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Dr. Abramovitz is a child trauma specialist whose work focuses on the impact of adversity, violence, poverty, and racism on individuals, communities, and organizations combined with a strong interest in individual and community resilience. His research and publications focus on field effectiveness studies of innovative service programs, academic/community research partnerships and dissemination of innovative programs

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Silberman School of Social Work at Hunter College, City University of New York

2010- Present	Clinical Professor
2009- 2010	Moses Visiting Professor

Mount Sinai School of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry

2004-2009	Adjunct Associate Professor of Psychiatry, Child & Adolescent Division
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Columbia University School of Social Work, New York, New York

1988-2009	Adjunct Research Scholar
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Yale Child Study Center, Yale University School of Medicine, New Haven, Connecticut

1983-Present	Lecturer
1977 -1983	Associate Professor of Pediatrics and Psychiatry
1968 -1977	Assistant Professor of Pediatrics and Psychiatry

PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

Jewish Board of Family and Children's Services

2008-2009	Director for Clinical Practice
1996-2008	Director, Center for Trauma Program Innovation
1985-2008	Chief Psychiatrist, Department of Psychiatry
1983- 1985	Chief Psychiatrist, Madeline Borg Community Services Division

Hill Health Center, Mental Health Services Department, Yale University School of Medicine, New Haven, Connecticut

1972-1983	Director Child Psychiatry Services
1968-1972	Staff Child Psychiatrist

Mental Health Study Center, National Institute of Mental Health, Adelphi, Maryland.

1967-1968	Staff Child Psychiatrist
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EDUCATION

1958-1962 Doctor of Medicine, Wayne State University School of Medicine, Detroit, Michigan

1955-1958 Psychology major, Wayne State University; Detroit, Michigan

POSTDOCTORAL TRAINING

- 1965 -1967 Child Psychiatry Fellowship, Yale Child Study Center
Yale University School of Medicine, New Haven, Connecticut
- 1963-1965 General Psychiatry Residency, Department of Psychiatry
Yale University School of Medicine, New Haven, Connecticut
- 1962 -1963 Rotating Internship, Wayne County General Hospital, Eloise, MI

ACADEMIC HONORS

- 2018 Notable Alumni recognition
- 1962 Doctor of Medicine with Honors
- 1961 Alpha Omega Alpha
- 1960 Sophomore Scholarship Award, Wayne State University Medical Alumni

PROFESSIONAL AWARDS

Sarah Haley Memorial Award for Clinical Excellence presented by the International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies (ISTSS) at the 18th Annual Meeting November, 2002

The JBFCs Board of Directors Crystal Apple award presented “For innovation, foresight and leadership to children and families in crisis,” in 2005 for developing new child trauma services and for Post 9/11 and Katrina work

PUBLICATIONS

1. Layne, C. M., **Abramovitz, R.**, Stuber, M., Ross, L., and Strand, V., The Core Curriculum on Childhood Trauma: A Tool for Preparing a Trauma-Informed Mental Health Workforce, ISTSS StressPoints Journal, January, 2017
2. **Abramovitz, R.**, Mingus, J. “Unpacking racism, poverty and trauma’s impact on the school to prison pipeline”, Chapter 14, in: Strategies For Deconstructing Racism In The Health And Human Services: An Anti-Racist Strategy, Carten, A., Siskind, A., Pender-Green, M., (Eds.) Oxford University Press (2016)
3. Popescu, M, Strand, V., Way, I., Williams-Hecksel, C , and **Abramovitz, R.**, Building a Trauma-Informed Workforce Capacity and Legacy, Journal of Teaching in Social Work Vol. 37, December 2016
4. Strand, V., Popescu, M., **Abramovitz, R.** and Richards, S. Building Agency Capacity for Trauma-Informed Evidence-Based Practice and Field Instruction, Journal of Evidence-Informed Social Work. 2015
5. Layne, C. M., Strand, V., **Abramovitz, R.**, Amaya Jackson, L., Pynoos, R.; Using the Core Curriculum on Childhood Trauma to Train the “Next Generation”

Trauma-Informed Evidence Based Practitioners, Special Issue Journal of Clinical Child and Adolescent Psychology on "Doing More with What We Already Know." (March 2014)

6. Strand, V., **Abramovitz, R.**, Layne, C.M., Robinson, H., Way, I., “Meeting the Critical Need for Trauma Education in Social Work: A Problem-Based Learning Approach”, Journal of Social Work Education, (50: 120–135, 2014)
7. Layne, C. M., Ghosh Ippen, C., Strand, V., Stuber, M., **Abramovitz, R.**, Reyes, G., Amaya Jackson, L., Curtis, A., Lipscomb, L., Pynoos, R.; “The Core Curriculum on Childhood Trauma: A Tool for Training a Trauma-Informed Workforce”, Special Issue on Trauma Education and Training in Psychological Trauma: Theory, Research, Practice, and Policy (Fall 2011 issue #3)
8. Steinberg A.M., Pynoos R.S., **Abramovitz R.**, The artistic transformation of trauma, loss, and adversity in the blues. In: Fairweather A., Steinberg J.R. (Eds.) Blues and Philosophy, Wiley-Blackwell. (2011)
9. Hoagwood, Kimberly Eaton Ph.D., leader The Child and Adolescent Treatment Services CATS Consortium (**R. Abramovitz**, consortium member). “Implementation of CBT for Children and Adolescents Affected by the World Trade Center Disaster: Matching Need to Treatment Intensity and Reducing Trauma Symptoms”, Journal of Traumatic Stress, 23 (6), 699-707. 2010
10. Chemtob, C. M., Nomura, Y., Rajendran, K., Yehuda, R., Schwartz, D., & **Abramovitz, R.** “Impact of maternal posttraumatic stress disorder and depression following exposure to the September 11 attacks on preschool children’s behavior. *Child Development*, 81, 2010
11. **Abramovitz, R.**, Abramovitz, M., Perspectives of Community Providers on Research Partnerships. Chapter 4, in Children's Mental Health Research The Power of Partnerships. Edited by Kimberly Eaton Hoagwood, Peter S. Jensen, Mary McKay and Serene Olin, Oxford University Press Dec 2009
12. Chemtob, C. M., Nomura, Y., **Abramovitz, R.** “Impact of Conjoined Exposure to the World Trade Center Attacks and to Other Traumatic Events on the Behavioral Problems of Preschool Children”, Archives of Pediatric and Adolescent Medicine; 162(2): 126-133, February, 2008
13. Hoagwood, Kimberly Eaton Ph.D., leader The Child and Adolescent Treatment Services (CATS) Consortium: a cooperative multi-site treatment study performed by nine independent teams one of which was lead by **Dr. Abramovitz**, “Implementing CBT for Traumatized Children and Adolescents After September 11: Lessons Learned from the Child and Adolescent Trauma Treatment Consortium”, Journal of Clinical Child and Adolescent Psychology, Vol. 36, No. 4, 581–592, 2007

14. Pat-Horenczyk R, **Abramovitz R**, Peled O, Brom D, Daie A, Chemtob CM; “Adolescent exposure to recurrent terrorism in Israel: posttraumatic distress and functional impairment”, American Journal of Orthopsychiatry. Jan 2007; 77 (1):76-85
15. Chemtob, Claude M. PhD, Wang, Yanping PhD, Dugan, Kelly L. MA, **Abramovitz Robert**, MD, and Marmar, Charles, MD; “Mixed Lateral Preference and Peritraumatic Reactions to the World Trade Center Attacks”, The Journal of Nervous and Mental Disease, Volume 194, Number 11, November 2006
16. Rivard, J.C., Bloom, S. L., McCorkle, D. and **Abramovitz, R.**; “Preliminary results of a study examining the implementation and effects of trauma recovery framework for youths in residential treatment.” Therapeutic Community: The International Journal for Therapeutic and Supportive Organizations (2005) 26(1): 83-96
17. Rivard, J.C., McCorkle, D., Duncan, M.E., Pasquale, L.E., Bloom, S. L., **Abramovitz, R.**; “Implementing a Trauma Recovery Framework for Youths in Residential Treatment.” Child and Adolescent Social Work Journal, (2004) 21(5): 529-550.
18. **Abramovitz, Robert** and Bloom, Sandra; “Creating Sanctuary in Residential Treatment for Youth: from the “Well-ordered Asylum” to a “Living-learning Environment””, Psychiatric Quarterly, Summer 2003. Vol.74, No.2, 119-135
19. Rivard, Jeanne C., Bloom, Sandra, **Abramovitz, R.** Pasquale, L. Duncan, M., McCorkle, D. and Gelman, A., “Assessing the Implementation and Effects of a Trauma-Focused Intervention for Youths In Residential Treatment, ” Psychiatric Quarterly, Summer 2003, Vol.74, No.2, 137-154.
20. Mattaini, Mark A., Grellong, Bruce A., **Abramovitz, Robert**; “The Clientele of a Child and Family Mental Health Agency: Empirically Derived Household Clusters and Practice Implications”, Research on Social Work Practice, Vol. 2, No. 3, July 1992, 380-404.
21. **Abramovitz, Robert**, Williams, Janet B., Mattaini, Mark A.; “The Pros and Cons of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual for Social Work Practice and Research”, Research on Social Work Practice, Vol. 2, No. 3, July 1992, 338-349.
22. Schilling, Robert F., Koh, Nina, **Abramovitz, Robert** and Gilbert, Louisa; “Bereavement Groups for Inner City Children”, Research on Social Work Practice, Vol. 2, No. 3, July 1992, 405-419.
23. Moss-Kagel, Connie, **Abramovitz, Robert**, Sager, Clifford; “Training Therapists to Treat the Young Child in the Family and the Family in the Young Child’s Treatment”, Journal of Psychotherapy and the Family, Vol. 5, Nos. ¾, 1989, 119-144.

24. **Abramovitz, Robert**; “Community Child Psychiatry” Chapter in Cavenar, J.O. et al. (ed) Psychiatry, Philadelphia, J.B. Lippincott Co., 1985.
25. Neil, T. Kirby, Novack, Alvin H., Bromet, Evelyn and **Abramovitz, Robert**; “Utilization Patterns for Child Mental Health Services in an Inner-City Neighborhood Clinic”, Journal of the American Academy of Child Psychiatry, 1977, 16 (2), 285-295.
26. Novack, Alvin H., Bromet, Evelyn, Neil, T. Kirby, and **Abramovitz, Robert**; Mental Health Services in an Inner-City Neighborhood: A Three Year, Epidemiological Study”, American Journal of Public Health, February, 1975, 65 (2), 133-138.
27. **Abramovitz, Robert**; “Parenthood in America”, Journal of Clinical Child Psychology, Winter, 1976, 5 (3), 43-46.
28. **Abramovitz, Robert**; “Film as Stimulus for Learning”, Family Life Film Journal, October, 1973.
29. Health Services Coordinating Committee, Resurrection City (**Robert Abramovitz, MD**, one of nine co-authors). “Psychiatry Services to a Sustained Social Protest Campaign: An On-Site Walk-in Clinic at Resurrection City”, American Journal of Psychiatry, 1969, 125 (II), 1543-1551.

PRESENTATIONS:

- 2016 National Association of Social Workers NYC Chapter, “Complex Trauma in childhood: Its pervasive and persistent effects” all day CEU training seminar, New York City, May 28, 2016
- 2016 National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN) All Network Conference: “Building Sustainable Systems to Prevent the Lasting Impact of Childhood Trauma” All Day Pre-meeting Institute, Washington, D.C. March 28, 2016
- 2015 International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies 31st Annual Meeting, Building Agency Capacity for Trauma Informed Evidence Based Practice and Field Instruction, New Orleans, LA. November 6, 2015
- 2014 National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN) All Network Conference; Progress Through Partnerships: Addressing Child Trauma Across the Nation, “Enhancing the Implementation of the Core Curriculum on Child Trauma through Collaborative Partnerships”, Baltimore, MD, March 5, 2014
- 2013 National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN) All Network Conference: Treatment of Complex Trauma: Comparison of Four Leading Models NCTSN ANC Pre-Meeting Institute, Discussant: Robert Abramovitz, M.D., program session and “Implementing the Core Curriculum on Child Trauma with New

- NCSTSN Sites: use of Virtual Interactive Classroom and In-person CCCT College, Baltimore, MD, May 1, 2013
- 2012 International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies 28th Annual Meeting, Using the NCTSN interactive Core Curriculum on Child Trauma to Enhance Child Trauma Assessment and Promote Clinical Reasoning Skills and Organizational Change, Los Angeles, CA, November 3, 2012
- 2012 National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN) All Network Conference “Raising the Standard of Care and Improving Access to Services: Past Accomplishments and Future Goals”, workshop “The Assessment Breakthrough Series Collaborative: A structured approach to disseminating the Core Curriculum within the NCTSN” Chair: Robert Abramovitz, MD, Lisa Amaya-Jackson, MD, MPH, Leslie Anne Ross, Psy.D, Angel Knoverek, MS, LCPC, Baltimore, MD, March 7, 2012
- 2011 Council on Social Work Education Workshop, 56th Annual Meeting, Workshop, Implementing “Gold Standard” Training in Evidence-Based Trauma Treatment: Model and Performance,” Strand, V., (Chair), Abramovitz, R., Popescu, M, Way, I, and ½ day Faculty Development Institute, “ Using Problem Based Learning to Accelerate Adoption of Evidence-Based Practice Skills,” Abramovitz, R and Strand, V., Atlanta, GA 10/26,10/27/2011
- 2011 International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies 27th Annual Meeting, Full Day Pre-Meeting Institute, “Using the Core Curriculum on Childhood Trauma to Create “Gold Standard” Training for Evidence-Based Students and New Practitioners”, Christopher Layne, Ph.D.; Virginia Strand, D.S.W.; Robert Abramovitz, M.D.; Margaret Stuber, M.D.; Chandra Ghosh Ippen, Ph.D.; Leslie Ross, Psy.D.; Kathryn Collins, MSW, Ph.D.; Lisa Amaya-Jackson, M.D., MPH Baltimore, MD Nov 2, 2011
- 2011 National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN) All Network Meeting Workshop, “Bringing “Gold Standard” Training in Evidence-Based Trauma Treatment to Future MSW Practitioners”, Strand, V., (Chair), Abramovitz, R., Henry, J., Thompson, E., Robinson, H., March 2011, Baltimore, MD.
- 2010 Council on Social Work Education Workshop, 56th Annual Meeting, Workshop, "Integrating Trauma into the Curriculum: A Dialogue on Trauma Competencies for SW Education", Strand, V, (Chair), Layne, C. M., Abramovitz, R., Wong, M. October, 2010, Portland, OR.
- 2010 American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry 57th Annual Meeting Workshop, The Core Curriculum for Child Trauma: Expediting the Acquisition of Professional Expertise in Trauma-Focused Intervention, Pynoos, R. (Chair), Stuber, M, Abramovitz, R., Layne, C.M., Strand, V. October, 2010 New York, NY
- 2010 International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies 26th Annual Meeting, Workshop, "The Core Curriculum on Childhood Trauma: An Evidence-Based Approach to Training Essential Trauma Treatment Concepts, Components, and

- Skills’, Layne, C.M., (Chair), Strand, V., Abramovitz, R., November 2010, Montreal, Canada
- 2010 National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN) All Network Meeting Workshop, “The Core Curriculum on Childhood Trauma in Action”, Layne, C. M. (Chair), Gewirtz, A., Abramovitz, R., Strand, V., Gosch-Ippen, C., March, 2010 New Orleans, LA
- 2009 Council on Social Work Education Workshop, 55th Annual Meeting, “Preparing Social Workers to be Trauma Focused “Data Proficient” Evidence Based Practitioners”, November 9, 2009, San Antonio, TX
- 2009 International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies 25th Annual Meeting, Workshop “Making Evidence-Based Practice User Friendly: A Curriculum for Training “Data-Proficient” Clinicians, Layne, C. M. (Chair), Abramovitz, R., Strand, V., G. Saxe. November 2009, Atlanta, GA
- 2009 National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN) All Network Meeting, Layne, C. M. (Chair), Gewirtz, A., Abramovitz, R., Strand, V., The Core Concepts, Skills, and Components Curriculum March, 2009 Orlando, FL
- 2008 International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies 24th Annual Meeting, Workshop, “The Core Concepts, Skills, and Components Curriculum: Increasing trauma expertise in practitioners”, Layne, C. M. (Chair), Gewirtz, A., Ghosh-Ippen, C., Abramovitz, R., Dominguez, R., & Stuber, M.. Chicago, IL. November 12, 2008
- 2008 National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN) All Network Meeting, “User-focused Mental Health Care: Improving quality of care with a focus on users: The users perspective” Anaheim, March 4, 2008
- 2007 International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies (ISTSS) 23rd Annual Meeting panel “Building the Evidence-Base for Effective Trauma-Informed Services through Practitioner Innovation” Baltimore, November 17, 2007
- 2007 American Psychiatric Association 59th Annual Psychiatric Institute, Panel organizer “Facilitating Resilience and Recovery Before, During and After Trauma” presented “The Katrina Resiliency project, a Wellness/Resiliency Curriculum for Hurricanes Katrina and Rita Second Responders”, New Orleans, October 11, 2007
- 2007 Keynote Address at Combined Annual Statewide Conference of Louisiana School-Based Nurses Association and the Louisiana Association of School-Based health Centers, “The Psychological and Social Costs of a Failed recovery: Sustaining Resilience after Enduring Loss” Baton Rouge, La. March 22, 2007

- 2006 American Psychiatric Association 58th Annual Psychiatric Services Institute, “Assessing Complex Trauma in Children in Community Settings” Workshop, New York, NY, October 2006
- 2006 International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies (ISTSS) Annual Meeting “Resilience in Practice: Caring for Terrorism-Exposed Children and Families”, Workshop, Hollywood, CA. November 2006
- 2005 National Child Traumatic Stress Network All Network Meeting Plenary Speaker “Trauma Leaves Children Behind” Workshop participant “Collaborative Adaptation and Evaluation of a trauma Treatment Program for Residential Care: Clinical and Organizational Systems Impact”, Workshop Participant “Evidence-Based CATS Collaboration Consortium for Children Affected by the September 11th Terrorists Attack” Alexandria, Va. March 2005
- 2004 International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies (ISTSS) Annual Meeting “Keep It REAL©: Psychological Preparedness and Active Coping Group”, Workshop, New Orleans, La. November 2004
- 2004 Administration for Children’s Services Foster Boarding Home Conference, Workshop “Adolescence and Trauma” August 2004
- 2004 Administration for Children’s Services Keynote Address “Innovative Approaches to Trauma Reduction” Division of Child Protection Managerial Retreat, Brooklyn, NY. October 2004
- 2004 American Psychiatric Association 157th Annual meeting “Keep It REAL©: Psychological Preparedness and Active Coping Group”, workshop, New York, NY May 2004
- 2003 International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies (ISTSS) Annual Meeting “Developing the US- Israel Bi-National Trauma Initiative” Symposium, Chicago, Il. October 2003
- 2002 27th Laretta Bender Annual Lecture and Symposium-“Undoing the Harm of Trauma: Principles for Work with Individuals, Organizations and Communities” Queen’s, NY November, 2002
- 2002 International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies (ISTSS) Annual Meeting-“Creating Sanctuary for Traumatized Children Workshop”; Baltimore, MD; November, 2002
- 2002 New York Academy of Medicine – “Mental Health Systems Response in the Wake of 9/11” (panelist – Community Service Response); New York, NY; February, 2002

- 2001 International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies (ISTSS) Annual Meeting – “Developing Trauma Competence in Existing Mental Health Systems”; New Orleans, LA; December, 2001
- 2000 International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies (ISTSS) – “The Various Incarnations of the Sanctuary Trauma Treatment Model”; San Antonio, TX; November, 2000
- 2000 American Psychiatric Association (APA) 2000 Institute on Psychiatric Services “Implementing the Sanctuary Model in a Residential Treatment Center”; Philadelphia, PA; October 2000
- 2000 Jerusalem Social Welfare Department – “Trauma Treatment for Children”; Jerusalem, Israel; May, 2000
- 2000 New York State Office of Mental Health - 5th Annual Mastering the Key Connection – “Implementing Sanctuary in a Residential Treatment Center” (workshop); New York, NY; April, 2000
- 1999 NYU International Trauma Studies Program – “Impact of Violence on Children and Adolescents” (keynote address); New York, NY; December, 1999
- 1999 Association of Jewish Family Services Agencies Fall Institute – “Dealing with Violence - Helping Children Feel Safe in an Unsafe World” (keynote address); Atlanta, GA; October, 1999
- 1998 International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies (ISTSS) – “Trauma Assessment Tools: Research, Practice and Policy”; Washington, D.C.; November, 1998
- 1996 JBFCS All-Day Professional Conference – “Medication and Psychotherapy: Partners or Parallel Tracks?” (Luncheon keynote address); New York, NY; May, 1996

GRANT AWARDS

Federal

National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN), Treatment and Services Adaptation Center Grant, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) 10/1/16--9/30/21 \$600,000/yr. to direct the National Child Trauma Workforce Institute

National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN), Treatment and Services Adaptation Center Grant, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) 10/1/12--9/30/16 \$300,000/yr to co-direct the National Center for Social Work Trauma Education and Workforce Development

National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN), Treatment and Services Adaptation Center Grant, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)

10/1/09--9/30/12 \$300,000/yr to co-direct the National Center for Social Work Trauma Education and Workforce Development

Principal Investigator, Health and Human Services Administration, Office of Minority Health Affairs to create “the Bridges Youth Empowerment Project” in collaboration with Union Settlement Association 9/01/09—9/01/12 \$300,000/yr.

Principal Investigator, “National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN), Community Treatment Services Center Grant,” Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) 2002-2005 (\$340,000/year plus \$110,000 9/11 supplement)

Principal Investigator, “National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN), Community Treatment Services Center Grant,” Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) 2005-2009 (\$400,000/year)

Principal investigator, “Demonstration Research project to develop and direct a mental health unit within a neighborhood, comprehensive health center in New Haven Connecticut, serving a low-income, black, and Hispanic community,” National Institute of Mental Health 1968-1979, (\$1 million year, estimate)

Co- Principal Investigator Research Infrastructure Project Grant (RISP) to disseminate innovative child trauma assessment and intervention approaches within community service settings and simultaneously performs field effectiveness studies of the innovations, National Institute of Mental Health, Oct. 2002-May 2007, (\$400,000/yr)

Co-Investigator, “Research on the Development of Interventions for Youth Violence grant, Trauma-Focused Intervention Targeting Risk for Violence: Treatment Evaluation Study of the adaptation of the Sanctuary® program for JBFCs residential programs” National Institute of Mental Health, 9/2000-2/03, (\$800,000 for 3 years)

Principal Investigator, NIMH Demonstration Research Project, “Creating a Mental Health Unit in a Neighborhood Health Center” 10/1968- 76/30/1979 (\$6,000,000 over eleven years)

State

Co- principal investigator, “The Child and Adolescent Treatment Services (CATS) Consortium: Implementing CBT for Traumatized Children and Adolescents After September 11 Project,” A cooperative multi-site treatment replication study, performed by nine independent teams lead by Kimberly Eaton Hoagwood, Ph.D., New York State Office of Mental Health, 2002-2006, (\$300,000/yr)

New York City

Principal Investigator, “Loss and Bereavement Program for Children and Adolescents,” New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Reinvestment Grant 1997-present on-going multi-year (\$190,000/year)

Principal Investigator, van Ameringen Foundation grant Loss and Bereavement Program 1996-1999, (\$100,000/yr)

Private

Co- Principal Investigator, “Infant, Toddler, Pre-school 9/11 Initiative: Pilot study of the Impact of World Trade Center Attack on children under five,” September 11th Fund, UBS-Warburg, Robin Hood Foundation and the NY Times Foundation, American Red Cross, 2002-2006, (\$500,000/yr)

Principal Investigator, “Foster Care Services Project, A Treatment Adaptation Study to adapt Trauma Systems Therapy (TST) for use with children in foster care” DeCamp Foundation, Viola Bernard Foundation, Child Welfare Fund, 2005-present
Total from all funding sources \$245,000

Private gift, Strauss Family, Trauma Services for Pre-school children, October 2001, (\$500,000)

Levy-Baer Fund, Outpatient Child Trauma Assessment and Treatment services 2004, (\$385,000)

Cowin gift, Art and Poetry Therapy Program for Children in JBFCs Residential Programs, 2005-present, \$1,000,000 @ \$200,000/yr

Garthwaithe Fund, Art Therapy Services for Pre-school Children in Domestic Violence Shelters, 1998, (\$60,000)

Principal Investigator, “Katrina Resilience Building Program,” created Resilience/Wellness Curriculum and Workshop for front line staff working with Hurricane Katrina/Rita survivors, United Jewish Appeal-Federation of Jewish Philanthropies, 2007-12/31/08, (\$300,000 total)

Principal Investigator, “United States-Israel Bi-National Trauma Initiative”, Bi-national Trauma focused Disaster, Terrorism Technical Assistance Project JBFCs CTPI and Israeli Center for Psychotrauma at Herzog Hospital Jerusalem February, 2001- June, 2006 (\$280,000 total)

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS:

International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies

PROFESSIONAL COMMITTEES

New York State Office of Mental Health, Scientific Advisory Board, Evidence Based Treatment Dissemination Center (2008-2009)

National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN) National Steering Committee (2004-2006)

International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies (ISTSS), Finance Committee

MEDIA AWARDS

American Film Festival – 1982, 1981, 1976, 1973, 1972

New York International Film and Television Festival – 1981, 1980

Action for Children’s Television – 1980

New York International Animation Festival – 1974

San Francisco International Film Festival – 1974

MEDIA PRODUCTION (*film, filmstrips, videotapes*)

- 1987 The Discovery Year, chief project consultant. Presents the new insights about infant development during the first year, focusing on infant capabilities, temperament, and emotional-social relationships by means of naturalistic video accompanied by original songs. Hosted by Christopher Reeve. A one-hour television special produced for Group W television, KDKA-TV2 as part of their *For Kids Sake* public service project.
- 1983 “Everybody’s Problem” written and produced by Robert Abramovitz, M.D., and Mark Sottnick. Presents a multi-dimensional approach to child abuse prevention for the State of Connecticut Department of Children and Youth Services (12-minute, color video).
- 1983 “Promises to Keep”, written and produced by Robert Abramovitz, M.D., and Mark Sottnick. Examines issues children face when returning to a permanent home after out-of-home placement for the State of Connecticut Department of Children and Youth Services (16-minute, color videocassette).
- 1981 “Within Normal Limits” written and produced by Robert Abramovitz, M.D., and Mark Sottnick. Explores confusion among physicians, educators, and parents regarding their concerns and expectations about diagnostic testing of potentially handicapped children, for the State of Connecticut Health Education Collaborative Project. Distributor: Simon & Schuster Communications, Deerfield, Illinois (23-minute, color videocassette).
- 1980 “Precinct 94-142”, written and produced by Robert Abramovitz, M.D., and Mark Sottnick. Uses a satirical detective story format to stimulate discussion of attitudes and stereotypes held by physicians, teachers, and parents which block their communication about early diagnosis and referral of preschool handicapped children, for the State of Connecticut Health Education Collaborative Project. Distributor: Simon & Schuster Communications, Deerfield, Illinois (22-minute, 16mm color film).
- 1980 “Health-Wise” Health Content Conceptualization and Script Editor, Robert Abramovitz, M.D. Produced by Take III Video Education, Toronto, Ontario. “Health-Wise” is a series of thirteen 15-minute health education color videotapes for elementary school children providing information about their physical and emotional development and health care. Distributor: Simon & Schuster Communications, Deerfield, Illinois.
- 1977 “Lets Talk About”, Advisor, hosted by Mister Rogers; a comprehensive program of 3 videos on “Going to the Hospital”, “Having an Operation”, and “Wearing a Cast”, as well as Children’s booklets, 3 Full-Color Wall Posters, a pamphlet for Parents and a Staff manual.

- 1976 “Looking and Listening Effectively – A Training Course in Child Observation”, written and produced by Robert Abramovitz, M.D., and Arthur Greenwald, M.A. A basic skills training course for entry-level child-care students and professionals. Teaches how to make simple, accurate observations and to describe and record behavior in a non-judgmental manner. Administration for Public Services, Office of Human Development, USDHEW. Distributor, Yale Child Study Center, New Haven, Connecticut (2-hour, color videocassette).
- 1976 “Parenthood in America,” written by Robert Abramovitz, M.D., and produced by *Parents Magazine*, New York. This four-part series examines the evolution of child-rearing values and practices in the United States from colonial times to the present. Distributor, PMF Films, Inc., Elmsford, New York (each part 40-minutes, color filmstrips).
- 1973 “Pretending,” written and produced by Robert Abramovitz, M.D., and Arthur Greenwald, M.A. focuses on imaginative play in preschool children. for National Commission on Resources for Youth, New York. Distributor: Bradley Wright Films, San Anselmo, California (15-minute, 16mm color film).
- 1972 “First Friends”, Script Associate and Psychiatric Consultant, Robert Abramovitz, M.D., directed by Irving Jacoby. Beginning relationships in preschool children, Mental Health Film Board, New York, Distributor International Film Bureau, Chicago, Illinois (22-minute, 16mm color film).
- 1972 “Who Is Listening to Our Children?” Written and produced by Robert Abramovitz, M.D., and Arthur Greenwald, M.A. Documentary about children’s attitudes toward television, for National Symposium on Children and Television, sponsored by Action for Children’s Television and Yale Child Study Center (30-minute, ½” video).

MEDIA CONSULTATIONS

- 1983 *Joint Custody: A New Kind of Family*. Consultant to Filmmaker, 90-minute documentary profiling three families who share parenting after divorce. Broadcast nationally on PBS December, 1983.
- 1983 *Welcome to Pooh Corner*. Consultant to producer for weekly ½-hour Disney Cable TV program for preschool children.
- 1982 *Punchline*, KDKA-TV Consultant to producer for weekly ½-hour evening program for young people.
- 1982 *Stranger in a Family* Consultant, Yale University Media Design Studio, 60-minute videotape about an autistic boy and his family. Broadcast on Connecticut Public Television, January, 1983.

- 1981 Paul, Weiss, Wharton, Rifkind & Garrison Law firm. Affidavit for Coca-Cola regarding effects of a Pepsi-Cola advertisement using children in an inappropriate manner, Prepared for advertising regulatory hearings in Canada.
- 1981 Children's Television Workshop. Consultant and participant, all-day seminar on new curriculum goals for *Sesame Street* in the 1980s.
- 1980 *The Trolley Show*, KDKA-TV. Consultant to the producer of a weekly ½-hour television program for elementary and high school pupils.
- 1978 *Piaget on Piaget*. Consultant, Yale University Media Design Studio on film featuring Piaget speaking about his theories accompanied by scenes of children engaged in classical experimental situations. Directed by Claude Goretta,
- 1976 *Everyone Rides the Carousel*. Member of the Professional Advisory Panel. Directed by John and Faith Hubley for the Hubley Studio and CBS-TV. 72-minute animated color film interpreting Erik Erikson's eight stages of human life concept. National CBS-TV Special September 10, 1976. Distributor: Pyramid Films, Santa Monica, California.
- 1977 *Let's Talk About* series. Consultant to producer, Family Communications, Inc. Three color videocassettes created by, and featuring, Mister Rogers to prepare preschool children for hospitalization, surgery, or orthopedic casting.
- 1973 "Cockabooody." Consultants, Robert Abramovitz, M.D., and Katherine Lustman. Directed by John and Faith Hubley for Hubley Studios, New York. 8-minute animated color film of two young girls playing together and resolving their own conflicts. Distributor: Pyramid Films, Santa Monica, California.