-liaison service and conduct a pilot RCT to assess feasibility and acceptability for a larger clinical trial.
Principal Investigator(s): Itai Danovitch, MD; Allison Ober, PhD
- 8/01/18-7/31/21 Co-Investigator**, Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI).
SMPAI-2017C2-7716; \$2,600,000; 5% Effort
Personalized Treatments for Depressive Symptoms in Patients with Advanced Heart Failure
The goal of this study is to compare the effectiveness of two evidence-based treatments, medication management versus behavioral activation, for patients with advanced heart failure and depression. The study will examine the impact of Behavioral Activation versus Antidepressant Medication Management on depressive symptom severity, general physical and mental health-related quality of life, and

caregiver burden as well as Morbidity (emergency department visits, hospital readmissions, longer hospital stays), and Mortality.

Principal Investigator: Waguih Ishak, MD

- 3/13/17-3/31/21 Co-Investigator**, Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI).
CDR 1602-34521; \$2,065,599; 5% Effort
Integrating the Patient Voice into Comparative Effectiveness Trial of Communication Strategies in the Management of Chronic Pain.
The goal of this study is to improve how chronic pain treatments are discussed and managed between patients and providers, by comparing two evidence-based techniques to catalyze dialogue between patients and their PCPs about managing chronic pain.
Principal Investigator: Brennan Spiegel, MD

Pending (Submitted Grant Applications)

Completed Grants

- 9/25/19-8/31/20 Co-Investigator**, National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases (NIAMS)
1UG3AR076573-01; \$174,797; 5% Effort
Randomized-controlled trial of virtual reality for chronic low back pain to improve patient-reported outcomes and physical activity.
The goal of this study is to assess the impact of immersive Virtual Reality interventions on patient reported outcomes, activity metrics, and opioid use among patients with chronic lower back pain. In addition we will determine patient level predictors of virtual reality treatment response.
Principal Investigator: Brennan Spiegel, MD
- 7/23/14-7/31/19 Consultant**, National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH)
University of Washington, CSMC Sub-Award # WUSC8754; PTE Fed Award No. 5UH3MH106338-0.
A Policy Relevant US Trauma Care System Pragmatic Trial for PTSD and Comorbidity.
The goal of this study is to prevent the development of chronic PTSD and depressive symptoms, alcohol use problems, and enduring physical disability in survivors of both TBI and non-TBI injuries; the intervention also aims to mitigate the impact of the acute injury event on symptom exacerbations in the large subpopulation of patients who already carry a substantial pre-injury burden of multiple chronic medical conditions.
Principal Investigator: Douglas Zatzick, MD
Site-Principal Investigator: Dan Margulies, MD

Projects

- 06/16-05/17 Co-Investigator**, Depression Screening Fidelity and Implementation
IRB# Pro00042707, Dept. of Psychiatry, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center

Principal Investigator: Waguih Ishak, M.D.

- 07/15-06/17** **Co-Investigator**, Depression Screening among Hospital Inpatients IRB# Pro00040767, Dept. of Psychiatry, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center. Principal Investigator: Waguih Ishak, M.D.
- 02/15-01/17** **Principal Investigator**, Retrospective Chart Review of Patients with Alcohol Related Disorders in a General Hospital. IRB# Pro00038962, Dept. of Psychiatry, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center.
- 11/16-10/17** **Co-Investigator**, Virtual Reality for Pain Management. IRB# Pro00045641, Dept. of Psychiatry, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center. Principal Investigator: Brennan Spiegel, M.D.
- 05/14-04/17** **Co-Investigator**, Cedars-Sinai Psychiatric Consultations on Medical and Surgical Patients Registry. IRB# Pro00031664, Dept. of Psychiatry, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center. Principal Investigator: Waguih Ishak, M.D.
- 11/16-10/17** **Co-Investigator**, FOCUS: Families OverComing Under Stress. IRB# Pro00045692 Dept. of Psychiatry, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center. Principal Investigator: William Saltzman, PhD.
- 05/15-04/17** **Co-Investigator**, Virtual Reality in Inpatients. IRB# Pro00039751. Dept. of Psychiatry, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center. Principal Investigator: Brennan Spiegel, M.D.
- 11/15-10/17** **Co-Investigator**, Analysis of Cedars-Sinai Psychiatric Consultations Registry (CS-PCR). IRB# Pro00041433. Dept. of Psychiatry, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center. Principal Investigator: Waguih Ishak, M.D.
- 06/15-05/17** **Co-Investigator**, Analysis of the Cedars-Sinai Psychiatric Consultation Identification Score (CS-PCI). IRB# Pro00040024. Dept. of Psychiatry, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center. Principal Investigator: Waguih Ishak, M.D.
- 08/15-07/17** **Co-Investigator**, PTSD Study. IRB# Pro00039455. Dept. of Psychiatry, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center. Principal Investigator: Daniel Margulies, M.D.
- 12/15-11/17** **Co-Investigator**, Improving operative outcomes for spine patients on high dose opioids: A pilot program and review of 10 cases. IRB# Pro00A042625. Dept. of Psychiatry, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center. Principal Investigator: Margaret Haglund, M.D.
- Completed**
- 04/02-09/02** **Veterans Administration Summer Research Fellowship**, UCLA School of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry, West Los Angeles VA Principal Investigator: Donna Wirshing, M.D.

Studied associated risk factors and prevalence of hepatitis among mentally ill Patients

- 07/07-06/07** **Research Track, Dept. of Substance**, New York State Psychiatric Institute
Dept. of Psychiatry, Substance Use Research Center
Principal Investigator: Maria A. Sullivan, M.D., Ph.D
Studied neurobiology of co-morbid PTSD and heroin abuse. Developed pilot study investigating correlations between PTSD and heroin abuse
- 07/07-05/10** **Co-Investigator**, Prometa For Alcohol Dependence
Dept. of Psychiatry, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
Principal Investigator: Jeffery Wilkins, M.D.
Double blinded, randomized, placebo controlled trial investigating novel pharmacological intervention for treatment of alcohol dependence
- 08/09** **Co-Investigator**, Cocaine and the Heart: Analysis of Data from the Dallas Study.
IRB# Pro00019420. Department of Psychiatry, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center.
Principal Investigator: Ronald Victor, M.D.
- 07/09-06/10** **Co-Investigator**, Cocaine and Sympathetic Nerve Activity in Humans
NRSA Grant# 1F32DA027274-01
Depts. of Cardiology and Psychiatry, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
Principal Investigator: Andrew Kontak, M.D.
- 6/10-01/12** **Co-Investigator**, Cocaine and Sympathetic Nerve Activity in Humans
ROI = ROI DA010064-14; Lincy Foundation Bridging Grant
Depts. of Cardiology and Psychiatry, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
Principal Investigator: Ronald Victor, M.D.
- 03/15** **Co-Investigator**, Assessing Rates of Depression in Quality Initiative Project for Routine Depression Screening of all Patients Admitted to med/surg units of CSMC.
IRB# Pro00039551. Dept. of Psychiatry, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center. Principal Investigator: Rebecca Hedrick, M.D.

LECTURES AND TEACHING ACTIVITIES

Invited Lectures

- 11/08** Psychodynamics of Addiction, UCLA Seminars in Addiction Psychiatry
UCLA, David Geffen School of Medicine
- 11/08** Challenges of Treating Dual Diagnosis
Naval Medical Center San Diego (NMCS D)
- 11/08** Grand Rounds: Update on Pharmacological Interventions for Addiction
Naval Medical Center San Diego (NMCS D)

- 04/09** Grand Rounds: Opiate Dependence and PTSD: The Self-Medication Hypothesis
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center; Department of Psychiatry
- 09/09** Grand Rounds: Trauma, Stress, and Addiction
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center; Department of Medicine
- 10/09** State of Addiction Medicine Conference: PTSD and Opioid Dependence
California Society of Addiction Medicine; Annual State of the Art Conference
- 01/10** AYARN Invited Lecture: Drugs and the Developing Brain
Adolescence and Young Adult Resource Network
- 03/10** Grand Rounds: Update on Tobacco Cessation
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center; Department of Psychiatry
- 03/10** 2010 ASAP National Conference: ADHD and Addiction: What's What?
American Society for Adolescent Psychiatry
- 06/10** Grand Rounds: The Treatment of Nicotine Dependence; Cedars-Sinai Medical
Center; Department of Medicine
- 07/10** New Directions California: Where Does Medicine Fit Within Marijuana Policy?
CSAM & DPA Jointly Sponsored Conference at California Endowment
- 10/10** Grand Rounds: Marijuana, Medicine, and Legalization: What you Need to Know;
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center; Department of Psychiatry
- 11/10** A&E's Intervention: Addiction and Mental Illness: The Chicken and the Egg
Hollywood, Health and Society; USC Normal Lear Center for Journalism
- 04/11** WAAT: From Top-Down to Bottom-Up: Medication Assisted Treatment of
Addiction; Women's Association for Addiction Treatment, Annual Conference
Plenary Session
- 04/11** McGeorge Law Symposium: The Road to Legitimizing Marijuana: What Benefit
at What Cost; Pacific McGeorge Law School
- 09/12** Parity Field Hearing: The Burden of Mental Illness; Testimony before
Congressmen Patrick Kennedy and Jim Ramstad; Chicago School of Professional
Psychology, California
- 09/12** California Psychiatric Association 25th Annual Conference: Evolution of
Psychiatry: Sorting Through the Science of Marijuana; Dana Point, California

- 11/12** Thelma McMillen Center and Betty Ford Center: Frontiers in Addiction Treatment Series; The Treatment of Cannabis Dependence: From Policy to Practice; Torrance, California
- 05/13** Cedars-Sinai Board of Governors Conference; The Science of Addiction—A Brief Overview and Conversation; Los Angeles, California
- 11/13** The UCLA Luskin School of Public Affairs; Policies on Pot: What Parents and the Public Should Know; Santa Monica, California
- 04/14** Grand Rounds: Sorting Through the Science of Marijuana; Harbor-UCLA; Department of Psychiatry
- 07/14** California Society of Addiction Medicine Webinar: Clearing the Air: Marijuana's Effect on Health; Los Angeles, California
- 08/14** Grand Rounds: Marijuana, Teens, and Health Outcomes; Harbor-UCLA; Department of Pediatrics
- 01/15** Southern California Psychiatric Society's 26th Annual Psychopharmacology Update: Pharmacological Implications of Marijuana: Therapeutic agent or target for therapeutics?; Los Angeles, California
- 02/15** Grand Rounds: The Treatment of Cannabis Use Disorders; UCLA- West Los Angeles Veterans Administration, Dept. of Psychiatry; Los Angeles, California
- 05/15** Cedars-Sinai Board of Governors Healthcare College: From Marijuana to Pain Meds: The Science of Slippery Slopes; Los Angeles, California
- 06/15** San Diego Psychiatric Society Annual Conference: Cannabis Use Disorders—From Policy to Practice; San Diego, California
- 08/15** Cedars-Sinai Health Services Research Seminar Series: Marijuana's Effects on Health; Los Angeles, California
- 09/15** Providence Tarzana Medical Center Medical Education Speakers Conference: Cannabis Use Disorders—From Policy to Practice; Tarzana, California
- 10/15** Grand Rounds: Pain, Opioids, and Addiction; Cedars-Sinai, Dept. of Medicine; Los Angeles, California
- 10/15** California Society of Addiction Medicine State of the Art Conference; Advanced Practice Workshop: Managing Challenges in the Assessment and Treatment of Cannabis Use Disorders; San Francisco, California
- 11/15** Grand Rounds: Psychiatry & Neuroscience; A Practical Application; Cedars-Sinai Neuroscience Series; Los Angeles, California

- 12/15** Beyond the Bench Conference: Parental Marijuana Use and Judicial Decisions in Family and Juvenile Court; California Courts, The Judicial Branch of California; Anaheim, California
- 01/16** Community Relations Speaker Series; Managing Difficult Patients and Families: A Psychological Perspective on Customer Service; Cedars-Sinai; Los Angeles, California
- 01/16** Women’s Guild: How and Why to Avoid Dependency on Sleep Meds and Pain Meds; Cedars-Sinai; Los Angeles, California
- 01/16** Dual Diagnosis Symposium: Managing Challenges in the Assessment and Treatment of Cannabis Use Disorders; UCLA; Los Angeles California
- 04/16** Women's Association for Addiction Treatment: The Assessment and Treatment of Cannabis Use Disorders; Milestone; Malibu, California
- 06/16** Pain: State-of-The Art Psychiatric and Medical Management; Hospital-based management of the patient with multiple admission, chronic pain, substance use disorder; Ellen and Sidney R. Cooperman Endowed Lectureship, Cedars-Sinai; Los Angeles, California
- 08/16** California Society of Addiction Medicine Review Conference; International Trends, Research, Youth Interventions, Treatment and Rational Policy Implementation involving Marijuana: Evidenced Based Interventions for Cannabis Use Disorder; Anaheim, California
- 09/16** Judicial Council of California; Family Dispute Resolution Southern Regional Training: Parents Using Cannabis: An Inquiry into the Use and Misuse of Cannabis; Los Angeles, California
- 10/16** Case Management Annual Conference: Barriers and Bridges to Care Transitions—Mental Health Issues and Drug Addiction; Cedars-Sinai; Los Angeles, California
- 03/17** Cedars-Sinai Dept of Psychiatry and Physician Wellbeing Committee Joint Conference; Harnessing Stress Management and Emotional Intelligence to Enhance Performance and Fulfillment: A Skills-Lab for Healthcare Professionals; Cedars-Sinai; Los Angeles, California
- 08/17** UCLA Center for Advancing Longitudinal Drug Abuse Research (CALDAR), Summer Institute and International Conference Promoting Global Health; Symposium 5: Cannabis Use and Health Effects; Los Angeles, California
- 08/17** California Society of Addiction Medicine Review Conference; Symposium Chair. Marijuana in California: The Shape of Things to Come; San Francisco, California

- 12/17** AHA Executive Dialogue Series. Screening Patients for Depression at Admission to a General Hospital: Better Care & Outcomes; Webinar; Los Angeles, California
- 01/18** Digital Health Summit. The Vicious Spiral: How Will the Opioid Crises End? The International Consumer Electronics Show (CES); Las Vegas, Nevada
- 01/18** Department of Psychiatry Grand Rounds: Managing Challenges in the Assessment and Treatment of Cannabis Use Disorders; VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System; Los Angeles, California
- 03/18** 18th Annual Educational Meeting In Gastroenterology; Marijuana's Health Effects: Clearing the Air; Cedars-Sinai; Los Angeles, California
- 03/18** Virtual Medicine: Best Practices in Medical Virtual Reality; Does VR really help patients? A critical review of the evidence; Cedars-Sinai; Los Angeles, California
- 04/18** National Alliance of the Mentally Ill; Marijuana and Mental Health: Understanding the Risks; Los Angeles, California
- 05/18** Thelma McMillen Frontiers in Addiction Conference; Health Effects of Cannabis: From Science to Practice; Torrance Memorial Health Center; Torrance, California
- 06/18** Saint John's Foundation Speaker Series; Assessment and Treatment of Opioid Use Disorder in Primary Care; Providence Saint John's Health Center; Santa Monica, California
- 08/18** UCLA Kidney Transplant Conference; Transplantation and Marijuana; UCLA; Los Angeles, California
- 09/18** Pediatric State of the Art Conference: What's New in Pediatric Specialty Care for the Pediatrician; Keynote Lecture: Dispelling Myths about Marijuana—Implications for Youth; Cedars-Sinai; Los Angeles, California
- 01/19** The 5th Evolution of Addiction Treatment; Health Effects of Cannabis: From Science to Practice; Los Angeles, California
- 03/19** Virtual Medicine 2019: Best Practices in Medical Virtual Reality; Is Virtual Reality Ready for Primetime in Psychiatry; Cedars-Sinai; Los Angeles, California
- 04/19** National Academy of Medicine's Action Collaborative on Countering the U.S. Opioid Epidemic; Invited Reactor Panel Presentation to the Research, Data, and Metrics Workgroup Report; Keck Center of the National Academies; Washington, DC

- 05/19** American Psychiatric Association 2019 Annual Meeting; APA Presidential Session: Redesigning Psychiatry—Innovative Models of Mental Health System Change; State Initiative: California Mental Health Services Act; San Francisco, California
- 09/19** One Mind at Work 3rd Annual Global Forum 2019, “Roadmap to Transforming Workplace Mental Health” – invited panelist for discussion, Addiction and Treatment in the Workplace, Napa Valley, California
- 02/20** Neurosciences Grand Rounds: Health Effects of Cannabis: From Science to Practice; Cedars-Sinai Medical Center; Los Angeles, California
- 02/20** 16th Annual Valentine’s Health Seminar: Marijuana Myths & Implications For Health; Sheila Kar Health Foundation; Beverly Hills, California
- 05/20** Faculty Development and Diversity Speaker Series: Mental Health on the Front Lines: Taking Care of Ourselves and Each Other; Cedars-Sinai Medical Center; Los Angeles, California
- 06/20** Medical Staff COVID-19 Lecture Series: Psychological Impact of COVID-19 on Health Care Professionals; Cedars-Sinai Medical Center; Los Angeles, California

Medical Student Lectures

- 01/00** Medical Scholar’s Program, UCLA School of Medicine
- 06/06** Introduction to Psychiatry Workshop, Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons *Workshop for 3rd year medical students preparing to begin psychiatry clerkships.*
- 08/06-12/06** Psychiatric Medicine II, Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons *Weekly seminar for second- year medical students*
- 07/06-6/07** Psychodynamic Psychotherapy, Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons *Weekly lecture-based course for all third year medical students rotating through psychiatry clerkship.*
- 07/07-6/12** Medical Student Addiction Seminar, Cedars-Sinai *Recurring 6-week seminar introducing UCLA and USC medical students to the fundamental of addiction medicine*
- 07/14-06/19** Medical Student Psychiatry Rotation, Cedars-Sinai *Weekly case-based supervision for UCLA third year medical students.*

Residency Lectures

- 07/06-11/06** Case Based Learning, Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons *Weekly small-group, case-based didactics for rotating medical students and junior*

residents

- 02/07** Psychiatry for Neurologists, Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons
Board Review course for Columbia Neurology residents
- 11/08-6/12** Resident Seminar: Introduction to Assessment and Treatment of Substance Use Disorders, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
Annual 11-week seminar for PGYII residents focusing on clinical assessment, pharmacological, and psychosocial interventions for addiction.
- 04/09-6/11** Resident Seminar: Group Psychotherapy, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
Introductory group psychotherapy course for PGYIII residents.
- 01/09-6/12** Resident Seminar: Introduction to Neurobiology of Addiction, Cedars-Sinai
Annual 5-week seminar introducing PGYI residents to neurobiology of addictive pathways.
- 01/09-6/12** Resident Seminar: Psychotherapy and Case-Based Learning for Substance Use Disorders, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
Annual 10-week advanced seminar moving from covering evidence-based psychotherapeutic interventions
- 09/13-09/16** Psychiatry Residency Lecture; Annual seminar on Pharmacological Treatments for Substance Use Disorders, USC
- 9/14- 6/17** Addiction Psychiatry Fellow Seminar; Neurobiology of Marijuana; UCLA-Kern
- 01/09-Present** Chemical Dependency, Dept of Anesthesiology Residency Annual Seminar: Introduction to Neurobiology of Addiction, Cedars-Sinai

CLINICAL TEACHING

- 07/08-6/12** Psychiatry & Medicine Teaching Rounds
Teaching rounds attended by Cedars-Sinai Residents, as well as UCLA rotating medical students
- 07/08-6/12** Psychotherapy Supervision
1:1 Resident supervision
- 07/08-6/12** Adult Addiction Psychiatry Evaluation Clinic, Cedars Sinai Medical Center
Twice weekly directly observed new-patient evaluations & consultations
- 07/08-6/13** Clinical Supervision of Addiction Psychiatry Fellows, Cedars-Sinai
1:1 Case based supervision via case discussion and direct observation

- 07/08-6/13** Addiction Psychiatry Teaching Rounds, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
Twice weekly interdisciplinary team meeting centered on clinical care and case-based teaching
- 07/08-6/13** Addiction Journal Club, Cedars-Sinai
Weekly academic journal club of peer-reviewed, influential, publications
- 07/14-6/17** Addiction Psychiatry Teaching Rounds, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
Case-Based rounding with Cedars-Sinai Neurology Residents, UCLA Medical Students, and Addiction Fellows as part of Sepulveda VA-Cedars Sinai joint Addiction Psychiatry Fellowship Program

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