

# **CURRICULUM VITA**

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## **PERSONAL DATA**

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## **EDUCATIONAL DATA**

B.S., University of Houston, 1975  
Major: Psychology

M.A., University of the Pacific, 1978  
Major: Psychology

Ph.D., University of Georgia, 1982  
Major: Clinical Psychology

## **ACADEMIC HONORS**

1. Magna Cum Laude, University of Houston
2. Phi Kappa Phi
3. Lauri T. Callicutt Scholarship for the outstanding undergraduate research proposal

## **PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES**

1. American Psychological Association
2. Nevada Psychological Association

## **PROFESSIONAL SOCIETY AWARDS**

1. "Continuing Education Excellence Award"  
American Academy of Pain Management, September, 1996, 1998, 1999, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007

**LICENSES, CERTIFICATION**

Wisconsin License	1984-1986
Nevada License	1986 - present
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**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

<u>January 1974 to July 1975:</u>	Adolescent Counselor Family Connection, Inc. Houston, Texas
<u>July 1975 to January 1976:</u>	Psychiatric Technician Texas Research Institute for Mental Sciences (TRIMS) Houston, Texas
<u>November 1975 to August 1976:</u>	Data Coordinator The Diet Modification Clinic Baylor College of Medicine Houston, Texas
<u>January 1977 to June 1977:</u>	Behavior Therapist Stockton State Hospital Stockton, California
<u>July 1977 to August 1977:</u>	Adolescent Counselor Stockton Children's Home Stockton, California
<u>August 1977 to November 1977:</u>	House Parent/Counselor Stockton Children's Home Stockton, California
<u>June 1978 to August 1978:</u>	Program Coordinator Behavior Therapy Unit
<u>August 1978 to June 1979:</u>	Stockton State Hospital Stockton, California Clinic Assistant University of Georgia Psychology Clinic Athens, Georgia

<u>June 1979 to October 1979:</u>	Clinic Therapist University of Georgia Psychology Clinic Athens, Georgia
<u>October 1979 to August 1980:</u>	Graduate Teaching Assistant University of Georgia Athens, Georgia
<u>October 1980 to August 1981:</u>	Clinical Psychology Internship UNR Medical School and VA Reno, Nevada
<u>August 1981 to August 1982:</u>	Graduate Teaching Assistant University of Georgia Athens, Georgia
<u>October 1982 to October 1983:</u>	Staff Psychologist Biofeedback Institute San Francisco, California
<u>October 1983 to Sept 1985:</u>	Academic Staff Psychologist Department of Neurology UW Medical School University of Wisconsin, Madison
<u>October 1983 to Sept 1985:</u>	Consultant to Pain Clinic UW Hospitals Madison, Wisconsin
<u>March 1984 to September 1985:</u>	Private Practice Capital Square Associates Madison, Wisconsin
<u>September 1985 to 1987:</u>	Coordinator Consultation-Liaison Service V.A. Medical Center and UNR Medical School Reno, Nevada
<u>September 1985 to 1987:</u>	Assistant Professor of Psychiatry UNR Medical School Reno, Nevada

<u>September 1985 to present:</u>	Private Practice Reno, Nevada
<u>October 1987 to July 1992:</u>	Coordinator of Clinical Services and Director of Behavioral Medicine Sierra Pain and Occupational Rehabilitation Center Reno, Nevada
<u>September 1988 to present:</u>	Adjunct Professor Department of Psychology University of Nevada, Reno Reno, Nevada
<u>June 1992 to March 2000:</u>	President Pendrake, Inc., Publishing Company
<u>July 1992 to July 1993:</u>	Consulting Psychologist Behavioral Medicine Department Health-Plex Reno, Nevada
<u>September 1993 to present:</u>	Consulting Psychologist Renown Rehabilitation Hospital
<u>October 1997 to 2005:</u>	Partner and Director of Behavioral Medicine Reno Spine Center Reno, NV
<u>November 2005 to 2009:</u>	Partner and Director Southern Nevada FRP Las Vegas, Nevada
<u>March 2000 to present:</u>	President HealthNetSolutions.com, Inc.

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

<u>Fall 1974:</u>	Instructor for course entitled "Marital Interaction Coding System", University of Houston
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- Fall 1976: Graduate teaching assistant for undergraduate course entitled "Introductory Psychology", University of the Pacific
- Spring 1977: Graduate teaching assistant for undergraduate course entitled "Behavior Change I", University of the Pacific
- Fall 1977: Graduate teaching assistant for undergraduate course entitled "Learning Theory", University of the Pacific
- Fall 1977: Instructor for course entitled "Behavioral Approaches to Marital Therapy", University of the Pacific
- Fall 1979: Instructor for course entitled "Psychology of Adjustment", University of Georgia
- Fall 1982: Instructor for course entitled "Biofeedback: Instrumentation and Clinical Application", Professional School of Humanistic Studies, San Francisco
- Fall 1989: Instructor of course entitled "Management of Chronic Pain", National Judicial College, University of Nevada, Reno

### **EDITORIAL ACTIVITIES**

#### Journal of Behavioral Assessment and Psychopathology

Guest Reviewer: 1979, 1980, 1981, 1986, 1989

#### Phobia Practice and Research Journal

Editorial Board: 1987 to 1991

#### Pain Management

Editorial Board: 1987 to 1992

## **PUBLICATIONS**

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Tearnan, B.H. Malingering and Deception. PainView, 2011.

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## **PRESENTATIONS**

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Tearnan, B.H., Thompson, K.J., Hammer, D., The role of covert modeling in fear reduction. Presented at the Association for the Advancement of Behavior Therapy, San Francisco, 1979.

Tearnan, B.H., Lutzker, J.R. A multiple baseline analysis of quid pro quo contracting in a couple with marital distress. Presented at the Association for the advancement of Behavior Therapy as part of a symposium on Deviant Family Systems, San Francisco, 1979.



Tearnan, B.H., Lahey, B.B., Thompson, J.K., Hammer, D. The effects of covert modeling plus self-instructions in specific fear reduction. Presented at the South Eastern Psychological Association Convention, Washington, D.C., March, 1980.

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Tearnan, B.H., Cleeland, C.S. The use of pain adjectives by patients with cancer. Presented at the Society of Behavioral Medicine Convention, New Orleans, March, 1985.

Dar, R., Tearnan, B.H. Physicians' ratings of pain descriptors for different pain syndromes. Presented at the American Pain Society Annual Meeting, Dallas, Texas, 1985.

Cleeland, C.S., Tearnan, B.H., Dar, R. Location of cancer pain: Correlates of patient drawings. Presented at the American Pain Society Annual Meeting, Dallas, Texas, 1985.

Tearnan, B.H., Dar, R., Cleeland, C.S. Location of chronic pain: Correlates of patient drawings. Presented at the American Pain Society Annual Meeting, Dallas, Texas, 1985.

Tearnan, B.H. The psychological treatment of cancer pain. Presented at the American Pain Society Conference as part of a symposium on the psychological treatment of cancer pain, Dallas, Texas, 1985.

Tearnan, B.H., Cleeland, C.S. Physicians' attitudes regarding chronic pain patients. Presented at the Society of Behavioral Medicine Convention, San Francisco, 1986.

Tearnan, B.H., Lewandowski, M. The Behavioral Assessment of Pain. Presented at the Association for the Advancement of Behavior Therapy, Washington, D.C., 1989.

Tearnan, B.H., Lewandowski, M.J. The Behavioral Assessment of Pain Questionnaire (BAP). Presented at the Twelfth Annual Society of Behavioral Medicine Convention, Washington, D.C., 1991.

Tearnan, B.H., Lewandowski, M.J. The Pain Acceptance Scale. Presented at the American Academy of Pain Management, Knoxville, Tennessee, 1993.

Lewandowski, M.J., Tearnan, B.H. The Perceived Consequences Scale. Presented at the American Academy of Pain Management, Knoxville, Tennessee, 1993.

Tearnan, B.H., Lewandowski, M.J. The Development of a New Instrument for Assessing Deception in Patients Complaining of Persistent Pain, Presented at the Annual Pain Innovation Conference, Banff, Alberta Canada 1996.

Lewandowski, M.J., Tearnan, B.H. The Use of Biofeedback Techniques in the Treatment of Chronic Pain. Presented at the Annual American Academy of Pain Management Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada 1997.

Tearnan, B.H. The Detection of Malingering. Presented at the Annual American Academy of Pain Management Conference, Atlanta, Georgia 1998.

Tearnan, B.H. Deception Analysis. Presented at the Annual American Academy of Pain Management Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada 1999.

Tearnan, B.H. Pain, Disease, and Suicide. Presented at the Annual American Academy of Pain Management Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada 2000.

Tearnan, B.H. The Detection of Malingering and Secondary Gain Issues. Presented at the Annual American Academy of Pain Management Conference, Reno, Nevada 2002.

Tearnan, B.H. The Detection of Malingering. Presented at the Annual American Academy of Pain Management Conference, San Diego, California, 2005.

Tearnan, B. H. The Psychology of Pain Management. Presented at the Nevada Medical Association Family Practice Conference, South Lake Tahoe, January, 2007.

Tearnan, B. H. Protocols for Pain Management. Presented to rural hospital emergency departments; Sponsored by the University of Nevada Extension Program, February, 2008.

Tearnan, B.H. Development of the LAQ: A new questionnaire for detecting deception in the chronic pain population; a validation study comparing two dissimulation groups. Presented at Pain Week Annual Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada, 2008

Tearnan, B.H. Practical Pain Management: A step by step guide to managing the difficult patient with chronic pain. Presented at The National Institute for the Clinical Application of Behavioral Medicine Annual Conference on The Psychology of Health, Immunity, and Disease, Hilton Head, South Carolina, 2008

Tearnan, B.H. Development of the LAQ: An update. Presented at Pain Week Annual Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada, 2010.

Tearnan, B.H. Malingering and Deception. Presented at Pain Week Annual Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada, 2010.

### **WORKSHOPS**

Title: The treatment of stress and anxiety related disorders  
Participants: Mental health professionals  
Location: Mendota Mental Health Center, Madison, Wisconsin  
Date: February, 1985  
Title: Pain Management  
Participants: Nurses  
Location: St. Mary's Hospital, Reno, Nevada  
Summer, 1990

Title: Pain Assessment  
Participants: State Industrial Insurance Nurses for No. Nevada  
Location: SIIS, Carson City, Nevada  
Date February, 1991

Title: Psychological Management of Chronic Pain  
Participants: Members of the American Academy of Pain Management  
Location: Albuquerque, New Mexico  
Date October, 1992

Title: Psychological Testing of Chronic Pain Patients  
Participants: Members of the American Academy of Pain Management  
Location: Knoxville, Tennessee  
Date: October, 1993

Title: The Use of Biofeedback in the Management of Chronic Pain  
Participants: Members of the American Academy of Pain Management  
Location: Las Vegas, NV  
Date: September, 1997

### **CONSULTING ACTIVITIES**

Innovative Health Solutions, Inc., A Division of Merck Pharmaceuticals, Inc.  
1997 to 1998

American Academy of Pain Management.  
1995 to 2008

**PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

Board of Advisors for the American Academy of Pain Management

1998 to 2008

**MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION**

Tearnan, B.H. The Development of the Health and Longevity Questionnaire

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