



Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request

Meeting Date: May 15, 2012

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Elected/Appointed Official/Dept. Head: Commissioner Sarah Eckhardt

Commissioners Court Sponsor: Commissioner Sarah Eckhardt

AGENDA LANGUAGE: CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON REQUEST TO APPOINT BLAINE H. CARR TO SERVE AS A PRECINCT TWO APPOINTEE TO THE TRAVIS COUNTY CHILDREN'S PROTECTIVE SERVICES BOARD EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY THROUGH JUNE 2013.

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF REQUEST AND ATTACHMENTS:

Please see attached application package.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS: n/a

ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES: n/a

FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING: n/a

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS: n/a

AGENDA REQUEST DEADLINE: All agenda requests and supporting materials must be submitted as a pdf to Cheryl Aker in the County Judge's office, Cheryl.Aker@co.travis.tx.us by **Tuesdays at 5:00 p.m.** for the next week's meeting.



Application for Appointment

Board/Commission:

Name (Last, First, Middle): <i>CARR, BLAINE H.</i>	
Home Address (Street, City, Zip):	Home Phone:
Mailing Address (Street, City, Zip): <i>AUSTIN TX</i>	Cell Phone:
Employer: <i>Self-employed + Contractor with State of TX</i>	Email:
Occupation: <i>Psychologist</i>	FAX Number:

Are you a Travis County Resident? Yes No

What Precinct do you live in? Precinct 1 Precinct 2 ⁷ Precinct 3 Precinct 4

How much time can you devote each month? 5-8 hours 13-16 hours 9-12 hours More than 16 hours

Skills and Experience:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Advertising | <input type="checkbox"/> Finance/ Budget | <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Administration Management | <input type="checkbox"/> Fund Raising | <input type="checkbox"/> Operations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child Care | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Government | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Consulting | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Health Care | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Safety |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Human Resources | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Speaking |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Event Planning | <input type="checkbox"/> Legal | <input type="checkbox"/> Sales |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Writing/ Communication |

Other: _____



Application for Appointment

Please describe your interest in serving on the Board/Commission and any qualifications, areas of expertise or special interests that relate to your possible appointment. Please specify any other board appointments (past or present) and length of service, if applicable.

Please see attached page.

Please submit your resume with this application, with references and contact information.

I agree to file with the County Judge the attached non-conflict of interest affidavit prior to being considered for an appointment by Travis County. I further agree to file an amendment in the event my status should change during my tenure on a county board.

Signature: _____

B. H. Carr, Ph.D.

Date: _____

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CURRICULUM VITA

BLAINE HART CARR

CLINICAL CREDENTIALS

Licensed Psychologist March 2003	Texas State Board of Examiners of Psychologists (License # 32045)
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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy August 2001	Counseling Psychology Training Program (APA-Accredited) The University of Texas at Austin
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Master of Arts December 1999	Educational Psychology (Program Evaluation) The University of Texas at Austin
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Bachelor of Arts May 1992	Psychology Trinity University San Antonio, Texas
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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

State Agency Psychological Consultant
Texas Disability Determination Service
Austin, Texas
March 2009 – Present

- Review medical evidence from applications for disability coverage under the Social Security disability program.
- Recommend a decision based on program rules as established by the U.S. Congress.
- This is a contract position. I am not an employee of the State of Texas or the U.S. government.

Psychologist
Private Practice

April 2003 – Present

Blaine H. Carr, Ph.D., Application for Appointment

I have been a Licensed Psychologist in Texas for nine years. I have worked with children, adolescents, and adults, conducting individual and couples psychotherapy as well as psychological testing (personality/emotional functioning, IQ, and academic testing). I currently work in my private practice half-time, and I do contract work for the Texas Disability Determination Service (a division of DARS; this is contract work, and I'm not a state of Texas employee).

In my work in inpatient hospitals, outpatient veteran and community clinics, and private practice, I have seen the effects of child abuse and neglect. Also, as a father of a five-year-old daughter, I have gained a new understanding both of the challenges of parenthood as well as the crucial importance of positive parenting. For those reasons, I would be honored to serve on the board of Child Protective Services to help further their mission in whatever way I can.

I have been on the board of two professional organizations. I served as both Vice President and President of the Capital Area Psychological Association, for a total of three years. I am currently Education Chair-Elect of the Austin Society for Psychoanalytic Psychology (ASPP), a position I have held since August 2011. I will be Education Chair of ASPP for the 2012-13 program year.

- Serving children, adolescents, and adults.
- Administer and interpret personality, intelligence, and academic tests and conduct clinical interviews to help determine diagnosis, to aid in treatment planning, and to answer questions formulated by the client and/or referring professional.
- Work with outpatient clients with a range of diagnoses, including depression, PTSD, ADHD, as well as other anxiety, mood, psychotic, and personality disorders.
- Health Psychology, including assessment and psychotherapy with chronic pain and other medical patients. Conduct assessments for purpose of determining appropriateness for surgery or other device placement (spinal cord stimulators or intrathecal pumps).
- Therapeutic Assessment, wherein assessment is conducted as a collaborative process involving helping the involved parties to formulate questions for the assessment, choosing the tests to address those questions, and discussing the results in a collaborative manner.
- Conduct individual, family, and group psychotherapy.

Psychologist

Austin State Hospital
 Adult and Child and Adolescent Psychiatric Services
 4110 Guadalupe St.
 Austin TX 78751

March 2004 – October 2008

- Perform psychological assessments to help determine diagnoses, including malingering, and to aid in treatment planning.
- Work with inpatient mentally ill population with a wide range of diagnoses, including psychotic, mood, anxiety, and personality disorders among others.
- Tests used include MMPI-2, MMPI-A, Rorschach, SIRS, WAIS, WISC, and WASI.
- Conduct individual and group psychotherapy.
- Participate in multidisciplinary treatment team environment, in which patient care is coordinated with psychiatrists, social workers, nurses, education and rehabilitation staff, and families.
- Supervise graduate practicum students.

Supervising Psychologist

Senior Connections of Austin
 6003 Shanghai Pierce
 Austin TX 78749

April 2003 – February 2004

Christopher Dalton, Ph.D., Supervisor

- Conducting individual psychotherapy with nursing home residents.
- Consult with psychiatrist and other medical / therapeutic staff, as needed.
- Supervise team of therapists.

Postdoctoral Resident

Krista Jordan, Ph.D., ABPP, Supervisor
 4701 Westgate Blvd., Ste. D-403
 Austin, Texas 78745

512-291-0275

September 2001 – March 2003

- Work with a variety of medical populations, including chronic pain, work-hardening, and spinal cord stimulator clients, and other clients referred by physicians.
- Conduct clinical interviews, administer personality tests, and write assessment reports to evaluate for psychological diagnoses and appropriateness for surgery or spinal cord stimulator implantation, among others.
- Design and conduct psychoeducational classes.
- Conduct individual psychotherapy with medical, non-medical, and self-referred clients.
- Administer intelligence and achievement tests to children, adolescents, and adults.

Contract Therapist

Brown-Karhan Healthcare

P.O. Box 419

Dripping Springs, TX 78620

J.N. Ridgley, Ph.D., ABPP, Supervisor

November 2002 – March 2003

- Conducting individual psychotherapy with patients in head-injury rehabilitation program.
- Participate in multidisciplinary treatment team meetings.

Senior Connections of Austin

6003 Shanghai Pierce

Austin, TX 78749

November, 2001 – March 2003

Christopher Dalton, Ph.D., Supervisor

- Conducting individual psychotherapy with nursing home residents.
- Consult with psychiatrist and other medical / therapeutic staff, as needed.

APA-Accredited Predoctoral Internship

Central Texas Veterans Health Care System

1901 South 1st Street

Temple, TX 76504

800-423-2111

August, 2000 – August, 2001

Rotations:

Consultation/Liaison

- Responded to consultation requests from inpatient medical units, outpatient medical clinics, nursing home, and emergency room.
- Conducted interview-based assessments of suicidality, homicidality, to determine need for inpatient psychiatric treatment, competence, and to determine psychological diagnoses.

Clinical Supervisor: Jim Parks, Ph.D.

Outpatient Mental Health Clinic

- Performed intakes and psychological assessment.
- Conducted individual psychotherapy.
- Worked with clients concerning multiple issues, including depression, anxiety, relationship difficulties, pain management, and anger management.
- Consultation with Cardiology Treatment Team and evaluation and treatment of cardiac patients.

Clinical Supervisor: John Cooney, Ph.D.

Domiciliary Care Program

- Administered and scored personality (both objective and projective), intelligence, and memory tests to adults.
- Conducted clinical interviews and write comprehensive psychological assessment reports.
- Conducted group therapy sessions for schizophrenic and schizoaffective clients.
- Attended multidisciplinary treatment team as needed.

Clinical Supervisor: Karen Robbins, Psy.D.

Posttraumatic Clinical Team

- Conducted cognitive-behavioral groups at all stages of treatment for combat veterans.
- Designed and conducted 6-week stress management psychoeducation group.
- Conducted individual psychotherapy.
- Conducted clinical interviews and wrote comprehensive psychological assessment reports for veterans referred to the PCT.

Clinical Supervisors: Sharon Wills, Ph.D. and Nathan Denny, Ph.D.

Research Analyst - Full Time position

The Psychological Corporation, San Antonio, Texas

August, 1994 – August, 1995

- Assisted in research and development of personality tests for publication.
- Performed statistical analyses using SPSS and SAS to establish reliability and validity of tests being considered for development.
- Researched, edited, and performed quality assurance to prepare the test manual for publication.

Supervisor: Larry Weiss, Ph.D.

Research Analyst - Full Time position

The Psychological Corporation, San Antonio, Texas

January, 1993 - August, 1994

- Coordinated national clinical validity study for an infant developmental screening test
- Designed tracking system for clinical validity protocols.
- Collected library research, wrote a section of the test manual describing the clinical validity study, edited the test administration manual, and performed statistical analyses using SPSS.

Supervisor: Kathleen Matula, Ph.D.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Dissertation (Completed May, 2000): *Emotional Factors in Mental and Emotional Stress-Induced Cardiac Ischemia.*

The University of Texas at Austin

Chair: Chris McCarthy, Ph.D.

AWARDS AND HONORS

University Tuition Fellowship, 1999-2000

Office of Graduate Studies, The University of Texas at Austin

Travel Award, Summer, 1998, 2000, and 2001 (to attend APA conference to give a presentation)

Department of Educational Psychology, The University of Texas at Austin

Joseph L. Henderson and Katherine D. Henderson Scholarship, 1998-1999

College of Education, The University of Texas at Austin

President's Scholarship, 1988-1992

Trinity University

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Capital Area Psychological Assn. – member since 1995, Vice-President 2002-2004, President 2005.

Austin Society for Psychoanalytic Psychology – member since 2001, Education Chair-Elect, 2011-2012.

Society for Personality Assessment – member since 2003.

PUBLICATION AND PRESENTATIONS

Carr, B.H., Ghormley, M.R., Juncker, B.D., McCarthy, C.J., Fouladi, R., & Worchel, J. (2003). Use of psychosocial variables as predictors of psychological stress-induced cardiac ischemia in the laboratory. *Journal of Clinical Psychology in Medical Settings*, 10(2), 79-89.

Carr, B.H., McCarthy, C.J., Ghormley, M.R., Worchel, J., Juncker, B., & Dematatis, A. (2001). *Relationship of emotions and beliefs about control to cardiac ischemia.* Poster presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, San Francisco, CA.

Seraphine, A.S., McCarthy, C.J., & Carr, B.H. (2000). *Women's self-efficacy judgments in mathematics and statistics.* Poster presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Washington, D.C.

Lambert, R.G., McCarthy, C.J., Lambert, N.M., Beard, M., Carr, B.H., & Chaison, A.D. (2000). *Relationship of coping resources and strategies to stress symptoms*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Washington, D.C.

Carr, B.H., Ghormley, M.R., McCarthy, C.J., Rundell, L., & Shankar, L. (1999). *Relationship of coping strategies to emotions in family conflict*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Boston, MA.

McCarthy, C.J., Carr, B.H., Ghormley, M.R., Liu, H.T., Mejia, O.L., & Patterson-Williams, E. (1998, August). *Stress counseling in the 21st century: Perspectives from emerging professionals*. Symposium conducted at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, San Francisco, CA.

McCarthy, C.J., Seraphine, A., Carr, B.H., Ghormley, M.R., Liu, H.T., Mejia, O.L., Patterson-Williams, E., & Carlson, C. (1998, April). *Gender and ethnic differences in the coping resources of middle-school students*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association, San Diego, CA.

Carr, B.H., Ghormley, M.R., McCarthy, C.J., & Carlson, M.H. (1997, August). *Relationship of family functioning and attachment to coping resource effectiveness*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Chicago, Illinois.

Matula, K. & Carr, B.H. (1995, February) *Bayley Scales of Infant Development-II: A comparison of mean scores on the mental and motor scales by sex and race/ethnicity of child and parent's education*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Texas Association of School Psychologists, Austin, Texas.

Gyurke, J.S. & Carr, B.H. (1994, August). *Frequency of mental and motor discrepancies on the Bayley Scales of Infant Development-II by gender, SES, and ability level*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Los Angeles, CA.