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### **EDUCATION**

- Ph.D., 2002      Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Department of Criminology  
Major: Criminology
- M.C.J., 1998      New Mexico State University, Department of Criminal Justice  
Major: Criminal Justice
- B.C.J., 1996      University of Nevada Reno, Department of Criminal Justice  
Major: Criminal Justice; Minor: Psychology

### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

**9/17–present      Senior Research Associate**  
**NPC Research**  
Portland, OR

Responsibilities: Works with funders and clients to evaluate the implementation and outcomes of services and programs to inform program improvements and larger policies. Responsible for all aspects of research and program evaluation, including evaluation design and methodology, data management and analysis, presentations and report writing, technical assistance provision, staff oversight and coordination, and overall project management. Directs treatment court evaluation projects, permanent supportive housing interventions, substance use prevention, treatment, and policy analysis, and child abuse prevention and intervention efforts.

Current projects include:

*Evaluation of Housing First Program for Homeless Individuals who are Chronic Inebriates and/or Have Serious Mental Illnesses*

Analyzing qualitative and quantitative data stemming from the process and outcome evaluation. Administrative data including cost estimates were collected from multiple agencies to measure program impact on public service utilization. An efficiency analysis will be conducted to measure change in public service costs incurred by the program participants. Qualitative data were collected from landlords participating in the program and consumer participants who spend at least one year in the program.

*Heroin and Prescription Drug Overdose Data Driven Prevention Initiative*  
Contracted by the state to execute a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention grant that we helped them write. This research project involved a review of relevant literature and a policy analysis focusing on the implementation and outcomes of Alaska's Prescription Drug Monitoring Program, Controlled Substances Act scheduling process, and Good Samaritan Act. The goal of this research project is to inform the state of the strengths and weaknesses of key statutes involving prescription opiates and heroin.

*Treatment court evaluations:* A longitudinal study of outcomes in a multi-track (high-risk/high-need and high-risk/low-need) DUI court in San Joaquin, CA. A statewide process, outcome, and cost evaluation of adult drug, veteran's, DUI, and mental health courts in Pennsylvania. A process and outcome evaluation of recently implemented tribal wellness court in Kenai, AK. A process, outcome, and cost evaluation of enhancements associated with a family treatment court in Clark County, WA. A process, outcome, and cost evaluation of an adult residential drug offender sentencing alternative drug court in Clark County, WA.

**2007–2017**

**Justice Center, University of Alaska Anchorage.**

**Professor, May 2017-July 2017**

**Associate Professor, May 2011-April 2017**

**Undergraduate Program Coordinator, Justice B.A., 2012-2017**

Courses taught: Introduction to Justice, Introduction to Research Methods, Criminology/Crime and Delinquency, Substance Use and Crime, Criminal Mind, Research and Policy Making, Biobehavioral Criminology, Interdisciplinary Exploration of Alaska's Critical Behavioral Health Issues, and Individual Research.

**2001–2007**

**Assistant Professor, Criminology & Criminal Justice, Southern Oregon University.**

Courses taught: Crime Control Theories and Policies, Theories of Criminal Behavior, Penology and Corrections, Practicum Internship, Capstone Research, Introduction to Criminology, American Criminal Justice System, Seminar: Criminal Mind, Seminar: Mythology of Crime and Criminal Justice, and Seminar: Elite Deviance

**Chair, Criminology & Criminal Justice Department, 2006–2007**

**2000–2001**

**Teaching Associate, Criminology Department, Indiana University of Pennsylvania.**

Responsibilities: Prepared and instructed lower and upper-division criminology courses.

**1997–1998**

**College Instructor, Criminal Justice Department, New Mexico State University.**

Responsibilities: Prepared and instructed lower-division criminal justice courses.

## PUBLICATIONS

- Garcia, G. M., Hedwig, T., Hanson, B. L., Smith, C., & Rivera, M. S. Mixed race/ethnicity, mental health, and youth developmental assets. *Journal of Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities*, in preparation.
- Rivera, M. S., & Lepage, C. Youth marijuana and prescription drug abuse in Anchorage: Knowledge, attitudes, and behaviors of parents and other adults. *Alaska Justice Forum*, Spring 2016.
- Blumenstein, L., & Rivera, M. S. Intimate partner victimization and negative health outcomes: The impacts of non-physical IPV and polyvictimization on mental and physical health outcomes. *Violence and Victimization*, revised and resubmitted.
- Rivera, M. S., & Sullivan, R. (2015). Rethinking child welfare to keep families safe and together: Effective housing-based supports to reduce child trauma, maltreatment recidivism, and re-entry to foster care. *Child Welfare*, 94(4), 185-204.
- Rivera, M. S., & Sidmore, P. (2015). Adverse Childhood Experiences and their Association with Alcohol Abuse by Alaska Adults. *Alaska Justice Forum*, Spring 2015.
- Garcia, G., & Rivera, M. S. (2014). Is race a factor in disparate health problems associated with violence against women? *Journal of Health Disparities Research and Practice*, 7(7), special issue 2, 10-23.
- Rivera, M. S., & Cote, S. (2013). Reducing Sales of Alcohol to Underage Persons in Alaska. *Alaska Justice Forum*, Summer 2013.
- Rosay, A. B., & Rivera, M. S. (2013). Trends in Juvenile Delinquency, School Suspensions, and Expulsions. *Alaska Justice Forum*, Spring 2013.
- Trawver, K. R., & Rivera, M. S. (2011). Innovative Justice for Youth with Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders: Juvenile Drug and Mental Health Courts. In A. R. Roberts & D.W. Springer (Eds.), *Juvenile Delinquency and Juvenile Justice: Policies, Programs and Intervention Strategies*. Sudbury, MA: Jones and Bartlett.
- Rivera, M. S., & Baker, J. (Fall 2010). Measuring and Fighting Meth Use in Alaska and the U.S. *Alaska Justice Forum*, 27(3), 2-3.
- Rosay, A. B., Wood, D. S., Rivera, M. S., Postle, G., & TePas, K. (August 2010). *Investigation and Prosecution of Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, and Stalking*. Final report submitted to the National Institute of Justice.
- Rivera, M. S., Rosay, A. B., Wood, D. S., & TePas, K. (Fall 2009). Predicting Legal Resolutions in Domestic Violence Cases. *Alaska Justice Forum*, 26(3) 1; 8- 12.
- Wood, D. S., Rosay, A. B., Rivera, M. S., & TePas, K. (Fall 2009). Attrition in Cases of Violence Against Women Reported to the Alaska State Troopers. *Alaska Justice Forum*, 26(3) 2-4.
- Rivera, M. S. (May/June 2009). Journaling for Justice: Weekly Student Journal Entries. *The Criminologist: The Official Newsletter of the American Society of Criminology*, 34(3), 14-15.
- Rivera, M. S., Rosay, A. B., Wood, D. S., Postle, G., & TePas, K. (Fall 2008). Assaults in Domestic Violence Incidents Reported to Alaska State Troopers. *Alaska Justice Forum*, 25(3), 1, 7-12.
- Rivera, M. S. (March 2008). Healing Families: An Outcome Evaluation of a Community Family Court. *Juvenile and Family Court Journal*, 59(1), 17-32.

## GRANTS & CONTRACTS

- Assisted State of Alaska, Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health in applying for a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Prescription Drug Overdose: Data-Driven Prevention Initiative Grant, \$245,000 3-year budget for policy analysis and evaluation
- Applied for National Institute of Justice, Data Resources Program: Funding for Analysis of Existing Data Grant, titled National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence (NISVS) Intimate Partner Violence Victimization and Health Outcomes Proposal, \$40,000, unfunded. Co-PI with Lindsey Blumenstein
- Awarded competitive contract for evaluation of Recover Alaska. Total award for Year 1 of multi-year evaluation contract: \$75,000
- Submitted a Letter of Intent with the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Understanding the Health Impact of Legalizing Recreational Marijuana in Alaska, with a team of UAA researchers, \$387,701 for a 2-year project, unfunded, fall 2015
- Assisted Municipality of Anchorage in applying for a HUD Pay for Success Grant, \$276,586 for evaluation services 5/2016–2/2020, notified of funding awarded
- Assisted the State of Alaska, Department of Law in applying for an Office on Violence Against Women grant for "Using data to improve support for sexual assault victims" by conducting a victim satisfaction survey. Survey budget: \$68,741, unfunded
- Survey of Adult Perceptions of Anchorage Youth: Substance Abuse, Bullying, Loneliness and Sadness, and Suicide, for Volunteers of America Alaska, Healthy Voices Healthy Choices, \$60,000. July 2015 through February 2016. Co-PI with Cory Lepage
- Applied for National Institute of Justice, Secondary Analysis of the 2010 National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence (NISVS) Data: General Population and American Indian and Alaska Native Samples, \$42,000, unfunded
- Assisted State of Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health in applying for Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Prescription Drug Monitoring Program Grant, \$125,000, unfunded
- Principal Investigator, Evaluation of Chronic Inebriate Anti-Recidivism Program, for the State of Alaska, Department of Health and Human Services, Department of Behavioral Health, \$150,000, 1/1/2015–6/30/2017
- Community Behavioral Health Assessment team member, for Anchorage Joint Coalitions: Assessment & Evaluation, \$200,000, 12/22/2014–11/3/2015
- Office of Justice Programs, Department of Justice, Alaska Sex Offender Recidivism Research Project, \$135,000, 10/01/2014–9/30/2015. Co-PI with Brad Myrstol.
- Alaska Wellness Coalition's Media Campaign to Address Underage Drinking. Successful competitive proposal, \$75,000 evaluation budget with Randy Magen (Social Work) and David Tarcy (Alaska Research and Evaluation Services), 2014-2015, paid consulting
- Invited to be part of a research team that applied for a National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities grant, Native Consortium on Health Inequities and Policy, \$443,712 for UAA, unfunded. PI Dedra Buchwald, University of Washington

- Assisted Alaska Institute for Justice in applying for Office for Victims of Crime's Wraparound Victim Legal Assistance Network Demonstration Project, \$188,000 for Phases 1-4, 2012-2016. PI
- Applied for Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention 2012 Enforcing Underage Drinking Laws Field-Initiated Research and Evaluation Program, \$500,000, unfunded
- Alaska Alcoholic Beverage Control Board. Professional Services Contract, \$10,000, 10/01/11-06/30/12
- External Evaluator, Second Chance Grant. Professional Services Contract funded by Jackson County Community Justice, \$9,991, 2011-2014
- External Evaluator, Volunteers of America Alaska, Communities Mobilizing for Change on Alcohol. Professional Services Contract funded by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, \$120,000, 2010-2012
- External Evaluator, Jackson County Oregon Permanency Project and Family Connections Programs. Professional Services Contract funded by the Department of Health and Human Services, Administration of Children and Families, \$75,000, 2010-2013
- Responded to request for informal proposal to evaluate the Anchorage Family Care court, \$20,000, unfunded
- Responded to request for informal proposal with Andre Rosay and Brad Myrstol (Justice Center) to evaluate Alaska's Youth Court & Community Panels Program, \$36,000, unfunded, with Kathi Trawver and Randy Magen (School of Social Work)
- Principal Investigator, Evaluation of the Alaska Meth Education Project. Funded by the Municipality of Anchorage through a Congressional Earmark Grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Center for Substance Abuse Prevention, \$53,000, 2008-2009
- Evaluation of GPRA data (Government Performance and Results Act) funded by CSAT/SAMHSA grant (Center for Substance Abuse Treatment/Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration), \$5,000/spring and fall 2008 reports
- External Evaluator Jackson County Oregon Treatment Courts, Professional Services Contract, Oregon Judicial Department, \$150,000, 2007-2016, paid consulting
- Principal Investigator/Project Director 2006-2007 Byrne Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Assistance Programs Grant, \$21,000
- Evaluator 2006-2008 Byrne Methamphetamine Reduction Grant, \$5,000/year

### **SELECTED REPORTS**

- Myrstol, B., & Rivera, M. S. (2016). *Alaska sex offender study*. University of Alaska Anchorage, Alaska Justice Statistical Analysis Center: Anchorage, AK
- Heath, K., Garcia, G., Hanson, B., Rivera, M. S., Hedwig, T., Moras, R., Reed, D., Smith, C., & Craig, S. (2015). *Growing up Anchorage: Anchorage youth and young adult behavioral health and wellness assessment*. University of Alaska Anchorage: Center for Human Development. Prepared for Anchorage Collaborating coalitions.

- Rivera, M. S., & Lepage, C. (August 2014). *Crime victim survey: Needs assessment of crime victims' civil legal needs*. Prepared for Alaska Institute for Justice.
- Rivera, M. S. (August 2013). Administration on Children, Youth, and Families, Family Connections Discretionary Grants, *Final Evaluation Report*.
- Rivera, M. S. (December 2012). Administration on Children, Youth, and Families, Children's Bureau, Regional Partnership Grant: *Final Evaluation Report*.
- Rivera, M. S., Parker, K., & McMullen, J. (December 2012). *Youth alcohol access, consumption, and consequences in Anchorage, Alaska: 2012 update*. Prepared for the Volunteers of America Alaska CMCA Project.
- Rivera, M. S., Parker, K., & McMullen, J. (July 2012). *2010 Anchorage Underage Drinking Survey: A Look at Adult Attitudes, Perceptions, and Norms*. Prepared for the Volunteers of America Alaska CMCA Project.
- Rivera, M. S., & Parker, K. (2012). *Analysis of strategies designed to reduce sales of alcohol and tobacco to underage persons: A preliminary report*.
- Rivera, M. S., & McMullen, J. (August 2010). *Youth alcohol access, consumption, and consequences in Anchorage, Alaska: Needs Assessment*. Prepared for the Volunteers of America Alaska CMCA Project.
- Rivera, M. S. (June, 2010). *Jackson County Treatment Courts: A Comprehensive Analysis of Participant Characteristics, Program Processes, and Outcomes*.
- Rivera, M. S., & McMullen, J. (September 2009). *Methamphetamine (Meth) Use, Trafficking, and Treatment*. UAA Justice Center Research Overview, No. 8.
- Rivera, M. S., & McMullen, J. (September 2009). *Alaska Meth Education Project: Process and Outcome Evaluation*.
- Rivera, M. S. (April 2008). *Preliminary Recidivism Analysis: Adult Drug Court and Community Justice Probationers*.
- Rivera, M. S. (April 2008). *In-Take to Six Month Follow Up: Comparative Spring Report on Jackson County Government Performance and Results Act Data*.
- Rivera, M. S., Postle, G., Rosay, A. B., & TePass, K. (2008). *Descriptive Analysis of Domestic Violence Incidents Reported to Alaska State Troopers: 2004*.

### **PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS**

- American Society of Criminology, November 16, 2016. Panel presentation: A Proposed Agenda for Research on Civil Legal Needs of Crime Victims. Coauthor Cory Lepage.
- Recover Alaska Steering Committee, invited presenter, July 14, 2016. Measuring Progress: Recover Alaska Data Collection and Evaluation.
- Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, March 23, 2016. Panel presentation: Under the Influence: Parents' Knowledge, Attitudes, and Behaviors Regarding Youth Substance Abuse. Co-author: Cory Lepage.
- Evaluation of Permanent Supportive Housing: Assertive Community Treatment & Intensive Case Management, presentation to the ICM/ACT Super Committee, March 24, 2015

- American Society of Criminology, November, 2014. Panel presentation: The Impact of Early Exposure to Violence and Adversities on Youth Development and Offending
- Policy and Enforcement: Tales from Alaskan Communities. Invited panelist at the Division of Behavioral Health Annual Prevention Grantee Conference, September 25, 2014
- American Society of Criminology, November 19, 2014. Panel presentation: Adverse Childhood Experiences in Alaska
- World Epidemiology Congress, August 20, 2014. Poster presentation. Is Race a Factor in Disparate Health Problems Associated with Violence Against Women?
- Minor Consuming Alcohol Conference, April 4, 2014. Invited co-presenter. Underage Drinking Research, Evaluation, and Related Efforts.
- No More! Panel on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, March 19, 2014. Invited panelist. Domestic Violence in Alaska: Definitions, Rates in Alaska, Causes and Consequences.
- Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, February 27, 2014. Invited co-presenter. Health Correlates of Female Victimization.
- American Society of Criminology, November 21, 2014. Panel presentation: Identifying and Addressing Civil Legal Needs of Crime Victims in Alaska.
- Anchorage Youth Development Coalition, February 11, 2013. Invited co-presenter. Youth Alcohol Access, Consumption, and Consequences in Anchorage.
- American Society of Criminology, November 13-17, 2012. Panel presentation: Health correlates of female victimization.
- Annual (Alaska) Behavioral Health Prevention Grantee Meeting, September 28, 2012. Getting to Know Your Community: Measurement Methods Made Easy. Invited presenter with Gabriel Garcia.
- Webinar for Family Connection and Child Welfare TA Discretionary Grantees, April 10, 2012. Evaluation communication strategies: End stage project. Invited co-presenter.
- Substance abuse and the courts: Therapeutic jurisprudence in Alaska. National Criminal Justice Month Panel sponsored by the UAA Justice Club. March, 2012. Invited presenter.
- Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, March 13-17, 2012. Panel presentation: Is underage drinking a problem in the eyes of the community?: Assessing adult attitudes and responses to underage drinking.
- Substance abuse and the courts: Therapeutic jurisprudence in Alaska. National Criminal Justice Month Panel. March, 2012. Invited panelist.
- Evaluation communication strategies: End stage project. Invited co-presenter in a webinar on April 10, 2012 for Family Connection and Child Welfare TA Discretionary Grantees.
- Results of the Alaska Victimization Survey, invited presenter at the Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Training Conference (State of Alaska Department of Health and Social Services), April 7, 2010
- Promoting Reunification through Family Focused Collaborative Treatment Services and System Change, American Society of Criminology, November 17, 2010, Annual Meeting in San Francisco, CA

- Assaults in Domestic Violence Incidents: Descriptive Statistics and Predictors of Legal Resolutions, invited presenter at the Abused Women's Aid in Crisis (AWAIC) Caucus, March 9, 2010
- Cultural and Geographic Differences in Domestic Violence Injuries: Implications for Prevention and Intervention, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, February 25, 2010, Annual Meeting in San Diego, CA
- Effects of an Anti-Methamphetamine Program, American Society of Criminology, November 7, 2009, Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, PA
- Treatment Court Retreat: Recidivism Update, invited presenter via teleconference at the Jackson County Treatment Court Retreat, September 25, 2009
- Factors Affecting the Prosecution of Domestic Violence, American Society of Criminology, November 13, 2008, Annual Meeting in St. Louis, MO
- Treatment and Accountability for Meth Addicts: An Adult Drug Court Evaluation, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, March 2008, Annual Meeting in Cincinnati, OH
- Evaluating the Jackson County Community Family Court, invited presenter at the Oregon Judicial Conference in Ashland, OR, May 18, 2007
- Parenting on Meth: Breaking the Intergenerational Cycle of Crime and Substance Abuse through Family Court, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, 2007 Annual Meeting in Seattle, WA
- Community Family Court Report, invited presenter at the Jackson County Public Safety Coordinating Council, January 23, 2007
- Community Family Court Evaluation Report: Theory, Research and Policy, invited presenter at the Oregon State Family Law Advisory Committee, September 29, 2006
- Healing the Family: Evaluation of an Integrated Family Drug Court, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, 2006 Annual Meeting in Baltimore, MD
- Presentation of Preliminary Findings of the Jackson County Oregon Community Family Court (JCCFC) Evaluation to the Jackson County Family Law Advisory Council, February 2006
- Presentation of Preliminary Findings of the JCCFC to Jackson County Court Judges, February 2006
- Presentation of Research Design and Literature Review to the Jackson County Family Law Advisory Council, November 2005
- Teaching Theories of Criminal Behavior to Delinquents and Learning why They Commit Crime, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, 2005 Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL
- Flexibility in an Underutilized Method: Using the Multiple Sorting Procedure to Uncover Views of Corporate Wrongdoing, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, 2004 Annual Meeting in Las Vegas, NV
- All the News Unfit to Print: A Content Analysis of Corporate Offense News Coverage, American Society of Criminology, 2003 Annual Meeting in Denver, CO
- Ways in Which People Conceptualize Elite Deviance, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, 2002 Annual Meeting in Anaheim, CA



Taking the Next Step: Analyzing White-Collar Crime Construction in Print Media, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, 2001 Annual Meeting in Washington D.C.

Ethical Issues in the Media's (Mis)Representation of Crime, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, 2000 Annual Meeting in New Orleans, LA

Older Inmates: Caring for this Growing Population, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, 1999 Annual Meeting in Orlando, FL

### **HONORS & AWARDS**

- Honored and recognized as a community partner of Volunteers of America Alaska, a Merit Finalist for the 2011 Community Partnership Award from the Mutual of America Foundation for research work on underage drinking.
- Nominated for the 2010 UAA Chancellor's Awards for Excellence in the category of Excellence in Research

### **SELECT PUBLIC & COMMUNITY SERVICE**

- Facilitator for the Governor's Housing Summit, Reducing Recidivism through Housing breakout session, January 2016
- Alaska Alcoholic Beverage Control Board, Title IV review Workgroups (Role of the ABC Board; Underage; and Sanction Data), January 2013–November 2014
- Co-convener of Health Alaskans 2020 workgroup on child maltreatment, rape, and teen dating violence, 2014
- Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Data Group, 2013–2014
- State of Alaska, Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Behavioral Health, Epidemiological Workgroup, invited March 2010–current
- Alaska Interagency Coordinating Council on Preventing Underage Drinking, December 2009–2017

### **PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES**

- ▶ Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences
- ▶ American Society of Criminology
- ▶ Division of Life-Course Criminology, American Society of Criminology