

Biosketch Erica Shoemaker, MD, MPH AADPRT Position: Chair, CAP Caucus

Erica Shoemaker MD, MPH is a child psychiatrist and the program director for child and adolescent psychiatry at USC Keck School of Medicine/LAC + USC Medical Center. She has been program director of the child psychiatry fellowship for USC



for 9 years, and in her leadership of that program has fostered development a milieu in which fellows behave with high degrees of professionalism and collegiality. She also serves as the director for clinical services for child and adolescent psychiatry at LAC + USC Medical Center, overseeing an adolescent inpatient unit, consultation-liaison service, child crisis/ emergency service, outpatient clinic, and psychiatric services co-located within pediatric clinics. In her clinical work, she is expert in treatment of highly-stressed and underserved urban populations and in the assessment of young children. She is the co-founder of two clinics co-located within the pediatrics clinics at LAC+USC: the New Family Care Clinic, serving new mothers with psychiatric illness and their infants, and the Early Childhood Clinic, for evaluation of toddlers and preschoolers for neurodevelopmental and behavioral disorders.

Areas of interest

- Medical Education in Child Psychiatry, especially in the area of professionalism
- Psychiatric collaboration/liaison with other medical specialties and agencies (schools, child protective services, etc)
- Typical child development
- Prevention of mental illness
- Early intervention for mental illness in young children and their parents.