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**RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Cross-sector community collaboration, Family Treatment Drug Courts, Telesupervision, Substance use, Young adult homelessness, Evidence-based practice implementation in community settings

**EDUCATION**

- June 2023**    **Ph.D.**            Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA, Counselor Education and Supervision (CACREP Accredited)
- June 1996**    **M.S./Ed.S.**    University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Greensboro, NC, Counselor Education (CACREP Accredited)
- June 1993**    **B.A.**            University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Greensboro, NC, Psychology

**LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION**

- Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC), Virginia June 30, 1999 –present, License #0701003897*
- Certified Motivational Enhancement Therapy clinician 2006-present*
- Certified Adolescent Community Reinforcement Approach clinician 2007-present*
- Certified Adolescent Community Reinforcement Approach supervisor 2007-present*
- Certified Global Appraisal of Individual Need (GAIN) Local trainer – 2007-present*
- Certified Assertive Continuing Care (ACC) Clinical supervisor – 2007-present*

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**TEACHING**

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|---|------------------|
| Teaching Intern<br>Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA<br><i>COUC 698: Practicum</i><br><i>CACREP Master's course</i> | August-Dec 2022  |
| Lecturer<br>Liberty University, Lynchburg VA<br>Social Work 410   | October 31, 2022 |

- Lecture: Community program evaluation  
 Lecturer June 25, 2022  
 Longwood University, Farmville, VA  
 School Operations for Longwood University Administrator  
 Certification Program (PEDU629)  
 Lecture: Cross-sector school and mental health collaboration
- Lecturer February 28, 2022  
 Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA  
 Orientation to Counselor Professional Identity and Function  
 Lecture: Background and Lessons Learned from Community Behavioral Health
- Lecturer November 1, 2021  
 Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA  
 Orientation to Counselor Professional Identity and Function  
 Lecture: Background and Lessons Learned from Community Behavioral Health
- Teaching Intern May-August 2021  
 Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA  
*COUC 512: Group Counseling*  
*CACREP Master's course*
- Lecturer August 14, 2021  
 Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA  
 Practicum Supervision  
 Lecture: Implementing Evidence-Based Practices in Community Behavioral Health
- Lecturer (Residential) November 10, 2020  
 Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA  
*COUC 515: Research Methods*  
*CACREP Counselor Education Master's course*  
 Lecture: Program Evaluation
- University of North Carolina at Pembroke (Residential) August – Dec. 2005  
*Freshman Orientation*  
*Taught study skills, organizational skills, adapting to college life*

## **COUNSELING AND SUPERVISION**

*Program Manager, Horizon Behavioral Health, Lynchburg, VA* 2005-present

Manages clinical and administrative programming for outpatient mental health, substance use, intensive outpatient substance use, psychological testing, and Multi-systemic Therapy teams. Principal Investigator for three federal SAMHSA grants (homeless youth, Family Treatment Drug Court, Illness Management and Recovery)

*Outpatient Counselor, Horizon Behavioral Health, Lynchburg, VA* 2004-2005

Conducted assessments, individual, group, and family sessions with adolescents and adults with substance use and co-occurring substance use/mental health disorders.

*Outpatient Counselor, University of North Carolina at Pembroke, Pembroke, NC* 2004

Identified, developed, and implemented a campus and community coalition of stakeholders to reduce high risk drinking by utilizing an environmental management approach. Provided individual counseling to students in the counseling center.

*Director of Operations, Southeastern Regional Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services, Lumberton, NC* 2003-2004

Initiated, managed, and monitored all program services including adult and child mental health services, developmental disabilities services, crisis services, and substance abuse services.

*Outpatient Counselor, Southeastern Regional Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services, Lumberton, NC* 1998-2003

Conducted assessment, individual, group, and family sessions with adolescents and adults with substance use and co-occurring substance use/mental health disorders.

## SCHOLARSHIP

### PUBLICATIONS

#### Articles

##### Published

McGarvey, E. L., Leon-Verdin, M., Bloomfield, K., Wood, S., Winters, E., & **Smith, J.** (2012). Effectiveness of A-CRA/ACC in treating adolescents with cannabis-use disorders. *Community Mental Health Journal, 50*(2), 150–157. doi:10.1007/s10597-012-9566-2

**Smith Ramey, J.**, & Randall, J. (2020). A multiple agencies and counties partnership: Improving parental substance use and services delivery outcomes through a network development and collaboration. *Journal of Rural and Community Development, 15*(3), 79-91. <https://journals.brandonu.ca/jrcd/index>

- Smith Ramey, J., & Randall, J.** (2021). Modifications to a multiple agencies and counties partnership during the COVID-19 pandemic. *Journal of Rural and Community Development*. 16(1). <https://journals.brandonu.ca/jrcd/index>
- Smith Ramey, J., Onafowokan A., & Passetti, L.** (2021). Homeless, hopeless, and hungry in Central Virginia: A case study on a wrap-around intervention targeting youth homelessness. *Social Work in Mental Health*, 19(3), 203–219. doi:10.1080/15332985.2021.1894630
- Smith Ramey, J.** (2021). Adapting to a changing landscape: Modifications to a behavioral healthcare agency during COVID-19. *Journal of Professional Counseling: Practice, Theory, & Research*. DOI: [10.1080/15566382.2021.1947107](https://doi.org/10.1080/15566382.2021.1947107).
- Smith Ramey, J., Volk, F., & Milacci, F.** (2022). Addressing rural health disparities: Adoption of Illness Management and Recovery (IMR) in Central Virginia. *Journal of Rural Mental Health*. Advance online publication. <https://doi.org/10.1037/rmh0000210>
- Smith Ramey, J., & Duis, M.** (2022). Utilizing cross-sector collaboration to improve access to behavioral health services in schools. *Social Work in Mental Health*. 1-13. <https://doi.org/10.1080/15332985.2022.2076576>
- Smith Ramey, J., & Volk, F.** (2022). Lessons learned from a coalition-driven implementation of a family treatment court in a rural mid-Atlantic region county. *The Journal of Rural and Community Development*, 17(4), 73–85. <https://journals.brandonu.ca/jrcd/index>

### Under Review

- Smith Ramey, J., & Randall, J.** (*under review*). Keeping caseloads full: Strategies for effective referral management of an evidence-based model in a community setting. *The Professional Counselor*.
- King, A., Gaston, R., Gogolin, T., **Smith Ramey, J.**, Bohecker, L., Edwards, N. (*under review*). Relationship building in counselor education doctoral programs: A case study. *The Professional Counselor*.
- Smith Ramey, J., Volk, F., & Milacci, F.** (*revise and resubmit*). Facilitators and barriers of implementing an evidence-based practice in a rural community setting: A qualitative case study. *Global Implementation Research and Applications*.
- Smith Ramey, J. & Volk, F.** (*accepted*). Schools and juvenile treatment drug courts: Increasing treatment access and engagement for youth through collaboration and advocacy. *Children and Schools*.
- Smith Ramey, J. & Volk, F.** (*under review*). University/community program evaluation partnerships: Building resources and relationships. *Journal of Professional Counseling: Theory, Research, and Practice*

Passetti, L., **Smith Ramey, J.**, Hunter, B., & Godley, M. (*under review*). Predicting response to services for homeless adolescents and transition age youth (TAY) with substance use and/or mental health disorders: Implications for youth with opioid and stimulant use disorders. *Journal of Evidence-Based Social Work*.

### **In progress**

**Smith Ramey, J.**, Volk, F., & Milacci, F. (*in progress*). A qualitative case study of a drug treatment court. *Journal of Social Work Practice in the Addictions*.

**Smith Ramey, J.**, Lilley, S., Duis, M., and Volk, F. (*in progress*). School-Based Mental Health: An Integration Model in a Rural Mid-Atlantic School System. *Journal of Rural Mental Health*.

**Smith Ramey, J.** & Volk, F. (*in progress*). Three Cheers for Our Peers: Peer Recovery Specialists' Critical Role in Drug Court.

Volk, F., **Smith Ramey, J.**, & Bohecker, L. (*in progress*). Faith-based counselor education programs and community behavioral health: When "The least of these" need the most.

**Smith Ramey, J.**, & Chamberlin, B., (*in progress*). Intervening in the substance use crisis: The critical role of counselor education.

**Smith Ramey, J.** & Deacon, M. (*in progress*). Individuals in recovery and Super's Life-Span, Life-Space theory: Intersection and recommendations for counselors. *Teaching and Supervision in Counseling*.

### **Newsletters**

**Smith Ramey, J.**, & Volk, F. (2021, Fall). Counselors play an important role in addressing the spike in drug overdoses. *North Atlantic Region Association for Counselor Education and Supervision (NARACES) Fall 2021 Newsletter*.

**Smith Ramey, J.**, & Volk, F. (2022, Spring). Schools and Juvenile Treatment Drug Courts: A Potential Treatment and Service Hub for Court Involved Youth. *Association for Child and Adolescent Counseling Spring 2022 Newsletter*.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### **National/International**

**Smith Ramey, J.**, & Volk, F. (2023, February). *Creative Approaches to Addiction Treatment: School and Community Collaboration*. Strengthening the Heartland virtual conference.

- Smith Ramey, J., Volk, F., & Milacci, F.** (2023, January). *Using Qualitative Case Study in Program Evaluation: A Malleable Model for Actionable Insight*. World Conference on Qualitative Research, Portugal.
- Volk, F., Milacci, F. & **Smith Ramey, J.** (2023, January). *Using Qualitative Methods to Enhance Quantitative Grant-Funded Projects*. World Conference on Qualitative Research, Portugal.
- Smith Ramey, J.** & Chamberlin, B. (2022, November). *Intervening in the Substance Use Crisis: The Critical Role of Counselor Education*. SACES Conference, Baltimore, MD.
- Smith Ramey, J., Volk, F., and Milacci, F.** (2022, November). *A Qualitative Program Evaluation on Implementation of an Evidence-Based Practice in Rural Virginia*. SACES Conference, Baltimore, MD.
- Smith Ramey, J.** & Volk, F. (2022, May). *Addressing health disparities: Implementation of an evidence-based practice in rural Virginia*. Association for Humanistic Counseling Conference, Nashville, TN.
- Smith Ramey, J.** & Chamberlin, B. (2022, April, *not accepted*). *Intervening in the Substance Use Crisis: The Critical Role of Counselor Education*. American Counseling Association Conference, Atlanta, GA.
- Smith Ramey, J.** & Volk, F. (2022, April, *not accepted*). *Family Reunification: Counselors Play Pivotal Role in Addressing Substance-Related Child Welfare Cases*. American Counseling Association Conference, Atlanta, GA.
- Smith Ramey, J., & Volk, F.** (2022, February). Family Treatment Drug Court: Ethical Considerations in Addressing Substance-Related Child Welfare Cases. Law and Ethics in Counseling Conference, New Orleans, LA.
- Smith Ramey, J., & Chamberlin, B.** (2022, February). Intervening in the substance use crisis: The ethical role of counselor education. Law and Ethics in Counseling Conference, New Orleans, LA.
- Smith Ramey, J., Garraway, A., Mwendwa, J., Parrish-Martin, R., & Spellman, K.** (2021, April). *Adapting to a changing landscape: Telemental health (TMH) implementation across community-based settings*. The Chicago School of Professional Psychology. Clinical Mental Health Counseling (CMHC) and Beyond – Virtual Conference 2021.
- Smith Ramey, J.** (2020, August). *Telesupervision: Effective clinical supervision*. Florida Alcohol and Drug Association.
- Smith Ramey, J.** (2020, January). *Adolescent Community Reinforcement Approach*. Seattle, Washington.
- Smith Ramey, J.** (2019, October). *Adolescent Community Reinforcement Approach*. Seattle, Washington.
- Smith Ramey, J.** (2019, July). *Skill Building for the Adolescent Substance Use Disorder Clinician*. Kentucky School for Alcohol and Other Drug Studies. Lexington, KY.
- Smith Ramey, J.** (2019, May). *Adolescent Community Reinforcement Approach and the GAIN Short Screener: Tools to Support Recovery*. Oklahoma Recovery Conference. Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.
- Smith Ramey, J.** *Adolescent Community Reinforcement Approach*. Evidence-based substance use training has been provided on 48 occasions from 2012-2021.

November 28-30, 2012 - Melbourne, Australia  
April 22-24, 2013 – Roanoke, VA  
January 27-29, 2014 – Hartford, CT  
February 10-12, 2014 – Marlborough, MA  
May 19-21, 2014 – Durham, NC  
July 21-23, 2014 – Washington, DC  
August 4-6, 2014 – Portland, ME  
September 3-5, 2014 – Okmulgee, OK  
September 22-24, 2014 – Worcester, MA  
October 27-29, 2014 – Hartford, CT  
April 14-16, 2015 – New Orleans, LA  
April 27-29, 2015 – Asheville, NC  
May 4-6, 2015 – Norman, OK  
May 27-29, 2015 – Lexington, SC  
June 15-17, 2015 – Worcester, MA  
October 12-14, 2015 – Pulaski, VA  
November 4-6, 2015 – Norman, OK  
February 1-3, 2016 – Marlborough, MA  
May 2-3, 2016 – Carrollton, KY (booster training)  
May 23-25, 2016 – Jackson, MS  
June 15-17, 2016 – Norman, OK  
July 18-20, 2016 – Asheville, NC  
October 17-19, 2016 – Ridgeland, MS  
January 9-12, 2017 – Oklahoma City, OK  
May 8-10, 2017 – Phoenix, AZ  
June 21, 2017 – Washington, DC (booster training)  
June 26-28, 2017 – Oklahoma City, OK  
July 17-19, 2017 – Nashville, TN  
September 25-27, 2017 – Washington, DC  
October 23-25, 2017 – New Castle, DE  
November 6-8, 2017 – Lexington, KY  
December 14-15, 18, 2017 – Lynchburg, VA  
January 29-31, 2018 – Henrico, VA  
February 7-9, 2018 – Lansing, MI  
March 12-14, 2018 – Nashville, TN  
June 26-28, 2018 – Tumwater, WA  
August 29-31, 2018 – Mount Pleasant, MI  
September 24-25, 2018 – Lexington, KY (booster training)  
September 26-28, 2018 – Lexington, KY  
December 17-19, 2018 – Lynchburg, VA  
January 28-30, 2019 – Washington, DC  
August 19-21, 2019 – Lynchburg, VA  
September 30-October 2, 2019 – Tumwater, WA  
July 22-24, 2020 – virtual  
January 13-15, 2021 – virtual  
February 8-11, 2021 – virtual  
April 26-29, 2021 – virtual  
May 12-14, 2021 – virtual

### **State and Local**

- Smith Ramey, J.** and Owens, K. (2021, November). *Adolescent Community Reinforcement Approach*. Virtual.
- Smith Ramey, J.** (2020, April). *COVID-19 and Mental Health*. Bedford Chamber of Commerce, Bedford, VA.
- Smith Ramey, J.** and Turner, T. (2020, September). *Youth substance use in our community*. American Association of University Women. Bedford, VA branch.
- Smith Ramey, J.** and Owens, K. (2020, August). *Adolescent Community Reinforcement Approach*. Lynchburg, VA.
- Smith Ramey, J.** (2019, August). *Adolescent Community Reinforcement Approach*. Lynchburg, VA.
- Smith Ramey, J.** and Randall, J. (2019, May). *Multi-systemic therapy for delinquent youth*. CSA conference. Roanoke, VA.
- Smith Ramey, J.** and Wriston, D. (2019, June). *Multi-systemic therapy for adolescents*. James River Community Collaborative, Lynchburg, VA.

### **HONORS/AWARDS/DISTINCTIONS**

1. Chi Sigma Iota Counseling Academic and Professional Honor Society (CSI), 2020
2. SAMHSA Science to Service Award, 2019
3. Excellence in EBP Implementation, 2010
4. Radio interview, WLNI Morningline 105.7, March 2, 2022. Lynchburg Adult Drug Court grant.
5. Television interview, WDBJ Channel 7, Lynchburg Adult Drug Court, February 16, 2022.
6. Newspaper interview. Lynchburg News and Advance, Lynchburg Adult Drug Court, February 16, 2022.
7. Television Interview, WSET Channel 13, Your child's mental health matters. September 27, 2021.
8. Television Interview, WSET Channel 13, Horizon in Lynchburg receives grant to reach rural communities struggling with addiction. June 3, 2021.
9. Newspaper Interview. Times Virginian. Local professor involved in mental health service. May 6, 2021.
10. Newspaper Interview. The Roanoke Times. Local family drug courts prove effective in family reunification. January 24, 2021.
11. Newspaper Interview. Lynchburg News & Advance. New grant funding to expand family drug court in Bedford County. June 27, 2020.
12. Newspaper Interview. Lynchburg News & Advance. New Horizon therapy works with youth through the 'ecology' around them. September 27, 2019.
13. Newspaper Interview. Lynchburg News & Advance. Officials address the cycle of addiction. January 28, 2018.

14. Television Interview, WSET Channel 13, Fireworks can trigger PTSD episodes.  
July 3, 2015.

### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Counseling Association (2021 – present)

Virginia Counselors Association (2021-present)

Chi Sigma Iota, the Counseling Academic and Professional Honor Society  
Rho Eta Chapter of Chi Sigma Iota, Liberty University (2020 – present)

### GRANTS

*Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration, Fall 2017: Awarded funding to implement a wrap-around program targeting youth and young adult homelessness titled Cooperative Agreements to Benefit Homeless Individuals (CABHI). Served as lead writer of the grant and principal investigator. Amount awarded = \$2,500,000 over the three-year duration of the project.*

*Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration, Summer 2020: Awarded funding to expand capacity to Bedford Family Treatment Drug Court for adults with a substance use disorder and child welfare involvement titled: Family Treatment Drug Court (FTDC). Served as lead writer of the grant and principal investigator. Amount awarded = \$2,000,000 over the four-year duration of the project.*

*Health Resources Services Administration, Spring 2021: Awarded funding to address rural health disparities for adults with mental illness and substance use disorders through implementation of an evidence-based model, Illness Management and Recovery titled: Rural Collaborative to Implementation Illness Management and Recovery. Served as lead writer of the grant and co-principal investigator. Amount awarded = \$800,000 over the four-year duration of the project.*

*Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHS), Fall, 2021: Awarded funding to expand capacity of outpatient counseling in Lynchburg City Schools (LCS). Served as lead writer of the grant. Amount awarded = \$125,000 over the 18 month duration of the project.*

*Office of Justice Programs (OJP), Winter 2021: Awarded funding to expand capacity of Lynchburg's Adult Drug Court. Served as lead writer of the grant. Amount awarded = \$2,000,000 over the four year duration of the project.*

*National Trust for Historic Preservation: Telling the Full History Preservation Fund, Winter, 2021:*

Applied for funding to preserve the home and tennis court of Dr. Robert W. Johnson in Lynchburg, Virginia. Served as lead writer for the grant. Amount applied for = \$50,000.

*Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHS), Winter 2021:* Awarded funding to expand capacity of outpatient counseling and case management in Bedford County Public Schools. Served as lead writer of the grant. Amount awarded = \$1,100,000 over the four year duration of the project.