LEOCADIA PIETROWSKI CONLON, PhD, MPH, PA-C

curriculum vitae

EDUCATION

PhD, Doctor of Philosophy in Translational Health Sciences

George Washington University, Washington D.C.

School of Medicine and Health Sciences

Dissertation: https://hsrc.himmelfarb.gwu.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1006&context=smhs crl dissertations

Masters of Public Health (MPH) & Certificate in Maternal Child Health

Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland

Bloomberg School of Public Health

Bachelor of Science in Physician Assistant Studies

D'Youville College, Buffalo, New York

Graduated cum laude

FELLOWSHIPS

Senior Fellow, Science and Public Health

The American Academy of Physician Assistants (AAPA), Alexandria, Virginia

Physician Assistant Hepatoloy Fellowship

Department of Liver Transplant

Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, MD

CERTIFICATIONS

National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA), # 1045745 Distance/Hybrid Education Teaching Certificate, Shenandoah University Center for Teacher, Learning and Technology, Winchester, VA, Spring 2016

LICENSURES

Hawaii AMD – 302 Virginia #0110001175

EMPLOYMENT

Hawai'i Pacific University

Master of Medical Science-Physician Assistant Program

Associate Professor & Program Director

Past Employment:

Research Corporation of the University of Hawai'i, Honolulu, HI

Clinical Director, Hawai'i CARES (Coordinate Access Resource

Entry System for the state's behavioral health network)

Health Initiative Specialist

George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

School of Medicine and Health Science

Washington, D.C.

Adjunct Assistant Professor, Clinical Research and Leadership

Adjunct Assistant Professor, Physician Assistant Studies

Sinclair Health Clinic, Winchester, VA

(Free Medical Clinic of Northern Shenandoah Valley)

Winchester, Virginia

Clinical Advisor & Physician Assistant (women's health and hepatology)

Director of Clinical Services

Shenandoah University, Division of Physician Assistant Studies

Winchester, VA

Associate Director & Director of Didactic Education

Assistant Director of Scholar Plaza Loudoun

Assistant Professor

The American Academy of Physician Assistants (AAPA), Alexandria, VA

Education Advisor, Continuing Professional Development and Practice Improvement

Director, Quality Improvement Initiatives

Additional past employment includes over ten years of clinical practice as a PA in Virginia and Hawai'i with specialties in women's/reproductive health and hepatology, including roles as a sub-investigator in clinical trials research for inquires related to hepatitis B, hepatitis C, liver transplant, fatty liver disease, and liver cancer.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

Golden Apple Award, The George Washington University PA Program, student nominated award for faculty of the year

Wilkins Appreciation Award, Shenandoah University

Rising Star Award Nominee, Physician Assistant Education Association

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Lotrecchiano GR, Balong E, Brundage S, Deyo P, **Conlon L**, Bugin K, Sheffey L, Cook E, Gentry M. Similarities and differences in motivation in cross-disciplinary biomedical, policy, and education health science teams: a mixed methods comparative case study using the MATRICx. *Team Perform. Manag.* 2023; 20 (1/2): 113-137. DOI: 10.1108/TPM-05-2022-0036

Fan VY, Yamaguchi CT, Pal K, Geib SM, **Conlon L**, Holmes JR, Sutton Y, Aiona A, Curtis AB, Mersereau E. Planning and Implementation of COVID-19 Isolation and Quarantine Facilities in Hawaii: A Public Health Case Report. *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*. 2022; 19(15):9368. https://doi.org/10.3390/ijerph19159368

Conlon JL, Malcolm S, Monaghan M. Diagnosis and treatment of polycystic ovary syndrome in adolescents. *JAAPA* 2021; 34(10): 15-22. DOI: 10.1097/01.JAA.0000791468.37054.5d

Conlon JL. Diethylstilbestrol (DES): Potential health risks for women exposed in utero and their offspring, and implications for practice. *JAAPA*. 2017; 30(2): 49-52. doi: 10.1097/01.JAA.0000511800.91372.34

Conlon, JL Changing the course of medicine: Learning to put prevention first. In: Smith DT., Sabino TE, The impact of social factors on health: A critical reader for the physician assistant. San Diego, CA: Cognella Academic Publishing; 2014.

Conlon JL, Luken K. HCV PACT: Patient Advocacy Checklist for Therapy for Hepatitis Virus Management. New York, New York: Sanova Works; 2012.

PEER REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS

Conlon JL. Diagnosis and Management of Polycystic Ovary Syndrome (PCOS) in Adolescents: Update from 2017 International Consensus Statement. Virginia Academy of PAs Fall CME conference, November 16, 2019, Richmond, Virginia

Weaver J, Kersey J, Conlon JL, Stepansky, K, & McDonald P, Complexity Science and Outcomes of Cognitive Interventions for TBI: Is there a relationship? The George Washington University Nursing Research Colloquium, January 23, 2018.

Weaver J, Kersey J, Conlon JL, Stepansky K, & McDonald P, Complexity Science and Cognitive Interventions for Traumatic Brain Injury. 3rd International Systems and Complexity in Health Conference, October 27, 2017, Ashburn, VA.

Conlon JL, Mahon C, Lee PA, Wojnarwski C. *A Student-Led Community Health Worker (CHW) Program –an innovative project to address community health needs and build capacity for an interprofessional workforce.* Oral Presentation at the World Health Organization Fourth Global Forum on Human Resources for Health; November 2017, Dublin, Ireland

Rizzolo D, **Conlon JL**, Chiodo, TA. Don't Miss it: Oral Lesions Commonly Seen in Primary Care. On-line Self-assessment CME activity, American Academy of Physician Assistants. Released November 2016.

Conlon JL Schempp A. *Giving your students the QI advantage*. Oral Presentation at the Physician Assistant Education Association Annual Education Forum; October 2016; Minneapolis, MN.

Hollen C, **Conlon JL**. Cultural Competency in Physician Assistant Education - A Crucial Aspect of Patient Involvement. Oral presentation and panel. 2nd International Conference: Where's the Patient's Voice in Health Professional Education 10 Years On? November 2015; Vancouver, BC

Lord CB, Pearson D, Rizzolo D, **Conlon JL**. Cardiovascular Disease and Oral Health: What you need to know about oral hygiene and heart health. On-line CME activity, American Academy of Physician Assistants. Released 1 August 2015

Conlon JL. Treating Veterans and Military Families Living with PTSD and TBI. Oral presentation for the American Academy of Physician Assistants Annual CME Conference; May 25, 2015; San Francisco, CA.

Bowser J, Lord CB, **Conlon JL**. Diabetes and Oral Health: *What you Need to Know in Treating* Diabetic Patients. On-line CME activity, American Academy of Physician Assistants. Released 1 August 2014. https://cme.aapa.org/Activity/2732395/Detail.aspx

Conlon JL. Treating Veterans and Military Families Living with PTSD and TBI. Oral presentation. Virginia Academy of Physician Assistants 32nd Annual CME Conference; July, 2014; Virginia Beach, VA.

Conlon JL. Caring for the Caregiver. Oral presentation, American Academy of Physician Assistants 42nd Annual Conference; May 27, 2014; Boston, MA.

Conlon JL. Diabetes and Oral Health: What you need to know when treating your diabetic patient. Oral presentation, American Academy of Physician Assistants 42nd Annual Conference; May 27, 2014; Boston, MA.

Conlon JL, Thomas GP, Bowser J, et al. Interprofessional Education PI-CME Module. On-line PI-CME activity, Physician Assistant Education. Association. Released 1 March 2015. http://ipe.paeaonline.org/

Conlon JL. Hepatitis C, Clinical Update. Oral presentation at the Virginia Academy of Physician Assistants Annual CME Conference; July, 2002; Virginia Beach, VA.

PEER REVIEWED POSTERS

Polansky MN, Conlon JL, Straker H, Wright KA, LeLacheur S, Sanchez KS, Bartz CN, Akinola-Hadley SO, Molaiy J, Essel KD, Deyton L. *Clinical Public Health Summit: Developing PAs to Advocate for Communities*, Poster presentation at Physician Assistant Education Association 2021 Educational Forum, October 11-15, 2021

Conlon JL, Malcolm S, Monaghan M. *Primary Care Providers Behaviors, Attitudes and Beliefs In the Diagnosis and Management of Polycystic Ovary Syndrome in Adolescents*. Poster presentation for the Annual Clinical & Research Meeting (ACRM) of the North American Society for Pediatric and Adolescent Gynecology (NASPAG), April 2021. Abstract doi: 10.1016/j.pag.2021.02.040.

Conlon JL, Malcolm S, Monaghan M. Abstract #199_Design of a Survey Instrument to Evaluate Primary Care Provider Behavior in the Diagnosis and Management of PCOS in Adolescents. Poster presented online for the annual meeting of the Society of Adolescent Health and Medicine, https://osf.io/ebsz4/, April 2020.

Conlon JL, Schempp A. Student Attitude Changes in Oral Health Through International Interprofessional Practice Experiences. Poster at the annual Physician Assistant Education Associations (PAEA) annual forum; Philadelphia, PA; October 2014

Conlon JL, Thuluvath P. Rapamycin Monotherapy for Liver Transplant Recipients with Renal Insufficiency Due to the Nephrotoxic Effect of Prograf or Neoral. Poster at the annual conference of the American Association for the Study of Liver Disease; November 2001

INVITED PRESENTATIONS/CONTENT EXPERT

Conlon JL, Schempp A. *Introduction to PAEA PICME modules*. Invited presentation Physician Assistant Education Association Annual Education Forum; October, 2014; Philadelphia, PA.

Gardenier D, Conlon JL, Gilles H. Clinical Dialogue: Screening for Hepatitis C Virus Infection: Expert Recommendations, Practical Consideration for Patient Care. On-line CME activity, American Academy of Physician Assistants.

Gardenier D, **Conlon JL**, Gilles H. eCase Challenge: Screening for Hepatitis C Virus Infection: Expert Recommendations, Practical Consideration for Patient Care. On-line CME activity, American Academy of Physician Assistants.

Tanielian T, Conlon JL. A review of the RAND report: Military Caregivers – Cornerstones of Support for our Nation's Wounded, Ill, and Injured Veterans. General Session Presentation, American Academy of Physician Assistants 41st Annual Conference; May, 2013; Washington D.C. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yjomExNaiGc

Conlon JL. Confronting PostPartum Weight Retention: Consequences for Women's Health and An Intervention for Pragmatic Prevention. Masters of Public Health thesis presentation to the Hawaii Department of Health, Division of Maternal and Child Health, January 2008

Maximizing Treatment Outcomes for Patients with Hepatitis C A Personalized Approach to Patient Care. Course Co-Chair and Speaker CME activity sponsored by Advancmed, various locations across the U.S., January 2002-October 2002

Managing Treatment Outcomes for HCV-Related Anemia CME activity sponsored by Advancemed. Various locations throughout the Northern Virginia Area, January 2002-September 2002.

Conlon JL, Glauber, K. *Hepatitis C, Clinical Management*. Oral presentation to the Fairfax County Health Department, health professional in-service training; April 2002; Fairfax, VA.

DOCTORAL & GRADUATE RESEARCH

Conlon JL. Diagnosis and Management of Adolescents with Polycystic Ovary Syndrome in Primary Care: A mixed method study to explore provider behavior and barriers and facilitators to practice. Dissertation Presented to The School of Medicine and Health Sciences, The George Washington University, Washington, D.C., in fulfillment of the requirements for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Translational Health Sciences. Dissertation Defense March 12, 2021. https://hsrc.himmelfarb.gwu.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1006&context=smhs_crl_dissertations

Conlon JL. Diagnosis and Management of Adolescents with Polycystic Ovary Syndrome in Primary Care: A mixed method study to explore provider behavior and barriers and facilitators to practice. Dissertation Proposal Presented to The School of Medicine and Health Sciences, The George Washington University, Washington, D.C., in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Translational Health Sciences. Approved January 25, 2019.

Conlon, JL. Adolescents and Youth Adults and Health Care Provider perceptions of the impact of depression on type I diabetes management and potential interventions: a qualitative analysis of a depression screening protocol. Submitted for HSCI 6291 Research Elective. Research carried out at the Clinical and Translational Science Institute at Children's National Hospital (CTSI-CN), PI: Maureen Monaghan, PhD, CDCES, May 2018

Conlon JL. Preconception Counseling Among Vulnerable Patient Populations: An innovation to improve maternal fetal health outcomes. Submitted for THS 8107 Program Theory, THS8109 Implementation Science, THS 8125 Advanced Research Design, May 2017

Conlon JL. The Lived Experience of a Diagnosis of PCOS for adolescent females – a phenomenology study. Submitted and defended for THS 8123 Qualitative Methods in Translational Health Science, Aug 2017

Conlon JL. Management of Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome (PCOS) in adolescent females with combined hormonal contraceptives – an expert review. Submitted for THS8101 Foundations in Translational Health Science, Dec 2016

Conlon JL. *Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome (PCOS) and its impact on quality of life in adolescents – a scoping review.* Submitted for THS8105 Complex Health System, Dec 2016

Chapman M, Clark K, Khan S, & Conlon JL. Constructing a Team Design for a Community-Based Research on Intimate Partner Violence Screening and Brief Intervention Network. Submitted for THS8103 Principles in Collaboration and Team Science, Dec 2016

Conlon JL., *Integrating Palliative Care into the Management of Serious Chronic Illness*. Submitted for THS8103 Principles in Collaboration and Team Science, Dec 2016

Conlon JL. Confronting Postpartum Weight Retention: Consequences for Women's Health and An Intervention for Pragmatic Prevention. Master's Thesis for Johns Hopkins University MPH program, Aug-Dec 2007

Conlon JL, Maternal Child Health SCALE-UP in the Hazara Region of Afghanistan: Women's Empowerment and Community Health Worker Training. Program planning and grant application for UNICEF on behalf of Future Generations. Johns Hopkins University, Jan-May 2006. Student internship – served as a member of a five-person student grant writing team