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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Rehabilitation Science UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA, Gainesville, FL	April 2005
Master of Health Science, Rehabilitation Counseling UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA, Gainesville, FL	December 2000
Master of Exercise and Sports Science, Exercise Therapy/Adapted Physical Education UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA, Gainesville, FL	April 1998
Bachelor of Science, Nutrition and Fitness FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY, Tallahassee, FL	May 1995

PROFESSIONAL ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Jan 2005-Present	Assistant Professor, University of Florida , Gainesville, FL Teach graduate and undergraduate courses in psychosocial aspects of disability and rehabilitation, vocational assessment and placement, group counseling, case management, ethics and beginning/advanced practicum; Conduct research in life care planning and vocational rehabilitation; Develop grant proposals to support research conducted at the University of Florida.
May 2002 – Aug 2003	Research Assistant, University of Florida , Gainesville, FL Provided research support activities for a NIDRR-funded grant on creating a precise measurement system based on the International Classification of Disability and Health Model; Activities include assisting in: the creation of the paper and pencil phase of the research, the creation of computer adaptive testing program for precise and accurate measurement, creating a database for the collection of data for the research study, and the recruitment of participants to complete surveys; Assisted in manuscript development and grants
Aug 2003 - Dec 2003	Instructor, University of Florida , Gainesville, FL Taught undergraduate course entitled: "Psychosocial Aspects of Rehabilitation."
Aug 1996 – May 2000	Consultant of Exercise Therapy Program; University of Florida , Gainesville, FL Assisted professors in course instruction; Administrated an integrated exercise program for individuals with developmental disabilities; Assisted in community programs for individuals with disabilities.

PROFESSIONAL NON-ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

- May 2002- April 2005 Vocational Consultant; **Claude Seltzer and Associates**, Sunrise, FL
Provided case management and vocational rehabilitation services to individuals with disabilities and work related injuries; Administered reemployment assessments, vocational evaluations, and vocational assessments; Conducted job analyses on positions held by individuals with work related injuries; Provided job development and job seeking skills training; Completed Individualized Written Rehabilitation Plans.; Provide counseling services; Assisted employers in providing job modification and reasonable accommodations for individuals returning to work with disabilities.
- Jan 2001 – May 2002 Vocational Counselor; **Innovative Resource Group**, Sunrise, FL
Provided case management and vocational rehabilitation services to individuals with disabilities and work related injuries; Administered reemployment assessments, vocational evaluations, and vocational assessments; Conducted job analyses on positions held by individuals with work related injuries; Provided job development and job seeking skills training; Completed Individualized Written Rehabilitation Plans.; Provide counseling services; Assisted employers in providing job modification and reasonable accommodations for individuals returning to work with disabilities.

FIELD EXPERIENCE

- Jan 2003 – May 2003 Supervised Teaching: **The University of Florida**, Gainesville, Florida
Instructed Graduate course entitled “Group Counseling.”
- Jan 2003 – May 2003 Practicum Supervision: **The University of Florida**, Gainesville, Florida
Supervised graduate students as they completed their clinical practicum. Duties consisted of meeting with students regularly throughout the semester and reviewing individual counseling tapes as required for Rehabilitation Counseling Certification.
- Aug 2000 – Dec 2000 Case Manager: **The Health Association**, Rochester, NY
Provided Case Management Services to children and adults with developmental disabilities; Completed Individual Service Plans in accordance with the Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities (OMRDD); Assisted families in applying for Medicaid Services.
- Jan 2000 – Aug 2000 Case Manager: **The Center for Independent Living**, Gainesville, FL
Worked with individuals with developmental disabilities on independent life skills, vocational goals, and provided information concerning benefits; Provided information on career exploration to individuals with disabilities; Assisted in the Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Transition program of Florida.
- May 2000 – Aug 2000 Vocational counselor: **Santa Fe Community College**, Gainesville FL
Provided vocational assessments and evaluations to individuals referred by worker’s compensation, and/or vocational rehabilitation agencies.

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Byers, K, Moorhouse, M.D, **Pomeranz, J.L.**, Velozo, C.A., & Spitznagel, R.A. (In press). Making the Case for Computer Adaptive Testing in Vocational Evaluations. *Vocational Evaluation and Career Assessment Professions Journal*.

Buckles, V., **Pomeranz, J.L.**, & Young, M.E. (2009). The applicability of the life care plan for adopted children with disabilities. What will Medicaid pay? *The Journal of Life Care Planning*, 7, 107-122.

Preston, K., **Pomeranz, J.L.**, & Walker, C. (2008). Life Care Planning Summit 2008 Proceedings. *Journal of Life Care Planning*, 7, 49-60.

Pomeranz, J.L., Byers, K, Moorhouse, M.D., Velozo, C.A., & Spitznagel, R.A. (2008). Using Rasch analysis to investigate the psychometric properties of the word knowledge subtest of the Career Ability Placement Survey. *Rehabilitation Counseling Bulletin*, 51, 251-259.

Yu, Nami S., **Pomeranz, J.L.** Shaw, L.R., Moorhouse, M.D., & Deutsch, P.M. (2008). Identifying a new area of damages: Assessing time loss associated with Bowel Management. *Journal of Life Care Planning*, 7, 3-11.

Pomeranz, J.L. Shaw, L.R., Yu, N.S., & Moorhouse, M.D. (2008). Polytrauma and life care planning: Planning and managing the complex interaction of multiple injuries. *Journal of Work*, 3, 319-326.

Pomeranz, J.L., Yu, N.S., Wemmer, C.M., & Watson, L. (2008). Use of scientific research and clinical practice guidelines: A survey of experienced life care planners. *Journal of Life Care Planning*, 77-98.

Pomeranz, J.L., & Shaw, L.R (2007). The International Classification of Functioning, Disability, and Health: A model for life care planners. *Journal of Life Care Planning*, 6, 15-24.

Pomeranz, J.L., Shaw, L.R, Sawyer, H.W., & Velozo, C.A. (2006). Consensus among life care planners regarding activities to consider when recommending personal attendant care services for individuals with spinal cord injury: A Delphi Study. *Journal of Life Care Planning*, 5, 7-23.

Stopka, C.B.; **Pomeranz, J.L.**; Siders, R.; Dykes, M.K.; Goodman, A. (1999). Transitional skills for wellness: University students and adolescents with mental retardation work together to learn health, fitness, & recreational skills for life. *TEACHING Exceptional Children*, 31, 3, 6-11.

GRANTS

National Institute of Health: National Cancer Institute (\$275,000). Principal Investigator Improving Effectiveness of Smoking Cessation Interventions and Programs in Low Income Adult Populations. Goals: To develop and implement a CBPR tobacco cessation program for persons with disabilities. August 1, 2009-July 31, 2011

AHEC (\$52,000) Principal Investigator. Creating a Tobacco-Free Independent Living Center for Individuals with Disabilities. Florida AHEC Network, May 2008-May 2010.

AHEC (\$25,000/year for 2 years) Co-Principal Investigator representing the College of Public Health and Health Professions. Florida AHEC Network, AHEC Tobacco Training and Cessation (ATTAC) August 2007-August 2009.

Creating a Personal Attendant Care Measure for Individuals with Spinal Cord Injury: (\$1120) Principal investigator – Foundation for Life Care Planning Research. July 2004.

Creating a Personal Attendant Care Measure for Individuals with Spinal Cord Injury: (\$18,750) Principal investigator – Pre-Doctoral Associated Health Rehabilitation Research Fellowship, Veterans Health Administration's Rehabilitation Outcomes Research Center (RORC) September 2003-September 2004

PRESENTATIONS

Pomeranz, J.L. Tobacco Cessation for Individuals with Disabilities: Advanced Clinical Skills in Tobacco Cessation: A Symposium for Healthcare Professionals, Destin, FL. May 21-22, 2009.

Pomeranz, J.L. Community Partnerships. Tobacco Cessation for Individuals with Disabilities, 1st Annual Public Health Conference - Cross-Cultural Perspectives for Public Health Professions. Gainesville, FL, May 7, 2009.

Behrman, A., **Pomeranz, J.L.**, & Yu, Nami S. Locomotor Training for Individuals with Spinal Cord Injury: Implications for Life Care Planners. International Symposium on Life Care Planning. Scottsdale, AZ September 20-21, 2008.

Pomeranz, J.L. & Walker, C. Polytrauma and Dual Diagnosis: 2-Day Life Care Planning Pre-Conference Workshop: International Symposium on Life Care Planning. Scottsdale, AZ September 18-19, 2008.

Pomeranz, J.L. Life Care Planning: Opportunity for Rehabilitation Counselors. Florida Rehabilitation Association. Orlando, FL August 28-29, 2008.

Pomeranz, J.L. Prenatal Diagnosis and Genetic Counseling: Ethical and Human Rights Concerns. Florida Rehabilitation Association. Orlando, FL August 28-29, 2008.

Pomeranz, J.L., Watson, L., Wemmer, C.M., & Yu, N.S. Use of scientific research and clinical practice guidelines: A survey of experienced life care planners. International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals Forensic Conference. Las Vegas, NV November 1-3, 2007.

Pomeranz, J.L., Watson, L., Wemmer, C.M., & Yu, N.S. Use of scientific research and clinical practice guidelines: A survey of experienced life care planners. International Symposium on Life Care Planning. St. Petersburg, FL October 6-7, 2007.

Yu, N.S., **Pomeranz, J.L.**, & Deutsch, P.M.. New Area of Damages: A Pilot Study Investigating How Difference Variables Affect Time with Bowel Care Management. International Symposium on Life Care Planning. St. Petersburg, FL October 6-7, 2007.

Byers, K. L., **Pomeranz, J.L.**, & Moorhouse, M.D. Applying Computer Adaptive Testing to Vocational Instruments. San Diego, CA February 22-25, 2007.

Pomeranz, J.L. & Shaw, L.R. International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF): A Model for Life Care Planners. International Conference on Life Care Planning, Atlanta, GA October 5-6, 2006.

Pomeranz, J.L. & Watson, L. Life Care Planning Tools, Websites, and Resources. International Conference on Life Care Planning, Atlanta, GA October 5-6, 2006.

Velozo CA, Wang JH, Lehman LL, **Pomeranz JL**, Byers KL, Piantieri S, Wang YC, Wen PS, Woodbury M. Use of "Recovery Maps" to Guide Occupational Therapy Upper-Extremity Interventions. Poster

presentation at the American Occupational Therapy Association's 86th Annual Conference, Charlotte NC April 28, 2006.

Velozo CA, Wang JH, Lehman LL, **Pomeranz JL**, Byers KL, Piantieri S, Wang YC, Wen PS. Analysis of Positioning and Transferring Items for Future Use in a Computerized Adaptive Test. Poster presentation at the American Occupational Therapy Association's 86th Annual Conference, Charlotte NC April 28, 2006.

Moorhouse, M.D., Byers, K.L., **Pomeranz, J.L.**, Spiznagel, R.J., & Velozo, C.A. Rasch Analysis of the Word Knowledge Subtest of the Career Ability Placement Survey (CAPS). Poster Presentation at the National Counsel on Rehabilitation Education (NCRE) 6th Annual Conference, San Diego, CA February 16, 2006.

Pomeranz, J.L. Personal Assistance Services for Individuals with Spinal Cord Injuries: Implications for Life Care Planners. International Conference on Life Care Planning, San Francisco, CA September 17-18, 2005.

Pomeranz, J.L. Basic Tenets of Life Care Planning: A Tool for Case Managers. Southeast Region National Rehabilitation Association (SERNRA) and Florida Rehabilitation Association (FRA) Joint Training Conference. Tampa, FL May 14-18, 2005.

Lehman, L.A., **Pomeranz, J.L.** Velozo, C.A., Byers, K., Wang, Y-C., Piantieri, S., Wang, J-H., Wen, P-S. Development of a Data Entry, Management, and Reporting System for Occupational Therapy Research. American Occupational Therapy Annual Conference and Expo, Long Beach, CA, May 13, 2005

Velozo, C.A., **Pomeranz, J. L.** Lehman, L.A. Developing a Disability Survey Using Cognitive Interviewing. Evidence-Based Rehabilitation: Linking Service, Practice, and Policy, American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine-American Society of Neurorehabilitation (ACRM-ASNR) Joint Conference. Ponte Vedra Beach, FL. September 9-12, 2004.

Piantieri S, Velozo C, Lehman L, **Pomeranz J.L.**, Byers K, Wang J-H, et al. Item Response Characteristics of a Measure of Positioning and Transferring Ability for Patients with Back Pain. Evidence-Based Rehabilitation: Linking Service, Practice, and Policy, American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine-American Society of Neurorehabilitation (ACRM-ASNR) Joint Conference. Ponte Vedra Beach, FL. September 9-12, 2004.

Wang, Y-C., Velozo, C.A., Lehman, L.A., Piantieri, S., **Pomeranz, J.L.**, Byers, K. Using differential item functioning to determine invariant measures across different diagnostic groups. Evidence-Based Rehabilitation: Linking Service, Practice, and Policy, American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine-American Society of Neurorehabilitation (ACRM-ASNR) Joint Conference. Ponte Vedra Beach, FL. September 9-12, 2004.

Lehman, L.A., Velozo, C.A., **Pomeranz, J.L.**, Byers, K., Piantieri, S., Wang, Y-C. Development of a measure of upper-extremity function based on the activity dimension of the ICF. Presentation at the American Occupational Therapy Association's 84th Annual Conference. Minneapolis, MN, May 22, 2004.

Piantieri, S., Velozo, C.A., Barrett, B., Byers, K., **Pomeranz, J.L.**, Lehman, L., Wang, Y-C., Gray, D. Development of a computerized adaptive measure for the activity dimension of the ICF. Presentation at the American Occupational Therapy Association's 84th Annual Conference. Minneapolis, MN, May 22, 2004.

Lehman, L., Velozo, C., **Pomeranz, J.L.**, Byers, K., Piantieri, S., Wang, Y-C. Improving assessment of

upper extremity function: Development of a measure based on the International Classification of Functioning, Disability, and Health (ICF). Presentation at the Rehabilitation Research Day at the University of Florida. Gainesville, FL, May 10, 2004.

Piantieri, S., Velozo, C., Barrett, B., Byers, K., **Pomeranz, J.L.**, Lehman, L., Wang, Y-C., Gray, D. Using modern measurement theory and web-based technology to develop efficient and precise measures of disability. Presentation at the Rehabilitation Research Day at the University of Florida. Gainesville, FL, May 10, 2004.

Pomeranz, J. L., Lehman, L. Velozo, C. A. Development of a data entry, management, and reporting system for rehabilitation research. Presentation at the 17th Annual College of Public Health and Health Professions Research Day University of Florida. Gainesville, FL, April 16th, 2004.

Wang, J-H., Velozo, C.A.,**Pomeranz, J.L.**, Lehman, L.A., Piantieri, S., Byers, K., Wang, Y-C., Gray, D. Development of a self-report measure of wheelchair mobility for patients with spinal cord injury based on the International Classification Of Functioning, Disability And Health. Presentation at the 17th Annual College of Public Health and Health Professions Research Day University of Florida. Gainesville, FL, April 16th, 2004.

Lehman, L.A., Velozo, C.A., **Pomeranz, J.L.**, Byers, K., Piantieri, S., Wang, Y-C. Improving assessment of upper extremity function: Development of a measure based on the International Classification of Functioning, Disability And Health (ICF). Presentation at the 17th Annual College of Public Health and Health Professions Research Day University of Florida. Gainesville, FL, April 16th, 2004.

Piantieri, S., Velozo, C.A., Byers, K., **Pomeranz, J.L.**, Lehman, L.A., Wang, Y-C. Development of a self-report measure of disability for back pain. Presentation at the 17th Annual College of Public Health and Health Professions Research Day University of Florida. Gainesville, FL, April 16th, 2004.

Wang, Y-C., Velozo, C.A., Lehman, L.A., Piantieri, S., **Pomeranz, J.L.**, Byers, K. Using differential item functioning to determine invariant measures across different diagnostic groups. Presentation at the 17th Annual College of Public Health and Health Professions Research Day University of Florida. Gainesville, FL, April 16th, 2004.

Velozo, C.A., Barrett, B., Piantieri, S., Byers, K., **Pomeranz, J.L.**, Lehman, L., Wang, Y-C., Gray, D., Development of a Computerized Adaptive Measure of Disability Based on the ICF. Ninth North American Collaborating Center Conference on ICF, St. Louis, June 17, 2003

Lehman, L.A., Velozo, C. A., **Pomeranz, J.L.**, Byers, K., Piantieri, S., Wang, Y-C. Development of a measure of upper extremity function based on the ICF. Ninth North American Collaborating Center Conference on ICF, St. Louis, June 17, 2003

Stopka, C., **Pomeranz, J.L.**, & Benham, T. The Effects of an Integrated University-Based Fitness and Sports Program for Adolescents with Mental Retardation. 6th National Conference on Adapted Physical Activity, Macomb, March 28, 1998.

CERTIFICATIONS/LICENSURE

Certified Rehabilitation Counselor, CRCC, #040223

Certified Life Care Planner, CHCC, #0881

Completed University of Florida's Medipro Seminars Life Care Planning Certificate Program

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Training and Education Chair, International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals, Florida Chapter.
Educational Committee Member 2007, 2008, and 2009 International Symposium on Life Care Planning
Co-Chair 2008 International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals (IARP) Life Care Planning
Summit