

CURRICULUM VITA

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PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

Psychology - University of Florida

Neurobiology - University of Florida

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EMPLOYMENT, COMMUNITY SERVICES COORDINATION, AND RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

Board of County Commissioners' Health Care Advisory Board

Alachua County BOCC, Florida

Chairman: (October 2014 – Present)

Vice-Chairman: (October 2012 – October 2014)

Board Member: (October 2011 – October 2012)

Elected & Appointed by Board of County Commissioners

Provide recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners and the Director of the Division of Human Services (now the Division of Community Support Services) regarding the provision of health care services in the county.

National Association of County and City Health Officials Community Health Improvement Project (Alachua County Health Department)

(August 2011 – Present):

National Association of County and City Health Officials charges us, along with 12 health departments, with intensive training and technical assistance to undertake a community health improvement process that yields a high quality CHA (Community Health Assessment) and CHIP (Community Health Improvement Plan).

Helping Hands Medical Clinic

Executive Director: (2016 – Present)

Currently direct a non-profit medical clinic (Helping Hands Clinic) consisting of 81 health care providers in medical, psychiatric, educational, basic physical support, and social-support services, along with 58 more community volunteers to help provide those services to the homeless and poor in our community.

Clinic and Program Manager: (1996 – 2016)

Manage all aspects of a non-profit medical clinic (Helping Hands Clinic)

Volunteer Coordinator: (2012 – Present)

Clinic Asst. Manager: (1994 – 1996)

North Central Florida County Coalition for the Homeless and Hungry (formerly Alachua County Coalition for the Homeless and Hungry)

Non-profit agency established as a coalition to advance the collaborative efforts of helping agencies in Alachua, Bradford, Gilchrist, Levy and Putnam counties to end homelessness and provide support services.

Governance Board of Directors: (July 2014 – present)

Chairman: (July 2013 – July 2014)

-Expanded service coverage, name & activities more permanently to include areas outside of Alachua County & into four more surrounding counties (Bradford, Gilchrist, Levy and Union).

-Chairman of the development & opening of GRACE Marketplace/GCI (aka One-stop aka Empowerment Center) (described further in following sections)

Vice-Chairman: (July 2012 – July 2013)

Member, Board of Directors: (July 2011 – July 2012)

Member, Coalition At-Large: (July 2004 – July 2011)

Chairman and Initial Contractor for GRACE Marketplace/GCI (aka Homeless One-stop aka Empowerment Center) (July 2013 – July 2014)

“GRACE”: “Gainesville Regional Alachua County Empowerment” Marketplace Center

A multi-million dollar partnership with the City and County to provide services to the homeless/poor and the community at-large: educational, arts, crafts, spiritual, health, vocational, dormitory, food services, etc.

Member, Alachua County Healthy Communities Initiative

(2014- present):

Alachua County Healthy Communities Initiative builds awareness of health related issues.

Our goal is to improve health status and reduce mortality and morbidity among Alachua County’s population through prevention and reduction of obesity among youth.

Participant, Community Health Summit by HEROES in Healthcare
(2014):

Empowering the community to advocate for their identified health and educational needs in order to create healthy environments through service, education, and research. One of our goals in the organization is to address health inequities in our community by engaging in community-based projects and service.

subtopics:

- Cultural Sensitivity/Competence
- Health Literacy/Limited English Proficiency
- Healthcare Systems/Affordable Care Act
- Increasing Healthcare Workforce Diversity
- Underserved Communities
- Social Determinants of Health

Member and Initial Chartering Group Member, Alachua County Safety Net Collaborative (July 2013 – Present):

Includes organizations that provide medical, oral health, mental health, and/or psychosocial services to low-income, uninsured/underinsured residents in our community. Many of these organizations have been working for many years and are well-established and respected community partners.

Board of Directors of the Alachua Area Public Health Foundation, Inc.

To engage the community to promote the public health of the community, to improve the community's disaster response, and to augment the health resiliency of the community.

Speaker on Healthcare Integration at UF Interdisciplinary Family

Health Program :

For students in UF Colleges of Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Nursing, Nutrition, & Health Professions.

BACKGROUND INFO:

quoted from a journalist:

Brendan Shortley has been recognized by various communities for his research and leadership in the areas of health, education, and service for over 34 years, including community service awards from city governments in South Florida and Gainesville. His work with homeless populations began in 1984 in South Florida, through street outreach efforts in the poorest neighborhoods. He started his college career at the University of Florida, where he earned degrees in neurobiology, psychology, and pathology. He conducted years of research in the fields of neurology, physiology, therapy effects on childhood cancer patients, etc. He also taught college students at a learning center in the fields of chemistry, physics, biology, anatomy and physiology. He later founded his own learning center in town, and it won an award in 2013 for Outstanding Service to the Community. Recent accomplishments include being elected chairman of the North Central Florida Coalition for the Homeless and Hungry in 2013. It was then that he jointly founded the million-dollar Empowerment Center for the Homeless and Hungry (GRACE Marketplace) in 2014. This Center now serves over 300 clients per day. Brendan continues to serve on the Coalition's Governance Board of Directors. He was elected Chair of the County Commissioners' Health Care Advisory Board in 2014, and has served every term since then. He is also involved in the National Association of County and City Health Officials Community Health Improvement Project in their Healthy Communities Initiative and Forces of Change Steering Committees.

-Friends of the United Nations-Representative

-National Forensic League

-Guest Lecturer at the University of Florida for the College of

**Liberal Arts & Sciences, Warrington College of Business, and the
Office of Interprofessional Education**

**-Keynote Speaker on Healthcare & Community Betterment at
coalition for Peace & Justice State Convention**

SOME OTHER SELECTED QUALIFICATIONS

**-Years of Research experience in Health, Therapy, Psychology, &
Physiology & Personnel Management**

-30 years experience in the medical and healthcare fields