

DANA BECKER

EDUCATION

- 1982-91 Bryn Mawr College Graduate School of Arts and Sciences. Department of Human Development. Ph.D., December, 1991. Dissertation: "Sex Bias in the Diagnosis of Borderline Personality Disorder and Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder." Advisor: Sharon Lamb, Ph.D.
- 1979-82 Bryn Mawr College Graduate School of Social Work and Social Research. M.S.S., 1982.
- 1965-69 Bryn Mawr College. Bachelor of Arts *cum laude* with Honors, 1969.

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- 2010- *Full Professor*. Bryn Mawr College Graduate School of Social Work and Social Research. Bryn Mawr College, Bryn Mawr, Pa.
- 2004-09 *Associate Professor*. Bryn Mawr College Graduate School of Social Work and Social Research. Bryn Mawr College, Bryn Mawr, Pa.
- 1998-2004 *Assistant Professor*. Bryn Mawr College Graduate School of Social Work and Social Research.
- 1998 *Adjunct Assistant Professor*. Allegheny University, Department of Clinical (Spring) Psychology. Philadelphia, Pa. Doctoral seminar in family therapy.
- 1998 *Clinical Supervisor*. Cannabis Youth Treatment Study (federally funded, multi-site research project). Child Guidance Center, Children's Hospital. Philadelphia, Pa.
- 1996 *Adjunct Assistant Professor*. Temple University, Department of Counseling Psychology. Core doctoral seminar in family therapy.
- 1993-98 *Clinical Director*. Teen Care at Ogden House. Media, Pa. Demonstration project and program run jointly by the Center for Research on Adolescent Drug Abuse of Temple University and the Delaware County Drug and Alcohol Commission.
- 1992-98 *Family Therapist and Clinical Supervisor*. Center for Research on Adolescent Drug Abuse, Temple University. Philadelphia, Pa. 1991-1994, NIDA-funded study, H. Liddle, P. I., Center for Research on Adolescent Drug Abuse. 1996, *Clinical Supervisor*, C-SAT funded Early Adolescent Transitions Project, H. Liddle and A. Hogue, co-P. I.'s

1990-93 *Psychotherapist/ consultant*. Women's Therapy Center. Philadelphia, Pa.

1990-92 *Consultant to Staff*. Resources for Human Development. Philadelphia, Pa.

Social Worker. The Institute of Pennsylvania Hospital. Philadelphia, Pa.

Social Worker; Supervisor of Special Services. Family and Community Service of Delaware County. Media, Pa.

Intern. Philadelphia Child Guidance Clinic. Philadelphia, Pa.

Intern. Center City Child Clinic, John F. Kennedy MH/MR Center. Philadelphia, Pa.

Teacher and Supervisor. Center for Early Childhood Services. Philadelphia, Pa.

Teacher. Get Set Day Care. Philadelphia, Pa.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Private practice, consultation, and supervision.

HONORS AND AWARDS

1969 Woodrow Wilson Fellowship Competition, 1969. Honorable Mention.

1990 *Annual Research Prize*. First prize for dissertation research on women and psychology awarded by the Association for Women in Psychology and American Psychological Association.

2003 *Psychotherapy with Women Award*. Awarded by Division 35 of the American Psychological Association for the paper, "The Myth of Empowerment: Women, Psychotherapy and the Legacy of Individualism."

2004- 07 Alexandra Grange Hawkins Lectureship in Social Work.

SCHOLARSHIP

BOOKS

Becker, D. (in progress). *The great stress deception: Social uses of stress in American life*. New York: Oxford University Press.

Becker, D. (2005). *The myth of empowerment: Women and the therapeutic culture in America*. New York: NYU Press.

Becker, D. (1997). *Through the looking glass: Women and borderline personality disorder*. Boulder: Westview Press.

CHAPTERS

Becker, D. (2005). Toward a feminist ecological awareness. In L. Hoshmand (Ed.), *Culture, values and psychotherapy: Toward holistic human development and integrity in practice* (pp. 114-135). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

Becker, D. (2004). Posttraumatic stress disorder: Panacea or problem? In P. J. Caplan & L. Cosgrove (Eds.), *Bias in psychiatric diagnosis* (pp. 207-212). New York: Jason Aronson.

Hogue, A., Liddle, H. A., & Becker, D. (2002). Multidimensional family prevention for at-risk adolescents. In T. Patterson (Ed.), *Comprehensive handbook of psychotherapy, Volume II: Cognitive/Behavioral/Functional* (pp. 141-166). NY: Wiley Press.

Becker, D. (2001). Diagnosis of psychological disorders: DSM and gender. In J. Worrell (Ed.), *The encyclopedia of gender, Vol. 1* (pp. 333-343). San Diego: Academic Press.

Liddle, H. A., Becker, D., & Diamond, G. M. (1997). Family therapy supervision. In C. Edward Watkins, Jr. (Ed.), *Handbook of psychotherapy supervision* (pp. 400-418). New York: Wiley & Sons.

ARTICLES

Becker, D. (2010). Women's work and the societal discourse of stress. *Feminism & Psychology*, 20(1), 36-52.

Becker, D., & Marecek, J. (2008). Positive psychology: History in the remaking? *Theory & Psychology*, 18 (5), 591-604.

Becker, D., & Marecek, J. (2008). Dreaming the American dream: Individualism and positive psychology. *Social and Personality Psychology Compass*, 2 (5), 1767-1780. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1111/j.1751-9004.2008.00139.x>

Becker, D., Hogue, A., & Liddle, H. A. (2002). Methods of engagement in family-based preventive intervention. *Child & Adolescent Social Work Journal*, 19 (2), 163-179.

Hogue, A., Liddle, H. A., Becker, D., & Johnson-Leckrone, J. (2002). Family-based prevention counseling for high-risk young adolescents: Immediate outcomes. *Journal of Community Psychology*, 30(1)1-22.

Becker, D., & Liddle, H. A. (2001). Family therapy with unmarried African American mothers and their adolescents. *Family Process, 40*(4), 413-427.

Becker, D. (2000). When she was bad: Borderline personality disorder in a posttraumatic age. *American Journal of Orthopsychiatry, 70* (4), 422-432.

Becker, D., & Lamb, S. (1994). Sex bias in the diagnosis of borderline personality disorder and posttraumatic stress disorder. *Professional Psychology: Research and Practice, 25*, 55-61.

BOOK REVIEWS

Becker, D. (2005). All the mornings after: Trauma debates viewed in natural light. Review of Chris R. Brewin, *Posttraumatic stress disorder: Malady or myth? Psychology of Women Quarterly*.

Becker, D. (2004). Feminist therapy from all sides now: Review of J. Worell & P. Remer, *Feminist perspectives in therapy: Empowering Diverse Women*, 2nd ed. *Contemporary Psychology, 49* (5), 537-539.

Becker, D. (2002). Review of *Women and Schizophrenia*. *Social Work in Mental Health*.

MANUALS

Liddle, H. A., Hogue, A., & Becker, D. (1996). *Multidimensional family prevention (MDFP) intervention manual*. Center for Research on Adolescent Drug Abuse, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA.

LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS

[Invited lecture] "The Other Mommy War: Working Mothers and the Feminization of Stress," Arcadia University Colloquium Series, March, 2009, Glenside, PA.

"Family Therapy with Difficult Adolescents," Continuing Education Workshop, Bryn Mawr Graduate School of Social Work and Social Research, January, 2009, Bryn Mawr, PA.

"Stress, Posttraumatic Stress, and the Medicalization of Women's Problems," panel presentation. "Perspectives on Trauma," Reunion 2008 panel, Graduate School of Social Work and Social Research, May, 2008, Bryn Mawr, PA.

"Women's Work and the Societal Discourse of Stress," symposium presentation. Annual Conference of the Association for Women in Psychology, March, 2008, San Diego, CA.

"Women's Place in the Societal Discourse of Stress," Presidential symposium

presentation. Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association, August, 2006, New Orleans, LA.

Becker, D., & Marecek, J. "Positive Psychology: History in the Remaking?" panel presentation. Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association, August, 2006, New Orleans, LA.

"Inappropriate Medicalization of Women's Problems through PTSD," symposium presentation. Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association, August, 2005, Washington, D. C.

[Invited lecture] "The Myth of Empowerment: Women and the Therapeutic Culture." Pennsylvania Society for Clinical Social Work, January, 2005, Philadelphia, PA.

"The Parental is Personal: Family Therapy with Unmarried African American Mothers and Their Adolescents." Workshop. Annual Conference of the Association for Women in Psychology, March, 2001, Los Angeles, CA.

Hogue, A., Liddle, H. A., Johnson-Leckrone, J., Becker, D., & Samuolis, J. "Crafting Developmental-Ecological Family-based Programs for Adolescents." Paper presentation, Fordham University Applied Developmental Psychology Conference, February, 2000, Fordham University, New York, NY.

"Mentoring Adolescent Girls: Part II" Girls' Empowerment Project Training, Community Service Program, February, 1999, Bryn Mawr, PA.

"The Politics of Diagnosis: Women, Borderline Personality Disorder, and Posttraumatic Stress Disorder." Panel paper presentation, "The Psycho-politics of Trauma Disorders: Women, Victimization, and Psychopathology." Annual Meeting of the American Psychological Association, August, 1999, Boston, MA.

Hogue, A., Liddle, H. A., Johnson-Leckrone, J., & Becker, D. Paper presentation, "Multidimensional Family Prevention: Family-Based Prevention Counseling for High-Risk Adolescents". Symposium sponsored by Division 27 (Community Psychology) at the Annual Meeting of the American Psychological Association, August, 1998, San Francisco, CA.

"Psychodynamic Psychotherapy in Private Practice." Presentation for panel on New Directions in Psychodynamic Theory (with Jeffrey Applegate, Ph.D., and Carolyn Walters, Ph.D.). GSSWSR Alumni Day, October 24, 1998.

"Mentoring Adolescent Girls." Girls' Empowerment Project Training, Community Service Program, October, 1998, Bryn Mawr, PA.

“Through the Looking Glass: Women and Borderline Personality Disorder.”
Continuing Education Workshop, Temple University Counseling Psychology Series,
April, 1998, Philadelphia, PA.

[Invited lecture] “Enhancing Engagement: Working with Parents of Substance
Abusing Adolescents.” Archdiocese of Philadelphia Schools, October, 1997,
Philadelphia, PA.

“Through the Looking Glass: Women and Borderline Personality Disorder.”
Continuing Education Workshop, Temple University Counseling Psychology Series,
April, 1997, Philadelphia, PA.

[Invited lecture] “Sex Bias in Diagnosis.” Paper presented in the Philadelphia College
of Osteopathic Medicine Department of Psychology Speaker Series, May, 1996,
Philadelphia, PA.

“Women at the Border: Women, Development, and Borderline Personality Disorder.”
Continuing Education Workshop, Temple University Counseling Psychology Series,
April, 1996, Philadelphia, PA.

“Clinical Supervision: Practice and Problems,” and “Treatment of Adolescent
Substance Abuse: State of the Science and State of the Art.” Training Sessions,
Delaware County Drug and Alcohol Commission, June, 1995, Bryn Mawr, Pa.

“A Feminist Developmental Perspective on Borderline Personality disorder.”
Continuing Education Workshop, Temple University Counseling Psychology Series,
April, 1995, Philadelphia, PA.

[Invited lecture] “Multidimensional Family Therapy for Adolescent Drug Abuse.”
Jefferson Medical College, February, 1995, Philadelphia, Pa.

“Guidelines for Family Therapy with Juvenile Justice Involved Adolescent Substance
Abusers.” (Liddle, H. A., Becker, D., Diamond, G. M., Diamond, G. S., Johnson, C.,
Pemberton, B., & Taylor, M.). Presented at the 103rd Annual Meeting of the American
Psychological Association, August, 1995, New York, NY.

[Invited lecture] “Borderline Personality Disorder: Gender and Diagnosis.” Carrier
Foundation, March, 1994, Belle Mead, NJ.

[Invited lecture] “Gender Bias in the Borderline Diagnosis.” The Institute of
Pennsylvania Hospital, June, 1993, Philadelphia, PA.

[Invited speaker] “Sex Bias in the Diagnosis of Borderline Personality Disorder and
Post-traumatic Stress Disorder.” The Association for Women in Psychology Annual
Conference. Atlanta, GA. Invited speaker,

“Sex Bias in the Diagnosis of Borderline Personality Disorder and Post-traumatic Stress Disorder.” Poster presentation, Annual Meeting of the American Psychological Association. August, 1992, Washington, D.C.

“Women and Psychopathology.” Paper presented at the Marriage Council of Philadelphia, December, 1990, Philadelphia, PA.