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Licensure/Certification

Licensed Psychologist
Florida Supreme Court Certified Family Mediator
Certified Guardian ad Litem
Qualified Parenting Coordinator (Circuits 6, 10, 12, 13)

Education

Doctorate in Clinical Psychology (1988)
Graduate School of Applied and Professional Psychology
Rutgers University

Bachelor of Arts in Psychology (1983)
Magna Cum Laude
Brown University

Specialty Training

Basic and Advanced Collaborative Family Law (2013)
Conducted by Florida Collaborative Trainers
Advanced Parenting Coordination (2011)
Conducted by Joan Kelly, Ph.D.
Basic and Advanced Collaborative Family Law (2010)
Conducted by Lone Star Collaborative Trainers
Parenting Coordination (2009)
Conducted by Debra Carter, Ph.D.
Family Mediation (1999)
Conducted by Gregory Firestone Ph.D.

Professional Affiliations

Past and/or present

International Academy of Collaborative Professionals
Florida Academy of Collaborative Professionals
Tampa Bay Academy of Collaborative Professionals
Next Generation Divorce
Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
Florida Association of Family and Conciliation Courts
American Psychological Association

Experience

2008 - present

Specialized Practice in Divorce and Co-parenting Services

Clinical and forensic practice devoted to:

- Divorce and co-parenting
- Development of timesharing schedules/parenting plans
- Intervention in complex and high-conflict custody matters

Primary clinical roles:

- Parenting coordinator and co-parenting consultant
- Collaborative facilitator/coach/neutral mental health professional
- Family reunification therapist
- Family mediator
- Guardian ad Litem

Primary educational roles:

- National presenter on co-parenting in divorce
- Co-founder and instructor with Tampa Bay Collaborative Trainers
- Co-author of *Mindful Co-parenting: A Child-Friendly Path through Divorce*

1998 - 2008

General Practice in Clinical Psychology

Psychological service provider for children, adults, and families
Evaluator in dependency and disability matters
Consultant to organizations (veterinary hospital, youth camp, etc.)
Provider of critical incident stress management services

1998 - 2000

Adjunct Faculty

University of Tampa
University of Sarasota School of Professional Psychology

Instructor in clinical and counseling psychology (undergraduate level)
Instructor in psychopathology (graduate level)

1993 – 1998

Clinical Manager

Merit Behavioral Care (formerly American Biodyne)

Responsible for Tampa Bay Region covering 200,000 lives, including contract negotiation for seven counties
Clinical and administrative manager of comprehensive outpatient clinics and intensive outpatient addictions program

Project leader for statewide training programs, quality assurance projects,
and organizational retreat; coordinator of DSM-IV training for all
clinical staff in multi-state region

Provider of direct clinical services

1991 - 1993

Staff Psychologist

American Biodyne

Provider of psychological services for children, adults, and families

Reviewer of care provision for managed care insurance network

Crisis coverage including overnight emergency room evaluations

1988 - 1991

Clinical Assistant Professor

Department of Community Mental Health, Florida Mental Health Institute,
University of South Florida

Director of federally-funded HIV Clinical Tutorial Program at the USF
Center for HIV Education and Research

Developer of psychoeducational safer sex module for chronically mentally ill

Supervisor of contributions of nine-member faculty

Coordinator of national, regional, and local conferences

Program planner, curriculum developer, researcher, and grant writer

1987 - 1988

Psychology Intern

Bay Pines Veterans Administration Medical Center

Rotations in inpatient psychiatry, outpatient counseling, geropsychology,
medical psychology, and alcohol treatment

Assessment seminars in neuropsychology, Exner Rorschach and MMPI,
FIRO-B, MCMI, Shipley, WAIS-R, WMS, and Bender

Leader of educational/support groups for patients with cardiac issues, stroke,
depression, visual impairments, and grief

Awarded special gerontology internship slot

1984 - 1987

Clinical Psychology Graduate Trainee

Graduate School of Applied and Professional Psychology

Rutgers University

Psychological assessment and psychotherapy

Hurtado Health Center

Marlboro State Psychiatric Hospital Transitional Unit

Psychological Clinic at GSAPP
Behavioral intervention for children with severe autism
Douglass Developmental Disabilities Center
Chronic pain management
Sunnyview Hospital Chronic Pain Program
Psychological counseling for terminal illness
Haven Hospice at JFK Medical Center
Public health education
Rutgers AIDS Task Force
Hyacinth Foundation AIDS Community Service Agency
Facilitator for Human Sexuality Week at UMDNJ

1984 - 1985

Emergency Medical Technician

Mohawk Ambulance Service

Professional employment with commercial provider of emergency transport
Certified in Rhode Island and New York State

1984 - 1985

Mental Health Therapy Aide

Rensselaer County Community Mental Health Center

Inpatient screener, group leader, and crisis counselor in acute care facility

1983 - 1985

Aquatics Director (1984) / Swimming Instructor

Wildwood School Summer Camp

Supervisor of water safety programs for children and adolescents with
learning disabilities and autism spectrum disorders
Red Cross certified Water Safety Instructor (WSI)

1983

Psychology Laboratory Instructor and Coordinator

Brown University

Instructor for introductory psychology laboratory
Operant conditioning laboratory and animal care coordinator

Books and Publications

- Gaies, J. S. (in press). The First Joint Collaborative Meeting. In Mosten, F., & Cordover, A. (Eds.) Building A Profitable and Satisfying Collaborative Law Practice. Chicago, IL: American Bar Association Publishing.
- Gaies, J. S., & Morris, J. M., Jr. (in press). Parenting Plan Development in the Collaborative Process. In Jenkins, J. (Ed.), The Divorce Puzzle. Tampa, FL: Open Palm Press.
- Gaies, J.S. (2015). Collaborative Divorce: A Saner World. Next Generation Divorce Newsletter. (Reprinted 2016 on Florida Academy of Collaborative Professionals website).
- Gaies, J. S., & Morris, J. M., Jr. (2014). Mindful Co-parenting: A Child-Friendly Path through Divorce. North Charleston, SC: CreateSpace Independent Publishing.
- Gaies, J.S., & Parnell, T. F. (2014). What's In It For Us?: How Pro Bono and Low Bono Collaborative Programs Benefit the Professionals. *Collaborative Review: The Journal of the International Academy of Collaborative Professionals*, 14(1), 23-34.
- Gaies, J.S. (2003). Book review: Lazarus, A. A. & Zur, O. (Eds.), Dual Relationships and Psychotherapy. *Child and Family Behavior Therapy*, 25(2). 61-64.
- Gaies, J. S., & Knox, M. D. (1998). Preparing for death. In Knox, M. D., & Sparks, C. H. (Eds.), HIV and Community Mental Healthcare. Baltimore, MD: The Johns Hopkins University Press.
- Knox, M. D., Friedrich, M. A., Gaies, J. S., & Achenbach, K. (1994). Training HIV specialists for community mental health. *Community Mental Health Journal*, 30(4), 405-413.
- Gaies, J. S., & Knox, M. D. (1993). Book review: Landau-Stanton, J., & Clements, C. D., AIDS Health and Mental Health: A Primary Sourcebook. *The Journal of Mental Health Administration*, 20(3), 292-293.
- Gaies, J. S., & Knox, M. D. (1993). The therapist and the dying client. Reprint from *Focus: A Guide to AIDS Research and Counseling*, in Stine, G. J., Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome: Biological, Medical, Legal and Social Issues. Englewood Cliffs, NJ: Prentice-Hall.
- Gaies, J. S., & Knox, M. D. (1992). Preparing for death. In Knox, M. D., & Sparks, C. H. (Eds.), Community Mental Health and HIV: A Training Program for Center Staff. National Council of Community Mental Health Centers.
- Gaies, J. S. (1991). HIV transmission efforts for the chronically mentally ill. Chair of symposium presented for the Society for Community Research and Action (Division 27) at the American Psychological Association Annual Convention, San Francisco, CA.

- Boaz, T. L., Murray, M. G., Gaies, J. S., Behner, G. W., Knox, M. D., & Nelson, R. P. (1991). Speed of processing and neuropsychological impairment in HIV-infected persons. Paper presented at the American Psychological Association Annual Convention, San Francisco, CA.
- Gaies, J. S., & Knox, M. D. (1991). The therapist and the dying client. Focus: A Guide to AIDS Research and Counseling, 6(6). San Francisco, CA: UCSF AIDS Health Project.
- Gaies, J. S. (1991). Psychological assessment and intervention related to AIDS as a terminal illness. Paper accepted for presentation at King's College International Conference on Death and Bereavement, London, Ontario, Canada.
- Knox, M. D., & Gaies, J. S. (1990). The HIV clinical tutorial for community mental health professionals. Community Mental Health Journal, 26(6), 559-566.
- Knox, M. D., & Gaies, J. S. (1990). HIV-related clinical services, attitudes and skills. Paper presented at the 29th Annual Conference of the Florida Council for Community Mental Health, Clearwater Beach, FL.
- Gaies, J. S. (1990). Interaction between negative attitudes toward homosexuality and issues of HIV: Implications for HIV continuing education programs. Paper presented for the Association of Lesbian and Gay Psychologists at the 98th Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association, Boston, MA.
- Gaies, J. S. (1988). Negative attitudes toward homosexuality and other psychological issues of people affected by AIDS. Dissertation Abstracts International. (Univ. Microfilms No. 89-11, 257).
- Gaies, J.S. (1982). Factors affecting the distribution of marine mammals in the Caribbean Sea. Independent research project. Sea Education Association, Woods Hole, MA.

Lectures, Seminars, and Workshops Presented

(Recent years included; data for earlier presentations available on request.)

Introductory Interdisciplinary Collaborative Training

Tampa Bay Collaborative Trainers at Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL

January 6-7, 2017

Steering Clear of Negative Impacts of Litigation on Children & Their Families

Family Court Professional Cooperative, Lakewood Ranch, FL

October 7, 2016

High-Conflict, Custody, & Co-Parenting: Ethical Challenges and Effective Interventions

Cross Country Education, Long Island, NY, and Manhattan, NY

September 7-9, 2016

Collaborative Divorce in the United States

Adler Collaborative Group, Ramat HaSharon, Israel

February 15, 2016

Guest Facilitator at Parenting Coordination Training

University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

January 14, 2016

A Peaceful Divorce? Bringing Mindfulness to Conflict, Custody, & Co-Parenting

Cross Country Education, Jackson, MS, Baton Rouge and New Orleans, LA

November 18-20, 2015

Constructive Conversations in the Collaborative Process

Next Generation Divorce, Tampa, FL

October 14, 2015

Mindful Co-parenting: An Approach that Benefits the Collaborative Process

International Academy of Collaborative Professionals Annual Forum, Washington, DC

October 16, 2015

Communication Skills for a Professional Forensic Accounting Team

Litigation Support Advisors, Tampa, FL

September 22, 2015

Mindful Co-parenting and Couples Conflict Resolution

Tampa Bay Association of Marriage and Family Therapy, Tampa, FL

September 11, 2015

Mindful Co-parenting: A Child-Friendly Path Through Divorce

Annual Conference for Alternative Dispute Resolution, Orlando, FL

August 1, 2015

Mindful Co-parenting: An Approach that Benefits the Collaborative Process
Collaborative Family Law Council of Florida Annual Collaborative Conference, Orlando, FL
May 16, 2015

Mindful Co-parenting
Test presentation with Institute for Natural Resources, Tampa, FL
April 9, 2015

Mindful Co-parenting and the Collaborative Process
Collaborative Family Law Institute Advanced Collaborative Training, Miami, FL
March 13, 2015

Domestic Violence and Collaborative Divorce
Next Generation Divorce, Tampa, FL
October 8, 2014

The View From Around the Table: The Qualities of Excellent Collaborative Practitioners
Tampa Bay Collaborative Divorce Group, Tampa, FL
September 18, 2014

Collaborative Divorce in the United States
Ramat Gan Municipal Center, Ramat Gan, Israel
June 18, 2014

Coping with Loss
Congregation Kol Ami, Tampa, FL
May 28, 2014

How Can I Help? Using Mental Health Professionals to Benefit Your Clients
Hillsborough County Bar Association - Family Law Section Young Attorneys, Tampa, FL
April 2, 2014

Hotspots, Eruptions, and Explosions in Collaborative Team Meetings
Hillsborough County Bar Association Collaborative Law Section, Tampa, FL
March 4, 2014

Special Nuances in Litigating Parenting Issues (section on Parenting Coordination)
Hillsborough County Bar Association Family Law Section, Tampa, FL
January 22, 2014

Collaborative Divorce
North Suncoast Estate Planning Council, New Port Richey, FL
November 19, 2013

Collaborative Inns of Court Town Hall Meeting
Hillsborough County Bar Association, Tampa, FL
September 3, 2013

The Pivotal Role of the MHP: A Panel Discussion
Collaborative Family Law Council of Florida Inaugural Collaborative Conference, Tampa, FL
May 18, 2013

Collaborative Divorce and the Law (Plenary Demonstration)
Collaborative Family Law Council of Florida Inaugural Collaborative Conference, Tampa, FL
May 17, 2013

Lessons Learned: A Frank Discussion (Panel)
Hillsborough County Bar Association Collaborative Law Section, Tampa, FL
May 15, 2013

Problem-solving and Brainstorming for Success in Collaborative Divorce
Collaborative Divorce Institute of Tampa Bay, Tampa, FL
May 8, 2013

Basic and Advanced Collaborative Trainings (Actor for Training Team)
Florida Collaborative Trainers, Tampa, FL
March 21-23, 2013

Optimizing the Interdisciplinary Team: The Pivotal and Powerful Role of the Neutral MHP
Florida Association of Family and Conciliation Courts Annual Conference, Orlando, FL
March 15, 2013

Collaborative Divorce
Tampa Bay Estate Planning Council, Tampa, FL
November 14, 2012

A Potent Antidote to Intractable Conflict: Mindfulness in Collaborative Divorce
Florida Association of Family and Conciliation Courts Annual Conference, Tampa, FL
March 30, 2012

Deepening Cooperation: Mindfulness in Parenting Coordination
Florida Association of Family and Conciliation Courts Annual Conference, Tampa, FL
March 30, 2012

Developing Parenting Plans for Children with Developmental Disorders
Hillsborough County Bar Association, Tampa, FL
March 22, 2012

Designing Parenting Plans in Collaborative Cases: The Art of Including Children's Input without Putting Children in the Middle

Tampa Bay Collaborative Divorce Group, Clearwater, FL

February 23, 2012

How Can I Help?: Using Mental Health Professionals to Benefit Family Law Clients

Family Law Inns of Court, Tampa, FL

November 2012

Mindfulness Skills

Tampa Bay Collaborative Divorce Group, Tampa, FL

March 2011

Domestic Violence Issues and Concerns: Mediator Trends in a Changing Environment

Hillsborough County Bar Association, Tampa, FL

February 23, 2011

Families Apart: Helping Children Cope Through Separation and Divorce

Tampa Jewish Family Services, Tampa, FL

April 29, 2010

Radio and Podcast Interviews

Mindful Co-parenting

"For Women Over 40" Talk Radio Show (WESU - Middletown, CT)

June 21, 2016

Mindful Co-parenting

Podcast for Divorce Without Destruction

December 8, 2014

Collaborative Divorce

Senior Voice America Radio Program (1250 AM WHNZ)

February 19, 2014

Television News Interviews

(Various media outlets including Fox 13 News, ABC Action News, and Bay News 9)

Smoking cessation

Misbehavior on airplanes

Adult women having sex with teenage boys

PTSD involved in shooting

Diagnosing PTSD

Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder
Family dinners
Adult bullying/extortion by football player against rookie
Halloween costumes for children with sexual tone
Teachers having sex with students
Violent videogames
Cyberbullying leads to young girl's suicide
Hoarding including animal hoarding
Release of three women held captive for ten years
Fear of random violence
Evictee who assaulted a law enforcement officer
Advertising to kids via apps
Effect of internet, FB, cellphones on parenting/kids
Competency to stand trial
Women fighting in mall
Teenage bomber
Child sexual abuse
Bystander effect re: injured girls left in street in China
Representative Anthony Weiner and sexting
Parent encouraging fighting
Public restrooms and kids
iTunes anti-gay app
Animal cruelty
Tampa as high stress city
Facebook and cyberstalking
Stockholm syndrome
Violence concerns for young film viewers

Professional Development

Over 1000 hours of continuing education, exceeding requirements in every renewal cycle for psychology licensure (845 CEU's) and mediator certification (233 CME's)

Attendance at professional conferences including:

- Florida Academy of Collaborative Professionals Annual Conference
- Florida Association of Family and Conciliation Courts Annual Conference
- Florida Dispute Resolution Center Annual Conference
- Family Court Professional Cooperative Conference
- American Psychological Association Annual Convention

Ongoing literature review of practice-specific research and publications

Direct, periodic consultations and blind reviews of clinical cases with colleagues on matters of child custody, parenting coordination, and family reunification therapy

Other Recent Professional Activities

Co-founder and trainer with Tampa Bay Collaborative Trainers (2016-present), providing introductory and advanced programs nationwide

Clinical field tester for pilot research project examining application of Focused Coparenting Consultation model to parenting coordination (McHale & Carter, 2015)

Founder and initial chair of statewide Modest Means committee (2013-2014), served on Conference Review committee (2013 & 2015), and as Tampa Bay representative (2012-2014) for Florida Academy of Collaborative Professionals, as well as serving on the Access to Collaboration (2013) and Forum Review (2012 & 2013) committees for the International Academy of Collaborative Professionals