

Edmund J. Clark, M.D.

Curriculum Vitae

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Physician and Acting Chief of the VA Mental Health Clinics Jacksonville, FL
U.S. Navy Veteran (Iraq 08-09, GTMO 10, LCDR Medical Corps)
Returned Peace Corps Volunteer (Kenya 97-99)

Licensure & Board Certification

- Aug 09-present **Licensed Physician in the State of Florida**
License number: ME 105344
- Sep 09-present **American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology (ABPN) specialty board certification in Psychiatry**
Certification diploma number: 60272
- Jul 08-present **Credentialed and Privileged Provider – NF/SG Veterans Health System**

Education

- Aug 00-May 04 **University of Florida College of Medicine** Gainesville, FL
Doctor of Medicine
- Cumulative GPA 3.73, Class Rank: 35/117, USMLE I and II: 228 and 209. No adverse academic actions. “Excellent” performance noted in Dean’s Letter.
 - Co-chair of the International Medicine and Public Health student organization.
 - Medical missions to Haiti and Nicaragua
 - Alachua County HIV Counseling Certification
 - Equal Access Clinic volunteer
- Aug 93-Dec 96 **University of Colorado at Boulder** Boulder, CO
Master of Arts in Environmental, Population, and Organismic Biology
- Cumulative GPA 3.98
 - Comparative endocrinology research, focus on the effects of pesticide contamination on reproductive function
 - Competitive financial support received: Grant-in-Aid of Student Research Sigma Xi, Dean’s Small Grant, Tuition Fellowship from Office of Naval Research for Embryo Defense Mechanisms Course at Hopkins Marine Station
 - Master’s Thesis: Effects of steroids and pesticides (DDT, DDE) on the gonads of the tiger salamander, *Ambystoma tigrinum*
 - Graduate Student Instructor for Biology, Human Physiology, and Human Anatomy
 - Boulder Shelter for the Homeless volunteer
- Aug 88-May 93 **New College** Sarasota, FL
Bachelor of Arts in Biology/Zoology
- Honors college of the state university system, no grades, emphasis on research and student designed curriculum

- Senior Thesis: The effects of LHRH and hCG/PMSG on oogenesis in the bidder's organ of the toad, *Bufo terrestris*
- Off campus study at University of Florida 1991-1992, GPA 3.69
- UF neonatal foal unit volunteer, Pelican Man's Bird Sanctuary volunteer

Professional Work Experience

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| Nov 15 - Present | <p>Jacksonville Outpatient Clinics VA NF/SG VHS - VISN 8
 <i>Psychiatrist</i>
 Supervisor: Joseph Thornton, M.D. Associate Chief of Staff Mental Health NF/SG</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Board certified psychiatrist, providing a full range of outpatient services to veterans in Florida's greatest city. ▪ Acting Chief of Mental Health Clinics since January 2018, overseeing 45 positions in three clinic locations, providing mental health care to 13000 veterans, while actively seeking to improve access to the many other veterans in Jacksonville struggling with the invisible wounds of war. ▪ Subject matter expert in treatment of PTSD, providing CME lectures to VA staff. ▪ VA Lead for UF Health's Psychiatry Residency Training Program, ensuring that tomorrow's mental health providers are well prepared to care for a growing veteran population. Courtesy Assistant Professor of Psychiatry at UF COM – Jacksonville. | Jacksonville, FL |
| Jul 14- Oct 15 | <p>Joint Ambulatory Care Clinic VA (Gulf Coast Veterans HCS / VISN 16)
 <i>Psychiatrist</i>
 Supervisor: Hollie-Lyn James (Local Program Manager for Behavioral Health).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Board certified psychiatrist, providing a full range of outpatient services to veterans in one of the busiest and largest CBOC's on the Gulf Coast. ▪ Seamlessly transitioned from providing care to active duty members at the adjacent Naval Hospital to providing care for veterans, exceeding all productivity measures, with quarterly wRVU's at 180% the national VA standard for psychiatrists. ▪ Actively assisted local leadership in establishing a clinic Controlled Substance SOP, ensuring compliance with the Opioid Safety Initiative, encouraging the appropriate reduction in the use of benzodiazepines in patients | Pensacola, FL |
| Jul 08-Jul 14 | <p>Naval Hospital Pensacola
 <i>Staff Psychiatrist (Active Duty 08-12, Federal Physician, 12-14)</i>
 Supervisors: Tracy Skipton, M.D., CDR, USPHS, Carolyn Rice, M.D., CDR, Elizabeth Maley, M.D., CAPT, MC, USN, and Connie Stamateris, CAPT, NC, USN</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Board certified psychiatrist, providing a full range of outpatient services and inpatient consultation services to military service members and their families. ▪ As assigned or acting Department Head, supervised 9 mental health providers and 13 support staff in three local mental health clinics that generated an average of 6300 encounters and 11,000 RVU's each year. ▪ Served as chair of the hospital's ethics committee. Also served on the pharmacy and therapeutics committee, credentials committee, and family advocacy case review committee. | Pensacola, FL |

- Overcame staff shortages by personally travelling to a distant branch clinic in Mississippi every other week for nine months to provide essential psychiatric services to the frequently deployed Seabee community.
- Provided performance reviews on The Joint Commission standards, leading to improved compliance in the hospital's informed consent process.
- Trained family medicine and aerospace medicine residents rotating through the outpatient clinic, while also providing didactic lectures.
- Trained general schedule (GS) and civilian contracted mental health providers on topics critical to operational psychiatry to include administrative separations, narrative summaries for medical boards, job-specific duty limitations, sanity boards, security clearance assessments, and effective communication within the military command structure.

Jul 08-Mar 09

Combat Stress Control Clinic, US Army 98th Medical Detachment

Camp Liberty, Iraq

Psychiatrist, Deployed with the Army as a Navy Individual Augmentee

Supervisor: Kevin Gormley, Maj, USA

Worked an average of 70 hours per week.

- Responsible for the mental health care of military personnel experiencing combat or operational stress reactions.
- Treated over 950 service members in an outpatient clinic setting and restructured a three day restoration program.
- Provided around the clock emergent psychiatric assessments and evacuations of service members requiring a higher echelon of care.
- Volunteered to go on missions outside of the base camp, providing psychiatric services to the joint security stations surrounding Baghdad.
- Provided screening assessments for service members redeploying to the United States.
- Assumed the role of officer in charge (OIC) of the clinic without falter, building trusting relationships with the line commanders, while ensuring the continued day-to-day functioning of the clinic.

Mar 10-Oct 10

Joint Task Force - Guantanamo Bay

Guantanamo Bay, Cuba

Psychiatrist

Supervisor: Michelle McKenzie, CAPT, NC, USN

Worked an average of 70 hours per week.

- Responsible for all inpatient and outpatient psychiatric services at the detainee camp.
- Worked closely with the military leadership and the International Committee for the Red Cross to ensure the delivery of safe, humane, legal, and transparent mental health care to all detainees.
- Provided additional mental health services to support staff working in an extraordinarily challenging setting.
- Conducted over fifty behavioral health presentations for visiting media and government officials.

Internship & Residency

Jul 04-Jun 08

National Capital Consortium Psychiatry Residency Program

Bethesda, MD

Psychiatry Intern and Resident

Program Directors: COL Douglas Waldrep MD and MAJ Scott Moran MD

Worked an average of 80 hours per week

- ACGME accredited four-year psychiatry residency training program with rotations located at Walter Reed Medical Center and the National Naval Medical Center at Bethesda. Additional community rotations throughout the Washington DC area to include training at an inner-city psychiatric

crisis unit, a not-guilty by reason of insanity facility, and on the streets with a mobile assertive community team.

- Internship with rotations in psychiatry, neurology, internal medicine (ICU and ward medicine), pediatrics, and OB/GYN.
- Residency with extensive psychiatric training in inpatient and outpatient settings, with child, adult, and geriatric populations. Additional focused training in treatment of PTSD and TBI.
- Elected chief resident during third year of residency. Together with a fourth year resident, supported over 50 residents from the Navy, Army, and Air Force in one of the largest Department of Defense residency training programs in the country.
- Third Year Psychiatry Residency Leadership Award.
- Scholarly activities including a comprehensive review of irritable bowel syndrome and co-morbid psychiatric illness.

Additional Work Experience

Aug 97-Dec 99	<p>United States Peace Corps Volunteer <i>Secondary School Teacher and HIV/AIDS Community Coordinator</i> Supervisor: Rain Donohue <i>Workload averaged 60 hours a week.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Twenty seven months in-country, assigned as a secondary school teacher in a rural area devastated by HIV/AIDS. ▪ Taught Chemistry, Biology, Mathematics, and English at Kandaria Secondary School in Nyanza Province. ▪ High prevalence of HIV in the local community necessitated assuming the role of HIV/AIDS community coordinator. Assisted the community in securing resources to promote HIV/AIDS awareness, prevention, and treatment. ▪ As chair of the AIDS Resource Committee, led a countrywide effort by Peace Corps Volunteers to promote HIV/AIDS awareness, prevention, and support in their affected communities. Efforts led to the establishment of a dedicated Peace Corps HIV/AIDS mission in Kenya. 	Kenya
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Conference Presentations

Apr 2011	<p>Clark, E (2011, April 29). An Overview of Combat-Related Mental Health Disorders with an Emphasis on Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder. (Hostage Negotiator Training for State of Florida Law Enforcement Personnel, sponsored by the Escambia County Sheriff's Office).</p>
May 2009	<p>Clark, E. (2009, May 8). The Use of Psychotropic Medications in the Treatment of Combat-Related Disorders. (2nd Deployment Mental Health Symposium - Casualties of War: Moving to Solutions, Sponsored by the University of West Florida).</p>
May 2008	<p>Clark, E (2008, May 14). Irritable Bowel Syndrome and Co-morbid Psychiatric Illness. (Grand Rounds presentation at Walter Reed Army Medical Center)</p>

Teaching/Research Associations and Academic Appointments

Jan 16–Present	<p>University of Florida College of Medicine - Jacksonville <i>Courtesy Assistant Professor Psychiatry – VA Residency Training Supervisor</i></p>
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- Jul 05–Jun08 **Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (USUHS)**
Instructor for Medical Students on Psychiatry Clinical Rotations
- Aug 93–Dec96 **University of Colorado at Boulder**
Graduate Student Instructor for Biology, Human Physiology, and Human Anatomy

Awards and Scholarships

Joint Commendation Medal
Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal
Army Commendation Medal (twice)
Meritorious Unit Commendation
National Defense Service Medal
Iraq Campaign Medal
Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
Sea Service Deployment Ribbon

Health Professions Scholarship Program Recipient (financial support for medical school)
Sigma Xi Grant-in-Aid of Student Research (graduate research funding)
Tuition Fellowship from Office of Naval Research (for Embryo Defense Mechanisms Course at Hopkins Marine Station)
Dean's Small Grant (twice for graduate research funding)
New College Alumni Association Student Grant (undergraduate research funding)
Florida Academic Scholars Award (merit based funding for undergraduate studies)

Professional Memberships

- 2007–present **American Psychiatric Association (APA)**
Fellow
- 2007–present **APA Society of Uniformed Services**
Fellow

Additional Certifications

- Current **Basic Life Support (BLS) for Healthcare Providers (CPR & AED)**

References

Available upon request