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EDUCATION

- 8/01- 12/07 PhD
Curriculum & Instruction, Cognate in Public Health Nutrition
University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida
- 8/87 – 12/88 Master of Science in Nutrition
Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio
- 8/87 – 8/88 Dietetic Internship
VA Medical Center, Cleveland, Ohio
- 6/83 – 6/87 Bachelor of Science in Dietetics
The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

- 8/10 – Present University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida
College of Public Health, Department of Community & Family Health
Assistant Professor
Developing a dietetics program for the university. Teach 1/1 load. Conduct applied nutrition research in food insecurity and outcomes research in nutrition.
- 7/08 – 8/10 University of North Florida, Jacksonville, Florida
Dietetic Internship Director/Assistant Professor
Administered the MSH/Dietetic Internship Program. Coordinated practicum sites, developed and revised program curriculum, conducted continuous program evaluation, and maintained accreditation. Taught graduate and undergraduate level dietetic courses in medical nutrition therapy, clinical nutrition and research methodology. Conducted applied research in food insecurity, nutrition and HIV, and dietetics pedagogy.
- 6/04 – 6/08 Bay Pines VA Hospital, St. Petersburg, Florida
Dietetic Internship Director
Began and administered the Dietetic Internship Program. Developed and revised supervised practice curriculum, provided training sessions for preceptors, planned and supervised advance practice workshops, recruited and selected candidates, managed the human resource, fiscal and administrative aspects of the internship including stipends, accreditation

fees and affiliation agreements, monitored intern progress, obtained and maintained accreditation, and evaluated program outcomes. Taught graduate level dietetic courses.

CLINICAL PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

- 2/07 – Present Meals on Wheels, Bradenton, Florida
Consultant Dietitian
Counsel clients enrolled in Meals on Wheels program. Write and analyze monthly menus and ensure they meet government guidelines. Conduct inspections of meal sites. Provide nutrition education to meal sites.
- 6/09 – 9/10 Brooks Rehabilitation Hospital, Jacksonville, Florida
Coverage Dietitian
Provided weekend coverage on average 2 weekends/month for 100 bed rehabilitation hospital. Conducted nutritional assessments, diagnosed nutritional problems and provided nutritional intervention, monitoring and evaluation.
- 2/89 – 6/04 James A. Haley VA Hospital, Tampa, Florida
Clinical Dietitian
Conducted nutritional assessments, diet education, nutrient and tube-feeding calculations for case load of 70 acute inpatients. Provided nutrition education to outpatients in Infectious Disease Clinic. Covered for Clinical Nutrition Supervisor and Dietetic Internship Director.
- 11/93 – 6/04 **Consultant Dietitian** – Past Accounts:
HouseCalls Home Health, Su Casa Nursing Home, Florida Westcoast Clinical Research, NorthBay Medical Center, Shriner's Hospital for Children, Countryside Nursing and Rehab Center, USF Psychiatry Center, CareUnit of Tampa Bay

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 8/10 – Present University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida
Assistant Professor
Teach undergraduate courses: Introduction to Nutrition, Diet and Disease, Lifecycle, Food and Culture; Teach graduate course in Public Health Nutrition
- 7/08 – 8/10 University of North Florida, Jacksonville, Florida
Assistant Professor
Taught face-to-face courses in Diet Therapy for senior DPD students; Nutritional Assessment, Clinical Nutrition, Research Methodology and Supervised Practice for graduate students.

- 8/89 – 7/08 Hillsborough Community College, Tampa, Florida
Adjunct Instructor
 Introductory nutrition course for nursing and hospitality management majors. Developed distance learning sections and expanded course from one to seven sections per semester. Developed and obtained accreditation for Dietetic Technician program and taught Clinical Nutrition course.
- 8/06 – 7/08 Manatee Community College, Bradenton, Florida
Adjunct Instructor
 Introductory nutrition course for nursing majors. Developed distance learning sections.

AREAS OF RESEARCH & RESOURCE GENERATION

Food Insecurity:

- *Feeding America Tampa Bay Meals for Minds* Program Evaluation. Hillsborough County grant for \$10,000. Project in data collection.
- *Feeding America Tampa Bay Backpack* Program Evaluation. USF Internal grant for \$10,000. Project in data collection.
- Development of the causal pathway between food insecurity, nutritional status, diet quality, mental health, resilience, social support and ART outcomes among HIV+ individuals. USF Internal grant for \$25,000. Project in data collection.
- Prevalence and impact of food insecurity in college students. Unfunded project in data collection.
- Coping strategies utilized by food insecure families. Unfunded project. Manuscript accepted for publication and presentation.
- Impact of home-delivered meals on seniors' nutritional health. Funded by the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Foundation. Manuscript accepted for publication and presentation.
- Impact of food insecurity on weight and strategies in Belize. Unfunded project. Manuscript published.
- Development of a nutrition education program to promote fruit and vegetable intake in children from food insecure households. USF Polytechnic Challenge Grant. Funded 2012 for 10,000. Manuscript published.
- Incidence of Malnutrition and Complementary Feeding Practices of Infants living in rural Dominican Republic. Manuscript published.

Nutrition in Infectious disease:

- Design and Impact of a nutrition counseling and support program on infant feeding practices in women living with HIV in Uganda. Site visit 6/13. CCNIHR grant scored.
- Determination of the most effective method of nutritional assessment in patients with liver disease and the incidence of malnutrition and nutrition-related complications in those patients being actively treated for Hepatitis C. USF New Researcher's Grant. Funded 2012 for \$19,000. Data collection.

- Development and validation of a screening tool for nutritional risk in patients with HIV disease. Brooks Foundation. Funded 2009 for \$54,000. Manuscript published.
- Impact of nutrition education on AIDS patients' knowledge, belief and nutritional status. Department of Veterans Affairs. Funded 1997 for \$5000. Manuscript published.
- Syndemics of HIV, hunger and poverty in indigenous populations of Latin America. USF Internal Grant for \$50,000. Data collection.

Nutrition and Dietetics Education

- Home Instruction of Parents of Preschool Youth on Approaches for the Prevention or Early Childhood Obesity (HIPPOY Nutrition). NIH R21 submitted scored.
- Electronic Medical Records Simulation to Enhance Learning of Medical Nutrition Therapy. Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Grant. Funded 2012 for \$142000 total grant/ \$6000 USF portion. Data collection in progress.
- Transformational Learning Outcomes grant: Provision of multidisciplinary medical care in Belize. UNF. Funded 2010 for \$5000. Manuscripts published.
- Impact of a diabetes health fair on client self-efficacy. Aetna. Funded 2009 for \$9000.
- Application of the Consumer Processing Theory to a Wellness Fair. Aetna. Funded 2008 for \$10,000.
- Establishment and health outcomes of a diabetes treatment center. UNF Foundation. Funded 2009 for \$14000.
- Student outcomes in distance learning versus traditional dietetic internships. Dissertation. Manuscript published.
- Lipid Management Nutrition Outcome Project (LMNOP). National VA co-director for evidence-based outcome study on medical nutrition therapy in lipid management.

Eating Disorders

- Association between ADHD and Binge Eating with Treatment Success at the Tampa General Bariatric Clinic. Women's Health Collaborative Grant funded 2015 for \$12500. Data collection.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Wright, L and Gupta, P. Coping strategies adopted by urban poor to ameliorate food insecurity: Case of three countries. *Journal of Food Insecurity*. 2015. Manuscript in press.
- Wright L, Vance L, Sudduth C and Epps J. The Impact of a home-delivered meal program on nutritional risk, dietary intake, food security, loneliness and social well-being. *Journal of Nutrition in Gerontology and Geriatrics*. 2015;34(2):218-227.
- Wright L and Epps J. Coping Strategies, their relationship to weight status and food assistance food programs utilized by the food-insecure in Belize. *International Proceedings of Chemical, Biological and Environmental Engineering*. 2015;8:66-73.
- Wright L. Review of Nutritional Epidemiology, third edition: Walter Willett. *Annals of Epidemiology*. 2015;25:358-359..
- Wright L, Corvin J, Hoare I, Epps J. Community Assessment of Nutritional Needs and Barriers to Health Care Access in Belize. *International Journal of Nutrition and Dietetics*. 2015;2(2):97-114.

- Wright L, Epps J. Nutrition risk and complications in HIV: the impact of food insecurity. *Topics in Clinical Nutrition*. 2014;9(4).
- Wright L, Epps J. Summative evaluation of a malnutrition program for children in the Dominican Republic. *Universal Journal of Public Health*. 2014;2(2):54057.
- Wright L, Lundy M. International service learning program improves dietetic interns' cultural awareness and reflective thinking. *Journal of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetic*. 2014;114(7):996-997.
- Wright L, Epps J. Relationship between childhood obesity and fruit and vegetable intake in African-American children from food-insecure households. *Journal of Community Nutrition and Health*; 2013; 2(1):76-83.
- Wright L. Childhood obesity. *Journal of Pediatric Biochemistry*. 2013; 3(1): 24-31.
- Wright L, Lund M, Noonan A. Blogging as a Tool to Promote Reflection Among Allied Health Profession Students During an International Service-Learning Experience. *Journal of Allied Health*. 2012;41(3):73-78.
- Wright, L, Christie, C and Watkins, J. Dietary Intake and the Risk of Breast Cancer. In: *Bioactive Foods and Extracts*. November 2010.
- Christie, C, Correa Matos, N and Wright, L. The Role of Flavonoids in Fruits and Vegetable Related to Breast Cancer Prevention. In: *Bioactive Foods and Extracts*. November 2010.
- Wright, L and Rodriguez, J. Disease Prevention and Management. In: *The New Latino's American Cuisine: A Fusion of Nutrition and Culture*. November 2010.
- Diet Manual Chapter on Nutritional Management of Liver disease. Florida Dietetic Association Manual. October 2010.
- Wright, L. Comparison of Student Outcomes in Distance Learning versus Traditional Dietetic Internships. 2009. *Journal of Nutrition Education*. *Top Clin Nutr*. 24(3):243-251.
- Diet Manual Chapter on Nutritional Management of HIV disease. Florida Dietetic Association Manual. September 2009.
- Diet Manual Chapter on Nutritional Care of Short Bowel Syndrome. Florida Dietetic Association Manual. October 2008.
- Wright, LY, Hiller, LD. Practical application of the department of veterans affairs (VA) clinical nutrition staffing model. *JADA*. 2003;103(9): 140.
- Wright LY. Impact of nutrition education on nutrition knowledge, attitude and behavior of persons with human immunodeficiency syndrome. *AIDS Patient Care*. 1995;9(5), 31-35.
- Ysseldyke LL. Nutritional complications and incidence of malnutrition among AIDS patients. *Journal of The American Dietetic Association*. 1991;2, 213-214.

PRESENTATIONS

- Wright, L. *Food insecurity: A health perspective*. Keynote for Feeding America Tampa Bay Annual Community Partners Symposium. April 2015.
- Wright, L. *Food insecurity: A health perspective*. Dietetic Educators Annual Meeting: Denver, Colorado. March 2015.
- Wright, L and Epps, J. *Coping strategies, their relationship to weight status and food assistance programs utilized by the food-insecure in Belize*. International Conference on Food Security

- and Nutrition. Florence, Italy. March 2015.
- Wright, L. *The role of nutrition in injury prevention among elite ballet dancers*. Performing Arts Medicine Association Annual Conference. March 2015.
- Wright, L., Nelms, M. and Landers, P. *Development of a simulation programs for dietetic students*. 2013 FNCE. Houston, TX. October 2013.
- Wright, L. and Rodriguez, J. *Innovations in food insecurity*. Session presentation: 2013 Annual Symposium of the Florida Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. Orlando, FL. July 2013.
- Wright, L. *Developing Cultural Competence in Dietitians*. Session presentation: 2010 Annual Meeting of the American Dietetic Association. Boston, MA. November 2010.
- Wright, L. *Preceptor Recruitment*. Session presentation: 2010 Annual Meeting of the American Dietetic Association. Boston, MA. November 2010.
- Wright, L. *Research in Clinical Practice*. Session presentation: 2010 Annual Meeting of the Tampa/Pinellas Dietetic Association. Tampa, Fl. January 2010.
- Wright, L. *Innovations in Teaching and Practice*. Session presentation: 2009 Annual Meeting of the American Dietetic Association. Denver, CO. October 2009.
- Wright, L. *Research in Clinical Practice*. Session presentation: 2009 Florida Dietetic Association. Orland, Fl. July 2009.
- Wright, L. *Dietary Factors in the Prevention of Breast Cancer*. Session Presentation: 2008 Annual Conference of the Nurse Practitioners in Women's Health. Seattle, WA. October 2008.
- Wright, L. *Comparison of Student Outcomes in Traditional versus Distant-Learning Dietetic Internships*. Session presentation: DEP Area III Annual Meeting. Charleston, SC. March 2008.
- Wright, L. *Implementing the Nutrition Care Process*. Department of Veterans Affairs Webinar. Washington, DC. March 2007.
- Wright, L. *Using Distant Education to Compete in Higher Education*. Session presentation: 2006 Annual Meeting of the American Dietetic Association. Honolulu, HI. September 2006.
- Wright, L. *Practical Application of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Clinical Nutrition Staffing Model*. Poster presentation: 2003 Annual Meeting of the American Dietetic Association. San Antonio, Tx. October 2003.
- Wright, L. *Incidence of Lipodystrophy in HIV Patients*. Poster presentation: 2001 Annual Meeting of the Florida Dietetic Association. Boca Raton, Fl. July 2001.
- Wright, L. *New Trends in the Nutritional Treatment of HIV Infection*. Session presentation: Spotlight on VA Dietitians. Tampa, Fl. February 1998.
- Wright, L. *Nutritional Care in Hemophilia and AIDS*. Session presentation: National Hematology Conference. Marco Island, Fl. June 1997.
- Wright, L. *Nutrition and HIV Disease: Across the Spectrum*. Session Presentation: Department of Veterans' Affairs. Washington D.C. September 1995.
- Wright, L. *Impact of Nutrition education on Nutrition Knowledge, Attitude and Behavior of Persons with HIV*. Session and Original Contribution: 77th Annual Meeting of the American Dietetic Association. Orlando, Fl. October 1994.
- Wright, L. *Nutrition Support in HIV*. Session Presentation: FSPEN/FANS 14th Annual Seminar. St Petersburg, Fl. June 1994.
- Wright, L. *Nutritional Complications and Incidence of Malnutrition among AIDS Patients*. Session presentation: Florida Dietetic Association Annual Meeting. Tarpon Springs, Fl. June 1993.

Ysseldyke, L. *Nutritional Complications and Incidence of Malnutrition among AIDS Patients*. Poster presentation: 63rd Annual Meeting of the American Dietetic Association. Denver, Co. October 1990.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES:

6/2014 – Present	Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics – Media Spokesperson (Public Health Nutrition)
6/2012 – 6/1/2015	Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics – Board Member
10/2014 – Present	Florida Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics – Public Policy Team Leader
4/2011 – 10/2013	Florida Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics – President-elect and President
6/2009 – 6/2010	DEP – Chair of the Dietetic Educators Practice Group
6-1998 - 6/2012	Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics – Site Visitor
2010 – 2012	Academy of Nutrition & Dietetics - Education Committee Member
7/2010 – 2012	Academy of Nutrition & Dietetics – Alternative Pathways Workgroup
10/2008 - 6/2010	Academy of Nutrition & Dietetics – Council on Future Practice
6/2006 – 6/2008	DEP - Area Coordinator of the Dietetic Educators Practice Group
1/2003 - Present	Academy of Nutrition & Dietetics - Abstract Reviewer for the American Dietetic Association national Meeting
1999-2000	Tampa Dietetic Association - Media Representative
1996-1997	Florida Dietetic Association - State Media Representative

CREDENTIALS

Registered Dietitian/Nutritionist under the standards of the Commission on Dietetic Registration, American Dietetic Association (#720000)

Licensed Dietitian in the State of Florida (#5504)