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**EDUCATION:**

**2016**, Certificate in Grant Writing, University of Notre Dame, Mendoza College of Business, Online Certificate Program.

**2014**, Certified Dementia Practitioner, CDP; Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia Care Trainer, CADDCT, Certificate in Dementia Care Manager, Sparta, New Jersey.

**2006**, Masters in Gerontology, University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida

**2005**, Bachelor of Arts and Science in Gerontology, University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida

**WORK EXPERIENCE:**

**James A. Haley VA Hospital, HSRD/RR&D Center of Innovation on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (CINDRR) Tampa, FL.**  
*March 2007 – Present: **Health Science Specialist/Senior Project Manager***

Maintains continuous communication with field coordinators, Office of Research and Development (ORD) and the Office of Research Oversight (ORO), and other Federal and State regulatory institutions. Coordinates and organizes research studies, staff and line management personnel, and conducts all phases of an approved research project plan. Prepares and conducts trainings to investigators and regulatory research committees regarding basic guidelines, Federal regulations and ethical issues. Provides information regarding research regulatory policies, procedures, and submissions in accordance to Federal and VHA regulations. Maintains up-to-date knowledge of Department of Veterans Affairs and Federal regulations governing medical research including but not limited to studies involving human subjects. Informs of potentially controversial findings, issues, or problems of a research study. Assists in the implementation of the Human Research Protection Program (HRPP) following the ORD and the ORO rules and regulations. Reviews protocols, investigators' studies and previews new studies for content and completeness ensuring adherence to local, ORD, ORO and FDA requirements. Prepares agendas, records detailed minutes, and assigns reviews in preparation of meetings. Maintains continuous communication with field coordinators, ORD, ORO, and other Federal and State regulatory institutions.

**James A. Haley VA Hospital, Patient Safety Center, Tampa, FL.**  
*July 2006 – March 2007: **Program Support Assistant/Research Assistant***

Coordinate and facilitate research activities on wandering behaviors among community-dwelling veterans with mild dementia and their family caregivers. Conduct in-person and telephone interviews with older adult Veterans with mild memory problems and their family caregivers. Interview and screen potential subjects for possible recruitment into study. Administer standardized test batteries to older adult Veterans with mild memory problems and their caregiver. Edit and enter data for each assigned project. Assist in tables and report writing.

**University of South Florida, Tampa, FL**  
*August 2006 – December 2006: **Internship:***

Qualitative Research focused upon home and community based Long Term Care (LTC) with emphasis on the Eden Alternative Phenomenon and Policy. Qualitative Research on Cultural and Cost Effective Changes on Baby Boomer's Frail Elderly transitioning into LTC.

**Alzheimer's Association, Orlando, FL.**  
*July 2004 – August 2005: **Multi-Cultural Outreach Project Manager***

Facilitate Early Alzheimer's Support and Education (EASE) programs to diverse populations. Provide training for the Delta Theta Sorority groups and other minority community organizations on the effects of Alzheimer's disease. Provide guidance on matters leading to the improvement of public health programs. Radio, interview and oversee presentations/lectures throughout Central Florida on Alzheimer's disease and the effects on our population, ensuring accuracy and quality. Qualitative and quantitative research on the issues and trends that affect minority Alzheimer's families and service delivery. Implement safety/wandering solutions as well as educate the public on Safe Return.

Develop and conduct patient satisfactory surveys and analyze results. Conduct telephone surveys and interviews. Operate in a field-based setting to implement public health priorities involving a diverse range of stakeholders. Process monthly and quarterly statistics reports for billing, budget and State grant proposal requests. Conduct qualitative research on 'Dining In Nursing Home' for publication and use in nursing homes. Coordinate and facilitate research activities for multi-cultural memory screening research.

**Alzheimer's Association, Orlando, FL.**  
May 2004 – July 2004 **Internship:**

Respond to help-line calls from caregivers of Alzheimer's clients ordered offered information on available community resources and services. Facilitate applicable support groups and EASE programs. Assist with administrative duties for VP of Programs and Services.

### **COMPUTER SKILLS:**

Software Testing; Microsoft Office Suite: Word, Excel, Power Point, Access Outlook, Access Database, VA Sharepoint, Computer Patient Service Record Service (CPRS)

### **AWARDS:**

2016 Outstanding Rating  
2015 Outstanding Rating  
2014 Outstanding Rating  
2013 Outstanding Rating Certification  
2011 Certificate of Appreciation  
2011 Outstanding Rating Certification  
2011 Center of Excellence, Recognition Award for third year funding of project  
2010 Outstanding Rating Certification  
2009 Outstanding Rating Certification  
2009 On-the-spot cash award  
2008 Outstanding Rating Certification  
2007 Outstanding Rating Certification

### **PUBLICATIONS:**

Bhatia, A., Dorr, B.J., Hollingshead, K., Phillips, S., McKenzie, B. (2017). Characterization of Divergence in Impaired Speech of ALS Patience, BiONLP Workshop. May 2017. [https://aclweb.org/aclwiki/index.php?title=BioNLP\\_Workshop](https://aclweb.org/aclwiki/index.php?title=BioNLP_Workshop)  
McKenzie, B., Bowen, M.E., Keys, K., & Bulat, T. (2013). Safe Home Program: A Suite of Technologies to Support Extended Home Care of Persons With Dementia, *American Journal of Alzheimer's Disease & Other Dementias*, 28(4), pp 348-354. published online 15 May 2013, <http://aja.sagepub.com/content/early/2013/05/15/1533317513488917>  
Rowe M, Houston A, Molinari V, Bulat T, Bowen ME, Mutolo M, McKenzie B. (In process). The Concept of Missing Incidents in Persons with Dementia" *The Gerontologist*  
Bowen ME, McKenzie B, Steis M, Rowe MA. (2011). The Prevalence of and Antecedents to Dementia-Related Missing Incidents in the Community, *Dementia Geriatric Cognitive Disorder*. 406-412.  
Bass, E., Rowe, M.A., Moreno, M., & McKenzie, B., (2008). Expanding participation in Alzheimer's Association Safe Return® by improving enrollment. *American Journal of Alzheimer's Disease & Other Dementias*, Volume 23 (5) 447-Sage

### **PRESENTATIONS AND POSTERS:**

"Acoustic Analysis of Read Speech for Detection and Monitoring of ALS", HSR&D Center of Innovation on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (CINDRR), James A Hely VA, Tampa, Florida May 2017  
"Smart Phone Application for Post-concussion Symptom Reduction (cIRB # 13-38)", HSR&D Center of Innovation on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (CINDRR), James A Hely VA, Tampa, Florida May 2017  
"Safety in the Home", Memory Care Training Workshop for Caregiver's. James A. Haley VAMC Tampa, Florida, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2013  
"Working with Vulnerable Geriatric Subjects in the VA Population", Global Conference & Exhibition, Association of Clinical Research Professionals, Orlando, Florida, April 13, 2013  
"International Research Consortium on Wandering", James A. Haley VAMC (118M), HSR&D/RR&D Center of Excellence, Maximizing Rehabilitation Outcomes, Tampa, Florida, October 25, 2012  
Pre-Conference, 2012 Transforming Fall Management Practices Conference entitled "Wandering and Missing Incidents Consortium: Maximizing Safety and Independence for Persons with Dementia". Hilton Clearwater Beach Resort, Clearwater, May 22, 2012  
"SafeHome: A Suite of Technologies to Support Extended Home Care of Veterans with Dementia". Bay Pines Health Care System, Home Base Primary Care, Bay Pines, Florida, February 16, 2012  
"International Research Consortium on Wandering", VISN 8 Patient Safety Center HSR&D/RR&D Center of Excellence, Maximizing Rehabilitation Outcomes, Tampa, Florida, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2011  
"Lost in the Community" – For professional caregivers - Live Satellite Broadcast, James A. Haley VAMC (118M), HSR&D/RR&D Center of Excellence, Maximizing Rehabilitation Outcomes, Salt Lake City, Utah, June 29, 2011.  
Barbara McKenzie, MA, Lisa Goff, MSPT, Helen Moore, PhD., Meredith Rowe, PhD. SafeHome: A Suite of Technologies to support extended home care of veterans with Dementia. James A Haley VA Hospital, Tampa, FL. April 14, 2011  
"VISN 8 GRECC PACT Mental/Dementia Conference", Orlando, Florida - Renaissance SeaWorld, Thursday, March 10-11, 2011  
Lost or Wandering: A Prospective Study of Persons with Dementia Becoming Lost in the Community. HSR&D/RR&D Center of Excellence, JAH Tampa VA, Tampa, FL. Presented: Hyatt Regency Jacksonville Riverfront, FL. February 18, 2011  
"International Research Consortium on Wandering", VISN 8 Patient Safety Center HSR&D/RR&D Center of Excellence, Maximizing Rehabilitation Outcomes, Tampa, Florida, October 25-26, 2010  
"International Research Consortium on Wandering", VISN 8 Patient Safety Center, HSR&D/RR&D Center of Excellence, Maximizing Rehabilitation Outcomes, Tampa, Florida, May 20, 2010  
"Early Trajectory of Wandering in Veterans with Mild Dementia" James A Haley VA Hospital, Tampa, Florida, April 29, 2010

“Early Trajectory of Wandering in Veterans with Mild Dementia” Observational Study Monitoring Board (OSMB), James A. Haley VAMC (118M), HSR&D/RR&D Center of Excellence, Maximizing Rehabilitation Outcomes, Tampa, Florida, January 08, 2010

“International Research Consortium on Wandering”, James A. Haley VAMC (118M), HSR&D/RR&D Center of Excellence, Maximizing Rehabilitation Outcomes, Tampa, Florida, September 02, 2009

“Wandering Behavior: Warning Signs, Prevention and Management”, University of South Florida, Suncoast Alzheimer’s Center, Tampa, Florida June 24, 2009

“Early Trajectory of Wandering in Veterans with Mild Dementia”, James A Haley VA Hospital, Tampa, Florida, May 13, 2009

“Characterizing Wheelchair-Related Falls in Elderly Veterans” James A. Haley VA Hospital, Tampa, Florida, May 13, 2009

“Pre-Falls Conference Intensive - Hazardous Wandering: Challenges and Solutions” Clearwater, Florida, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2008

“International Research Consortium on Wandering”, VISN 8 Patient Safety Center, Tampa, Florida, March, 12, 2009

“International Research Consortium on Wandering”, VISN 8 Patient Safety Center, Tampa, Florida, March, 3-4, 2008

“The Geriatric Patient: Comprehensive Care from Head to Toe.” Veterans Administration, VISN 8 Patient Safety Center, Tampa, Florida. USF Florida Geriatric Institute announces its Ninth Annual Geriatric Institute Comfort Inn Hotel Conference Center, Tampa Florida, June 13 – 21<sup>st</sup>, 2007

“International Research Consortium on Wandering”, VISN 8 Patient Safety Center, Tampa, Florida, April, 29, 2007

“A New Role: Changing the environment and culture of LTC”. Veterans Administration, VISN 8 Patient Safety Center, Tampa. Presentation on the “Eden Alternative” to Long Term Care, Florida Mental Health Institute, Tampa, Florida, April 26, 2007.

“Patient Safety Annual Fair”. Veterans Administration. VISN 8 Patient Safety Center, James A. Haley Hospital. Tampa, Florida, March 9, 2007.

“International Research Consortium on Wandering”. VISN 8 Patient Safety Center. Tampa, Florida, February 8-9, 2007

“Free Memory Screening”, Multi-Cultural Outreach on Alzheimer’s disease for minorities in the community, Winter Park Community Center, Winter Park, Florida, February 28, 2005.

“Free Memory and Prescription Drugs Screening”, Educate the community on Alzheimer’s disease process and prescription drugs administration. New Covenant Baptist Church of Orlando. Orlando, Florida. January 20, 2005.

“Heritage Festival”, Community outreach on Alzheimer’s disease. Martin Luther King celebration, Winter Park, Florida. January 16-17, 2005.

“Multi-Cultural Outreach” Standing in the Gap presentation, put on by the Elders Affair at the Orlando Science Center, Orlando, Florida. November 8-11, 2004.

“Community Outreach”, Radio interview with Central Florida Association of Black Journalists and Broadcasters on Alzheimer’s disease education in the community. November 1, 2004.

“Standing in the Gap” Alzheimer’s disease training workshop for the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., members to do training out in the community. October 23, 2004.

## **TRAINING:**

*March 2013:* REACH: Enhancing Caregiver’s Health through REACH VA Evidence Base Intervention.

*April 1, 2012:* LIVE AND FACE to FACE COACHING SESSIONS (Patient Centered Alternatives to Institutional Care)

*April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012 and March 12, 2012*

*August 17-18, 2009:* Leadership Development Accelerated

*2008:* Global Clinical Dementia Rating

*2007:* Career Development Application Training,

*2006:* Neuropsychology Testing

## **COMMITTEES:**

**2012 - Present: Chair “Clinical Research Coordinator”** - HSR&D/RR&D Center of Innovation on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (CINDRR) and James A Haley VA Research and Development Department, Tampa, Florida

**2013: “National Wheelchair Games”** James A. Haley Veterans’ Hospital, Tampa, Florida July 13-18, 2013

**2011: “Education Integrated with Assessment/Recommendation Algorithms to Improve the Safety of Veterans with Dementia: A Practitioner/PACT and Caregiver Partnership”** - James A. Haley VAMC (118M), Patient Safety Center of Inquiry, Tampa, Florida

**2011: “Lost in the Community” Satellite Training** – For professional caregivers, James A. Haley VAMC (118M), HSR&D/RR&D Center of Excellence, Maximizing Rehabilitation Outcomes, Tampa, Florida.

**2010: “Recognition Committee”** - James A. Haley VAMC (118M), HSR&D/RR&D Center of Excellence, Maximizing Rehabilitation Outcomes, Tampa, Florida. “Recognizing achievements and good deeds of Center of Excellence (COE) staff that enable the COE to function in a scientific yet harmonious (and fun) manner”

**2009: “Research Protocol” (Write)** - James A. Haley VAMC (118M), HSR&D/RR&D Center of Excellence, Maximizing Rehabilitation Outcomes, Tampa, Florida. “Diagnosis and Aggressive Treatment of Migraine in Veterans with Gulf War Illness.” Funded by DoD GWIRP \$450,000. PI: Michael Schwartz, MD.

**2009: “Development of Staff Education Tools”** – DVD for RN, LPN and CNAs “International Research Consortium on Wandering”. VISN 8 Patient Safety Center. Tampa, Florida, March 12, 2009

**2007 - 2008: “Co-Chairperson” - “Culture Transformation”**. James A. Haley Nursing Home, Tampa, Florida, “Culture Transformation”. Funded by JAH VAMC. Inez Joseph