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Education

Boston University, Boston, MA
Ph.D., Psychology, October 1993
Thesis: The Interrelationship of Stress, Self-esteem, Spiritual Well-Being and Coping
Resources Among African Immigrants.

Boston College Graduate School
Chestnut Hill, MA.
Master of Social Work, May 1989
Concentration: Clinical Social Work

Harvard University, Divinity School
Cambridge, MA.
Masters of Divinity, June 1987
Theology and Counseling.

St. Thomas Aquinas Seminary
Nairobi, Kenya
Diploma of Philosophy and
Religious Studies, May 1983
Philosophy & Religious Studies

St. Augustine's Senior Seminary, Kenya
Diploma of Philosophy, May 1980
Philosophy

Post-graduate Training

Victims of Violence Program, Cambridge Hospital
Relational Trauma, Family Institute of Cambridge
Sensorimotor Psychotherapy Training for Trauma Treatment (NESTTD)
Eye Movement Desensitization Reprocessing (EMDR)

Academic Positions

Simmons College School of Social Work, Associate Professor, July 2006-present
Boston College Graduate School
Associate Professor, Chair of Clinical Sequence, March 2000 - 2004
Assistant Professor, 1994-2000
Adjunct Assistant Professor, 1992-1994

Teaching experience

Simmons College School of Social Work

Spirituality and Social Work
Narrative Approaches to Therapy
Social Work Practice

Boston College

Research Methods
Racism, Cultural Diversity and Oppression
Group Therapy
Advanced Clinical Practice with Children and Families: Assessment,
Intervention and Evaluation Research.
Advances Clinical Practice with Adults: Assessment, Intervention and Evaluation
Research.
Psychological Trauma
Social Work and Pastoral Ministry: Toward Social Transformation
Human Behavior and the Social Environment
Micro-Evaluation Social Work Practice
Human Services in Developing Countries: Uganda

Boston University

Multicultural Family Therapy (Boston Medical Center)
Trauma, Families, Refugees and Immigration Issues (Boston Medical Center)
Teaching Culturally Competent Family Therapy (Boston Medical Center)
Faith Development Across the Life Span (Boston University School of
Theology)

Family Institute of Cambridge

Narrative Approaches to Therapy

Clinical Experience

Clinical Psychologist/Consultant, Counseling & Consultation Associates, Cambridge: Consultant to International Institute of Boston: Trauma and Group Training/Consultation; Psychological evaluation and treatment of torture, Female Genital Cutting (FGC), and war survivors in preparation of affidavits for political asylum petitions. Multicultural Counseling, Collaborative Family Therapy, Supervision, Consultation, Organizational Development, Research and Diversity Training. Group Processes, Consultation with The Conflict Management Group of Cambridge: Research and Training on HIV/AIDS, violence prevention and conflict resolution.

Clinical Social Worker, Group Coordinator and Supervisor, Cambridge Mental Health Association, Cambridge, MA. Direct Service, full-time clinician in Child and Family Outpatient Service. Brief and Long-term treatment with individuals, couples, families and groups covering a broad range of psychiatric/psychosocial/trauma problems. Administrative responsibilities included participation in Quality Assurance and Utilization Reviews (1991 - 1994).

Court Experience (Ongoing since 1989)

Expert Witness: Qualified as, and served as, an expert witness in the Boston Federal Immigration Court in cases involving female genital cutting (FGC), asylum and trauma. (January 2000 - present). Written psychological reports and testified in court cases involving trauma for African immigrants in the United States (1993-present).

Worked with Probate Courts in Family custody cases.

Served as liaison to Probation Officer between a community mental health agency and Juvenile Probate Court on juvenile delinquency cases.

Research Experience

Research on: the psychological impact of war, political persecution and trauma; children and war; Unaccompanied minors from Sudan; Female Genital Cutting; children living in families with HIV/AIDS; the teaching of culturally competent family therapy; culturally competent services for immigrants and refugees; assessing youth violence related to HIV/AIDS; inter-racial relations; inter professional education; and spirituality in therapy.

Diversity Experience

Taught courses in family therapy cultural competency at the Center for Multicultural training in Psychology; Presented on issues of diversity and cultural competency at the New Jersey Center for Multicultural Training with Monica McGoldrick for over 8 years; Offered workshops at The Family Institute of Cambridge and a year long seminar at the Advocates, Inc. a mental health agency

for people with mental retardation; worked with Children's Hospital to develop issues of cultural competency for the staff and administrators. Participated in Diversity Challenge workshops with Janet Helms at Boston College.

Funded Grants/Grant Applications

Working with child headed families; The Ella Lyman Cabot Foundation, Needham, MA . Funded at \$12,897, June 2006

U.S. State Department Bureau of Education and Cultural Affairs, Citizens Exchange Grant. Principal Investigator, Funded at \$107, 000, with \$67, 000 co-share (2004-2005)

University Summer Research Expense Grant. Grant to extend study on grandfathers raising children living with HIV/AIDS in Uganda .(Summer, 2004).

University Fall Research Expense Grant. Grant to analyze data on grandparents raising children living with HIV/AIDS in Uganda .(Spring/Winter, 2004).

Boston College, Mini-grant for Service Learning Project for 8 students to work with the AIDS Support Organization (TASO) in Uganda. Focus on war and AIDS Summer 2003

Ella Lyman Cabot Trust Foundation. Grant to investigate the psychological impact of war on children in Uganda. November 2002

Ella Lyman Cabot Trust Foundation. Grant to develop computer cafes for Street Boys in Kampala, Uganda. May 2002.

University Fall Research Expense Grant. Grant to expand research on mental health issues for children in families living with HIV/AIDS (Summer/Fall 2000).

The William T. Grant Foundation. Grant application to assess violence prevention care needs associated with children in HIV/AIDS Affected Families (Fall 1999).

Lois and Samuel Silberman Foundation. Grant application to expand research on children in families with HIV/AIDS for nationwide study (Summer 1999).

University Research Incentive Grant. Grant to conduct research on mental health issues for children in families living with HIV/AIDS (Summer 1998).

The MacArthur Foundation. Grant to investigate revenge and reconciliation among Hutu and Tutsi in Rwanda (1997).

Awards

Cultural and Economic Diversity (Social Justice) Award by the American Family Therapy Academy, (July 2003).

Paradigm Shift Award. Distinguished Service Award in Pastoral Psychotherapy (Andover-Newton, Fall, 1999).

Paul Johnson Award. Nomination for Teaching Assistantship (Boston University, 1989).

Publications

Kamya, H. (2005). African immigrant families. In McGoldrick, M., Giordano, J., & Garcia-Preto, N. (Eds.) *Ethnicity and family therapy* (pp.101-116). New York: Guilford Press.

Kamya, H. (2005). The impact of war on children and families: Their stories, my own stories. In *AFTA Monograph. Touched by War zones, near and far: Oscillations of despair and hope*. Spring, vol.1, 1

Kamya, H. & Trimble, D. (2002). Response to injury: Toward an ethical construction of the other. *Journal of Systemic Therapies*, 21, 3, 19-29

Kamya, H. (2002). Talking of home and journeys of the spirit. *Dulwich Center Journal*, 2, 8-10.

Kamya, H. (2001). Lamenting together. *Dulwich Center Journal*, 1, 24-26

Kamya, H. (2000). Hardiness and Spiritual Well-Being Among Social Work Students: Implications for Social Work Education. *Social Work Education*, 36, 2, 231-240.

Kamya, H. & O'Brien, M. (2000). Interprofessional Education in Theology and Social work: Postmodern and Practical Theological Dimensions *Journal of Teaching in Theology and Religion*, 3 (1) 20-32.

Kamya, H. (2000). Bereavement and Spirituality in V. Lynch (Ed.) *HIV/AIDS at Year 2000: A Sourcebook for Social Workers* (pp. 242 –256) Needham, MA: Allyn and Bacon

Kamya, H. (1999). The landscape of spirituality in therapy. *The Bulletin of the Boston Institute for Psychotherapy*, 3 (2) 12-17.

- Kamya, H. & Lowery, C.(1999). Pastoral counseling: An emerging partner in social service in R. Tourse and J. Mooney (Eds.) *Collaborative practice School and human service partnerships* (pp. 181-200) Westport, CT: Praeger.
- Kamya, H. (1998). Enhancing our response toward children living in families with HIV and AIDS. *Common Ground*. 14, 6.
- Kamya, H. (1997). Group work with children in HIV/AIDS-Affected Families. *Journal of HIV/AIDS Prevention & Education for Adolescents & Children*, 1(2), 73-91.
- Kamya, H. (1997). African Immigrants in the United States: The Challenge for Research and Practice. *Social Work*, 42(2), 154-165.
- Collins, P., Kamya, H., & Tourse, R. (1997). Questions of Racial Diversity and Mentorship: An Empirical Exploration. *Social Work*, 42(2), 145- 152.
- Kamya, H. (1988).The Family in Uganda: Owning Our Heritage, *Harmony*, 5, 14-18.

Articles/Book chapters in press/accepted for publication

- Kamya, H. (in press). Narrative therapy and culture in *Promoting Social Justice*, ALE Press.
- Kamya, H. (in press). Health beliefs and health utilization of African immigrants in the United States.
- Kamya, H. (in press). The psychological impact of war on children: The case of Uganda and Sudan.
- Webb, D., Foster, G., Kamya, H., & Serpell, N. (in press). Children Affected by HIV/AIDS: Priority Areas for Future Research. *AIDS International*.
- Kamya, H. (in press). Providers' perceptions of mental health issues affecting children in families with HIV/AIDS: A needs assessment at the end of the second decade.
- Kamya, H. (in press). War, HIV/AIDS and oppression in Uganda.
- Kamya, H. (in press). The effects of war on the psychological, political and social conditions in Uganda.
- Kamya, H. (in press). Providing culturally competent support groups for immigrants and refugees.
- Kamya, H. (in press). Mama Jaja: Grandparents raising children in Uganda. *Journal of Health and Social Work Policy*
- Kamya, H. (in progress). Female genital cutting in the context of war.
- Kamya, H. (in progress). Inter-racial couples: challenges, dilemmas and hopefulness.

Kamya, H. (in progress). Children and war in Uganda: Growing up in danger.

Book Reviews

Shared Grace: Therapists and clergy working together. (2000) by M. Bilich, S. Bonfiglio, S. Carlson. (Contribution to book reviews cited in text).

Applied Social Research: Tool for the Human Services. (1997) 4th Edition. Edited by D.R. Monette, T. J. Sullivan, & C.R. DeJong. (Contribution to review cited in text, p. vi)

Review Boards

Journal of Systemic Therapies
International Migration Review Journal
Family Process

Selected Professional Paper Presentations

Health Disparities in the U.S. and abroad. Massachusetts Compassionate Care Coalition, Newton, MA. June 6, 2006.

Integrating worlds apart: the challenges for immigrant families in the United States. The 15th Annual Culture Conference: Multicultural Family Institute. Brunswick, New Jersey. March 30-April 2, 2006

Contours of hate: Opening doors, shutting doors. AFTA, Washington, D.C., June 24-26, 2005

Legacies of hate. The 14th Annual Culture Conference: Multicultural Family Institute. Brunswick, New Jersey. May 1-2, 2005

Reflections on Growing up in a war zone. AFTA, San Francisco. June 26, 2004

Raising biracial children. The 13th Annual Culture Conference: Multicultural Family Institute. Brunswick, New Jersey. May 1-2, 2004

The impact of war on refugee youths and families. Boston, January 2004.

Female genital cutting and its implications for providers serving sub-saharan Africans. Boston Medical Center, December 4, 2003

The psychological impact of war on children: The case of Uganda and Sudan. The 19th Annual meeting of the International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies. Chicago. October 29-November 1, 2003.

HIV/AIDS in Uganda. Hingham Congregational Church, Hingham, MA. September 27, 2003.

Taboo in couples work. NASW, Needham, MA. September 17, 2003

Toward cultural competency for HIV/AIDS providers serving Sub-Saharan Africans. Boston Medical Center, September 10, 2003

Cooking with Bakhtin: Understanding concepts. AFTA. Miami, July 28, 2003.

Integrating narrative approaches in clinical work, Boston College, June 2003

The impact of sexual abuse by clergy on the spirituality of social workers. Boston College, May, 2003

Enhancing Cultural Competency in the Workplace Training. Advocates, Inc. Waltham, MA. February – April- June 2003

Collaborative practices with Children and Families Training. Childrens' Hospital, Boston. December 2002 – March 2003.

Treatment Issues with Immigrant and Refugee Populations. Emerson College Counseling Center. Boston, March 19, 2003.

Selected Professional Paper Presentations (cont.)

Trauma and Spirituality. Toward a Spiritually Sensitive Practice Annual Social Work Conference. VA, Bedford. March 18, 2003.

Grandparents Raising Orphans in Uganda. Faculty International Forum. Boston College. January 16, 2003

Clinical and Family Therapy Consultations Here and Abroad, American Family Therapy Academy, New York, June 26 –June 30, 2002

Cultural Competence Training. African Health Initiative, Inc. Multicultural AIDS Coalition. June 24, 2002.

Talking of Home and Journeys of the Spirit, International Narrative Therapy and Community Work Conference. Atlanta, June 19-21, 2002.

Spirituality and Social Work Clinical Practice. Lahey Clinic, Boston, June 12, 2002.

The 13th Annual Conference on HIV/AIDS: The Social Work Response. New Orleans, May 29- June 2, 2002.

Spiritual Reconciliation in Multicultural Contexts: Inspirations, Challenges , and Dilemmas. The 11 Annual Culture Conference: Cultural & Family Legacies: Truth and Reconciliation in the aftermath of September 11th. May 3-4, 2002.

Treatment issues on cultural competency for Social Workers, Lahey Clinic, Boston, June 13, 2001.

AIDS in Africa: Past, Present and Future Issues. The 13 th Annual HIV/AIDS Conference: The Social Work Response. Plenary Presentation. Philadelphia, May 31 – June 3, 2001.

Working with Immigrant and Refugee Families. The 10 th Annual Cultural and Diversity Conference. Understanding Children and Families in a Multicultural Society. New Brunswick, New Jersey, May 4-5, 2001.

The Immigrant Experience: Challenges and Dilemmas. Key note speaker at Bridgewater School of Social Work Conference. Bridgewater, May 3, 2001.

Family Therapy”. Center for Multicultural Training in Psychology/VA Seminar. Boston, May 2, 2001.

“Facilitating conversations across divides: A retreat workshop with St. Paul’s Episcopal Church, Natick. Duxbury, MA , April 21, 2001.

“Spirituality and Social Work”. Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA April 19, 2001.

“Challenges and Dilemmas of the Immigrant Experience.” For the Love of the Job. New England Network 35th Annual Winter Conference. March 14 –15, 2001. Warwick , Rhode Island.

“Lamenting together: Stories of Migration and the Refugee Experience.” Narrative Therapy and Community Work Conference. Adelaide, South Australia. February 16-18, 2001

“Groupwork with children and youth living in HIV/AIDS affected families: Lessons from Uganda and the United States.” *International Conference on HIV/AIDS and Youth*, Kampala, Uganda, December 10-13, 2000.

“The Forces of Social Transformation.” *Annual Conference of the New England Association of Pastoral Counselors*. Boston, October 29-30, 1999.

“Challenges and Creative Forces: The Impact of Spirituality in the New Millennium.” *The Twenty First Century: Promises and Fears*. Andover-Newton, October 20, 1999

“Listening to Spirituality in the Immigrant Experience: An Ethic of Care.” *The 107th Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association*, Boston, August 23, 1999.

“Culturally Competent Support Groups for Refugee Women.” *Journeys of Hope*, Boston, August 30 –31, 1999.

“Multicultural Training in Family Therapy.” *The 21st Annual American Family Therapy Academy Meeting (AFTA)*, Washington, D.C., June 26, 1999.

“Culturally Competent Support Groups.” *Building Linguistic and Cultural Bridges*, Boston, June 22, 1999.

“Inter-racial Couples: Challenges, Dilemmas and Hopefulness.” *Family Institute of New Jersey Conference*, Metuchen, NJ, May 15, 1999.

“Children and War in Africa: The psychosocial and psychological impact.” *War and Human Rights*, Cambridge, February 9, 1999.

“Cultural diversity: Multicultural training, competence and treatment issues” *Bay State Community Services Conference*, Quincy, February 3, 1999.

“Working with children in families living with HIV and AIDS.” *The Martin Institute Series*, Stonehill, November 16, 1998.
Selected Professional Paper Presentations(cont.)

“Envisioning Spirituality in the Workplace: A Response.” *Spirituality in Workplace Conference*. Newton, October 22, 1998.
Selected Professional Paper Presentations (cont.)

“Cultural Diversity in the Workplace.” *St. Elizabeth’s Medical Center Conference*, Brighton, MA, October 13, 1998.

“The Psychosocial Impact of HIV/AIDS on Children and Youth.” *Conference Developing International Collaborative Ties among Practitioners and Researchers*, White Oak Conservation Center, Yulee, Florida, October 1 - 4, 1998.

“Story and Spirituality : Working with Individuals and Families.” *Harvard Vanguard Conference*, Boston, July, 22, 1998.

“Research Informing Practice with Vulnerable Populations (Immigrants): Implications for Field Education.” *Mary Mason Presentation*,. Boston College, May, 7, 1998.

“Spirituality in clinical practice: Listening with a New Lens.” *NASW Symposium ‘98 (Mass. Chapter)*. Boston, April, 14-15, 1998.

“Women in Healing: Challenges, Barriers, and Opportunities: A Response.” *Boston College Conference on Women in Healing*, March, 31, 1998.

“Working with narrative approaches in family therapy.” *Family Institute of Cambridge Workshop*, Watertown, April, 8, 1998.

“Spiritual narratives in a clinical context.” *Family Institute of Cambridge Workshop*. Watertown, March 10, 1998.

“Working with Differences: Treatment Issues in a Multicultural Context.” *Emerson Hospital Workshop on Diversity*. Concord, March, 2, 1998.

“Enhancing school-based preventive interventions with elementary school children living with HIV/AIDS.” *HIV Prevention Strategies for African American Communities: Social Work’s Role Conference*, Atlanta, GA. February 20, 1998.

“Groupwork with children in Families living with HIV/AIDS.” *Annie Casey Foundation/Casey Family Services Conference . Families with AIDS: Planning Children’s Future*. Baltimore, MD. December 10-12, 1997.

“Mental Health Issues for Black Males in HIV/AIDS-affected Families.” *The 105th Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association*. Chicago, IL. August, 15-19, 1997

“Groupwork with immigrant and culturally diverse populations.” *The International Institute of Boston Workshop Series*. Boston, MA. July 8 & August 12, 1997.

“Working with Diversity/African Americans.” *The Daniels Institute Diversity Workshop*. Boston, MA. April 23, 1997.

“Immigrant Families and Trauma.” *Boston Medical Center Lecture Series*. Boston, MA. March 5/6; April 7, 1996.

“Groupwork with Children living in Families with HIV/AIDS.” *NASW Symposium ‘96 (Mass. Chapter)*: Marlborough, MA. March 21-23, 1996.

Empowering Ourselves - Social Workers Mentoring Social Workers. *NASW Symposium ‘94 (Mass. Chapter)*: Marlborough, MA April 21-23, 1994.

“Mentorship Among Social Workers: The Good News and The Bad News About Gender and Race Relations.” *Social Work '93: NASW Meeting of the Profession*, Orlando, FL. November. 21-23, 1993.

“AIDS in Uganda: Primary Education Issues.” *AIDS '90: The Social Work Response*. San Jose University, June 8-10, 1990.

“Understanding the Socio-cultural Context of AIDS Education in Uganda.” *AIDS: '89: The Social Work Response*, Chestnut Hill, MA, June, 13-15, 1989.

Media Appearances

“The State of Africa.” *WDHD-TV 7: Urban Update African Politics Series* with Lester Strong). August, 2-30, 1998

“When Parents Leave: Divorce and Separation.” *WBZ-TV 4: Rap Around*. June, 13, 1998

Service to Community Organizations

Community Legal Services and Counseling Center, Cambridge (1992 -present).
St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Clinical Pastoral Education Program (1997 - present).

The Danielsen Institute, Boston University (1996 - present).
Center for Multi-cultural Training in Psychology, Boston Medical Center (1995 - present).

International Institute of Boston (1997 - 1999)

Diversity Task Force for Northeastern Society for Group Psychotherapy (1992 - 1996)

Temporary Care Services - Respite Care for Mentally Handicapped Children (1990 - 1996).

Institutional Committees

International and Internationalization Committee 1996-1999
Executive Committee 1996-2001
Faculty International Forum 1999-2004
Academic Planning Committee 2000-2004
Search Committee 1998-2005
Promotion and Tenure Committee 2001-present
Teaching, Research and Service Awards Committee 2000-2002
Diversity Committee (2001-present)

Language Proficiency

English, Swahili, Luganda, French and Latin

Memberships and Affiliations

American Group Psychotherapy Association
National Association of Social Workers (NASW)
American Psychological Association
Northeastern Society for Group Psychotherapy
Social Work Therapy Referral Service Commission
American Family Therapy Academy (AFTA)

Certifications and Licensure

Licensed Psychologist
Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker
Certified Group Psychotherapist
Certified Oral Proficiency Tester, American Council on the Teaching of
Foreign Languages (ACTFL)