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EDUCATION

- 2008 - Present Ph.D. Student, Graduate College of Social Work, University of Houston
Anticipated Graduation May 2012
Research Interests: Psychosocial adjustment to disability, ethnic minority health disparities, and substance abuse/use
- 2008 M.Ed., Health Education, University of Houston
Thesis: *Effects of an educational intervention on knowledge, acceptance of disability, and subjective well-being among ethnic minorities with traumatic brain injury (TBI)*
Chairperson: Dennis W. Smith, Ph.D.
- 2003 B.S., Biology and Psychology, University of Houston, Houston, TX

INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION/ TRAINING

- Summer 2002 Public Health Program, Pontificia Universidad Católica Madre y Maestra
Santiago, Dominican Republic
Community Health Practicum – Conducted health assessments and educated residents on domestic violence, breast cancer, and AIDS.
Clinical Field Rotation – Assisted medical staff at a rural clinic in Montellano, Dominican Republic.

AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2007 - Present Golden Key International Honour Society – University of Houston
- 2007 College of Education Department of Health and Human Performance
Competitive Graduate Student Research Award
University of Houston
- 2006 - 2008 Kappa Delta Pi (International Honor Society in Education)
Health and Human Performance Representative

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2004 - Present Research Associate, Brain Injury Research Center at TIRR Memorial Hermann
- 2002 - 2005 Telemetry Patient Care Technician, Memorial Hermann NW Hospital

CERTIFICATIONS

- 2007 - Present Certified Clinical Research Professional (CCRP)
- 2007 - Present Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES)

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Sander, A. M., **Pappadis, M. R.**, Davis, L. C., Clark, A. N., Evans, G., Struchen, M. A., et al. (2009). Relationship of race/ethnicity and income to community integration following traumatic brain injury: Investigation in a non-rehabilitation trauma sample. *NeuroRehabilitation*, 24(1), 15-27.
- Struchen, M. A., **Pappadis, M. R.**, Kurtz, D. M., Clark, A. N., Davis, L. C., & Sander, A. M. (2008). Perceptions of communication abilities for persons with traumatic brain injury: Utility of the La Trobe Communication Questionnaire. *Brain Injury*, 22(12), 940-951.

Struchen, M. A., Clark, A.N., Sander, A. M., **Mills, M. R.**, Evans, G. and Kurtz, D. (2008). Relation of executive functioning and social communication measures to functional outcomes following traumatic brain injury. *NeuroRehabilitation*, 23(2), 185-198.

PRESENTATIONS

Pappadis, M. R., Struchen, M. A., Sander, A. M., Leung, P., & Smith, D. W. (2009, March). *Common misconceptions about traumatic brain injury (TBI) among ethnic minorities with TBI*. Poster presented at the first International Conference on Culture, Ethnicity, and Brain Injury Rehabilitation, Arlington, Virginia.

Pappadis, M. R., Struchen, M. A., Sander, A. M., Davis, L. C., Mazzei, D. M., Leung, P., et al. (2009, March). *Effectiveness of an educational intervention on common TBI misconceptions among ethnic minorities*. Poster presented at the first International Conference on Culture, Ethnicity, and Brain Injury Rehabilitation, Arlington, Virginia.

Sander, A. M., **Pappadis, M. R.**, & Struchen, M. A. (2009, March). *Racial/ethnic differences in community integration activities*. Poster presented at the first International Conference on Culture, Ethnicity, and Brain Injury Rehabilitation, Arlington, Virginia.

Sander, A. M., **Pappadis, M. R.**, Davis, L. C., Clark, A. N., Evans, G., Struchen, M. A., et al. (2008, October). *Race/ethnicity, income, and community integration: Investigation in a non-rehabilitation sample*. Poster presented at the American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine – American Society for Neurorehabilitation Joint Educational Conference, Toronto, Ontario.

Sander, A. M., **Pappadis, M. R.**, Clark, A. N., Struchen, M. A., Tan, F. C., Rintala, D., et al. (2008, October). *Relationship of health beliefs to health service utilization in minority persons with first episode stroke*. Poster presented at the American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine – American Society for Neurorehabilitation Joint Educational Conference, Toronto, Ontario.

Struchen, M. A., Clark, A. N., Sander, A. M., **Mills, M. R.**, Evans, G., & Kurtz, D. (2008, February). *Executive functioning, social communication, and functional outcome after traumatic brain injury*. Poster presented at the 36th annual meeting of the International Neuropsychological Society, Waikoloa, Hawaii.

Sander, A. M., Clark, A. N., Nakase-Richardson, R., Sherer, M., Malec, J. F., Davis, L. C., **Mills, M. R.**, & Struchen, M. A. (2008, February). *Family functioning and community integration following traumatic brain injury*. Poster presented at the 36th annual meeting of the International Neuropsychological Society, Waikoloa, Hawaii.

Struchen, M. A., Sander, A. M., Clark, A. N., Kurtz, D. M., **Mills, M. R.**, & Davis, L. C. *Concurrent validity of the script analysis measure as a test of executive functioning for persons with traumatic brain injury*. (2007, February). Poster presented at the 35th annual meeting of the International Neuropsychological Society, Portland, OR.

Struchen, M. A., Sander, A. M., Clark, A. N., Kurtz, D. M., Davis, L. C., & **Mills, M. R.** *Reliability and discriminant validity of the Script Analysis Measure for persons with traumatic brain injury*. (2007, February). Poster presented at the 35th Annual Meeting of the International Neuropsychological Society, Portland, OR.

HEALTH EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Struchen, M. A., Roebuck, T. M., **Pappadis, M. R.**, & Ferguson, J. E. (2008). *I have a what?!: A guide for coping with mild TBI*. Houston, TX: Baylor College of Medicine.

Struchen, M. A., **Pappadis, M. R.**, Ferguson, J. E., & Roebuck, T. M. (2008). *I have a what?!: A guide for coping with moderate-to-severe TBI*. Houston, TX: Baylor College of Medicine.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Association for Health Education (AAHE)

American Public Health Association (APHA) – International Health

National Council of La Raza (NCLR) – Health

Society of Clinical Research Associates (SOCRA)