

## Wendy Wiegmann

### EDUCATION

#### **Ph.D.**

*University of California, Berkeley, School of Social Welfare*

*Expected: May 2015*

Dissertation Title: Substance Abuse Treatment for Child Welfare Involved Parents - Measuring the Impact of Program Intensity

Dissertation Committee: Jill Duerr Berrick (Chair, Social Welfare); Jane Mauldon (Public Policy); Bridget Freisthler (University of California, Los Angeles, School of Public Affairs)

#### **M.S.W.**

*University of California, Berkeley, School of Social Welfare*

*May 2007*

Concentration: Children and Families

Title IV-E Child Welfare Training Grant Recipient

#### **B.A. in Political Science**

*University of California, Berkeley, School of Social Welfare*

*May 2002*

Honors Thesis: Exercises in Futility: Correct and Incorrect Approaches to Child Welfare Reform - New York (1874-2001)

Minor in Philosophy

### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Child welfare reform

Substance abuse among parents involved with the child welfare system

Availability and efficacy of substance abuse treatment for parents

Measures of alcohol and drug abuse severity among parents

Family engagement and service provision for parents involved with the child welfare system

Sibling connections among children and youth in the child welfare system

### TEACHING INTERESTS

Social Work Practice

Child Welfare Practice

Social Policy

Human Behavior and the Social Environment

Social Problems

Social Work Research

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### **Graduate Student Researcher**

*Center for Social Services Research – California Child Welfare Indicators Project (CCWIP)*

August 2013 – August 2014

Impact of foster care experiences on education outcomes for children placed out-of-home

Principal Investigator: Barbara Needell, Ph.D.

### **Graduate Student Researcher**

*Center for Social Services Research – California Child Welfare Indicators Project (CCWIP)*

August 2010 – November 2011

Role of fathers on child maltreatment allegations and child welfare outcomes

Social welfare research curriculums for Masters level students using administrative level child welfare data

Child welfare system accountability

Principal Investigator: Barbara Needell, Ph.D.

### **Research Assistant**

*Center for Social Services Research – California Child Welfare Indicators Project (CCWIP)*

April 2002 – July 2007

Assisted and supervised quality assurance process to ensure the accuracy of online administrative level child welfare data

Principal Investigator: Barbara Needell, Ph.D.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### **Research Liaison**

*M.S.W. Program, School of Social Welfare, University of California, Berkeley*

Fall 2014

Cal-Child Welfare Leadership Training (Cal-CWLT) Program

### **Instructor**

*Undergraduate Program, School of Social Welfare, University of California, Berkeley*

Summer 2014

SW 20: Confronting America's Social Problems

### **Graduate Student Instructor**

*M.S.W. Program, School of Social Welfare, University of California, Berkeley*

Spring 2013

SW 282B: Social Welfare Research

### **Graduate Student Instructor**

*M.S.W. Program, School of Social Welfare, University of California, Berkeley*

Fall 2012

SW 282A: Social Welfare Research

## **SOCIAL WORK EXPERIENCE – POST-M.S.W**

### **Child Welfare Worker II**

*Alameda County Social Services Agency, Family Reunification Unit*

June 2009 – August 2010

### **Protective Services Worker**

*San Francisco County Human Services Agency, Family Reunification Unit*

July 2007 – June 2009

## **SOCIAL WORK EXPERIENCE – PRE-M.S.W**

### **M.S.W. Intern**

*San Mateo County Human Services Agency, Emergency Response Unit*

September 2006 – June 2007

### **M.S.W. Intern**

*Pivotal Point Youth Services*

September 2005 – May 2006

## **GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS**

### **Pre-doctoral Fellowship (\$9,365)**

*Alcohol Research Group, Fall 2014*

### **Dean's Normative Time Fellowship (\$9,000)**

*University of California, Berkeley, Fall 2014*

### **Dean's Normative Time Fellowship (\$9,335)**

*University of California, Berkeley, Spring 2014*

### **Graduate Division Block Grant Award (\$7,500)**

*University of California, Berkeley, Fall 2013*

### **Graduate Division Summer Research Grant (\$3,500)**

*University of California, Berkeley, Summer 2013*

### **Graduate Division Block Grant Award (\$7,500)**

*University of California, Berkeley, Fall 2011*

### **Title IV-E Child Welfare Training Stipend (\$37,000/2 years)**

*University of California, Berkeley, 2005 - 2007*

## **PUBLICATIONS**

Lery, B., **Wiegmann, W.**, & Berrick, J.D. (in review). Building a knowledge-driven child welfare workforce: A university-agency partnership. *Journal of Social Work Education*.

Lery, B., Putnam-Hornstein, E., **Wiegmann, W.**, & King, B. (in review). Building analytic capacity and statistical literacy among Title IV-E MSW students. *Journal of Public Child Welfare*.

**Wiegmann, W.**, Putnam-Hornstein, E., Barrat, V. X., Magruder, J., & Needell, B. (2014). The invisible achievement gap: How the foster care experiences of California public school students are associated with their education outcomes. Available online: <http://www.stuartfoundation.org/NewsAndReports/ReportsAndResearch/2014/05/22/invisible-achievement-gap-report-part-2>

**Wiegmann, W.** (2013). Social justice in political thought: Examining the rights of parents. In M. J. Austin (Ed.), *Social Justice and Social Work: Rediscovering a Core Value of the Profession* (Ch. 12). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications, Inc.

**Wiegmann, W.** (2013). Procedural injustices in child welfare. In M. J. Austin (Ed.), *Social Justice and Social Work: Rediscovering a Core Value of the Profession* (Ch. 21). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications, Inc.

Putnam-Hornstein, E., Needell, B., Lery, B., King, B., & **Wiegmann, W.** (2013). Using publicly available data to engage IV-E students in research and statistics: Instructional modules. Available online: <http://calswec.berkeley.edu/specialized-practice-areas>

Herrick, M. & **Piccus\*, W.** (2005). Sibling connections: The importance of nurturing sibling bonds in the foster care system, *Children and Youth Services Review*, 27(7), 845-861. DOI: 10.1016/j.childyouth.2004.12.013

\*Indicates a pre-marital surname.

## PRESENTATIONS

**Wiegmann, W.** (August, 2014). *Child maltreatment recurrence: A theoretical analysis of child welfare's approach to protecting children & assisting families*. 64th Annual Meeting – Society for the Study of Social Problems.

**Wiegmann, W.** (August, 2014). *Habitus, symbolic violence, and reflexivity: Relevance of Bourdieu's theories to social work*. 64th Annual Meeting – Society for the Study of Social Problems.

King, B., **Wiegmann, W.**, & Putnam-Hornstein, E. (October, 2011). *Translating performance data to practice: Developing curricula to train research-minded MSW students*. 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Program Meeting – Council on Social Work Education.

**Piccus\*, W.** (May, 2008). *Substitute caregiver appreciation: My experience in the child welfare system*. Plenary address – Stanislaus County Foster Parent Appreciation Event.

**Piccus\*, W.** & Garris, E. (November, 2006). *Siblings and permanence*. 2006 Annual Conference – California Permanency for Youth Project.

Badeau, S., & **Piccus\*, W.** (July, 2006). *Honoring sibling relationships*. 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference – North American Council on Adoptable Children.

**Piccus\*, W.** (March, 2006). *Siblings and permanence*. Plenary address - Biology & Beyond: Siblings in Adoption and Foster Care Conference.

**Piccus\*, W.** (September, 2005). *Sibling placements in foster care*. Brown Bag Presentations to Alameda County Child Welfare Workers.

**Piccus\*, W.** (May, 2005). *Siblings and permanence*. 2005 National Family-to-Family Conference – Annie E. Case Foundation.

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## COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

### **Ph.D. Student Representative**

University of California, Berkeley, School of Social Welfare  
2013 – Present

### **Doctoral Curriculum Committee**

University of California, Berkeley, School of Social Welfare  
2013 – Present

### **Graduate Student Mentor**

University of California, Berkeley, School of Social Welfare  
2013 – Present

### **Board Member**

North American Council on Adoptable Children  
2006 – 2013

### **Technical Assistant**

Annie E. Casey Family to Family Initiative  
2002 – 2007

### **Camp Counselor**

Camp To Belong  
2006

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Council on Social Work Education, Member  
National Association of Social Workers, Member  
Society for the Study of Social Problems, Member  
Society for Social Work Research, Member