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Title/Position

Associate Director—Programs and External Relations

Academic Background

Ph.D., School of Social Welfare, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS, (2010) with honors

Dissertation—A Reliability and Validity Study of the Protective Factors Survey to Assess Protective Factors in Families

MSW Social Welfare, University of California, Berkeley, CA (1993)

BSW Social Work, Summa Cum Laude, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS (1988)

Exchange Scholar, Justus Liebig University, Giessen, Germany (1985-86)

Related Employment

Project Manager and Research Analyst, GRI Research and Training, Lawrence, KS

Dad's Time (a psycho-social support group for incarcerated fathers) Coordinator,

Mother to Mother, Lawrence, KS

Institute for Educational Research and Public Service—Programs

Kansas Health Foundation: Grant writing

Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Plan

Child Abuse Neglect and Prevention Evaluation

Kansas Strengthening Families Plan

Protective Factors Survey Development

Areas of Professional/Research Interest

Early childhood and education

Child abuse and neglect prevention

At-risk youth programs

Out-of-School-Time programs

Cross-agency collaboration and braided funding

Program evaluation

Recent Scholarly Work**Funded Grants**

Team Member, *Ready States Policy Academy*—National Governor’s Association, 2010.

Principal Investigator, *Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Plan*—US Department of Maternal and Child Health, 2009-2010, Total Grant: \$140,000, Project Management and Evaluation: \$75,000.

Principal Investigator, *Community-based Grants for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect*, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 2009-2010. Funded: \$808,494. Evaluation: 94,042.

Co-Writer, *Early Childhood Initiative* grant, National Alliance of Children’s Trust and Prevention Funds, 2009-2010. Funded: \$7,500.

Principal Investigator, *Kansas Project LAUNCH Grant*, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, 2009-2013. Funded: \$4.25 million. Project Management and Evaluation: \$1,239,870.

Principal Investigator, *Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Plan*—US Department of Maternal and Child Health, 2008-2009, Total Grant: \$105,000, Project Management and Evaluation: \$75,000.

Co-Writer, *Supporting State Early Childhood Advisory Councils*—National Governor’s Association, 2008, \$10,000.

Principal Investigator, *Protective Factors Survey Development, Phase IV, A Pre-Post and Retrospective Pre/Post Design*—FRIENDS National Technical Assistance Provider to CBCAP, 2007-2008, \$71,000.

Principal Investigator, *21st Century Community Learning Centers: Stage VII*: Kansas State Department of Education, 2007-2008, \$144,713.

Writer, *Community-based Grants for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect*—US Department of Health and Human Services, 2007-2008, \$733,716. Evaluation: \$102,454

Writer, *Governor’s Summit on Early Childhood*—National Governor’s Association, 2007-2008, \$10,000

Principal Investigator, *Protective Factors Survey Development*—FRIENDS National Technical Assistance Provider to CBCAP, 2006-2007, \$50,000.

Principal Investigator, *Community-based Grants for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect*—US Department of Health and Human Services, 2006-2007, Total Grant: \$710,000, Evaluation: \$102,454.

Principal Investigator, *Partnering with Parents—Strengthening Families*—National Alliance of Children’s Trust and Prevention Funds, 2006-2008, \$99,750.

Principal Investigator, *Children’s Initiative Fund*—Kansas Children’s Cabinet and Trust Fund, 2006-2008, \$599,896.

Writer, *Integrating Mathematics and Science through Innovative Business Partnerships*—Kauffman Foundation, 2006-2009, \$800,000.

Writer, *Redesigning the American High School*—National Governor’s Association, 2005-2007, \$250,000.

Writer, *Program for Partnerships in Early Learning (Project PROPEL)*—Department of Health and Human Services, 2005-2006, \$853,605.

Writer, *Foundations of Literacy Activities for Geary County Children*—US Department of Education, 2004-2007, \$2,137,090.

Writer, *Community-based Grants for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect*—US Department of Health and Human Services, 2005-2006, \$550,000.

Principal Investigator, *Community-based Grants for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect*—US Department of Health and Human Services, 2004-2005, Total grant: \$750,000, Evaluation: \$50,310.

Principal Investigator, *Community-based Grants for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect Comprehensive Systems Plan*—Kansas Children’s Cabinet and Trust Fund, \$55, 000.

Principal Investigator, *Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Plan*—US Department of Maternal and Child Health, 2005-2008, Total Grant: \$420,000, Plan Coordination: \$180,000.

Project Coordinator, *Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Plan*—US Department of Maternal and Child Health, 2005, \$43,000.

Presentations and Papers

Davidson, L., Isakson, E., Counts, J. (2010, March). *Developing Quality Indicators for Social-emotional Development in Young Children*. National Center for Children in Poverty Webinar presented to the Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Plan Stakeholders,

Counts, J. (November, 2009). *Understanding Parent Involvement and Strengthening Families through a Complexity Lens*. Paper presented at the Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence Fall Symposium, Washington, D.C.

Counts, J., Gillam, R., & Chang-Rios, K. (2009, November). *A Developmental Evaluation of Agency and Parent Perspectives on Parent Involvement—Understanding and Utilizing the Context*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Evaluation Association, Orlando, FL.

Counts, J. (2009, November). *Strengthening Families Evaluation in Kansas*. Presentation at the Strengthening Families Leadership Summit, Atlanta, GA.

Chang-Rios, K., Buffington, E., Rasmussen, H. N., & Counts, J. (2009, November). *Challenges in Developing and Implementing an Accountability Framework for Master Tobacco Settlement Monies*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Evaluation Association, Orlando, FL.

Chang-Rios, K., Counts, J., Rasmussen, H. N., & Buffington, E. (2009, November). *Demonstrating Prevention Program Effectiveness: An Examination of the Validity of the Retrospective Pretest Design*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Evaluation Association, Orlando, FL.

Counts, J., & Gillam, R. “The Kansas Strengthening Families Plan.” Presentation to Garden City stakeholders, Garden City, KS, January 21, 2009.

Counts, J. “The Kansas Parent Research Initiative.” Presentation to the Kansas Strengthening Families Plan Stakeholder Meeting, Lawrence, KS, November 6, 2008.

Counts, J. “The Kansas Parent Research Initiative.” Presentation to the Kansas Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Stakeholder Meeting, Salina, KS, November 13, 2008.

Counts, J. “The Kansas Experience with Strengthening Families.” Invited presentation to the State and Territory Child Care Administrators Meeting, Washington, D.C., July 29, 2008.

- Counts, J. "Celebrating our Strengths and Success—Using the Strengths-Finder in Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Work" Invited presentation to the National Alliance of Children's Trust & Prevention Fund's Early Childhood Initiative, Seattle, WA, April 30-May 2, 2008.
- McKenna, M., Gangluff, D., Stepleton, K., & Counts, J. "Effective Evaluation" Invited presentation to the National Alliance of Children's Trust & Prevention Fund's Early Childhood Initiative, Seattle, WA, May 1, 2008.
- Counts, J., Buffington, E., & Chang-Rios. "The Development of the Protective Factors Survey." Invited presentation to the Community-based Child Abuse and Neglect National Advisory Committee, Baltimore, MD, March 10, 2008.
- Buffington, E., Chang-Rios, K., & Counts, J. "Using the Protective Factors Survey." Invited presentation to Community-based Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Program Grantee Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 11, 2008.
- Counts, J., Redmon, J., & Gillam, R. "Implementing Strengthening Families." Invited presentation to the Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Partners meeting the Community-based Child Abuse and Neglect National Advisory Committee, Baltimore, MD, March 11, 2008.
- Wallio, S., Counts, J., Buffington, E., Chang-Rios, K., & Rasmussen, H. N. *Caregiver Stress and Depression Related to Child Maltreatment Prevention*. Presentation at the Midwestern Psychological Association (MPA) Conference, Chicago, IL. (2008)
- Dvorak, M., Counts, J. "Building a Sustainable Afterschool Program and Maintaining the Vital Link to Schools." Invited presentation at the C.S. Mott Foundation, Tucson, AZ, January 29, 2008.
- Counts, J., Buffington, E., Chang-Rios, K.L., & Rasmussen, H. N. *CIF Request for Proposals*, Lawrence, KS: Institute for Educational Research and Public Service, University of Kansas, School of Education. (2008).
- Counts, J. "The Kansas Strengthening Families Plan." Presentation at the Governor's Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect, Topeka, KS, November 2007.
- Counts, J. "Kansas Strengthening Families Evaluation." Invited presentations to the Strengthening Families Leadership Summit, San Diego, CA, May 9 and May 11, 2007.
- Counts, J. "Developing Collaborations through the Kansas Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Plan." Presentation the Visioning Wichita, Wichita, KS,

November 21, 2006.

Counts, J. "Outcomes of the KECCS Plan." Presentation to the Kansas Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems semi-annual meeting, Salina, KS, November 16, 2006.

Counts, J., Wallio, S., "A Peer Review Model of Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Programs as Empowerment Evaluation." Paper presentation at the American Evaluation Association Annual Conference, Portland, OR, November 2006.

Stubbs-Wynn, P., Counts, J. "Overview of the State Maternal and Child Health State Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems, Grants." Invited presentation to the Administration for Children and Youth, Child Care Bureau National Conference. Washington, DC, August 9, 2006.

Counts, J. Womack, A. "Coordination of Early Childhood Programs to Support School Readiness." Invited presentation to the Administration for Children and Youth, Child Care Bureau National Conference. Washington, DC, August 9, 2006.

Counts, J., Harms, H. "Grant writing 101." Presentation to the McNairs Scholars Program, University of Kansas, Lawrence, July 6, 2006.

Counts, J. "Infant Toddler Mental Health and the Kansas Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Plan." Presentation at the Governor's Children's Mental Health Best Practices Workgroup, Topeka, KS, April 26, 2006.

Redmon, J., Counts, J. "Early Childhood Development in Kansas: The Comprehensive Early Learning Plan." Presentation at the Governor's Conference on Child Abuse, Topeka, KS, November 3, 2005.

Counts, J., Redmon, J. "The Kansas Peer Review Model for Evaluation Child Abuse Neglect and Prevention Programs." Paper accepted for the American Evaluation Association Annual Conference, Toronto, Canada, October 2005.

Counts, J., Elliott, M., Reilly, M. "An Early Reading First Quality Assurance Plan and Feedback Loop: Linking Evaluation with Practice." Poster accepted for the American Evaluation Association Annual Conference, Toronto, Canada, October 2005.

Counts, J., Redmon, J., Kenney, L., Green, J. "Building an Early Childhood Comprehensive System." Workshop for the Maternal and Child Health Bureau State Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Conference, Silver Spring, MD, September 2005.

Counts, J. & Womack, A., & Priest, D. "Kansas Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Plan—3 Year Implementation." Presentation at the Statewide Child Care and Early Education Advisory Committee, Topeka, KS, July 28, 2005.

Counts, J., Hohl, C., Marotz, G., Lane, D., Carter, R., Guerra, S. A Mixed-Methods Study on Air Quality Perceptions of Individuals in the Kansas City Metropolitan Statistical Area. Paper accepted to the Air and Waste Management Annual Conference, Minneapolis, MN, June 2005.

"The Kansas Childhood Comprehensive Systems Plan." Public Hearings: Topeka, Wichita, Great Bend, Emporia, Pittsburg, KS, May 2005.

The Kansas Childhood Comprehensive Systems Plan." Presentation at the Annual Family Childcare Conference, Overland Park, KS, April 2005.

"Dad's Time: Conducting a Parenting Group for Incarcerated Fathers." Presentation at Annual Kansas Fatherhood Conference, April 2004.

"Lawrence Image Survey: A Qualitative Study." Presentation to Lawrence City Commission, May 2002.

Publications

Counts, J. (2008). "What Are Best Practices for Preventing Maltreatment of Children Ages Birth to Five? In C. Petr (Ed.), In *Multidimensional Evidence Based Practice: Synthesizing Knowledge, Research, and Values*, Binghamton, NY: The Haworth Press.

Counts, J., Buffington, E., Chang-Rios, K., Rasmussen, H., & Preacher, K. (In Press). "The Development and Validation of the Protective Factors Survey: A Self-Report Measure of Protective Factors against Child Maltreatment."

Puddy, R., Parsons, B., Brodowski, M. Counts, J. (in press). *Complexity Science Applications in Child Maltreatment Prevention*.

Technical Reports

Harms Logan, H., Wolf-Wendel, L., Gillam, R., & Counts, J. (2009). Kansas Parent Research Initiative.

Counts, J., Buffington, E., Chang-Rios, K.L., & Rasmussen, H. N. (2009). *The Children's Initiative Fund: Briefing Binder*. Lawrence, KS: Institute for Educational Research and Public Service, University of Kansas, School of Education.

Buffington, E., Chang-Rios, K.L., & Rasmussen, H., Counts, J. (2008). *The Children's Initiative Fund: Briefing Binder*. Lawrence, KS: Institute for Educational Research and Public Service, University of Kansas, School of Education.

Counts, J., Buffington, E., Chang-Rios, K.L., & Rasmussen, H. N. (2008). *Protective Factors Survey, Phase IV*. Lawrence, KS: Institute for Educational Research and Public Service, University of Kansas, School of Education.

Counts, J., Buffington, E., Chang-Rios, K.L., Preacher, K., & Rasmussen, H. (2008). *The Development and Validation of the Protective Factors Survey: A Self-Report Measure of Protective Factors against Child Maltreatment, Phase III Report*. Lawrence, KS: Institute for Educational Research and Public Service, University of Kansas, School of Education.

Harms, H., Gillam, R., Counts, J., & Redmon, J. (2008). CBCAP: Annual Report.

Counts, J., Buffington, E., Chang-Rios, K.L., & Rasmussen, H. N. (2007). *Protective Factors Survey, Phase III*. Lawrence, KS: Institute for Educational Research and Public Service, University of Kansas, School of Education.

Counts, J., Buffington, E., Chang-Rios, K.L., & Rasmussen, H. N. (2007). *Protective Factors Survey, Phase II*. Lawrence, KS: Institute for Educational Research and Public Service, University of Kansas, School of Education.

Counts, J., Buffington, E., Chang-Rios, K.L., & Rasmussen, H. N. (2007). *The Children's Initiative Fund: Briefing Binder*. Lawrence, KS: Institute for Educational Research and Public Service, University of Kansas, School of Education.

Counts, J., Buffington, E., Chang-Rios, K.L., & Rasmussen, H. (2007). *The Children's Initiative Fund: Briefing Binder*. Lawrence, KS: Institute for Educational Research and Public Service, University of Kansas, School of Education.

Harms, H., Counts, J., & Redmon, J. (2006). Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention Programs (CBCAP): Annual Report.

Teaching

SW 740: Social Work Research

Awards and Honors

2005—American Evaluation Association Outstanding Poster Presentation

2010—PhD with Honors, School of Social Welfare

2010—University of Kansas, School of Social Welfare, Katz Outstanding Doctoral Student Award

Recent Public Service

2005—Proposal Reviewer— Kansas Board of Regents: Kan-Ed

2004—Present—Early Learning Coordinating Council—Kansas Children's Cabinet

2006—Session Chair and Proposal Reviewer—American Evaluation Association

2006—Present—Field Instructor, School of Social Welfare

2007—Present—Kansas Early Childhood Mental Health Advisory Board

2007—PREVENT Team Graduate—Center for Disease Control Violence Prevention

2006—Present—National Community-based Child Abuse and Neglect Program Assessment

Rating Tool Workgroups

2007-08—Federal 2008 Early Childhood Systems Building Partnership Planning Meeting

2007—Present—Kansas Early Childhood Professional Development System Planning Task Force

2007—Present—Kansas Strengthening Families Leadership Team

2008—Present—Strengthening Families National Network

2008—Present—National Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Evaluator Workgroup

2009—Present—Healthy People 2020 Early and Middle Childhood Workgroup

2010—Present—Kansas Home Visitation Task Force