

Viveca Saffer, Psy.D.

Education: Indiana University of Pennsylvania
Degrees: Doctor of Clinical Psychology, 1999
Master of Arts, Psychology, 1996

James Madison University
Degree: Bachelor of Science, Psychology, 1993

License: Psychologist – Maryland Board of Examiners of Psychologists

Professional Experience:

Clinical Psychologist (2010-Present)
United States Government

Conduct evaluations of job applicants for employment and consult with other organizations regarding psychological matters that may impact suitability.

Psychologist II (2002- 2010)
Springfield Hospital Center
Department of Psychological Services

Appointments/Positions:

Director of Intern Training: (2008-2010). Coordinated the APA-accredited pre-doctoral clinical psychology internship training program.

Associate Director of Psychological Services: (2005 – 2010). Supported the Director of Psychological Services in carrying out the mission of the department and hospital.

Lead Psychologist: (2005- 2010). Represented the interests of psychologists and assisted with coordination/decision making for the Psychiatric Rehabilitation Program (2005- 2009) and the Recovery Program (2009-2010).

Staff Psychologist: (2002- 2010). Provided individual and group therapy to patients diagnosed with a severe and persistent mental illness on a longer-term inpatient unit.

Psychologist (2001- 2002)
Advanced Behavioral Care, Inc.

Provided individual psychotherapy to residents in various nursing homes.

**Residential Program Supervisor/
Psychology Associate (1999- 2001)**

St. Luke's House, Inc.

Program development and administration for an intensive residential program for individuals diagnosed with a severe and persistent mental illness.

Psychology Associate (1999- 2001)

Independent Contractor – Private Practice
Carroll Counseling Center, LLC

Psychological assessment with children and adults under the supervision of a licensed psychologist. Co-led a parenting group.

Psychology Intern (1998-1999)

Spring Grove Hospital Center

Responsibilities included psychological assessment, individual therapy, and group therapy.

Outside placement

Johns Hopkins Hospital
Division of Cognitive Neurology

One-day per week throughout the internship year was spent at Johns Hopkins Hospital. Responsibilities included neuropsychological assessment and scoring for outpatient and inpatient adults.

Awards and Academic Honors:

- 2004-2008 Certificate of Appreciation for offering supervision to Psychology Externs at Springfield Hospital Center.
- 2006 Employee Achievement Award - Springfield Hospital Center
- 1994-1997 Awarded a full Graduate Assistantship at the University Learning Center, Indiana University of Pennsylvania.
- 1994 Awarded a Fellowship from The Graduate School at Indiana University of Pennsylvania.
- 1993 Graduated Summa Cum Laude from James Madison University

- 1993 Awarded the Dr. Jerry O. Haynes Outstanding Academic Achievement Award – James Madison University.
- 1992 Awarded the Outstanding Junior in Psychology Award – James Madison University.

Recent Presentations:

Case Conceptualization Seminar (2010 – Present; Springfield Hospital Center)