

Core Faculty



Erick Hung, MD ^[1]

Dr. Erick Hung is the director of the Adult Psychiatry Residency Training Program, the UCSF Director of Curricular Affairs for GME, and a member of the UCSF Academy of Medical Educators. He completed his medical school, psychiatry residency, and forensic psychiatry fellowship training at the University of California, San Francisco and joined the faculty at UCSF in 2009. His interests include primary care and mental health integration, the interface between mental health and the legal system, interprofessional collaboration and training, HIV psychiatry, LGBT mental health, and medical education. His educational scholarship interests include competency-based assessment and near-peer learning in the workplace setting. Outside of work, he enjoys trail running, triathlons, and finding new San Francisco restaurant hot spots!

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Alissa Peterson, MD [2]



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Dr. Peterson is the associate program director for clinical rotations and the site director for Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center. She is the head of the inpatient psychiatry women's focus team at Zuckerberg San Francisco General. She is a graduate of UCSF medical school and psychiatry residency training program. Her interests include emergency psychiatry, trauma, women's mental health, chronic mental illness in underserved populations, and medical education. Outside of work, Dr. Peterson enjoys yoga, musical theater, and laughing with her husband and two (rather hilarious) small children.

Caitlin Costello, MD [4]



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Dr. Costello is the associate program director for the didactic curriculum. She is also the medical director for child and adolescent ambulatory services at LPPHC and the program director for the UCSF Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship. She completed medical school at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and residency in general psychiatry at Johns Hopkins Hospital. She completed a fellowship in child and adolescent psychiatry at the New York Presbyterian Hospital of Columbia and Cornell Universities and a fellowship in forensic psychiatry at UCSF. She has interests in OCD and tic disorders, medical education and curriculum development, and child and adolescent forensic psychiatry.

Maithri Ameresekere, MD, MSc [5]



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Dr. Ameresekere is the site director for residency training and a staff psychiatrist in the Women's Mental Health Program and the Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Program at the San Francisco VA Medical Center. She completed her residency at the Massachusetts General Hospital/McLean Hospital adult psychiatry residency program and medical school at the Tufts University School of Medicine. Prior to medical school, she completed her undergraduate degree at Stanford University and her MSc at the Harvard School of Public Health. Her interests include post-conflict mental health, post-traumatic stress disorder, women's mental health, and decreasing barriers to mental health care amongst immigrant and ethnic minority populations.

John Chamberlain, MD [7]



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Dr. Chamberlain is the site director for residency training at LPPHC. He is also the assistant director of the UCSF Program in Psychiatry and the Law. After earning his BS in biology at Stanford University, he attended medical school at UC San Diego. Dr. Chamberlain then completed three years of general surgery residency at the University of Michigan Medical Center. He transferred to UCSF and finished a residency in adult psychiatry and a fellowship in forensic psychiatry. As a faculty member, he has worked on the inpatient unit, the consultation-liaison service, and the partial hospital program as well as in the outpatient clinics. He has served as director of the UCSF Adult Consultation Liaison Service. He is responsible for the criminal forensic psychiatry curriculum for the Program in Psychiatry and the Law. He maintains an outpatient practice in clinical psychiatry providing consultation liaison services, medication management services, and psychotherapy services. Outside of work he enjoys spending time with his family, reading, and volunteering.

Susan Voglmaier, MD, PhD [8]



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Dr. Voglmaier is the director of the Psychiatry Resident Research Training Program (RRTP). She splits her time between research, teaching, and clinical work, primarily in the areas of schizophrenia and depression. Dr. Voglmaier's laboratory studies synaptic vesicle trafficking and neurotransmitter release. Dr. Voglmaier obtained her BA, MD, and a PhD in neuroscience from Johns Hopkins, and trained at UCSF for her psychiatry residency and postdoctoral fellowship. She was one of the first UCSF research track resident graduates, and is interested in fostering the integration of biological and psychological approaches to neuropsychiatric disease.

Tammy Duong, MD [9]



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Dr. Duong is the associate program director for evaluation and assessment for residency training. She directs the residency advising program which matches residents with faculty advisors for the duration of the training careers. She is also the interim associate medical director for the Langley Porter Adult Outpatient General Psychiatry Clinics. She completed her adult psychiatry residency at the University of Southern California and geriatric psychiatry fellowship at UCSF. She is a graduate of University of Kansas for her medical and undergraduate degrees. Her interests include geriatric psychiatry, neurodegenerative disorders, ethics, medical education, diversity, equity, and inclusion.

Joseph Zamaria, PsyD ^[11]

Dr. Zamaria is the associate program director for psychotherapy. He is also an attending psychologist at LPPHC, providing supervision for psychiatry residents and psychology fellows and maintaining an outpatient psychotherapy practice. After earning a BA in psychology and philosophy at Rutgers University, Dr. Zamaria went on to obtain a doctorate in clinical psychology at the California School of Professional Psychology. He completed an internship in clinical psychology at California Pacific Medical Center's Department of Psychiatry, and a postdoctoral fellowship at UCSF. He is a founding member of the American Arab, Middle Eastern, and North African Psychological Association (AMENA-PSY) and his interests include psychotherapy education, integration of psychodynamic and cognitive/behavioral therapies, and research into novel psychotherapy approaches such as psychedelic-assisted psychotherapy.



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Department leadership



Matthew W. State, MD, PhD [12]

Dr. State has been the chair of the UCSF Department of Psychiatry and director of the Langley Porter Psychiatric Institute since 2013. No stranger to California, he received his undergraduate and medical degree from Stanford University and completed his residency and a fellowship at UCLA, before moving to Yale in 2001 for a PhD in genetics where he also served as co-director of the Program on Neurogenetics. He is a leading child psychiatrist and internationally recognized expert on the genetics and genomics of autism, Tourette syndrome, and other neurodevelopmental syndromes.

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Lowell Tong, MD ^[13]

Dr. Tong is the department's executive vice chair and a founding member of the UCSF Academy of Medical Educators. He is a graduate of Stanford University, University of Virginia Medical School, and the UCSF Psychiatry Residency Training Program. Since 1988, he has been a UCSF faculty member in various roles: SFVAMC Psychiatry Consult Service director; director of business and clinical arms of the UCSF Psychiatry Care Clinic at Parnassus and Mount Zion campuses; director of psychiatry medical student education and multiple course directorships; and department vice chair for education. He has led department and medical school initiatives in comprehensive curricular and administrative design, faculty development programs, and mentorship and advising programs. He has led various initiatives and sections of professional organizations including USMLE/NBME, the Association for Academic Psychiatry, and American Psychiatric Association. He led our department prior to current department chair Matt State. His education scholarship is in trainee assessment, faculty development outcomes, and systems analysis approaches to improve education outcomes. He is the faculty lead for the new physical home of the department and the new UCSF Child, Teen and Family Center in San Francisco's Dogpatch neighborhood, adjacent to the Mission Bay campus.



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Lisa R. Fortuna, MD, MPH, MDiv [15]



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Dr. Fortuna is the chief of psychiatry and departmental vice chair at Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center. She has been an investigator on several National Institutes of Health and foundation-funded studies of Latino and immigrant mental health, integrated care, access to care including a principle investigator of a NIMH funded R01 aimed at optimizing family navigation for addressing child behavioral health in primary care and a Patient Centered Outcome Research Institute (PCORI) funded multi-site large pragmatic trial on the treatment of childhood anxiety called Kids FACE FEARS. Her areas of expertise are child and adolescent psychiatry, treatment and research on PTSD across the lifespan, immigrant mental health, access to care and implementation research including digital interventions.

Maga Jackson-Triche, MD, MSHS [16]



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Dr. Jackson-Triche is the department's vice chair for adult psychiatry and the vice president for adult behavioral health services at UCSF Health. A graduate of the University of Chicago's Pritzker School of Medicine and the UCLA School of Public Health, Jackson-Triche has served in key leadership roles within the Veterans Health Administration network, including chief mental health officer for the VA Sierra Pacific Network, where she oversaw the mental health care services of a network covering more than one million veterans. In addition to her extensive clinical and administrative work, she has held academic appointments with the UCLA David Geffen School of Medicine, Tulane University School of Medicine, and UC Davis School of Medicine.

Bryan King, MD, MBA [17]



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Dr. King is the department's vice chair for child and adolescent psychiatry and vice president for child behavioral health services at UCSF Benioff Children's Hospitals. A graduate of the Medical College of Wisconsin and the George Washington University School of Business, King has previously held faculty appointments and key clinical leadership positions at the UCLA David Geffen School of Medicine, Dartmouth Medical School, University of Washington, and Seattle Children's Hospital. King is also a highly accomplished researcher, having authored more than 120 academic publications on autism and neurodevelopmental disorders, pediatric psychology and behavioral medicine, mood disorders, and disruptive behavior disorders.

Andrew Krystal, MD, MS [18]



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Dr. Krystal is the department's vice chair for research, as well as an internationally recognized expert in the areas of mood and sleep disorders with over 25 years of clinical and research experience to his credit. His work has focused on developing new treatments for these conditions and the identification of biomarkers for improving treatment effectiveness. After completing undergraduate and master's degrees in biomedical engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and earning a medical degree from the Duke University School of Medicine, Krystal served as a faculty member and clinician at Duke University Medical Center for over two decades.;

John R. McQuaid, PhD [19]

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Dr. McQuaid is the associate chief of staff for mental health at the San Francisco VA Health Care System, as well as the department's vice chair for the San Francisco VA Health Care System. Dr. McQuaid completed his undergraduate degree in psychology at UC San Diego, his PhD in clinical psychology at the University of Oregon, and his internship and postdoctoral fellowship at UCSF. From 1995 to 2009, he served on the faculty of UC San Diego and as a staff member at the VA San Diego Health Care System, moving into the role of associate chief of psychology at SFVAHCS in 2004.

Fellowship directors

Caitlin Costello, MD [4]

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Dr. Costello is the director of the UCSF Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship. She completed medical school at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and residency in general psychiatry at Johns Hopkins Hospital. She completed a fellowship in child and adolescent psychiatry at the New York Presbyterian Hospital of Columbia and Cornell Universities and a fellowship in forensic psychiatry at UCSF. She has interests in OCD and tic disorders, medical education and curriculum development, and child and adolescent forensic psychiatry.

Craig Nelson, MD [20]

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Dr. Nelson is the director of geriatric psychiatry and the Geriatric Psychiatry Fellowship. He holds the Leon J. Epstein Chair in Geriatric Psychiatry. Dr. Nelson trained at Stanford, University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health and completed psychiatry residency at Yale. He was on the faculty at Yale until 2002 when he came to UCSF. He is especially interested in treatment of late life depression and treatment resistant adult depression.

Kewchang Lee, MD [21]

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Dr. Lee is the director of the UCSF Consultation-Liaison Psychiatry Fellowship Program, the Psychiatry Consultation Unit, and site director for psychiatry medical student education at SFVAMC. Hailing from upstate New York, he attended Harvard University and NYU School of Medicine, and completed his psychiatry residency at UCSF. Dr. Lee is actively involved in clinical and teaching activities, focusing on consultation-liaison psychiatry and behavioral medicine. His interests include primary care and mental health integration, cross-cultural psychiatry, and medical education. Outside of work, he enjoys travel, opera, and his partner's delicious home-cooked meals.

Michael Hoefler, MD [22]

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Dr. Hoefler is the director of the UCSF Addiction Psychiatry Fellowship Program and medical director of the Opioid Treatment Program at the San Francisco VA Medical Center. Dr. Hoefler completed his psychiatry residency at UCSF and his addiction training at Yale University. His interests include addiction psychopharmacology, motivational interviewing, clinical drug testing, the application of behavioral finance to addiction treatment, and medical education.

Renée Binder, MD [23]



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Dr. Binder is the director of the Psychiatry and the Law Program. She served as interim chair of the Department of Psychiatry for over three years and has been associate dean of academic affairs for the UCSF School of Medicine since 2004. She is a past president of the American Psychiatric Association (APA), American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law, the Northern California Psychiatric Society, and the California Psychiatric Association. Dr. Binder also served on the APA Board of Trustees and was chair of the APA Council on Psychiatry and the Law. Her research has focused on violence risk assessment of patients with mental illness and the criminalization of the mentally ill.

Christina Mangurian, MD, MAS [24]



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Dr. Mangurian is the department's vice chair for diversity and health equity, and director of the UCSF Public Psychiatry Fellowship at Zuckerberg San Francisco General. She attended UCSF for medical school and completed her psychiatry residency and public psychiatry fellowship at Columbia University. Dr. Mangurian currently holds an NIMH K23 award aimed at improving the primary care received by people with severe mental illness served in community mental health clinics. When she is not working, Dr. Mangurian enjoys spending time relaxing with her husband and two small children.

Bibhav Acharya, MD ^[26]



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Dr. Acharya is an assistant professor and the founding-director of UCSF Psychiatry HEAL Fellowship in Global Mental Health, which trains psychiatrists as leaders in clinical practice and capacity building in low-resource settings in the United States and abroad. His research focuses on developing, implementing and assessing models to expand access to mental health services in low-resource settings. His work examines the processes and outcomes of engaging generalist health workers to provide high-quality, culturally-sensitive and evidence-based mental health services under guidance from specialists like psychiatrists. Dr. Acharya co-founded Possible, a non-profit that operates two district-level hospitals and oversees 150 community health workers in rural Nepal in partnership with the Nepali government. He was born and raised in Nepal and arrived in the United States to attend Haverford College on a full scholarship. He received his MD from Yale University and completed residency training in general adult psychiatry at UCSF.

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