

<u>Postdoctoral Fellowship in</u> Forensic Psychology

Program Handbook (2023 – 2024)

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TRAINING GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The Forum Ohio, LLC, Postdoctoral Fellowship in Forensic Psychology is a one-year, full-time (2,000 hour) training program intended to prepare Psychology Postdoctoral Fellows for careers in the public and private sectors of forensic psychology. Our aim is to provide training consistent with a standard of excellence--beyond competence and specialty-level practice. The Fellowship is designed to prepare Fellows to become board certified in Forensic Psychology through the American Board of Professional Psychology (ABPP). Our training goals and objectives adhere to the <u>guidelines</u> identified for postdoctoral fellowships provided by the American Board of Forensic Psychology (ABFP). Forum Ohio's Postdoctoral Fellowship in Forensic Psychology has been granted the 5-year forensic psychology waiver by ABFP, meaning Fellows are immediately eligible to apply for board certification in forensic psychology upon completion of the fellowship and need not complete the 5-year experience requirement.

Our aim is to produce top-quality forensic psychologists who can perform a variety of forensic mental health assessments in numerous settings. We emphasize breadth and depth of training by fostering expertise in those types of evaluations most common in the field (e.g., competence to stand trial, criminal responsibility, juvenile forensic evaluations) while providing assessment experience in a variety of settings and numerous subspecialties within forensic psychology. Forum Ohio, LLC, receives private, contract, and court-ordered referrals through multiple facilities and court systems, including psychiatric hospitals, probate court, juvenile court, municipal court, state-wide common pleas court systems, the Ohio Supreme Court, federal courts, and the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services. We conduct evaluations for civil and criminal legal questions. Evaluations are conducted for juveniles and adults in inpatient and outpatient settings. The diversity of our practice is reflected in the nine forensic psychologists we have on staff, all of whom have various specialities and perform many types of evaluations in multiple settings. All of these various experiences are options in the Fellowship and training is individualized to the unique interests and career goals of the Fellow.

Core Competencies

The Fellowship emphasizes several training objectives, many of which are inspired by the <u>Core Competencies of Forensic Psychology</u> identified by ABFP. Forum Ohio's fellowship especially emphasizes the following core competencies:

- 1. Forensic Ethical Principles and Legal Standards
- 2. Foundational Knowledge in Forensic Psychology and Mental Health Law
- 3. Applied Clinical Forensic Skills
- 4. Specialty Areas of Forensic Mental Health Assessment
- 5. Multicultural Diversity in Psycholegal Contexts
- 6. Communication and Consultation
- 7. Teaching and Supervision in Forensic Psychology
- 8. Interdisciplinary Professionalism

FELLOWSHIP CURRICULUM AND TRAINING ACTIVITIES

The Fellowship accomplishes the above training goals through various training activities, which are described below.

Applied Clinical Forensic Experiences

Forum Ohio provides evidenced-based psychological/behavioral health assessments, treatment, and consultative services to individuals and governmental and non-governmental agencies through fee-for-service contractual arrangements, workforce service agreements, and participation in preferred provider third-party panels. In the past 8 years, Forum Ohio (in conjunction with its subsidiaries) has completed about 2,000 evaluations per year. Those evaluations have been comprehensive and forensic in nature, requiring multiple evaluative methods, such as extensive records review, interviewing collateral contacts, clinical observations, and psychological testing.

Evaluations

Fellows will spend at least 50% of their time (i.e., a minimum of 1,000 hours) providing direct professional forensic psychological services, including forensic mental health assessments and consultation. Fellows may have the opportunity to perform the following types of evaluations (with juveniles and/or adults):

- Competency
 - To stand trial
 - To waive Miranda Rights
 - Guardianship
- Criminal responsibility
 - Not guilty by reason of insanity (NGRI)
 - Battered Woman Syndrome
- Disability
 - Social Security disability determination
 - Fitness for duty
 - Worker's compensation
 - Board of Bar examinations (requests for accommodations)
- Risk Assessments
 - Criminal commitment after finding of NGRI
 - Criminal commitment after Incompetent to Stand Trial Unrestorable
 - Increase in movement in psychiatric hospital settings
 - Conditional release from psychiatric hospital settings
 - Violence risk
 - Sexual offender risk
 - School threat
 - Workplace threat
 - Civil commitment
- Treatment amenability
 - Transfer to adult court (juvenile bind-over)
 - Return to juvenile court (juvenile reverse bind-over)
 - Progress in competency attainment (juveniles)

- Progress in competency restoration (adults)
- Diversion program appropriateness (juveniles)
- Treatment in lieu of conviction (adults)
- Comprehensive, court-ordered psychological evaluations to determine diagnosis and treatment needs

The specific types of evaluations completed and the number of each will be jointly agreed upon by the Fellow and the Fellow's supervisor, based on the training goals for that particular Fellow.

Referrals and Clients

Forum Ohio receives referrals from nearly four dozen sources, including various courts and other governmental agencies, private employers, and law firms. The following is an abbreviated list of Forum Ohio's current clients:

- Allen County Juvenile Court. Services provided since 2020. Services include providing competency attainment to juveniles adjudicated incompetent to stand trial. Services are provided to juveniles charged with both felony and misdemeanor offenses.
- *Capital University Police Department.* Services began in 2022. Provide pre-employment screens for police candidates interviewed and considered for placement in the Capital University campus police department.
- *Champaign County Domestic Relations-Juvenile-Probate Court.* Services provided since 2006. Services include psychological evaluations, including juvenile competency to stand trial evaluations and comprehensive evaluations for diagnosis and treatment planning.
- *City of Wapakoneta (Ohio)*. Services provided, started in 2022, surrounding fitness for duty evaluations for the City of Wapakoneta Public Safety (police) Department.
- *Clark County Court of Common Pleas.* Services starting in 2022 in the area of court-ordered adult forensic evaluations.
- *Clark County Juvenile Court.* Services since 2021 in the area of juvenile, court-ordered, forensic evaluations.
- *ComPsych Corporation.* Services provided since 2011 and include fitness for duty (FFD) evaluations and threat assessments.
- Coshocton County Job and Family Services. Contract completed in 2022, providing psychological and parental fitness evaluations.
- Delaware County Court of Common Pleas. Services provided since 2022. Services include forensic evaluations (e.g., competence to stand trial and

NGRI defense evaluations). Services also include competency restoration to adults adjudicated incompetent to stand trial.

- *Delaware County Juvenile Court.* Services provided under contract since 2018. Services include providing competence attainment to juveniles adjudicated incompetent to stand trial.
- *Delaware County Municipal Court*. Services provided under contract since 2020. Services include forensic evaluations (e.g., competence to stand trial and NGRI defense evaluations).
- Division of Disability Determination (DDD) / Opportunities for Ohioans With Disabilities (OOD). Services provided since 2013 and have included Social Security Administration disability determination evaluations.
- *Fairfield County Adult Protective Services.* Services provided since 2013 and have included evaluations to assist in making a determination of competence and guardianship.
- *Fairfield County Juvenile Court.* Services provided under contract since 2021. Evaluations routinely include assessment for competence to stand trial and provide competency attainment services.
- *Family Source Consultants.* Services provided since 2016 and include psychological evaluations for ovum donation and gestational carriers.
- Franklin County Children Services. Services provided since 2015. Services include comprehensive psychological evaluations on children and adults upon referral from Children Services. Additional sub-contracted services provided under this contract include juvenile sex offender evaluations and psychological evaluations to determine intellectual disabilities and autism spectrum disorder diagnoses for the Franklin County Board of Developmental Disabilities.
- *Franklin County Juvenile Court.* Services provided under contract since 2014. Evaluations routinely include assessment for the following:
 - Competence to stand trial
 - Diagnostic clarification and treatment needs
 - Return to juvenile court (reverse bind-over)
 - Progress in competence attainment
 - Psychological functioning
 - Transfer to adult court (bind-over)

Services also include providing competence attainment to juveniles adjudicated incompetent to stand trial. Services are provided to juveniles charged with both felonies as well as misdemeanor offenses. Through a consultative relationship between Forum Ohio and the Court, a program was created, implemented, and remains in use that systematically screens juveniles charged with misdemeanor offenses for mental health problems, substance use problems, and/or criminogenic risk with accompanying recommendations for treatment. In all, Forum Ohio holds three contracts with the Franklin County Juvenile Court.

- *Franklin County Municipal Court.* Services provided since March 2009. Evaluations routinely include assessment of competence to stand trial, mental state at the time of the offense(s) charged (NGRI) evaluations, current mental status, risk assessment, diagnostic assessment with treatment recommendations, and treatment in lieu of conviction.
- *Franklin County Office on Aging.* Services provided since 2006. Services include psychological evaluations, including competence evaluations and evaluations to determine the appropriateness of guardianship.
- *Franklin County Probate Court.* Services provided since 2003. Services have included psychological evaluations, including independent expert evaluations and guardianship evaluations.
- *Franklin County Public Defender's Office*. Services provided since 2018. Services have included forensic psychological evaluations.
- *Genex.* Services provided under contract since 2020. Services include independent medical (psychological) examinations and file reviews of individuals and disability claims reviews for various insurance companies.
- *Greene County Sheriff's Office*. Services provided since 2019 and include fitness for duty (FFD) evaluations and threat assessments.
- *Hamilton County Public Defender's Office*. Services provided since 2019. Services have included forensic psychological evaluations for youths and adults.
- *Knox County Juvenile Court.* Services provided under contract since 2021. Evaluations routinely include assessment for competence to stand trial and provide competency attainment services.
- *Licking County Court of Common Pleas.* Services in the area of court-ordered adult forensic evaluations.
- *Licking County Adult Protective Services*. Services provided since 2012 and have included evaluations to assist in making a determination of competence and guardianship.
- Logan County Family Court. Services provided since 2011. Services have included evaluations with juveniles to determine competence to stand trial as well as risk assessment and treatment needs. Services have also included competence attainment programming.

- *Mad River Township Fire and EMS*. Services provided since 2020 and include fitness for duty (FFD) evaluations and threat assessments.
- *Mansfield Municipal Court.* Services provided since 2013 and have included forensic evaluations (e.g., competence to stand trial evaluations and NGRI defense evaluations).
- *Marion County Court of Common Pleas Family Division.* Contractual services provided since 2020 and include standard psychological evaluations of juveniles in juvenile court, juvenile competence to stand trial evaluations, bind over evaluations, reverse bindover evaluations, and juvenile sex offender evaluations.
- *Morrow County Sheriff's Office*. Services provided since 2020 and include fitness for duty (FFD) evaluations and threat assessments.
- Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services. Contractual services provided since 2020 and encompass a variety of issues and topics, including the provision of training to professional staff at all regional psychiatric hospitals on various forensic topics (e.g., assessment of competence to stand trial and malingering), consultative services, and conducting evaluations on high-profile defendants or on cases requiring a high degree of forensic and clinical expertise.
- *Ohio Department of Natural Resources.* Services provided since 2022 in the area of pre-employment psychological screening and candidate suitability for applicants of both the Parks and Wildlife Divisions.
- *Ohio Industrial Commission.* This contract started in 2019 and includes independent medical examinations and file reviews of individuals who have filed for disability with the Bureau of Workers' Compensation.
- *Ohio State Highway Patrol.* Services provided since 2022. Services include comprehensive psychological evaluations as part of the pre-employment referral screening process.
- *Permanent Family Solutions Network.* Services provided since 2017. Services include comprehensive psychological evaluations on children and adults upon referral from The Buckeye Ranch's Permanent Family Solutions Network.
- *Pickaway County Adult Protective Services*. Services provided since 2021 and have included evaluations to assist in making a determination of competence and guardianship.
- *Portsmouth Police Department*. Services provided since 2020 and include fitness for duty (FFD) evaluations and threat assessments.

- *R3 Continuum.* Services provided since 2012 and have included fitness for duty evaluations (FFD), FFD with a threat assessment, independent psychological examinations, and disability claims reviews for various insurance companies.
- *Seneca County Court of Common Pleas.* Services in the area of court-ordered adult forensic evaluations.
- Supreme Court of Ohio. Services provided since 2018 and have included a review of documentation in order to prepare a written report assessing potential disabilities of applicants and recommendations for testing accommodations for individuals applying to take the Ohio Bar Examination.
- Twin Valley Behavioral Healthcare/Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services. Services provided since 2002. Twin Valley is a Regional Psychiatric Hospital and is part of the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS). These services have included evaluations for competence to stand trial, mental condition at the time of the alleged offense(s) (NGRI), risk assessment, involuntary commitment, increased need for movement, and conditional release.
- Upper Arlington City Schools. Services provided since 2017 include student psychological evaluations that focus on risk/threat assessment and educational concerns.
- *Westwood Preparatory Academy*. Services provided under contract since 2018. Services include psychological testing for ETR and IEP initial and reevaluations.
- Wyandot County Job and Family Services. Services provided since 2022. Services include comprehensive psychological evaluations on children and adults upon referral from Children Services. Evaluations routinely involve comprehensive clinical interviews with children, adults, and collateral contacts (e.g., biological parents, foster parents, caseworkers); administration of various psychological measures of intelligence, academic functioning, personality, psychopathology, behavior, adaptive functioning, and emotional functioning; and child-parent observations.

Tests

In addition to the above types of evaluations and settings, Fellows will have access to a full psychological testing library, including approximately 130 psychological tests and instruments that are used in forensic evaluations. Fellows will be expected to become proficient in one or more tests from each of the following categories:

• Adjudicative Competence • CAST*MR

- ECST-R
- JACI
- Mac-CAT-CA
- Personality Traits and Psychopathology
 - Jesness
 - MCMI-IV
 - MMPI-2-RF / MMPI-A-RF / MMPI-2 / MMPI-3
 - PAI / PAI-A
 - PCL-R
- Sex Offender Risk Assessment
 - ∘ J-SOAP-II
 - MnSOST-R
 - SORAG
 - Static-99 / 99R / 2002 / 2002R
- Symptom Validity
 - ILK
 - SIMS
 - SIRS / SIRS-2
 - TOMM
 - VIP
- Violence Risk Assessment
 - HCR-20-V3
 - PCL-R
 - SAVRY
 - VRAG-R

Additionally, Forum Ohio's test library consists of numerous tests of intellectual and cognitive functioning; language, development, and adaptive functioning; academic achievement; behavior, emotional functioning, and attachment; autism; substance abuse; and trauma.

Forensic Psychology and Landmark Case Seminar

In addition to practical training in forensic mental health assessment, the Fellowship offers weekly seminars. These are dedicated to a critical review of foundational theoretical readings, empirical studies in the field of forensic psychology, and a review and critical discussion of landmark mental health law cases. Fellows will be assigned readings and will be responsible for preparing case law briefs each week. It is our hope that these case briefs will be the basis of a study guide for the Fellows in preparation for the ABFP Written Examination. Topics cover the 23 content areas in forensic psychology identified in the <u>ABFP Suggested Reading List for Written and Oral Examinations</u>. These seminars will be facilitated by psychologists in the practice (who occasionally may be accompanied by guest speakers) with expertise in the subject area.

All reading materials and cases will be available to Fellows at no cost for educational purposes. Additionally, Fellows will have access to an extensive library of seminal forensic psychology texts. Please see the Appendix at the end of this Handbook for the tentative seminar schedule for the upcoming fellowship year.

Trainings and Workshops

In addition to the weekly seminars, Fellows will have access to free Continuing Education forensic trainings (e.g., Grand Rounds at Twin Valley Behavioral Health), as well as paid trainings (e.g., Annual Forensic Conference) in the state of Ohio. If desired, Fellows may attend national trainings and workshops, such as those offered by the American Academy of Forensic Psychology (AAFP), the American Psychology-Law Society (AP-LS), and the Ohio Psychological Association (OPA). Fellows are offered an education stipend and administrative leave days to assist with the time and cost of these opportunities (see "Stipend and Benefits" below).

Expert Testimony

Fellows will have the opportunity to observe and participate in expert testimony for various types of evaluations in many types of courts, potentially including juvenile court, probate court, municipal court, and common pleas court. Additionally, the Fellowship will host two Mock Trial Workshops - one at the mid-point of the training year and another at the end of the training year. In each, Fellows will be required to testify on an evaluation they conducted during the Fellowship year. Both mock trials will take place in a courtroom. The mid-year mock trial will be led by the Fellowship Directors. The end of the year mock trial will be led by a practicing criminal law judge, and direct and cross examinations will be conducted by practicing criminal law attorneys. Following the exercise, the Fellow will receive feedback on multiple criteria, including: adequate preparation and knowledge of the case, professional demeanor, quality of testimony (e.g., clarity and accuracy), non-verbal mannerisms, and personal reactions to stress. These domains will also be addressed in actual expert testimony performed by Fellows, which will always be observed by the case supervisor. In all circumstances, mock and real testimony, an emphasis will be placed on the Fellow's presentation style as much as their familiarity with the case.

Teaching and Supervision

The Fellowship recognizes the importance of disseminating information and providing high-quality supervision in the area of forensic psychology. As such, various teaching opportunities will be made available to Fellows who desire this experience. This could include giving a case presentation or research talk to the practice, presenting for a professional psychology or lawyer association, or being an adjunct instructor (or guest lecturer) for a Mental Health Law course offered through The Ohio State University (OSU). In addition to the Fellowship, the practice provides training and supervision to undergraduate volunteers, graduate-level externs, and predoctoral interns. These trainees perform various functions for the practice, such as conducting psychosocial interviews, administering psychological testing, and drafting portions of forensic reports. Fellows are encouraged to pursue experience in the provision of supervision with trainees in various stages of their forensic training.

SUPERVISION AND EVALUATION

The Fellowship is dedicated to preparing Fellows for the realities and expectations of independent forensic practice. Training emphasizes increased autonomy over the fellowship year. Supervision will initially focus on developing the Fellow's ability to write high-quality reports and gradually transition to an emphasis on enhancing writing efficiency. By the end of the fellowship year, Fellows will feel prepared to produce excellent reports at a rate that is expected for full-time evaluators in the public or private sector.

A *minimum* of two hours of face-to-face supervision is provided to Fellows per week. Additionally, on-site supervision is provided in a manner consistent with the comfort, experience, and training needs of each Fellow. All supervision is provided by a licensed psychologist affiliated with Forum Ohio, LLC, who has extensive expertise in the type of evaluation being conducted. Group supervision will occur in a number of ways: It will be woven into forensic didactics and case law seminars, which will integrate case presentations and consultation into the topic being taught, as well as bi-weekly case consultation meetings on the service.

Each Fellow will undergo a formal written evaluation every quarter in order to ensure the Fellow is maximizing their unique training, meeting their professional goals, and receiving feedback regarding the satisfactory completion of the requirements for passing the Fellowship. Quarterly Reviews are conducted by the Fellow's immediate supervisor and reviewed by Drs. Stinson and Tilley. Our review process is empirically informed by recent research on forensic assessment supervision practices in the field. Evaluations identify the strengths and limitations of the Fellow's progress across several domains (e.g., applied clinical forensic skills, forensic conceptualization, professional development).

FELLOWSHIP BENEFITS AND APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Stipend and Benefits

The Fellowship offers a full-time annual stipend of \$45,000. Additionally, Fellows receive up to 15 days of paid days off, including five Paid Time Off (PTO) days, five federal holidays (Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Years Day, Memorial Day, and Independence Day), and five administrative leave days, with approval. The Fellowship does not provide health insurance benefits at this time. Fellows are also provided a \$1,000 education stipend that can be applied towards various forensic activities (e.g., conference registration fees). We will be accepting one or two Fellows for the 2023-2024 fellowship year.

Application Requirements

To be eligible for the Fellowship, all applicants must satisfy the minimum qualifications and submit all application materials.

Minimum Qualifications (by Fellowship start date)

- Ph.D. or Psy.D. in clinical or counseling psychology from APA/CPA accredited institution.
- Completed an APA/CPA accredited pre-doctoral internship.
- Forum Ohio is an equal opportunity employer and prohibits discrimination and harassment of any kind. We welcome and strongly encourage applicants of diverse backgrounds.

Application Materials

All materials should be completed online at <u>ForumOhio.com/jobs</u>. For questions about or problems with the online application, applicants should email our Director of Operations, Bethany Yoder, at <u>yoder@forumohio.com</u>. The application deadline is January 13, 2023. Upon completing the online application, you'll be asked to submit the following:

- 1. Application.
- 2. Unofficial transcript.
- 3. Letter of interest/cover letter addressed to Drs. Stinson and Tilley.
 - o Brief synopsis of your professional training and experience.
 - o Why pursuing postdoctoral training in forensic psychology.
 - o Fit with Forum Ohio.
 - o Professional interests and career objectives (short and long-term).
- 4. CV.
- 5. Three letters of recommendation.
 - Chair of department or advisor must confirm that all requirements of the doctoral degree will be completed by the fellowship start date.
 - o At least one from graduate program.
 - o At least one from pre-doctoral internship program.
- 6. *NOTE*: Writing samples are not required for the application. Applicants who are invited for interviews may be asked for writing samples at that time.
 - o Psych evaluation or other type of assessment report (forensic reports preferred).
 - o Make sure all reports submitted are de-identified.

Selection and Acceptance Process

Applicants who are considered to be good candidates for the Fellowship will be invited to interview. We prefer to host interviews during the morning or afternoon on two different days (an applicant would only need to attend one of the two days): Friday, February 10, 2023 and Monday, February 13, 2023. While we prefer to hold in-person interviews, we understand that this may be difficult, impractical, or even impossible for qualified applicants for any number of reasons. Indeed, given the current pandemic, we may not be able to offer in-person interviews this year. We are committed to being flexible, whether it be scheduling an alternative interview date or offering video conferencing. Shortly after all interviews have been completed, selected candidates will be offered (via email or phone call) a position. Forum Ohio will notify all remaining candidates once positions have been filled.

Important Dates

- Friday, January 13, 2023 Application Due Date.
- Friday, February 17, 2023 and Monday, February 20, 2023 Interview Days.
- Monday, February 27, 2023 (10 a.m. EST) Uniform Acceptance Date.
- Monday, August 28, 2023 Deadline for submitting requisite fellowship paperwork.
- Friday, September 1, 2023 Fellowship start date.

PRACTICE AND LOCATION

Forum Ohio, LLC

Forum Ohio is a limited liability company that provides evidenced-based psychological / behavioral health assessments, treatment, and consultative services to individuals and governmental and non-governmental agencies through fee-for-service contractual arrangements, workforce service agreements, and participation in preferred provider third-party panels. Forum Ohio is jointly owned by Dr. Bob Stinson and Dr. John Tilley, both of whom are licensed clinical and forensic psychologists and board certified in forensic psychology by ABPP. Forum Ohio's subsidiaries are Stinson & Associates, Inc. / Bob Stinson, Psy.D., Inc. (owned by Dr. Stinson) and Behavioral Science Specialists, LLC (owned by Dr. Tilley). Those subsidiaries have been in existence for over 30 years, collectively. Forum Ohio's main office is located at 454 East Main Street, Suite 240, Columbus, Ohio, 43215. Centrally located in the Discovery District of Downtown Columbus, the practice has ample parking available and is easily accessible by public transportation. Forum Ohio's office space complies with access requirements under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and currently is configured to provide a spacious waiting room as well as public bathrooms which are spacious and ADA compliant. Forum Ohio offices are open weekdays during normal business hours (8) a.m. to 5 p.m.), with extended evening hours and weekend hours as necessary.



City of Columbus

Forum Ohio is located in Columbus, Ohio. Columbus is the capital of Ohio, it is the 14th largest city in the United States, and it is one of the fastest growing large cities in the country. The city proper has an approximate population of 920,000, and the Columbus metropolitan area is home to over two million people. Renowned for its diversity, education, quality of life, and economic opportunities, Columbus offers large city amenities without sacrificing hospitality or its down-to-earth sensibility. The area is home to approximately 50 colleges and universities as well as several Fortune 500 companies. Columbus offers a multitude of attractions: families can visit the world-famous Columbus Zoo, the Center of Science and Industry (COSI), and nearly 20 parks comprising the metropolitan park system; culture fanatics can indulge in the many districts and culturally-distinct areas of the city, including the Short North District, Italian Village, Victorian Village, German Village, Old South End, Olde Towne East, and Franklinton; sports fans can enjoy the Columbus Blue Jackets (professional hockey), the Columbus Crew (professional soccer), the Columbus Clippers (professional baseball), and The Ohio State University teams (collegiate sports); and foodies can experience a nearly endless supply of diverse, award-winning cuisine amongst some 5,000 restaurants that the city offers. Columbus has been consistently recognized by various authorities in the past decade as one of the best places to live and work in the United States.



LICENSED PSYCHOLOGISTS AT FORUM OHIO, LLC

The following psychologists are available to provide supervision and consultation services as part of the Fellowship program. Additionally, we have multiple psychology aides (i.e., bachelor's degree in psychology) and psychology assistants (i.e., master's degree in psychology) who provide assistance with conducting psychosocial interviews, psychological test administration and scoring, and acquiring relevant records. Additional details on our staff can be viewed at ForumOhio.com.



Valerie Budervic, Psy.D. Graduate Training: Wright State University School of Professional Psychology Internship: Tallahassee Federal Correctional Institution/Federal Detention Center Postdoctoral Training: Forum Ohio, LLC Forensic Specializations: Social Security disability, sex offender risk assessment, violence risk assessments, juvenile adjudicative competency, worker's compensation evaluations, gestational carrier evaluations, N648 immigration evaluations, fitness for duty evaluations, substance abuse evaluations, psychological evaluations through Children Services, jails, and juvenile detention centers.
Amanda Conn, Psy.D. Graduate Training: Wright State University School of Professional Psychology Internship: Summit Psychological Associates, Inc. Postdoctoral Training: Forum Ohio, LLC Forensic Specializations: Adult adjudicative competency and criminal responsibility, juvenile adjudicative competency and competency attainment, sex offender risk assessments, comprehensive psychological evaluations for Children Services.
Jeffrey D. Madden, PhD, ABPP, ABN Graduate Training: <i>Ohio State University</i> Internship: <i>Rush Presbyterian St. Luke's Medical Center</i> Postdoctoral Training: <i>St. Francis Hospital</i> Forensic Specializations: Neuro-forensic assessment, fitness for duty.



A.J. McConnell, Psy.D. Graduate Training: Union Institute and University Internship: Venture Psychological Internship Consortium Postdoctoral Training: Daily Behavioral Health and Matrix Psychological Services Forensic Specializations: Neurodevelopmental disabilities, violence and sexual risk assessment, threat assessment, adjudicative competence, criminal responsibility.