

Druana Perren

Curriculum Vita

Personal Information

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Educational History

Board Certified Behavior Analyst

Supervisor: Leah Gongola Ph.D., BCBA-D June 2013

Youngstown State University, Youngstown, Ohio 2009-2012

Master's in Education

Clinical Mental Health Counseling Specialization in Autism

Advisor: Dr. Jake Protivnak

Ursuline College, Pepper Pike, Ohio 2005-2009

Bachelor of Arts Degree, Psychology

Advisor: Dr. Christopher Edmonds

Professional Experience

Mental Health Counselor & Autism Program Supervisor

Cadence Care Network (formerly known as Homes for Kids of Ohio Inc.)
Niles, OH January 2012-June 2020

Mental Health Director: Heather Craver MEd.S., LPCC-S

Part Time Professor

Youngstown State University January 2015- June 2021

Department of Counseling & Special Education

Youngstown, OH

Chair: Dr. Jake Protivnak

Certified EMDR Therapist

Blue Star Family Counseling
Cortland, OH

Dec 2017-Present

Mental Health Director: Amber Stiles Bodnar MEd, LPCC-S, LCDC III

EMDRIA Approved Consultant & Training Facilitator

Amber Stiles Bodnar Consulting
Cortland, OH

July 2019-Present

Owner: Amber Stiles Bodnar MEd, LPCC-S, LCDCIII

Behavior Analyst

ABA Outreach
Independence, OH

Sept. 2014-2018

Owner: Michelle Baskin

Assistant Director

Camp Sunshine, Aurora, OH
Camp Director: Leah Gongola Ph.D., BCBA-D

2012-2013

Clinical Mental Health Internship

Homes for Kids-Child and Family Solutions
Niles, OH

January 2011-2012

Supervisor: Heather Craver LPCC-S

Graduate Assistant

Youngstown State University, Youngstown, OH
Professor: Leah Gongola Ph.D., BCBA-D

August 2009-2012

Graduate Research Assistant

Youngstown State University, Youngstown, OH
Professor: Richard VanVoorhis Ph.D.

Summer 2011

Practicum Experience

Camp Sunshine, Aurora, OH
Camp Director: Leah Gongola Ph.D., BCBA-D

July 2011

Graduate Research Assistant

Youngstown State University, Youngstown, OH
Professor: Leah Gongola Ph.D., BCBA-D

Summer 2010

Autism Buddy Day Camp Counselor

Kidslink Neurobehavioral Center, Hudson, OH
Camp Director: Beth Lattime M. Ed.

July 2009

Licensure

Licensed Professional Counselor/Supervisor 2012-Present
License #: E.1000568-SUPV

Certifications

Board Certified Behavior Analyst 2013-Present
Certification #: 1-13-13442

Certified Ohio Behavior Analyst 2015-Present
COBA.163

EMDRIA Approved Certified EMDR Therapist 2019-Present

EMDRIA Approved Consultant 2019-Present

Professional Trainings

Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing Therapy 2017

National Presentations

Perren, D., Gongola, L., Loudon, J., Speece, A., & Sweeney, J. (2012, January). *No then prompt vs. errorless learning in DTT: which do you use?* Poster session presented at the Applied Behavior Analysis International Autism Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Perren, D., & Gongola, L. (2011, July). *Flush away problems with toilet training.* Poster session presented at the Autism Society of America Conference, Orlando, FL.

Gongola, L., Daddario, R., & **Perren, D.** (2010, May). *A practitioner's guide to implementing DRO among students with autism.* Poster session presented at the Association for Behavior Analysis International Conference, San Antonio, TX.

State Presentations

Perren, D. & Stiles Bodnar, A. (2017, June) *Go with that! Using EMDR informed interventions with individuals with ASD.* Lecture presented at Milestones Autism Spectrum Disorder Conference, Cleveland, OH.

Stiles Bodnar, A., & **Perren, D.** (2017, June) *It's all about the trauma: trauma informed care and ASD.* Lecture presented at Milestones Autism Spectrum Disorder Conference, Cleveland, OH.

Perren, D., & Szanto, R. (2016, November) *Navigating co-occurring diagnoses: diagnosis and treatment of autism spectrum disorder and anxiety.* Lecture presented at All Ohio Counselors Conference, Columbus, OH.

Szanto., R, **Perren, D.**, & Gonda, J. (2016, November) *Complexities within diagnosis and treatment: exploring anxiety and autism spectrum disorder.* Panel presentation presented at Ohio Center for Autism and Low Incidence conference, Columbus, OH.

- Perren, D.**, & Herman E. (2010 November) *Counseling siblings of children with autism*. Poster presented at the Ohio Center for Autism and Low Incidence Conference, Columbus, OH.
- Herman, E., & **Perren, D.** (2010 November) *Assisting students with autism: The role of the school counselor, school psychologist and special education teacher*. Poster session presented at the Ohio Center for Autism and Low Incidence Conference, Columbus, OH.
- Rosales, R., Homlitas, C., Gongola, L., & **Perren, D.** (2010 November) *An evaluation of behavioral skills training and a video module to teach implementation of stimulus preference assessments*. Poster session presented at the Ohio Center for Autism and Low Incidence Conference, Columbus, OH.

Local Presentations and Trainings

- McPherson D. & **Perren, D.** (2017, October). *Crisis prevention for children and special populations*. Training lecture presented at Trumbull County Mental Health and Recovery Board, Warren, OH.
- Perren, D.** (2017, June). *Basic behavioral training*. Training lecture presented at Homes for Kids Child and Family Solutions, Niles, OH.
- Perren, D.** (2017, May). *Autism in the workplace*. Training lecture presented at Goodwill, Cleveland & Canton, OH.
- Perren, D.** (2017, February). *Diagnosing and treating autism spectrum disorder*. Guest lecture presented at Youngstown State University (Social Work department), Youngstown, OH.
- Perren, D.** (2012, May). *Student commencement speaker*. Spring Graduate Graduation Ceremony, Youngstown State University, Youngstown, OH.
- Perren, D.** (2011, December). *Autistic spectrum disorder*. Training lecture presented at Homes for Kids Child and Family Solutions, Niles, OH.
- Perren, D.** (2011, April). *Introduction to academic research on the internet*. Lecture presentation at Youngstown State University, Youngstown, OH.
- Perren, D.**, & Kurz, C. A. (2011, April). *Counseling siblings of children with autism*. Paper session presented at QUEST, Youngstown, OH.
- Perren, D.** (2011, March). *Autism could ruin a marriage: Don't let it!* Poster session presented at the Educational Research Exchange, Youngstown, OH.

Professional Affiliations

Association for Behavior Analysis, International (ABA-I), member
Ohio Counseling Association (OCA), member
Autism Society of America (ASA), member
The Ohio Association for Behavior Analysts (OHABA), member
Association of Professional Behavior Analysts (APBA), member
EMDR International Association (EMDRIA), member

Research

Polyvagal Theory
Families of children with Autism
Preference assessments
Differential Reinforcement of Other behaviors (DRO) and token economies
Classroom interventions for students with Autism

Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing Therapy (EMDR) and Autism

Honors and Awards

Graduate Student Commencement Speaker, Youngstown State University, Youngstown OH	2012
Outstanding Graduate Student Award, Youngstown State University, Youngstown, OH	2011