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CURRICULUM VITAE

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CERTIFICATIONS

American Board of Pediatrics
Basic Life Support (BLS)
Neonatal Resuscitation Program (NRP)
Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS)
APLS: Pediatric Emergency Medicine
Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS)
Pediatric SAFE (Sexual Abuse Forensic Examiner)

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, COMMITTEES, BOARDS

Fellow of The American Academy of Pediatrics
Expert Medical Reviewer, Medical Board of California
Chief Medical Officer, Disaster Medical Assistance Team (DMAT) CA-6
Oakland Unified School District Emergency Management Advisory Counsel, Medical Operations Section Leader
Medical Director, Life Support Services
Medical Director, Urban Shield Annual Regional SWAT Competition, Alameda County Sheriff
Contra Costa Health Plan Credentials Committee
Children's Hospital Oakland Disaster Steering Committee
Alameda County Health & Medical Preparedness Strategic Planning Group
Alameda County Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMS-C) Steering Committee
Alameda County Committee on Children With Special Needs
Alameda County First 5/Every Child Counts Pediatric Advisory Committee
Autism Steering Committee, Children's First Medical Group
Community Advisory Committee, Oakland Unified School District Special Education Program
Advisory Board, CHDPGateway Software Company
Team Physician & Medical Consultant, World Kuk Sool Won Association

HOSPITAL AFFILIATIONS

Children's Hospital Oakland (8/90-3/92; 8/99-present)
Alta Bates Summit Medical Center, Ashby Campus (9/99-present)
Contra Costa County Regional Medical Center (9/03-present)

EDUCATION & TRAINING

Pomona College (9/79-5/81)
University of California, Santa Cruz (9/81-12/82: BA with Honors in Biology 12/82)
University of California, Irvine, College of Medicine (MD 6/87)
Pediatric Internship and Residency, Children's Hospital Oakland (7/87-6/90)

LANGUAGE & CULTURAL COMPETENCY

Spanish language fluency and extensive travel throughout Latin America

CURRENT PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE & ACTIVITIES

Oakland Pediatrics & Behavioral Medicine (7/03-present)

- Sole owner/operator, primary care medical practice (7/03-present), full-time
- Address and contact info above in letterhead
- Manage 5 full-time employees
 - Supervise in-house billing and operations
 - Supervise and maintain certification and training for 3 medical assistants
 - Hire and supervise part-time physicians (0.8 FTEs)
 - Maintain all business records, certificates, licenses, contracts
 - Manage payroll and all financials of the business
- Primary Care Pediatrics

- Office-based practice 40 hours per week of primary care and specialty care patients (see below)
- Hospital rounding on all newborns and hospitalized patients at local hospitals
- In-house in-patient attending at a regional county hospital with a family practice program supervising and teaching residents (approximately 30 hours/month)
- Special Practice Focus: Behavioral and Developmental Pediatrics; Special Education
 - Referral physician for patients from 2 counties with these special needs (approximately 25% of practice)
 - Sit on multiple county and health plan committees that relate to that practice (see above)
 - Local county champion and medical liaison for children with special needs (see above)
 - Active in local policy review and guidance for local county and health plans as noted above
- Medical-Legal Review, Consulting & Advocacy (5-10% of case load; 10-20 hours/week)
 - Expert medical reviewer for Medical Board of California
 - Medical-legal case review and expert opinions for INS hearings describing medical conditions and needs of children of parents in proceedings
 - Medical-legal case review and expert opinions for civil proceedings
 - Medical-legal case review and expert opinions addressing the educational needs (and medical needs) to local school districts for children with special medical and educational needs.

Disaster Medical Assistance Team (DMAT) CA-6 (7/98-present)

- Chief Medical Officer (8/05-present)
- Deputy Commander (8/05-12/10)
- Deployments:
 - Haiti Earthquake Operation Unified Response (1/13/10-1/26/10) (US Embassy and Petionville FOB (Gray) with 1-73 Cavalry, 82nd Airborne joint operations)
 - Mobile field hospital set up and operation
 - Joint DMAT/military strike teams into local encampments
 - Hurricanes Ike/Gustav (9/8/08-9/22/08)
 - Democratic National Convention (8/22/08-8/31/08)
 - Hurricane Katrina (9/4/05-9/9/05)
 - 911 World Trade Center
- Supervise medical operations and training
- Review and maintain all team member medical screening for general team participation and for mission specific deployment (HIPPA compliant) utilizing team specific medical screening database
- Supervise and review respiratory screening program compliance including review all respiratory screening questionnaires and all fit testing results, which incorporated in HIPPA compliant medical screening database.
- Contact: David Lipin, Team Commander, 202-731-3755; email: commander@dmata6.org

Contra Costa Regional Medical Center (9/03-present)

- Attending pediatrician in the CCRMC hospital for family practice residency program
- Attend high risk deliveries, manage level 2 nursery, ER consultation, supervise and teach residents
- Approximately 30 hours/month
- Contact: Guenter Hofsttdler, MD, Director, Pediatrics Dept, CCRMC, 2500 Alhambra Ave., Martinez, CA 94553, ph: 925-348-3506; email: ghofstadler@hsd.cccounty.us

Medical Director, Urban Shield Annual Regional SWAT Competition (2007-Present)

- Alameda County Sheriff
- Contact: Val Bilotti, Alameda County Sheriffs Office Medical Coordinator; valbilotti@questnorcal.com; 510-882-1024 or Jim Morrissey, Homeland Security, Terrorism Preparedness Coordinator, ALCO EMS, (510) 618-2036

Medial Director, Life Support Services (12/09-present)

- Emergency response and occupational health & safety training and certification
- Supervise respiratory screening and fit-test program contracts
- Supervise AED program contracts

- Contact: Neal Shabashov, Director/Founder, 4588 Peralta Blvd., Suite 17, Fremont, CA 94536; (510) 790-2778; neal@lifesupportwest.com

Team Physician & Medical Consultant, World Kuk Sool Won Association (4/92-present)

- Volunteer medical consulting for classes, testing, seminars and tournaments
- KSW Tournament Physician (10/94-present)

PRIOR PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

Kaiser Permanente Hayward Pediatrics (12/89 – 11/06)

- Predominantly as an on-call hospitalist physician (12/89-8/92, 8/95-11/06); additionally, full -time staff pediatrician (8/92-7/95). Inpatient responsibilities included: management of pediatric ward, co-management of a level 3 ICN with a neonatologist, well baby nursery, delivery room resuscitations, and ER consultations. Outpatient responsibilities included: primary care pediatrics, coordinating the ADHD program, and attending in the adolescent clinic.
- Contact: Arnd Herz, MD, Director of Pediatrics (see References)

Children’s Hospital Oakland House Attending Physician (2/05; 2/06)

- In-patient ward team attending physician for house patients
- Supervise and teach residents, including morning rounds
- Contact: Ted Chaconas, MD, Director, Children’s Ho

Medical Director, Behavioral Pediatrics of The Bay Area (7/01-2004)

- Patient evaluation, diagnosis, & treatment of children with learning and behavior problems.
- Contact: Norbert Ralph, PhD, MPH, Director, Behavioral Pediatrics, Inc. (see Reference)

Richmond Pediatric Medical Group (12/99 – 7/03) and
North Oakland Pediatric Medical Group (5/91- 12/99)

- Primary care pediatrics in a high volume, inner-city practice. Management of newborns/hospitalized patients, including supervising residents at Children’s Hosp Oakland
- Contact: William Jenkins, Jr., MD, Richmond Pediatrics, 120 Broadway Blvd., Suite 4A
- Richmond CA 94804; ph: 510-237-9537; fax 510-237-3957

Kaiser Permanente Hayward, Emergency Dept. (7/96 – 1999)

- Staff pool physician seeing adult and pediatric patients.
- Contact: Drew Baker, MD, Chief Emergency Department (see References)

Children’s Hospital Oakland, Hospitalist Physician (9/90-6/92)

- Position: Hospital based staff pediatrician in a CHO satellite pediatric ward
- Contact: Medical Director, Children’s Hospital Oakland (see References)
- Position: Transfusion Unit Physician
- Contact: Elliot Vichinsky, MD, Dept. of Hematology, Children’s Hospital Oakland; (510)428-3615

Bay Area Pediatrics (12/90 -5/91)

- Locum tenens coverage of primary care pediatric practice during the Gulf War
- Contact: Michael LeNoir, MD, 2940 Summit St. Oakland CA 94609; (510)834-4897

Children’s Hospital Oakland Residency Extra-curricular Activities:

- Camp physician for Northern California Sickle Cell Summer Camp (8/88, 8/89, 8/90)
- Camp physician, counselor and respiratory therapist for the Northern California Cystic Fibrosis Summer Camp (7/89)

AWARDS

- Disaster Medical Assistance Team (DMAT) CA-6 2008 *Member of The Year Award*
- City of Oakland City Council Proclamation for distinguished contribution in preventing and treating childhood lead poisoning (October 19-25, 2008)
- *Alameda County CHDP Program, Certificate of Appreciation* in Recognition of Outstanding Service and Lasting Contribution to the Alameda County CHDP Program (August 2008)
- *Alameda County Emergency Medical Services Agency Star Award* for exceptional contributions to the EMS community (5/8/06),
- World Kuk Sool Won Association, Appreciation Award for “Commitment & Dedication”, 1998 World Championship Tournament (10/3//98)
- Orange County Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics, Outstanding Student in Pediatrics (6/87)

PUBLICATIONS

- Meeting the Challenges of Pediatric Behavioral Emergencies; Cynthia Frankel, RN, MN; Brian Blaisch, MD; and Bruce Hagen, EMT-P; Fire EMS, Vol. 4; Issue 6; Nov 2006
- Bhasin, S., Heber, D., Steiner, B., Peterson, M., Blaisch, B., Campfield, LA., & Swerdloff, RS. Hormonal Effects of GnRH Agonist in the Human Male: II. Testosterone Enhances Gonadotrophin Suppression Induced by GnRH Agonist. *Clinical Endocrinology* 20:119-128, 1984

LECTURES & EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

- “Caring for Children in Challenging Times”, First 5 Alameda County Provider Training Series
Currently under development. This will be a 6 part training series co-created and co-taught with Dr. Renee Wachtel, a developmental pediatrician, for primary care providers focusing developmental screening, referral, and treatment with the aim to provide an opportunity for practice improvement projects and to improve patient and family outcomes.
Contact: Anna Gruver, LCSW, Program Services Administrator, First 5 Alameda County, 1100 San Leandro Blvd, Suite 120, San Leandro, CA 94577; Anna.Gruver@first5ecc.org
- “Haiti Earthquake DMAT Deployment Experience”, Contra Costa Family Practice Residency Program, Noon Conference (2/17/10)
Contact: Jim Carpenter, MD, Dept. of Pediatrics, CCRMC, 2500 Alhambra Ave., Martinez, CA 94553; (925) 370-5200, x3459; drjimcarpenter@yahoo.com
- “Pediatric Reality in the Field”, Alameda County Regional Emergency Medical Services for Children Conf, “Meeting the EMS-C Challenge: Making a Difference in Pediatric Disaster Care”(4/15/09)
Contact: Cynthia Frankel, RN, MN, Alameda County EMS-C Coordinator; 1000 San Leandro Blvd. Suite 100, San Leandro, CA 94577; Cynthia.Frankel@acgov.org; (510) 618-2031
- “Autism: Screening, Assessment, Referral and Treatment”, Contra Costa Family Practice Residency Program, Noon Conference (2/11/09)
Contact: Jim Carpenter, MD, Dept. of Pediatrics, CCRMC, 2500 Alhambra Ave., Martinez, CA 94553; (925) 370-5200, x3459; drjimcarpenter@yahoo.com
- “Autism: Screening, Assessment, Referral and Treatment”, First 5 Alameda County-ECC (11/18/08)
Contact: Anna Gruver, LCSW, Program Services Administrator, First 5 Alameda County, 1100 San Leandro Blvd, Suite 120, San Leandro, CA 94577; Anna.Gruver@first5ecc.org
- “Special Education Rights and Responsibilities”, First 5 Alameda County-Every Child Counts (9/19/07)
Contact: Anna Gruver, LCSW, Program Services Administrator, First 5 Alameda County, 1100 San Leandro Blvd, Suite 120, San Leandro, CA 94577; Anna.Gruver@first5ecc.org
- “Behavioral Emergencies Resources”, 2nd Annual Bay Area Regional EMS-C Conference, Best Practices Round Table Presenter (9/19/07)
Contact: Cynthia Frankel, EMS-C Coordinator, Alameda County EMS, (510) 618-2031; (925) 285-2403; cynthia.frankel@acgov.org
- Neonatal Resuscitation Program Instructor for CCRMC Intern Orientation (6/22/05)
Contact: Nancy Owens, MD, NRP Lead Instructor, Dept. of Pediatrics, CCRMC, 2500 Alhambra Ave., Martinez, CA 94553; (925)370-5200, x3473
- DMAT/CA Dept of Forestry Wildland Fire 2004 Joint Training Exercises (6/04, 7/05)
Training Lecture: Triage & Treatment In The Wildland Fire Environment

DMAT CA-6 Team Meeting Lecture (7/10/04)
 Spinal Trauma: Assessment, Triage, Treatment, and Transport In The Field

Contra Costa Regional Med Center Residency Program Lecture (9/15/03)
 Topic: ADHD Basics: Background, Diagnosis, Treatment
 Contact: Jim Carpenter, MD, Assistant Director, Dept. of Pediatrics, CCRMC, 2500 Alhambra Ave., Martinez, CA 94553; (925) 370-5123

9/11 Remembrances: DMAT CA-6 WTC Deployment Experience Lecture (9/11/02)
 Guest lecturer, Terrorism Course, Woodbury University
 Contact: Professor Douglas Cremer, PhD, Chairman Humanities Dept. Woodbury University, 7500 Glen Oaks Blvd., Burbank, CA 91510

APLS: Pediatric Emergency Medicine Course, Instructor (3/27-28/02)
 Contact: Ben Coplan, MD, APLS Course Director, Kaiser Permanente Fremont, 39400 Paseo Padre Parkway, Fremont, CA 94538; ph (510)795-3172

Travel Medicine Article, DIVA Exchange Newsletter (Vol 1, #2, 10/00)
 Contact: Mariam Kamara, WAFRICA (see below)

DMAT CA-6 Training Instructor/Lecturer (9/9/00)
 Topics: Travel Medicine & The Wilderness Mindset (prep., safety, immunizations, med kit)

Wilderness Advance Life Support, Guest Lecturer (7/8/00)
 Topics: Travel Medicine & The Wilderness Mindset (prep., safety, immunizations, med kit)
 Contact: Jim Morrissey, San Francisco Paramedic Assoc. (see below)

Wilderness & Travel Medicine Course, Guest Lecturer (4/5/00)
 Topics: High altitude medicine, cold injury, medical kit/supplies.
 Contact: SF Paramedic Assoc., 657 Mission St.#302, SF, CA 94105; (415)543-1161

Kaiser Permanente Videoconference Lecture, Travel Medicine (11/11/98,1/27/99)
 Topic: Travel Medicine - discussion of immunizations, medications, medical supplies, hygiene and safety issues pertinent to foreign travel.
 Contact: Geoff Kotin,MD,Kaiser Perm,7601 Stoneridge Dr.,Pleasanton,CA94588; (925)847-5584

National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine, Guest Lecturer (7/00, 6/99)
 Contact: Blue Walcer, 4153 24th St., #2, SF, CA 94114; (415)647-7650

DMAT CA-6 Training Exercise Instructor (10/16-10/17/98)
 Topic: Trauma In The Field Setting

Alameda County EMS Pediatric Symposium, Lecturer (9/30/98)
 Topic: Pediatric Medical Issues In The Prehospital and ER Settings: Triage, Assessment, Stabilization and Management of the Sick Child.

Kaiser Hayward Emergency Department Staff In-service (5/14/98)
 Topic: Triage, Assessment, and Management of the Sick Child in the ED

Wilderness Field Medicine 2, Instructor Staff (10/4-10/6/96)
 Contact: Mountain Medicine Institute (see below)

Wilderness EMT Course, Instructor Candidate Staff (6/20-6/26/96)
 Comprehensive course with certification covering emergency medical response, extrication, evacuation, and treatment in the wilderness.
 Contact: Mountain Medicine Institute & Wilderness Medical Associates (see below)

Undergraduate Developmental Psychology Course, Guest Lecturer (4/1/96)
 Topic: Obstetric and Pediatric Screening of Genetic, Metabolic and Perinatal Conditions that Affect Human Psychological Development.
 Contact: Debra Valencia-Laver, PhD, Department of Psychology, California Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo, CA; (805)756-1603

Post-Graduate Sports Chiropractic Course, Guest Lecturer (5/1/93-5/2/93)
 Topic: Pediatric Differential Diagnosis In A Chiropractic Setting: Physiological/medical issues specific to pediatric population in sports participation, wellness, and injury.
 Ref: Jan Corwin, DC, OakBay Chiropractic, 494 Hawthorne Ave, Oak,94609;(510)654-8547

SPECIAL TRAINING, CME, WORKSHOPS, & RESEARCH

Pediatric SAFE (Sexual Abuse Forensic Examiner) Training for Healthcare Professionals (9/13-14/10)
California Clinical Forensic Medical Training Center, 3671 Business Drive, Sacramento, CA
95820; Phone (916) 734-4141

ADHD & Oppositional/Defiant Children, Russell Barkley, PhD (2/4/02-2/5/02)
Contact: Institute For Continuing Education, Box 1369, Fairhope, AL 36533; (800)557-1950

CA-6 DMAT: BioTerrorism (1/12/02)(1.5 CME's)

CA-6 DMAT: Disaster Burn Care (9/9/01) (2 CME's)

CA-6 DMAT: Aeromedical Operations, Module 7 (1/14/01) (2.75 CME's)

CA-6 DMAT: Wilderness & Travel Medicine (9/9/00) (2.5 CME's)

CA-6 DMAT: Psychiatric Emergencies; Communications (3/25/00) (3.5 CME's)

CA-6 DMAT: NDMS/DMATs Command & Control Training (1/15/00) (2.5) CME's)

World Congress on Wilderness Medicine (8/7-8/12/99) - Wilderness Medical Society, 3595 E.

Fountain Blvd., Colorado Springs, CO 80910; (719)572-9255

CA-6 DMAT: Terrorist Threat; Austere Med Care in the Field (2/6/99) (2.5 CME's)

CA-6 DMAT: Hazardous Materials Awareness (11/15/98) (2 CME's)

Terrorism: Strategic Disaster Management For Health Care Managers (10/23/98)

Conference participant and terrorism drill facilitator.

Contact: Cynthia Frankel, ALCO Health Care EOC Coordinator (see above)

CA-6 DMAT Basic Curriculum II: (10/17-10/18/98) (7 CME's)

CA-6 Disaster Medical Assistance Team Basic Curriculum I: Triage, Treatment, Transportation,
Tracking, Communications (7/7-7/8/98) (7 CME's)

1996 Urgent Care Seminar (10/12/96) - Mountain Med Institute - (8 CME's)-Emergency medical
care out of the clinic/ER setting

1996 Wilderness Field Medicine II (10/4-10/6/96) - Mountain Med Institute

1996 Survival Saturday (9/28/96) - Mountain Medicine Institute - Volunteer staff and course
participant - Disaster medicine and preparedness

Practical Applications of Tibetan Medicine (10/22-12/5/96) - Dr. Yeshi Donden, Tibetan Medical
and Astro Institute, Dharamsala, India through The Institute For Health And Healing,
California Pacific Medical Center, Box 7999, SF, CA 94120

Theoretical Foundations of Tibetan Medicine (9/10-1-/17/96) &

Wilderness EMT Course (6/20-6/26/96) - see above Educational Activities

1996 Search & Rescue (6/8/96) - Mountain Medicine Institute

1996 Wilderness Medicine Update (5/18/96) - Mountain Medicine Institute

Shi'atsu Institute and Therapy Center - CST 3/97

Level I Program, 180 hours (coursework 9/95-12/95, internship 5/96-3/97)

Chinese Medicine II, 40 hours (2/97-4/97)

Contact: BJ Green, CTMT, Director Shi'Atsu Institute and Therapy Center, 601 Dolores
St., San Francisco, CA 94110; (415)550-9498

Wilderness Field Medicine I (9/29-10/1/95) - Mountain Medicine Institute

Evaluation and Treatment of ADHD (3/22/95) - Kaiser Permanente(5 CME's)

Attending To Ritalin (3/10/95) - Kaiser Permanente (2 CME's)

Attention Deficit Disorder Forum (3/30/94) -Kaiser Permanente (2 CME's)

Medical Aspects of Foreign Travel (5/2/92) - Mountain Medicine Institute (7 CME's)

Mountain Medicine Lectures (4/1-5/20/92) (24 CME's)

UCSF Office Based Sports Medicine (2/92) - Purgatory, CO (26 CME's)

Emergency Care of The Very Ill Child (2/91) - Children's Hosp Philadelphia (20 CME's)

Mountain Medicine Lectures (4/4-5/16/90)-Mountain Medicine Institute (9 CME's)- see below

Neurodevelopmental Assessment of the 4-9 Year Old (3/90)-Gary Landman, MD, PhD

Pediatric Cardiology (1/88)- Children's Hospital Oakland (6 CME's)

UC Irvine, School of Medicine:

- 1) Child Development Course (10/85-12/85) - psychiatry resident course: readings, case presentations, and discussion of issues in child psychological development.
- 2) Longitudinal Case Study Group (9/85-12/85)- Justin Call, MD, Professor of Child Psychiatry. Observational sessions with families to research ongoing development of the children and the family dynamic.
- 3) "At Home" Child Psychiatry Seminar Series (3/84-6/87) - Justin Call, MD. Monthly lectures for psychiatry residents featuring a multidisciplinary approach to issues in child psychology.

Undergraduate Research:

Lab Assistant, Reproductive Endocrinology Lab, Harbor-UCLA Med Center (5/81-5/83)

Contact: see Research & Reference sections below

PERSONAL ACTIVITIES

Kuk Sool Won (traditional Korean martial art)

- 3rd degree black belt (1st dahn, 3/96; 2nd dahn 2/99; 3rd dahn 3/03; ID# A-9660)
- Contact: Master Sung Jin Suh, World Kuk Sool Won Assoc., 20275 FM-2920, Tomball, TX77375; 281-255-2550

PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS

Behavioral Pediatrics -

In college, medical school and residency I developed and pursued interests in psychology, development, and family dynamics. At Kaiser Hayward I helped develop and coordinated a multi-departmental program to evaluate, educate and treat children and families affected by ADHD and other learning or behavior problems. Subsequently, I have developed a sizeable specialty practice, both as a primary provider in my own office, as well as a consultant in San Francisco and Contra Costa Counties. As there is a paucity of services and providers available to indigent children with such behavioral and mental health concerns, in fulfilling my commitment to this group, I have had to bridge the gap between Pediatrics, Psychiatry, and Psychology.

Autism -

As a behavioral pediatrician who is also the father of a 6 year-old child with autism I have a unique perspective and interest in autism.

- I am a voting member of the Community Advisory Committee to the Programs for Exceptional Children of the Oakland Unified School District, which is a parent advocacy group, which serves a review and advisory function to special education students, families and the school district.
- I am familiar with both mainstream and some alternative treatment modalities for autism, including Applied Behavioral Analysis and the Gluten Free Diet.
- I am working with a martial arts instructor and autism therapists to develop a standardized program of martial arts foundational training as an adjunctive treatment modality for children with autism.

Educational Advocacy -

Having grown up with a sister with special educational needs and as a student interested in development and psychology, I naturally gravitated early on in my career to working with families with children with special educational and psychological needs. This work initially focused on children with Attention Deficit-Hyperactivity Disorder, as well as other problems of learning and behavior. This work has brought me in close contact with the educational system and has given me an understanding of how assessment and services are delivered in the school system. My own experiences with the school system as a parent of a child with autism have greatly affected my understanding of the importance of advocacy in education. Part of this sense of advocacy has been cultivated by my participation as a voting member of the Community Advisory Committee to the Programs for Exceptional Children of the Oakland Unified School District, which is an parent advocacy group which serves a review and advisory function to special education students, families and the school district. This role has become a central part of my primary pediatric practice, as well as an area of expertise that is utilized in the part of my practice that is devoted to medical-legal consultation. The nature of this work consists of taking a multidisciplinary view that is medical, developmental, psychological, and educational in nature. Being directly involved with and communicating with school personnel is critical in both ensuring that they understand the needs of the child, as well as to know that the child has a strong advocate in the medical community.

Adolescent Medicine -

As a community physician and behavioral pediatrician, a large number of my patients are “at-risk - teens”, which has increased both my awareness and abilities in this arena. This interest has led me to work in various adolescent medicine clinics including at Kaiser Hayward, the Contra Costa County Juvenile Hall, the San Francisco County Youth Guidance Center (Juvenile Hall), as well as with the San Francisco Special Programs For Youth Second Chance Laser Tattoo Removal Program.

Medical-Legal Review & Advocacy -

As an Expert Medical Reviewer for the Medical Board of California, and as a member of the Contra Costa Health Plan Credentials Committee, I am particularly attuned to issues of quality, as well as the maintenance of or deviation from the standard of care in medicine. I use that expertise, along with my broad clinical experience, to provide medical liaison, second opinions, and medical-legal review privately, either pro bono or on a fee-for-service basis.

Wilderness, Travel, and Disaster Medicine (Austere Medicine) -

My interests began when, following residency, I sought to better prepare myself for wilderness and adventure travel. Subsequently, I began to lecture on various topics, as well as to create some of my own medical kits, manuals, and presentations. Subsequently, I joined the Disaster Medical Assistance Team (DMAT) CA-6, which operates under the National Disaster Medical System of the Department of Health & Human Services. I have been deployed with my team to the World Trade Center Disaster and to Hurricane Katrina. Recently, I have taken on an increasing role of leadership in DMAT as Chief Medical Officer, Medical Director, and Deputy Team Commander. I have also participated in numerous DMAT exercises, as well as State, County, and local hospital disaster drills.

Sports Medicine -

In my role as team physician and medical consultant for The World Kuk Sool Won Association, I have provided medical coverage at numerous martial arts tournaments. I have developed my own system of keeping track of injuries sustained in training and competition, which includes unique medical record forms and photographic documentation. By focusing my efforts on prevention, proper training, and education, both the number and severity of injuries sustained in competition and practice in this organization has dramatically declined.

Vipassana Meditation & Socially Engaged Buddhism -

Through my interests in psychology eastern healing arts I discovered the personal and professional benefits of the Buddhist perspective and insight meditation. Initially I attended silent meditation retreats at Spirit Rock Meditation Center in Marin, CA (1/02 & 12/04). In April 2007 I enrolled in a 2-year intensive program in socially engaged Buddhism entitled: The Path of Engagement. The program consists of weeklong retreats every 6 months and monthly small group meetings and mentor meetings to review educational materials and practice.

Eastern Traditional Medicine -

Because of my interests in martial arts, sports medicine, and wellness, I completed a certificate program in Shi'atsu Acupressure (CST 3/97), which is a therapeutic treatment modality that utilizes acupressure points and traditional Chinese Medicine theory. Following a trip in 1996 to Dharamsala, India, to visit the Tibetan Community in exile, I also pursued studies in Tibetan Medicine theory.

Space Medicine -

Interest in the space program provided the spark that launched me into the sciences as a serious student. As a physician, my interest has persisted and become focused on space medicine. Additionally, I am a founding member of the Challenger Center, an organization created following the Challenger shuttle disaster to promote interest in science for school aged children.

REFERENCES & CONTACT INFORMATION

Pomona College: 550 N. College Ave., Claremont, CA 91711; (909)621-8147

University of California, Santa Cruz: 1156 High St., Santa Cruz, CA 95064; (831)459-0111

University of California, Irvine, School of Medicine: Box 4089, Irvine, CA 92697-4089; (949)824-6138

Children's Hospital Oakland: 747 52nd St., Oakland, CA 94609; ph:(510) 428-3331; fax: (510) 450-5817; email: vaparker@mail.cho.org

Alta Bates Summit Medical Center
2450 Ashby Ave., Berkeley, CA 94705; (510) 204-1521; fax: (510) 204-1221; email:
coopert1@sutterhealth.org

American Academy of Pediatrics (#144881)
141 Northwest Point Blvd., Elk Grove Village, IL 60007-1098; (847)228-5005

American Board of Pediatrics
111 Silver Cedar Ct, Chapel Hill, NC 27514-1651; 919-929-0461
Certification: 11/90; 2/98; 7/8/04

Medical Board of California Expert Medical Reviewer Program
Victoria Curry, Medical Board of California, 1426 Howe Ave. #92, Sacramento, CA 95823;
(916)263-2458; vcurry@medbd.ca.gov

Alameda County Disaster Medical Coordination and Emergency Medical Services for Children
Cynthia Frankel, ALCO Health Care EOC Coordinator, 1000 Broadway, #5013, Oakland, CA
94612; (510) 628-5088; cynthiafrankel@comcast.net

Alameda County First 5/Every Child Counts Committees
Pediatric Advisory Committee, First 5 Alameda County-Every Child Counts
Alameda County Committee on Children With Special Needs
Contact: Laurie Soman, Lucile Packard Children's Hospital, Senior Policy Analyst, 725 Welch Road,
M/C 5524, Palo Alto, CA 94304; LSoman6708@aol.com

Alameda County Health & Medical Preparedness Strategic Planning Group (6/09-pres)
Contact: Muntu Davis, MD, Director, Division of Communicable Disease Control and Prevention,
Alameda County Public Health Department; Muntu.Davis@acgov.org; 510-268-2138

Behavioral Pediatrics of The Bay Area
Norbert Ralph, PhD, Director, 1155 E. 14th St. #295, San Leandro, CA 94577; (510)310-1905

Children's First Medical Group, Autism Steering Committee
Steve Yedlin, MD, Medical Director, 1833 Alcatraz Ave., Berkeley, CA 94703; (510)428-3154

Children's Hospital Oakland
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