

CURRICULUM VITAE

Sheldon A. Jacobs, PsyD, LMFT

EDUCATION

Doctor of Psychology in Marital and Family Therapy

Alliant International University, San Diego CA
May 2010

Master of Arts in Marital and Family Therapy

Alliant International University, San Diego CA
Dec 2006

Bachelor of Arts in Communications

The Ohio State University, Columbus OH
June 2001

LICENSES

Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist #01177

State of Nevada Board for Marriage and Family Therapists and Clinical Professional
Counselors
2011

CERTIFICATES

Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT) Trained

University of Washington
January 2020

Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC) Certified

Girls Educational and Mentoring Services (GEMS)
February 2018

Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM) Certified
International Critical Incident Stress Foundation
October 2017

Approved Primary Supervisor Certification (In Progress)
American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy

State of Nevada Board for MFT's and CPC's Approved Secondary Clinical Supervisor
(Currently providing clinical secondary supervision to 10 Masters-level state interns and five practicum students)
June 2013

Chemical Dependency
Alliant International University, San Diego CA
May 2008

LANGUAGES

Fluent in written and conversational Spanish

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Board Member, June 2021 to Present

Hope Means Nevada
Las Vegas, NV

- Participate in the planning of community events
- Attend community events
- Ensure the mission of Hope Means Nevada is being executed
- Provide fiscal oversight so that the budget is being adhered to
- Organize fundraisers
- Develop and oversee policy

Vice President, April 2020 to Present

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)-Southern Nevada Chapter
Las Vegas, NV

- Provide additional executive oversight
- Ensure the fiduciary responsibilities of all board members are maintained and carried out
- Successor to the president in the event of a short-term or long-term absence
- Conduct board members in lieu of the president

Board Member, July 2019 to Present

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)-Southern Nevada Chapter
Las Vegas, NV

- Ensure the mission of NAMI is being executed
- Develop bylaws

- Ensure organizational direction
- Develop policy
- Organize fundraisers
- Provide financial oversight
- Monitor all NAMI-Southern Nevada Chapter services and programs
- Teach educational programs
- Advocate at the state capital

Board Member, July 2019 to Present

Nevada Board of Examiners for Marriage and Family Therapists and Clinical Professional Counselors

Appointment Term: 7/01/2019 to 6/30/2022

Las Vegas, Nevada

- Regulate the practice of marriage and family therapy and the practice of clinical professional counseling in the state of Nevada
- Adopt regulations establishing educational and clinical requirements that an applicant must meet to qualify for licensure
- Meet with fellow Board members during scheduled meetings at least quarterly

Clinical Advisory Board Member, January 2019 to February 2022

INSPIR3

Las Vegas, NV

- Provide clinical expertise and insight into all matters pertaining to INSPIR3
- Assist in addressing Nevada's mental health problems
- Fulfill the vision of INSPIR3, which is to address Nevada's mental health issues and build a stronger community

Vice President, June 2018 to March 2019

Challenging & Restoring Young Minds Effectively (CRYME)

Las Vegas, NV

- Develop responsibilities for other board members
- Ensures that CRYME accomplishes tasks to meet its overall goals
- Creates public awareness initiatives to ensure CRYME is visible in the community
- Allocate funds for events and ensures overall financial stability

Chair, April 2017 to Present

Increasing Diversity in Mental Health Coalition

Las Vegas, NV

- Founder of the coalition
- Responsible for facilitating and creating the agenda for the bi-monthly meetings
- Coordinate symposiums, speeches, workshops and panel discussions at high schools and higher learning campuses in Southern Nevada with the objective to inform and recruit more minorities in the mental health fields

- Promote mental health awareness primarily to marginalized communities in the greater Las Vegas area
- Currently in the process of writing a grant to solicit various funding streams to support the mission of the coalition

Mental Health Assistant Director, October 2016 to Present

Covenant of Love Behavioral Services

Las Vegas, NV

- Provide individual and group counseling to severely mentally ill adults
- Prepare treatment plans and assessments
- Respond to crisis incidents and provide clinical recommendations on acute in-patient hospitalization and other methods of stabilization
- Provide clinical oversight for the agency
- Provide quarterly in-service trainings to staff

President, July 2013 to June 2018

Bonded Brotherhood Coalition (BBC)

Las Vegas, NV

- Responsible for creating the agenda for each bi-monthly meeting
- Responsible for making the final decision on the BBC's participation in community service events or projects
- Shared the vision of the BBC with various community leaders and organizations
- Provided oversight of organizational finances
- Set long-term and short-goals that were mission-centered and outcome oriented
- Convened with the executive board during regular meetings on the organizational needs of the BBC
- Responsible for tracking organizational progress and evaluating the completion of established goals

Clinical Supervisor, July, 2012 to August 2016

University of Phoenix

Las Vegas, NV

- Responsible for managing the clinic budget
- Assisted in developing and implementing policies and procedures
- Facilitated staff and student development trainings
- Promoted mental health awareness workshops and roundtable discussions for undergraduate and graduate students along with staff across all University of Phoenix campuses in Las Vegas, Nevada
- Assisted with the overall operations which included opening and closing, staff scheduling and ensuring clinical staff ratios were maintained
- Responsible for coordinating interviews with prospective practicum students and post-graduate students seeking internship towards licensure
- Responsible for screening potential clients based on intake criteria for the clinic and referring out prospective clients that did meet criteria to outside providers
- Assigned clients to practicum and internship students

- Assisted in the marketing of the clinic to the University of Phoenix and Las Vegas community
- Provided clinical supervision and oversight for approximately 6 to 10 practicum students in each academic year
- Completed performance evaluations on the students/interns on my clinical caseload
- Gathered and maintained clinical data for the clinic that focused on demographics of clients, number of sessions attended, referral sources, treatment modalities used, diagnoses, etc.

Administrator – June 2002 to June 2005

Youth Guide Right, Inc.

Anaheim, CA

- Supervised 25 to 30 employees, which consisted of full-time and part-time staff, on-call staff line staff, facility managers, and clinical staff, and was responsible for providing care up to 24 youth at any given time who were wards of the child welfare and/or the juvenile justice systems
- Responsible for coordination of program, intake duties, staffing and managing of the budget
- Managed meetings with social workers and therapists
- Served as liaison with the Orange County Social Services Agency and State of California Community Care Licensing to assess levels of compliance and regulatory issues
- Responsible for the selection, training, assigning, disciplining and evaluating the work of assigned staff
- Conducted performance evaluations on house managers and line staff
- Conducted the ordering and disposal of psychotropic medication
- Contributed toward achieving the agency’s strategic vision and mission
- Analyzed and made recommendations to management on organizational changes and the optimum use of personnel, modifications to personnel policy, procedures and standards
- Met and conferred directly with executive director/CEO of agency to ensure compliance was met by county and state standards

PROFESSIONAL/VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Member, May 2019 to Present

Southern Nevada Homelessness Continuum of Care

Las Vegas, NV

- Meet regularly to address issues pertaining to homelessness
- Advocate in various capacities for individuals experiencing homelessness
- Create initiatives that pertain to homelessness

Mentor, January 2019 to Present

CORE Powered by The Rogers Foundation

Las Vegas, NV

- Meet weekly with assigned scholar to identify basic needs, provide social-emotional support, and discuss goals
- Participate in activities sponsored by CORE

Adoptions Specialist-September 2011 to October 2012

Olive Crest

Las Vegas, NV

- Conducted home visits for prospective adoptive parents
- Prepared a comprehensive home study assessment
- A recommendation was made to the Clark County Department of Family Services on how fit prospective foster parent(s) were for adopting

Mentor, September 2006 to November 2007

Teen Choices/ San Diego Youth and Community Services

San Diego, CA

- Sustained year-long relationships with emotionally disturbed, learning-disabled and conduct-disordered males by providing individual weekly support
- Acted as a stabilizer by maintaining rapport and providing emotional continuity

Child Care Worker – July 2005 to October 2006

New Alternatives, Inc.

Chula Vista, CA

- Provided daily supervision of clients in all activities of daily living
- Co-facilitated groups
- Practiced daily conflict prevention and management in high-stress situations
- Maintained client safety and assisted in the de-escalation of clients in crisis

Child Care Worker – June 2001 to June 2002

Youth Guide Right, Inc.

Anaheim, CA

- Provided daily supervision of clients in all activities of daily living
- Compiled data and wrote reports
- Maintained client safety and assisted in the de-escalation of clients in crisis
- Practiced daily conflict prevention and management in high-stress situations

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

Owner-September 2020 to Present

Dr. Sheldon A. Jacobs Counseling Services

North Las Vegas, NV

- Provide mental health assessments
- Provide individual, couples and family counseling

- Participate in various speaking engagements

Clinician-July 2020 to Present

Las Vegas Raiders

Las Vegas, NV

- Provide individual, couples and family counseling to the players and their families
- Refer players and their families to providers in the community
- Provide crisis intervention to the organization
- Facilitate classes to all rookies during the Rookie Exist Program (10-week program)
- Facilitate NFL mandated mental health-related classes to players and team personnel

Licensed Therapist-July 2018 to Present

Hard Knox Rehabilitation Services, Inc.

Las Vegas, NV

- Provide individual and family counseling to clients on caseload
- Prepare case notes, assessments, treatment plans, and discharge plans
- Provide collateral services with allied professionals
- Collaborate with a multidisciplinary team on diagnoses, treatment planning, and behavioral updates

Youth and Family Intervention Specialist-October 2016 to Present

Clark County Department of Family Services

Las Vegas, NV

- Provide clinical oversight to youth placed in Residential Treatment Facilities (RTF's) nationwide and locate acute hospital settings
- Provide court-ordered mental health evaluations to the parents of youth in DFS custody
- Collaborate with a multidisciplinary team on diagnoses, treatment recommendations and behavioral health updates
- Responsible for facilitating meetings that involve psychiatrists, licensed therapists, nurses and caseworkers
- Conduct thorough site visits on in-state and out-of-state RTF's and make the final determination if a RTF is approved to place DFS children
- Provide weekly clinical updates on youth placed in RTF's and acute hospital settings during Mental Health Court
- Take the lead on compliance issues and investigations involving DFS children and make recommendations on continued placement
- Provide weekly clinical supervision to four colleagues that are in the process of obtaining state licensure as marriage and family therapists and clinical professional counselor
- Serve as the liaison between the UNLV Ackerman Clinic's Autism and Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Disorders (FASD) and the Department of Family Services.

In this capacity, I coordinate and consult the referrals with the Ackerman Clinic's medical doctors and specialists

Contract Therapist, June 2016 to June 2019

Healthy Foundations Center

Las Vegas, NV

- Coordinate the Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP) and provide clinical oversight
- Facilitate IOP Groups as needed
- Consult with staff regarding inclusion and exclusion criteria for IOP
- Facilitate the themes and activities for group on a weekly basis
- Maintain a small clinical caseload of clients providing individual, couples and family counseling
- Provide weekly group supervision to practicum students and Nevada licensed clinical interns

Media Consultant, December 2015 to Present

Channel 5 News (KVVU) & Las Vegas Review Journal

Las Vegas, NV

- Provide my clinical expertise and insight on live television pertaining to mental health matters
- Offer my clinical insight into stories pertaining to mental health matters in Southern Nevada

Licensed Therapist, November 2014 to November 2015

MD Live, Inc.

Las Vegas, NV

- Provided therapy to clients via phone or webcams
- Collaborated with clients on the development of a treatment plan
- Utilized evidence-based clinical interventions and strategies
- Assisted clients with managing crisis-related situations

Crisis Response Consultant (On-call Independent Contractor)-April 2014 to Present

R3 Continuum

Las Vegas, NV

- Provide crisis response services to employees in the corporate sector
- Utilize psychological first aid techniques
- Utilize individual and group modalities to assist employees in processing traumatic events
- Provide employees with the necessary referrals that need extensive services or support

Youth and Family Intervention Specialist-February 2010 to October 2016

Clark County Department of Juvenile Justice Services

Las Vegas, NV

- Provided clinical supervision and oversight to two to three UNLV Bachelor's-level and Master's-level student interns
- Provided court-ordered psychological, drug and alcohol evaluations for pre-adjudicated and adjudicated youth in Juvenile Detention, Spring Mountain Youth Camp, or the Clinical Services Administrative offices
- Responsible for making the necessary recommendations based on each youth's risk levels
- Managed and provided clinical oversight of the Substance Abuse Assessment and Referral Program (SAARP)
- Prepared the curriculum for the Chemical Awareness Program (CAP) affiliated with the SAARP Program
- Met monthly with community substance abuse providers and regularly vetted services of providers as referral options for our youth and families requiring extensive substance abuse services not provided by the department
- Provided comprehensive individual and family therapy services
- Collaborated with a multidisciplinary team on diagnoses, treatment planning, and behavioral updates
- Provided clinical consultation to juvenile probation officers in Probation Intake, Juvenile Detention, Field Probation, Spring Mountain Youth Camp and Spring Mountain Residential Center
- Supervised juvenile probation officers in how to manage crisis situations with youth in custody along with demonstrating the proper ways to de-escalate juvenile offenders in crisis
- Completed performance evaluations on assigned student interns

Child, Youth and Family Clinician – Intern IMFT # 52909, February 2007 to December 2009

Douglas Young Youth and Family Services

San Diego, CA

- Provided comprehensive individual and family therapy services in San Diego Unified School District as part of a non-profit, county contracted mental health agency
- Prepared case notes, assessments, treatment plans, and discharge plans
- Provided collateral services with allied professionals
- Collaborated with a multidisciplinary team on diagnoses, treatment planning, and behavioral updates

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Instructor, August, 2017 to March 2019

Lincoln Christian University

Department of Psychology

Las Vegas, NV

- Taught undergraduate and graduate courses offered in the Psychology Department
- Developed syllabus for the course along with weekly lessons
- Graded assignments and monitored each students progress
- Responsible for submitting final grades

Lead Faculty, July, 2012 to January 2018

University of Phoenix

Las Vegas, NV

- Taught courses offered in the MSC Program (School Counseling, Marriage and Family Therapy, and Mental Health Counseling)
- Advised Marriage and Family Therapy (MFT) students on my caseload, which consisted of 30 to 50 Masters-level students
- Conducted research for the university
- Conducted clinical trainings for students

Adjunct Instructor, January, 2011 to May 2019

College Of Human Behavior

College of Southern Nevada

Las Vegas, NV

- Taught Psychology 101 courses to students obtaining Associates' Degrees
- Developed syllabus for the course along with weekly lessons
- Graded assignments and monitored each students progress
- Responsible for submitting final grades

Adjunct Instructor, October, 2008 to December, 2008

College of Undergraduate Education

Alliant International University

San Diego, CA

- Taught MFT theories to undergraduate psychology students in a hybrid course format
- Developed syllabus for the course along with weekly lessons
- Graded assignments and monitored each students progress
- Responsible for submitting final grades

Adjunct Instructor, January, 2008 to May, 2008

Marital and Family Therapy Program

California School of Professional Psychology

Alliant International University

San Diego, CA

- Taught MFT techniques to masters level students
- Developed syllabus for the course along with weekly lessons
- Graded assignments and monitored each students progress
- Responsible for submitting final grades

COURSES TAUGHT

PSY 101:	General Psychology
PSY 480:	Elements of Clinical Psychology
MFCC 537:	Child and Adolescent Counseling
MFCC 552:	Legal and Ethical Issues in Marriage and Family Therapy
MFCC 556:	Family Systems Theory
MFCC 561:	Family Interventions
MFCC 562:	Couples Counseling
MFCC 566:	Advanced Marriage and Family Therapy
MFCC 591:	Pre-Practicum in Marriage and Family Counseling
MFCC 597A:	Internship A
MFCC 597B:	Internship B
MFCC 597C:	Internship C
MFCC 599A:	Practicum in Marriage and Family Counseling
MFCC 599B:	Practicum in Marriage and Family Counseling
MFCC 599C:	Practicum in Marriage and Family Counseling
CCMH 504:	Individual and Family Development Across the Lifespan
CCMH 506:	Personality Theories and Counseling Models
CCMH 510:	Multi-Cultural Issues in Mental Health Counseling
CCMH 540:	Career and Vocational Counseling
CCMH 551:	Individual Counseling
CNSL 502:	Graduate Portfolio I
CNSL 556:	Portfolio II

PROFESSIONAL COMMITTEES

Behavioral Health Committee	Nevada Children's Commission October 2021- Present
Development Committee	National Institute on Mental Illness (NAMI) – Southern Nevada January 2020 – Present
Executive Team Committee	National Institute on Mental Illness (NAMI) - Southern Nevada October 2019 – Present
Stress/Trauma Assistance Team (STAT)	Clark County Department of Family Services January 2017 – Present
RTC Committee	Clark County Department of Juvenile Justice Services February 2014 – October 2016
CARE Committee	Clark County Department of Juvenile Justice Services December 2013 – October 2016
MDT on Sexually	Clark County Department of Juvenile Justice Services

Exploited Youth	September 2013 – October 2014
Policy Committee	Clark County Department of Juvenile Justice Services April 2013 – August 2016 (served as an alternate)
Brother to Brother Committee	Clark County Department of Juvenile Justice Services October 2012 – September 2015
Student Disciplinary Committee	University of Phoenix July 2012 – January 2018
Use of Force Committee	Clark County Department of Juvenile Justice Services January 2012 – March 2014 (served as an alternate)
Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) Committee	Clark County Department of Juvenile Justice Services May 2010 – May 2013
Substance Abuse Coalition	Clark County Department of Juvenile Justice Services September 2010 – November 2013 (served as chair)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Clinical Fellow	American Counseling Association October 2012 – November 2019
	American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy December 2006 – Present
Clinical Member	National Alliance on Mental Illness July 2019 - Present
	The Association of Black Psychologists (Las Vegas Chapter) May 2017 - Present
	Nevada Association for Marriage and Family Therapy December 2012 – January 2018

RESEARCH/PUBLICATIONS

Jacobs, S. A. (2020, November). *48: An experiential memoir on homelessness*. Published memoir, Archway Publishing.

Jacobs, S. A. (2018, August-September). 48 hours: Undercover as a homeless man. A self-reflective study. Published manuscript, *Las Vegas Review Journal*, section A-1.

- Jacobs, S. A. (2016, May/June). My journey to the juvenile justice system. Published manuscript, *Family Therapy Magazine*, 15(3), pp. 12-16.
- Jacobs, S. A. (2014, July/August). What social responsibility means to me. Published manuscript, *Family Therapy Magazine*, 13(4), pp. 26-27.
- Jacobs, S. A. (2010/September-October Edition). *Understanding the gang culture*. Published manuscript, The Association for Marriage and Family Therapy Magazine.
- Jacobs, S. A. (2010). *From affiliation to disaffiliation: A phenomenological inquiry exploring the experiences of social identity transformation in former gang members*. Unpublished manuscript, Alliant International University.

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

- Jacobs, S. A., Moss, A., NiiLampti, N., & Thomas, C. (2022, February). *Black mental health in the corporate workplace in partnership with the defensive line*. Event was held virtually for BetMGM employees nationwide.
- Jacobs, S. A. (2021, November). *Nevada suicide prevention conference: Unmasking the stigma*. Statewide suicide prevention conference sponsored by the Nevada Coalition for Suicide Prevention and the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention. Keynote speech held at the Alexis Park Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada.
- Jacobs, S. A., & Thomas, S. (2021, September). Facilitated a suicide prevention discussion with Las Vegas Raiders' Solomon Thomas. Event was held in the Las Vegas City Hall Chambers.
- Jacobs, S. A. (2021, August). *Betting on a brighter future*. 2021 Annual National Case Management Conference opening keynote speaker. Sponsored by the National Association of Case Management. Flamingo Hotel and Casino.
- Jacobs, S. A. (2021, August). *LIMA graduation ceremony*. Sponsored by the 8th Judicial District Court and Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department. Keynote speech held at the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department Headquarters.
- Blow, M., Bower, B., Brock, A., Jacobs, S. A., Lilly-Spells, J., & Reyes, A. (2021, April). *Domestic Violence Through the Lens of the Law During a Pandemic*. Webinar sponsored by the Nevada Minority Health and Equity Coalition and the UNLV School of Public Health.
- Chafouleas, S., Jacobs, S. A., Jara, J.A., Keierleber, M., & Miller, B. (2021, March). *The Teen Suicide Pandemic of Covid-19*. 7th Annual Juvenile Crime Webinar/Conference. Broadcasted from Jacksonville, Florida.

- Jacobs, S. A. (2021, February). *Contemplative Practices in Black Communities: Inequality, Negative Messages and Recovery*. UC San Diego School of Mindfulness.
- Fajardo, J., & Jacobs, S. A. (2020, August). *Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Training*. A NFL mandated training presented to the Las Vegas Raiders, which included players, coaches and staff. The training was provided by the Las Vegas Raiders team clinicians along with several community providers.
- Andaya, E., Cavazos, L., Jacobs, S. A., Marchoud, B., & Vobis, J. (2020, October). *Youth mental health and wellness town hall*. A panel discussion comprised of local mental health professionals. Event was sponsored by NAMI-Southern Nevada Chapter.
- Jacobs, S. A. (2020, January). *Leadership Las Vegas health day presentation*. A presentation focused on signs and symptoms of mental illness in addition to treatment options: Touro University-Henderson Campus.
- Jacobs, S. A. (2018, May). *Minorities in mental health*. A presentation geared towards educating more minority students in the Communities in Schools (CIS) Program about the field of mental health: Chaparral High School.
- Jacobs, S. A. (2014, May). *Spirituality in mental health*. Research and Scholarship Symposium: University of Phoenix (Las Vegas Campus).
- Jacobs, S. A. (2013, May). *Understanding the gang culture from a systemic perspective*. Research and Scholarship Symposium: University of Phoenix (Las Vegas Campus).
- Jacobs, S. A. (2012, June). *Substance abuse intervention and prevention programs for non-adjudicated youth*. A presentation on the Substance Abuse Assessment and Referral Program (SAARP): The Solutions Recovery Foundation.
- Jacobs, S. A. (2007, August). *Conducting CBT therapy with adolescents in residential care facilities*. Community Research Foundation Training: National University.

COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS

- Jacobs, S. A. (2022, April). *Wellness Wednesday health fair*. Provided opening remarks during the community wellness fair that I organized. Held at the Dr. William U. Pearson Community Center.
- Cavazos, L. P., Dang, T., Gray, S., Jacobs, S. A., & Potts, B. (2021, July). *Minority mental health awareness discussion*. Panel discussion held via Zoom.
- Annadata, S., Jacobs, S. A., Jameson, G., & Tauai, L. (2021, July). *Healing to health*. Spiritual and mental health panel discussion hosted by Solutions of Change. Held at the Culinary Academy.

- Aldaba, I., Dang, T., Jacobs, S. A., Johnson, B., Marchoud, B., Thomas, S., & Wamala, J. (2021, May). *May mental health awareness town hall*. Hosted by NAMI-Southern Nevada Chapter, Hope Means Nevada, Nevada Minority Health and Equity Coalition and Commissioner William McCurdy II. Panel discussion held at the Pearson Community Center.
- Jacobs, S. A. (2021, May). Teen talk on mental health. Keynote speech held at the Alexander Dawson School sponsored by Hope Means Nevada.
- Anderson, K., Boone, K., Etcheberry, T., Fields, G., Giddens, R., Jack., Jacobs, S. A., Mingo, D., & Wilson, R. (2021, January). *Real Talk: Panel Discussion and Q & A with Local Mental Health Professionals*. Hosted by Doral Campus. Held via Zoom.
- Almirola, V., Burton, R., Egan, R., & Jacobs, S. A. (2021, January). *Well Beings Tour*. Hosted by Vegas PBS. Recording was conducted at the Las Vegas PBS studios.
- Harding, O., Jacobs, S. A., Marchoud, B., & McGuire, M. (2020, December). *Suicide Prevention Virtual Town Hall Meeting*. Hosted by the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public and Behavioral Health. Held via Zoom.
- Jacobs, S. A. (2020, November). *Six Keys to Success*. Keynote speech presented to students at Cheyenne High School. Held via Zoom.
- Crabb, T., Cruz-Nanez, R., Dang, T., Jacobs, S.A., Thomas, C., & Windish, T. (2020, July). *Minority Mental Health: Overcoming & Healing Stigmas*. Minority mental health panel comprised of mental health professionals from the community. Event was sponsored by the Southern Nevada Veterans Advocacy Council.
- Almirola, V., Edgeworth, A., Jacobs, S. A., Miles, M., Murray, J., & Wiseman, A. (2020, June). *Mental wellness webinar for the women's international luncheon*. Webinar comprised of mental health professionals and mental health organizations. Event was sponsored by Hope Means Nevada.
- Allen, M.V., Dang, T., Gordon, S. H., & Jacobs, S. A. (2020, May). *Stronger together webinar series*. Webinar comprised of mental health professionals and mental health organizations. Event was sponsored by Wynn Resorts and Hope Means Nevada.
- Dang, T., Dunlap, K., Jacobs, S. A., Ostazewski, B., Potts, B., & Smith, G. (2020, May). *Covid-19 and mental health town hall*. Panel discussion comprised of several NAMI-Southern Nevada Chapter board members. Event was held virtually via Zoom and Facebook Live platforms.
- Burns, E., Jacobs, S. A., Harding, O., Mancha, K., & McGuire, M. (2020, February). *Mental health town hall*. Panel discussion comprised of local mental health experts. Event was held at Doral Academy Middle/High School Summerlin campus.

- Harding, O., Jacobs, S. A., Marchoud, B., & Wade, J. (2019, October). *Mental health panel discussion: Overcoming obstacles*. Panel discussion comprised of local mental health experts. Event was part of World Mental Health Week 2019 and was held at West Preparatory Academy, Las Vegas, Nevada.
- Anderson, C., Jacobs, S. A., Miranda, R., & Smith, J. (2019, May). *Mental health town hall*. Panel discussion comprised of local mental health providers and administrators. Event was part of mental health awareness month held at Victory Missionary Baptist Church.
- Anthony, C., Campos, E., & Jacobs, S. A. (2019, April). *Understanding addictions and the opioid epidemic: Psychological, social and compassionate perspectives*. Panel discussion comprised of local clinicians and researchers. Event was part of the speakers inspiring awareness (SIA) series held at the College of Southern Nevada.
- Jacobs, S. A. (2018, November). *How to achieve goals by overcoming adversity*. Speech presented to at-risk 8th grade students at Doral Academy-Saddle Campus.
- Davis, G., Jacobs, S. A., Randal, G., & Walsh, A. (2018, September). *Security cares: School violence prevention and preparedness*. Panel discussion of vetted national experts on school safety and security. Event was part of the GSX Conference held at the Las Vegas Convention Center.
- Jacobs, S. A. (2018, May). *School safety seminar*. Part of a vetted panel of experts that discussed school violence along with recommendations on how to make schools safer. Event was held at the University of Phoenix Las Vegas Campus.
- Childress, S., Jacobs, S.A., & Wakefield, M. (2018, May). *2nd annual wellness fair*. One of the organizers and keynote speakers that discussed the importance of wellness from a spiritual, physical and mental standpoint. Presentation was held at Nehemiah Ministries.
- Fisher, C., Fowler, R., Hunterton, N., Jacobs, S.A., & Walsh, A. (2018, February). *Exploring behavioral health before and at end-of-life*. Part of vetted panel as part of Nathan Adelson Hospice's 14th Annual Multicultural Education Symposium. Event was held at the: Renaissance Hotel.
- Jacobs, S. A. (2018, January). *Overcoming adversity growing up in the inner city*. Keynote speaker during mentoring event. Speech was held at the Foundation for an Independent Tomorrow (FIT).
- Burns, E., Jacobs, S. A., Miranda, R., & Monahan, J. (2017, December). *Sex trafficking information session & panel discussion*. Part of a vetted panel of experts. Event was held at Nevada State College.
- Wakefield, M., & Jacobs, S. A. (2017, October). *Standing Together Opposing Misuse of Power (STOMP)*. One of the panel moderators for the special men's group: man-to-man. Event

was held at the West Las Vegas Arts Center.

Jacobs, S. A. (2017, May). *Mental health awareness fair*. One of the keynote speakers that presented on various mental health statistics such as the rate of suicide amongst juveniles and adults in Nevada, and the correlation to the high rate of suicide. Also discussed evidenced-based treatment and interventions for individuals suffering from mental illness. Presentation was held at Nehemiah Ministries.

Jacobs, S. A. (2015, February). *Working with youth on the autism spectrum in the juvenile justice system*. Presentation focused on providing juvenile probation officers with awareness into some of the presenting behaviors and symptoms of youth on the autism spectrum along with evidenced-based interventions to assist with de-escalation

Jacobs, S. A. (2014, March). *Inequalities in healthcare*. Part of a selected panel of specialists by the National Coalition of 100 Black Women-Las Vegas Chapter that presented current documented perspectives on the inequalities in the health care system. Presentation was held at the Sunrise Children's Foundation.

Jacobs, S. A. (2013, January). *How to meet the clinical needs of sexually exploited youth in residential treatment facilities*. Presentation was conducted to clinical and medical staff at A Brighter Day, which is a group home agency that provides residential care for sexually exploited youth.

Jacobs, S. A. (2008, February). *How to make it to college?* Motivational speech presented to 8th grade students at Horace Mann Middle School.

Jacobs, S. A. (2007, November). *How to achieve goals by overcoming adversity*. Keynote speech presented to middle school students at Horace Mann Middle School awards assembly.

MEDIA

NFL Player Solomon Thomas Talks Suicide Prevention-Verywell Mind Magazine

Cathy Cassata (Story centered on the importance of suicide prevention) – September 28, 2021.

One Man's Journey Into Poverty – Renewed Awareness Magazine

Laura L'afrenier (Story about my experience going undercover as a homeless man to raise awareness for homelessness and mental health) – November 2021 Edition.

Column: How a San Diego Teacher Helped a Struggling Student Become a Crusading Author – The San Diego Union Tribune

Karla Peterson (Story about my life struggles and how I was able to overcome them to become a best-selling author) – June 26, 2021.

Alumni Spotlight-The Ohio State University Office of Student Life Disability Services
Amanda N. Rodenborg (Story about how I was able to overcome my learning disability) –
March 5, 2021.

Channel 8 News-Las Vegas

Cristen Drummond (Story about the rise in suicide rates amongst CCSD students and ways for students to cope) – November 11, 2020.

Channel 8 News-Las Vegas

Joe Moeller (Story about ways youth can cope during the pandemic) – October 26, 2020.

Channel 5 News-Las Vegas

Kyla Galer (Story about the importance of mental wellness for youth). – October 26, 2020.

Channel 13 News-Las Vegas

Jeremy Chen (Story about the importance of mental wellness for youth during the pandemic) –
October 22, 2020.

Channel 3 News-Las Vegas

Story about the importance of mental wellness after several suicides involving CCSD students
– October 22, 2020.

Telemundo-Las Vegas

Samantha Roberts-Diaz (Cover story on how the Coronavirus is impacting mental health in Las Vegas) – April 14, 2020.

Alliant International University Alumni Blog

Dr. Sheldon Jacobs, a champion of diversity in mental health. A story written about me by Cielo Villasenor that addresses the importance of diversifying the mental health profession so that more individuals from diverse backgrounds access mental health services-January 2020.

Fox 5 News

Rachel Smith (Promoted the Free Mental Health Support Groups Offered by the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)-Southern Nevada/MORE Show) – January 21, 2020.

Las Vegas Review Journal

Got the holiday blues: Here's some advice to help cope. A story written by Mary Hynes that focuses on ways to cope with emotional distress brought on by the holiday season-December 13, 2019.

Las Vegas Review Journal

Las Vegas psychiatric hospital gets a year to fix safety issues. A story I was interviewed for by Mary Hynes that addresses the need for more long-term residential treatment facilities for adolescents in Nevada-November 21, 2019

KCEP 88.1 Radio Interview

Montevista Behavioral Health Hospital’s Show (Teen Suicide and Mental Health Awareness) – May 8, 2019

Fox 5 News

Maria Silva (Mental Health Awareness/MORE Show) - April 15, 2019

Las Vegas Review Journal

Homeless by choice: Counselor spends 48 hours on Las Vegas Streets. A story written by Briana Erickson that raises awareness for mental health and homelessness-September 9, 2018

Fox 5 News

Rachel Smith (Suicide Prevention and Intervention/MORE Show) – June 11, 2018

KCEP 88.1 Radio Interview

Commissioner Lawrence Weekly Talk Show (Mental Health Awareness Month) – April 28, 2018

Las Vegas Review Journal

A story written by Briana Erickson about a domestic violence awareness event for the Las Vegas community – October 2017

Fox 5 News

Monica Jackson (Domestic Violence Awareness Event/ Morning Show) – October 16, 2017

Fox 5 News

Monica Jackson (Mental Health Awareness/ Morning Show) - May 3, 2017

KCEP 88.1 Radio Interview

Commissioner Lawrence Weekly Talk Show (Mental Health Awareness) - April 29, 2017

Rosario Grajales – Renowned Journalist

A conversation about Mental Health – Rosario Grajales YouTube Channel – April 22, 2017

Las Vegas Review Journal

A story written by Gina Rose DiGiovanna about free mental health services for the Las Vegas community – December 2015

AWARDS

Certificate of Recognition

Recognized by the City of North Las Vegas for increasing mental health awareness within underserved communities
April 2022

Certificate of Recognition	Recognized by Governor Steve Sisolak for my efforts in providing mental health awareness to communities of color March 2022
Success in the City Award	Recognized by GoUrbanLasVegas.com for my commitment to the Black Las Vegas community January 2022
Alumni Spotlight	Recognized in The Ohio State University's Office of Student Life Newsletter for my efforts in the community, March 2021
Alumni Spotlight	Recognized in Alliant International University's blog and social media platforms for my efforts addressing mental health and homelessness within the Las Vegas Community, January 2020
Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition	Recognized for my efforts improving the lives of Nevadans by U.S. Senator Jackie Rosen on May 4, 2019
Faculty of the Year	Recognized as the top faculty member at the Las Vegas Campus during the 2014 commencement ceremony
AIU Academic Scholarship	Alliant International University, 2005, 2006, 2007, and 2008, \$500 each year
Jay Haley Scholarship	California School of Professional Psychology, Alliant International University, 2006, \$5,000