# **Concepcion Rodriguez**

Vitae

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### **Professional Interests**

Disaster mental health

Risk assessments in school settings

Mindfulness meditation practice in schools

Behavioral neuroscience

**Cultural diversity** 

Mental health issues for veterans and their families

#### Education

1984 M.A. School Psychology. University of North Texas, Denton, TX

1980 B.A. Psychology and Sociology (double major). University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL

### **Professional Licenses and Certificates**

Licensed Specialist in School Psychology TX State Board of Examiners of Psychologists

Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist

TX State Board of Examiners Marriage & Family Therapists

Licensed Psychological Associate TX State Board of Examiners of Psychologists

Associate School Psychologist Certificate TX Education Agency

Military and Veteran Affairs Certificate UT Arlington – Currently enrolled

# Professional Experience

2009-present Adjunct Professor

Department of Psychology and Special Education. Texas A&M University -Commerce

2006-Present Administrative Supervisor of Licensed Specialists in School Psychology (LSSP)

Dallas Independent School District. Dallas, TX

Supervise 7 LSSPs. Coordinate, develop curriculum and train 6 teams of Licensed Clinical social workers and LSSP's (PhDs and M.A. level) to respond to campus-wide crises. Develop curriculum and annually train 400 PhD, LMSW, LCSW, LSSP and school counselors to assess

and respond to suicidal and violent students. Provide bilingual mental health services to students and their families in assigned elementary-, middle- and high-schools.

# 2001-2005 Licensed Specialist in School Psychology

Dallas Independent School District. Dallas, TX

Provided bilingual mental health services to students, their families and staff in assigned schools. Services offered included bilingual counseling, crisis intervention and assistance in accessing community resources for families and school staff.

### 1996-2001 Center Manager, North Oak Cliff Youth and Family School-Based Health Clinic

Dallas Independent School District. Dallas, TX

Supervised the day-to-day operations of a medical and mental health facility. Planned and directed work of center employees, collaborators and contractors. Compiled and reported program data for all component services. Wrote and managed budgets. Maintained physical plant. Developed and implemented marketing outreach for the clinic in the community that included medical health fairs and independent wellness programs.

### 1991-1996 Family Therapist

Salesmanship Club Youth and Family Center's J. Erik Jonsson Community School. Dallas, TX

Provided therapy to students and their families that were enrolled in a therapeutic day school. Worked with teaching staff to coordinate delivery of therapeutic services. Assisted administration in transitioning school to becoming a community school that served North Oak Cliff and surrounding communities.

### 1985-1991 Certified Associate School Psychologist/Licensed Psychological Associate

Dallas Independent School District. Dallas, TX

Developed and implemented therapeutic interventions for student K-12. Provided crisis intervention for students and consultation services for families and school staff.

#### 1980-1981 **Counselor**

Hope Center for Youth. Houston, TX

Counselor in a residential wilderness camp for emotionally disturbed girls ages 10-15. Structured and supervised daily activities. Delivered 24-hour therapy. Admitted, reviewed, and dismissed clients.

	Invited Speaker and Continuing Education Credit Instructor
Nov 2009	Borders Educator's Forum " <u>Drive</u> by Daniel Pink: Incorporating Autonomy, Mastery and Purpose into Adolescent Motivation"
Nov 2009	<b>Dallas Independent School District</b> "Workshop on the Principles and Practices of Mindfulness"
Oct 2009	Borders Educator's Forum  "Nurtureshock by Po Bronson and Ashley Merryman: Carol Dweck's Exploration of the Inverse Power of Praise"
Sep 2009	Borders Educator's Forum  "Columbine by Dave Cullen and No Right to Remain Silent by Lucinda Roy: Analyzing Campus Shootings at Columbine and Virginia Tech"
Jun 2009	Texas A & M University. College Station TX "Suicide and Violence Risk Assessment Process"
Feb 2009	National Association of School Psychologists National Conference. Boston MA "Development of the Dallas Risk of Violence Questionnaire" Lake, K.E., Schroeder, J.L., Blair, J.P. and Rodriguez, C.
Apr 2007	Dallas Independent School District "Parent - Teacher Conference"
Oct 2006	Dallas Independent School District  "Responding to Students in Crisis: Suicide and Violence Risk Assessment Training"
Nov 2004	Dallas Independent School District "Classroom Management of the ADHD Student: Theory and Practice"
Sep 2003	Dallas Independent School District "Current Research in Adolescent Development"
Oct 1990	Texas A & I University. Kingsville TX "Gangs in Schools: Beyond the Basics"
Sep 1989	Dallas Independent School District "Parent Workshop: Warning Signs of Gang Involvement and Corrective Intervention"
Feb 1988	National Association of School Psychologists National Conference. Chicago IL "Intervention Model for Families that have a Terminally III Member" Rodriguez, C. and Hocher, M.

**Publishing** 

Published 10/11/2011

"Mental Health Delivery in Urban Schools: It Takes a Village to Empower a Child" a book chapter in Yes We Can! Improving Urban Schools through Innovative Educational Reform. Blake, J., Rodriguez C. and Nero, C.

# **Community Outreach**

# Aug-Oct 2005 Katrina Mental Health Team- Volunteer

American Red Cross. Dallas, TX

Provided mental health services, social support referrals and employment referrals to Hurricane Katrina evacuees. Coordinated housing placements with HUD, Lifenet, Dallas MetroCare (ABC) and Project Exodus.

# 2005-present Government Liaison - Volunteer

American Red Cross. Dallas, TX

Develops and maintains relationships with federal, state, tribal and local authorities and government units, assists in meeting the information needs of the relief operation and government units regarding disaster relief activities, and ensures coordination of efforts in a manner that optimizes the delivery of Red Cross disaster relief services to those in need.

# 2005-Present Disaster Mental Health Team - Volunteer

American Red Cross, Dallas, TX

Trained in specialized disaster counseling skills. Assist survivors and relief workers deal with the trauma and stresses of disaster. Started work on Dallas DMH team during Katrina Hurricane response.