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## PROFESSIONAL CURRICULUM VITAE

### LICENSES

- Clinical Psychologist, Calif. License, PSY #10597 1988
- Marriage Family and Child Therapist, Calif. License, MFCC #MS 22040 1985

### EDUCATION

- Postdoctoral Fellowship, Langley Porter, University of California, San Francisco Center on Deafness 1986
- Ph.D. Clinical Psychology, International College 1985
- M.S. Clinical Psychology, Pacific Graduate School of Psychology Palo Alto, Calif. 1984
- B.A. Psychology/Theatre Arts (with dean's honors), UC Santa Cruz Santa Cruz, CA. 1977

### PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

- **Staff Psychologist** – provide counseling to both hearing and deaf students in university counseling center. California State University at Northridge, Northridge, California (half-time). 2010-present
- **Adjunct Faculty** – Cal Lutheran University Graduate School of Education 2012 – 2015
- **Psychologist** – Provided assessment for children being evaluated for cochlear implantation. House, Ear Institute, Los Angeles, CA Fall 2010
- **Non-Public Agent Certification** by California Department of Education Provide contracted counseling services to students in school districts throughout both Southern and Northern California. 2002-2011
- **Clinical Psychologist** – Provided counseling for students in Los Angeles County Office of Education. Kimberlin and Associates. 1997-2002
- **Private Practice** – Clinical psychotherapy for children, adolescents and adults in individual, family and group therapy. Specialties include deafness, LGBT and gender identity issues, survivors of abuse, PTSD. 1985-present
- **Consulting Psychologist** – Psycho-educational assessment. Stephen S. Wise Elementary School, Los Angeles, CA. 1996-2000
- **Consulting Psychologist** – provided assessments of deaf children/adults Santa Clara County Department of Children and Family Services, San Jose, CA. 1994-present
- **Consulting Psychologist** – Learning disabilities assessment Developmental Learning Center, San Jose, Ca. 1993-1996
- **Facilitator/Trainer** for professional psychological workshops on trauma reduction. Eye Movement, Desensitization and Reprocessing (EMDR) San Jose, CA. 1992-1998
- **Family Services of America** – provided counseling; debriefing and trauma counseling after Loma Prieta Earthquake. Santa Cruz, CA. 1987-1989
- **Program Developer** – Developed services for deaf and hearing impaired people, Santa Clara County Mental Health Services, San Jose, CA 1980-1986

## PRESENTATIONS

- Working with Mental Health Consumers with Disabilities, Los Angeles Department of Mental Health 2019
- Navigating the Dating Scene with a Hearing Loss, Hearing Loss Association of America National Convention, workshop presenter, Salt Lake City, Utah 2017
- Who Am I? What am I? Dilemmas in Adolescent Identity in Deaf and Hard of Hearing Adolescents 24th Congress of the European Federation of Associations of Teachers of the Deaf (FEAPD) Luxembourg 2016
- Communication: is it Mishearing or it Misinterpretation? California Psychological Association Annual Convention, Irvine, CA 2016
- Shouting Doesn't Help! The Psychological Impact of Hearing Loss on Baby Boomers and Veterans. California Psychological Association Annual Convention San Diego, CA. 2015
- Communication Strategies for Veterans with Hearing Loss. Hearing Loss Association of America National Convention, workshop presenter, Portland, Oregon 2013
- "Hearing Loss Across the Lifespan: Unique Issues in Therapy in Working with Clients with Hearing Loss" Workshop Presenter at California Psychological Association Annual Convention, Monterey, CA. 2012
- 7 Pitfalls of Parenting Your Child with Hearing Impairment, Hearing Loss Association of America National Convention, workshop presenter, Washington, D.C. 2011
- "The Art of Telling or how to tell your Date/Boss/Friend about your Hearing Loss" Hearing Loss Association of America National Convention, workshop presenter, Washington, D.C. 2011
- "7 Pitfalls of Parenting Your Child with Hearing Impairment, American Society for Deaf Children National Convention, workshop. 2011
- Hearing Loss Across the Lifespan: Therapeutic Issues in Working with People with Hearing Impairments. Los Angeles County Psychological Association. 2010
- Using EMDR with Prelingually Deaf Clients, ADARA conference Monterey, Ca – poster session 2002

## PUBLICATIONS

- Freeman, A. (2017, Fall) "Self Advocacy is our Best Coping Skill", Hearing Loss Californian
- Freeman, A. (2016, Spring) "We Need a Revolution in Mental Health Services for People with Hearing Loss
- Freeman, A. (2014) Hearing Loss Across the Lifespan at [www.zurinstitute.com](http://www.zurinstitute.com)
- Freeman, A (2013, Nov/Dec) What...Me Hard of Hearing?, The California Psychologist
- Freeman, A (2012 Fall) Mixed Couples Panel Discussion, Hearing Loss Californian
- Freeman, A (2012 Summer) Emotional Aspects of Hearing Loss, Hearing Loss Californian,
- Freeman, A (2000) Eye Movement and Desensitization Reprocessing: An Effective Technique for Post Traumatic Disorders in Hearing Impaired Persons. in JADARA: a Journal for Professionals Networking for Excellence in Service Delivery with individuals who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing.
- "Freeman, A. (1993) Looking through the mirror of disability: Transference and countertransference issues with disabled therapists" in Women and Therapy, Winter
- Freeman, A. (1985) "Mental Health treatment intake and outcome evaluation in a deaf population", Clinical Ph.D. dissertation.

## CURRENT AFFILIATIONS

- California Psychological Association (CPA)
- Los Angeles County Psychological Association (LACPA)
- Hearing Loss Association of America (HLAA)
- American Society for Deaf Children (ASDC)
- American Medical Professionals with Hearing Loss (AMPHL)