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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. Social Welfare, **University of California, Berkeley**, Berkeley, California, 2003.
Dissertation: Understanding the Spatial Relationship between Child Maltreatment and Alcohol Outlet Density. Chair: Lorraine Midanik. Committee Members: Paul J. Gruenewald, Julian Chow, John Radke.
- A.M. Social Service Administration, **University of Chicago**, Chicago, Illinois, 1998
Specialization: Policy Analysis/Program Evaluation
- B.S. Child Development and Family Studies with Distinction, **Purdue University**, West Lafayette, Indiana, 1996
Specialization: Individual and Family Development
- B.A. Psychology with Distinction, Honors Curriculum, **Purdue University**, West Lafayette, Indiana, 1996

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2015 – Professor (with tenure), Department of Social Welfare, Luskin School of Public Affairs, University of California, Los Angeles
- 2011 – 2015 Associate Professor (with tenure), Department of Social Welfare, Luskin School of Public Affairs, University of California, Los Angeles
- 2011 – 2013 Faculty Fellow, Lewis Center for Regional Policy Studies
- 2004 – 2011 Assistant Professor, Department of Social Welfare, School of Public Affairs, University of California, Los Angeles
- 2004 – Faculty Affiliate, California Center for Population Research, UCLA
- 2005 – Affiliated Research Scientist, Prevention Research Center, Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation, Oakland, CA
- 2003 – 2004 Associate Research Scientist, Prevention Research Center, Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation, Berkeley, CA
- 2000 – 2003 Research Associate, Prevention Research Center, Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation, Berkeley, CA

FUNDED RESEARCH

Current:

Principal Investigator, Evaluating the Geography of Medical Cannabis Dispensaries on Crime, Price, and Use. National Institute on Drug Abuse Grant Number R01-DA032715, \$2,687,691.

Component Director, Maladaptive Parenting, Activity Spaces, and the Substance Use Environment, Research Component for Environmental Approaches to Prevention Center Grant (Paul J. Gruenewald, PI), Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation, Prevention Research Center, National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Grant Number P60-AA006282 \$1,541,667 (Component budget only) Subcontract to UCLA \$277,220.

Principal Investigator, Expanding the DCFS Needs Portal to Reduce Disparities in the Child Welfare System and Drinking Contexts, Activity Spaces, and Child Maltreatment among Black, White, Latino, and Asian Parents. NIH National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities, Loan Repayment Program Second Renewal, \$10,299.

Principal Investigator, Transforming Child Welfare Practice through Collaborative Research and Training. California Social Work Education Center (CalSWEC) Practice/University Partnership Grant, \$250,000.

Completed:

Co-Principal Investigator (with Dr. Laura Abrams), Housing Stability among Transition Age Youth, UCLA Department of Social Welfare Anonymous Donor, \$20,000.

Principal Investigator, Evaluating a Pilot Intervention to Reduce Disparities through Formalizing Informal Support and The Role of the Substance Use Environment in Child Maltreatment Disproportionality. NIH National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities, Loan Repayment Program Renewal, \$26,117.

Principal Investigator, A Pilot Intervention to Reduce Disparities through Formalizing Informal Support: Developing a Web-Based Needs Portal. Ralph M. Parsons Foundation, \$10,000.

Principal Investigator, How Social Relationships Respond to Changing Infrastructure: Pretest of Effects on Neighborhood Life. John Randolph and Dora Haynes Foundation, Faculty Fellowship, \$12,000.

Component Director, Social Mechanisms of Child Physical Abuse and Neglect, Research Component for Environmental Approaches to Prevention Center Grant (Paul J. Gruenewald, PI), Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation, Prevention Research Center, National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Grant Number P60-AA006282 \$1,341,667 (Component budget only) Subcontract to UCLA \$207,220.

Principal Investigator, Abusive and Neglectful Parenting Practices: Do They Differ by Race/Ethnicity? and Child Welfare Entry Points in California: Where are the Racial Disparities? NIH National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities, Loan Repayment Program \$33,255.

Principal Investigator, Child Welfare Services Need and Access to Supportive Services: A GIS Analysis, UCLA Department of Social Welfare, Child and Family Research Consortium Grant, \$20,000.

Principal Investigator, Alcohol Availability, Alcohol Use and Child Maltreatment. Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation, Prevention Research Center, National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Grant Number 1-R21-AA015180, \$387,907.

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS AND PROJECTS

2011 – Department of Children and Family Services, Torrance Regional Office. “DCFS Needs Portal: Formalizing Informal Support” (with Area Regional Administrator Rosa Tang)

2013 – City of Long Beach, Development Services “Long Beach Violence Prevention Plan.” (with Angela Reynolds and Tracy Colunga, Long Beach Development Services, Neighborhood Services Bureau)

2010 – 2011 Project Extra Mile. “Reducing the Density of Alcohol Outlets: The Case of the Campaign for LOCAL Control (Let Omaha Control its Alcohol Landscape)” (with Diane Riibe, Executive Director)

2006 – 2007 Casey Family Programs, “Neighborhood-Based Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect” (with Mona Gil de Gibaja, Program Director)

2005 – 2007 City of Long Beach, Department of Health and Human Services, “Supply and Demand of Low Income Child Care in Long Beach Neighborhoods.” (with Tracy Colunga, Child Care Coordinator)

PUBLICATIONS

Articles in Refereed Journals:

Freisthler, B., Gruenewald, P.J., Treno, A.J., & Lee, J. (2003). Evaluating alcohol access and the alcohol environment in neighborhood areas. *Alcoholism: Clinical and Experimental Research*, 27, 477-484.

Freisthler, B., Svare, G.M., & Harrison-Jay, S. (2003). It was the best of times, it was the worst of times: Young adult stepchildren talk about growing up in a stepfamily. *Journal of Divorce and Remarriage*, 38, 83-102.

Paschall, M.J. & Freisthler, B. (2003). Does heavy drinking affect academic performance in college? Findings from a prospective study of high achievers. *Journal of Studies on Alcohol*, 64(4), 515-519.

Freisthler, B. (2004). A spatial analysis of social disorganization, alcohol access, and rates of child maltreatment in neighborhoods. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 26(9), 803-819.

Freisthler, B., Midanik, L.T., & Gruenewald, P.J. (2004). Alcohol outlets and child physical abuse and neglect: Applying routine activities theory to the study of child maltreatment. *Journal of Studies on Alcohol*, 65(5), 586-592.

Jay, S., Freisthler, B., & Svare, G.M. (2004). Drinking in young adulthood: Is the stepparent a risk factor? *Journal of Divorce and Remarriage*, 41(3/4), 99-114.

Paschall, M.J., Freisthler, B., & Lipton, R.I. (2005). Moderate alcohol use and depression in young adulthood: Findings from a National Longitudinal Study. *American Journal of Public Health*, 95, 453-457.

Freisthler, B., LaScala, E.A., Gruenewald, P.J. & Treno, A.J. (2005). An examination of drug activity: Effects of neighborhood social organization on the development of drug distribution systems. *Substance Use and Misuse* 40(5), 671-686.

Parrish, M.M., Satariano, W.A., Freisthler, B., Feinberg, L.F. & Adams, S. (2005). Older women with breast cancer: Caregiving and the risk of depression – An exploratory study. *Social Work in Health Care*, 40(4), 41 - 59.

Freisthler, B., Gruenewald, P.J., Johnson, F.W., Treno, A.J. & LaScala, E.A. (2005). An exploratory study examining the spatial dynamics of illicit drug availability and rates of drug use. *Journal of Drug Education*, 35(1), 15-27.

Freisthler, B., Needell, B., & Gruenewald, P.J. (2005). Is the physical availability of alcohol and illicit drugs related to neighborhood rates of child maltreatment? *Child Abuse and Neglect*, 29(9), 1049-1060.

Gruenewald, P.J., Freisthler, B., Remer, L., LaScala, E.A., & Treno, A. (2006). Ecological models of alcohol outlets and violent assaults: Crime potentials and geospatial analysis. *Addiction*, 101, 666-677.

Freisthler, B., Merritt, D.H. & LaScala, E.A. (2006). Understanding the ecology of child maltreatment: A review of the literature and directions for future research. *Child Maltreatment*, 11(3), 263-280.

Freisthler, B., Lery, B., Gruenewald, P.J., & Chow, J. (2006). Methods and challenges of analyzing spatial data for social work problems: The case of examining child maltreatment geographically. *Social Work Research*, 30(4), 198-210.

Freisthler, B., Bruce, E., & Needell, B. (2007). Understanding the geospatial relationship of neighborhood characteristics and rates of maltreatment for Black, Hispanic, and White children. *Social Work, 52*, 7-16.

Freisthler, B., Gruenewald, P.J., Remer, L.G., Lery, B. & Needell, B. (2007). Exploring the spatial dynamics of alcohol outlets and Child Protective Services referrals, substantiations, and foster care entries. *Child Maltreatment, 12*, 114-124.

Clapp, J.D., Holmes, M.R., Reed, M.B., Shillington, A.M., Freisthler, B. & Lange, J.E. (2007). Measuring college students' alcohol consumption in natural drinking environments: Field methodologies for bars and parties. *Evaluation Review, 31*, 469-489.

Svare, G.M., Jay, S.H., Bruce, E., Freisthler, B. & Miller, L.S. (2007). Introducing simultaneous equation modeling for social work research: A theoretical approach to examining complex social problems. *Journal of Social Service Research, 34*(2), 15-24.

Freisthler, B. & Weiss, R.E. (2008). Using Bayesian space-time models to understand the substance use environment and risk for being referred to Child Protective Services. *Substance Use & Misuse Special Issue, 43*(2), 239-251.

Gorman, D. & Freisthler, B. (2008). Introduction to Special Issue. *Substance Use & Misuse Special Issue, 43*(2), 155-158.

Craun, S.W. & Freisthler, B. (2008). Using tax parcels to select a location-based sample: An illustration that examines residents' knowledge of sex offenders in the neighborhood. *Evaluation Review, 32*, 314-334.

Freisthler, B., Gruenewald, P.J. Ring, L. & LaScala, E.A. (2008). An ecological assessment of the population and environmental correlates of childhood accident, assault and child abuse injuries. *Alcoholism: Clinical and Experimental Research, 32*(11), 1969-1975.

Freisthler, B., Byrnes, H., & Gruenewald, P.J. (2009). Alcohol outlet density, parental monitoring, and youth deviance: A multilevel analysis. *Children and Youth Services Review, 31*, 325-330.

Freisthler, B & Crampton, D. (2009). Introduction to environment and child well-being. *Children and Youth Services Review, 31*, 297-299.

Crampton, D.S. & Freisthler, B. (2009). Conclusion to environment and child well-being. *Children and Youth Services Review, 31*, 346-348.

Gruenewald, P.J., Freisthler, B., Remer, L., LaScala, E.A., Treno, A.J. & Ponick, W. R. (2010). Ecological associations of alcohol outlets with underage and young adult injuries. *Alcoholism: Clinical and Experimental Research, 34*(3), 519-527.

Abrams, L.S. & Freisthler, B. (2010). A spatial analysis of risks and resources for reentry youth in Los Angeles. *Journal of the Society for Social Work and Research*, 1(1), 41-55.

Snyder, S.M. & Freisthler, B. (2011). Are non profit density and non profit expenditures related to youth deviance? *Children and Youth Services Review*, 33, 51-58.

Freisthler, B. (2011). Alcohol use, drinking venue utilization, and child physical abuse: Results from a pilot study. *Journal of Family Violence*, 26(3), 185 – 193.

Freisthler, B., Kepple, N.J., & Holmes, M.R. (2012). The geography of drug market activities and child maltreatment. *Child Maltreatment*, 17(2), 144-152.

Kepple, N.J. & Freisthler, B. (2012). Exploring the ecological association between crime and medical marijuana dispensaries. *Journal of Studies on Alcohol and Drugs*, 73, 523-530.

Freisthler, B. & Holmes, M.R. (2012). Explicating the social mechanisms linking the ecology of alcohol use behaviors to child maltreatment. *Journal of Sociology and Social Welfare*, 39, 25-48.

Freisthler, B., Kepple, N.J., Sims, R., & Martin, S.E. (2013). Evaluating medical marijuana dispensary policies: Spatial methods for the study of environmentally-based interventions. *American Journal of Community Psychology*, 51, 278-288.

Lam, M., Klein, S., Freisthler, B., & Weiss, R. (2013). Childcare center closures: Does nonprofit status provide a comparative advantage? *Children and Youth Services Review*, 35, 525-534.

Freisthler, B. & Gruenewald, P.J. (2013). Where the individual meets the ecological: A study of parent drinking patterns, alcohol outlets and child physical abuse. *Alcoholism: Clinical and Experimental Research*, 27(6), 993-1000.

Freisthler, B. (2013). Need for and access to supportive services in the Child Welfare System. *GeoJournal*, 78(3), 429-441.

Lipperman-Kreda, S., Lee, J., Morrison, C., & Freisthler, B. (2014). Availability of tobacco products associated with use of marijuana cigars (blunts). *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*, 134, 337-342.

Freisthler, B., Johnson-Motoyama, M., & Kepple, N.J. (2014). Inadequate child supervision: The role of alcohol outlet density, parent drinking behaviors, and social support. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 43, 75-84. doi: 10.1016/j.childyouth.2014.05.002

Morrison, C., Gruenewald, P.J., Freisthler, B., Ponicki, W.R., and Remer, L.G. (2014). The economic geography of medical marijuana dispensaries in California. *International Journal of Drug Policy*, 25, 508-515. doi: 10.1016/j.drugpo.2013.12.009

Freisthler, B., Holmes, M.R., & Price Wolf, J. (2014). The dark side of social support: Understanding the role of social support, drinking behaviors and alcohol outlets for child physical abuse. *Child Abuse and Neglect*, 38, 1106-1119. doi: 10.1016/j.chiabu.2014.03.011

Freisthler, B. & Gruenewald, P.J. (2014). Examining the relationship between the physical availability of medical marijuana and marijuana use across fifty California cities. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*, 143, 244-250. doi: 10.1016/j.drugalcdep.2014.07.036

Kepple, N.J., Freisthler, B., Johnson-Motoyama, M. (2014). Bias in child maltreatment self-reports using Interactive Voice Response. *Child Abuse & Neglect*, 38, 1694-1705. doi: 10.1016/j.chiabu.2014.04.001

Freisthler, B., Lipperman-Kreda, S., Bersamin, M., & Gruenewald, P.J. (2014). Tracking the when, where, and with whom of alcohol use: Integrating ecological momentary assessment and geospatial data to examine risk for alcohol-related problems. *Alcohol Research: Current Reviews*, 36, 29-38.

Tam, C. & Freisthler, B. (2015). An exploratory analysis of acculturation, neighborhood, and risk behaviors among children of Southeast Asian immigrants. *Child and Adolescent Social Work*, 32, 383-393. doi: 10.1007/s10560-014-0372-2

Freisthler, B., Price Wolf, J., Johnson-Motoyama, M. Understanding the role of context-specific drinking in neglectful parenting behaviors. Available online March 2015, *Alcohol and Alcoholism*. doi: 10.1093/alcalc/agv031

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Freisthler, B., Thomas, C.A., Curry, S.R., Price Wolf, J. An alternative to residential neighborhoods: An exploratory study of how activity spaces and perception of neighborhood social processes relate to maladaptive parenting. Accepted for publication June 2015, *Child and Youth Care Forum*. doi: 10.1007/s10566-015-9329-7

Freisthler, B., Gruenewald, P.J., & Price Wolf, J. Examining the relationship between marijuana use, medical marijuana dispensaries, and abusive and neglectful parenting. Accepted for publication July 2015, *Child Abuse and Neglect*. doi: 10.1016/j.chiabu.2015.07.008

Freisthler, B. & Maguire-Jack, K. Understanding the interplay between neighborhood structural factors, social processes, and alcohol outlets on child physical abuse. Accepted for publication July 2015, *Child Maltreatment*.

Thomas, C. & Freisthler, B. Examining the locations of medical marijuana dispensaries in Los Angeles. Accepted for publication July 2015, *Drug and Alcohol Review*.

Book Chapters:

Freisthler, B. & Gruenewald, P.J. (2005). Social ecology and the invention of new regulatory strategies for preventing drug and alcohol problems. In T. Stockwell, P.J. Gruenewald, J.W. Toumbourou, & W. Loxley (Eds.) *Preventing harmful substance use: The evidence base for policy and practice*, pp. 291-306. New York: John Wiley.

LaScala, E.A., Freisthler, B. & Gruenewald, P.J. (2005). Population ecologies of drug use, drinking and related problems. In T. Stockwell, P.J. Gruenewald, J.W. Toumbourou, & W. Loxley (Eds.) *Preventing harmful substance use: The evidence base for policy and practice*. , pp. 67-78 New York: John Wiley.

Treno, A.J., Lee, J.P., Freisthler, B., Remer, L., & Gruenewald, P.J. (2005). Application of evidence-based approaches to community interventions. In T. Stockwell, P.J. Gruenewald, J.W. Toumbourou, & W. Loxley (Eds.) *Preventing harmful substance use: The evidence base for policy and practice*, pp. 177-189. New York: John Wiley.

Banerjee, A., LaScala, E., Gruenewald, P.J., Freisthler, B., Treno, A., & Remer, L.G. (2008). Social disorganization, alcohol and other drug markets and violence: A space-time model of community structure. In Y.F. Thomas, D. Richardson and I. Cheung (eds.) *Geography and Drug Addiction*, pp. 117-130. New York, NY: Springer.

REPORTS

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Freisthler, B. (2007). Child Welfare Services Need and Access to Supportive Services: A GIS Analysis Final Report. Los Angeles, CA: UCLA Department of Social Welfare.

Ramirez, R., Nguyen, D., Cannon, C., Carmona, M., & Freisthler, B., (2008). Demonstration Project Report: A Campaign to Reduce Impaired Driving Through Retail-Oriented Enforcement in Washington State. Washington, DC: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Ramirez, R., Freisthler, B., Nguyen, D., & Carmona, M. (2008). Demonstration Project Report: A Campaign to Reduce Youth Access to Alcohol in Ohio Through the Use of Enforcement and Media. Washington, DC: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Abrams, L. S., Daughtery, J., & Freisthler, B. (2011). The Los Angeles County Young Offender Reentry Blueprint. U.S. Department of Labor and the Los Angeles Commission on Community and Senior Services.

Freisthler, B., Abrams, L.S., Harley, J., & Curry, S. (2012) Housing Stability among Transition Age Youth: Interim Report. Los Angeles, CA. UCLA Luskin School of Public Affairs, Department of Social Welfare.

Freisthler, B. (2013). How Social Relationships Respond to Changing Infrastructure: Pretest of Effects on Neighborhood Life Final Report. Los Angeles, CA. John Randolph and Dora Haynes Foundation.

PRESENTATIONS

Freisthler, B., Ponicki, W.R., Gaidus, A., & Gruenewald, P.J. "Assessing the Longitudinal Relationship between Crime and Medical Marijuana Dispensaries." Paper presented at the Society for Prevention Research Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., May 26 – 29, 2015.

Freisthler, B., Gruenewald, P.J., Price-Wolf, J. "Examining the Relationship between Marijuana Use and Abusive and Neglectful Parenting: Lessons for Marijuana Legalization." Paper presented at the Society for Prevention Research Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., May 26 – 29, 2015.

Freisthler, B. "Local Community-Based Approaches to Prevent Child Maltreatment: Rethinking the Paradigm." Invited presentation at the Mid-Year Meeting for the Doris Duke Fellowships for the Promotion of Child Well-Being conference on "Partnering to Prevent Maltreatment & Improve Child Well-being on the West Coast: Innovative Approaches and Multiple Lenses to Knowledge Generation," Los Angeles, CA, March 25 – 27, 2015.

Freisthler, B., Gruenewald, P.J., Price-Wolf, J. "Examining the Relationship between Marijuana Use and Abusive and Neglectful Parenting: Lessons for Marijuana Legalization." Paper presented at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, January 15 – 18, 2015.

Freisthler, B., Price Wolf, J., Johnson-Motoyama, M. "Understanding the Role of Context-Specific Drinking in Neglectful Parenting Behaviors." Paper presented at the Research Society on Alcoholism Annual Meeting, Bellevue, WA, June 21 – 24, 2014.

Freisthler, B. "Context Matters: Understanding the Interplay Between Parent Drinking, Alcohol Outlets, and Child Physical Abuse and Neglect" Presented at the American Psychological Association Annual Meeting, Honolulu, HI, July 31 - August 4, 2013

Freisthler, B. & Gruenewald, P. "Medical Marijuana Dispensaries and Marijuana Use: Evidence from 50 Cities in California." Paper presented at the College on Problems of Drug Dependence annual meeting, June 15 – June 20, 2013.

Freisthler, B. & Thomas, C. "Medical Marijuana Dispensaries and the Local Ecology." Paper presented at the American Association of Geographers Annual Conference, Los Angeles, CA, April 9 – April 13, 2013.

Freisthler, B. "Alcohol impacts on various social problems, including child maltreatment, violence, and juvenile delinquency." Paper presented at the Alcohol Policy 16 conference, Washington, DC, April 3 – April 5, 2013.

Freisthler, B. "Medical Marijuana Dispensaries and the Local Ecology: Results from a Pilot Study." Invited presentation to the Alcohol Research Group, Emeryville, CA, September 11, 2012.

Freisthler, B. "Medical Marijuana Dispensaries and the Local Ecology." Paper presented at The Social Ecology of Substance Use: Theories, Models, Methods and Applications satellite meeting of the Research Society on Alcoholism, June 26, 2012.

Freisthler, B. "Neighborhood Needs Portal: A Potential Child Welfare Intervention for Reducing Disparities through Formalizing Informal Social Support." Invited presentation to University of Toronto Factor-Inwentash School of Social Work, Toronto, Canada, March 18, 2012.

Freisthler, B. "GIS Basics" and "Spatial Data Analysis." Invited workshop present to University of Denver School of Social Work, Denver, CO, February 8, 2012.

Freisthler, B. & Williams, N.J. "The Geography of Drug Market Activities and Child Maltreatment" Poster presented at American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA, July 13 – July 16, 2011.

Freisthler, B. & Williams, N.J. "The Geography of Drug Market Activities and Child Maltreatment" Paper presented at Society for Prevention Research Annual Conference, Washington, D.C. May 31 – June 3, 2011.

Freisthler, B. "Evaluating Medical Marijuana Dispensary Policies: Spatial Methods for the Study of Geographically-Based Policies." Invited presentation at the California Center for Population Research Speaker Series, Los Angeles, CA, January 26, 2011.

Freisthler, B. "GIS to Policy Change" Paper presented at Enforcing Underage Drinking Laws Conference, 12th Annual National Conference, Anaheim, CA August 18 – 20, 2010.

Freisthler, B. "Spatial Relationships between the Substance Use Environment and Child Maltreatment" Invited paper presentation at National Summit on Interpersonal Violence and Abuse Across the Lifespan: Forging a Shared Agenda, Dallas, TX, February 24 – 26, 2010.

Freisthler, B. "Understanding the Ecology of Child Maltreatment" Invited paper presented at the UC Davis National Child Abuse and Neglect Conference, Sacramento, CA, September 21 – 24, 2009.

Freisthler, B. "Social Mechanisms of Alcohol Use and Child Maltreatment" Paper presented at Research Society on Alcohol Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, June 20 – 24, 2009.

Freisthler, B. "Drugs and Drug Trafficking Impact on America's Youth" Panel participant at Keeping the Promise to our Children Conference, Washington, DC, June 9, 2009.

Freisthler, B. "Child Abuse Prevention: Opportunities for Neighborhood-Based Efforts." Invited paper presented at The Help Group Distinguished Lecturer Series on Child Abuse Prevention and Intervention, Sherman Oaks, CA, April 24, 2009.

Freisthler, B. "Spatial Relationships between the Substance Use Environment and Child Maltreatment." Presented at the Eastern North American of the International Biometric Society, San Antonio, TX, March 15 – 19.

Freisthler, B. "Geography of Emancipation" Paper presented at UCLA School of Public Affairs Forum: Aging out of foster care: An uncharted journey, Los Angeles, CA, February 7, 2009.

Freisthler, B. "Alcohol use, drinking location, and child maltreatment: Results from a pilot study." Poster presented at the Research Society on Alcoholism annual meeting, Washington, DC, June 27 – July 3, 2008.

Freisthler, B. "Using non-administrative units to denote "neighborhood": An example from a child abuse neighborhood-based prevention effort." Paper presented at the Community Geography and Small Area Analysis satellite meeting of the Research Society on Alcoholism, Chicago, IL, July 7, 2007.

Freisthler, B. "Defining "neighborhoods" within a "community:" Implications for designing interventions." Poster presented at the Society for Community Research and Action, June 7 – 10, 2007.

Freisthler, B. "Defining "neighborhoods" within a "community:" Implications for designing interventions." Paper presented at the Society for Prevention Research annual meeting, Washington, DC, May 30 – June 1, 2007

Freisthler, B. "The geography of child welfare: How community systems affect children's lives." Paper presented at the Research Society on Alcoholism annual meeting, Baltimore, MD, June 24 – 28, 2006.

Freisthler, B. & Waller, M.W. "Parent alcohol consumption patterns and the perpetration of child physical abuse and neglect." Poster presented at the Research Society on Alcoholism annual meeting, Baltimore, MD, June 24 – 28, 2006.

Freisthler, B., Bruce, B., & Needell, B. "Children of color and child maltreatment: The role of neighborhood structure in preventing disparities in the Child Welfare System." Paper presented at the Society for Prevention Research annual meeting, San Antonio, TX, May 30 – June 1, 2006.

Freisthler, B. "Understanding the spatial relationship of supply and demand between locations of substance abuse treatment services and child welfare populations." Paper presented at the National Institute of Drug Abuse and American Association of Geographers Symposium on Geography and Drug Addiction, Chicago, IL, March 8, 2006.

Freisthler, B. & Stewart, K.G. "The shop on the corner: How outlet location affects alcohol problems" Workshop presented at the Underage Drinking Enforcement Training Center annual National Leadership Conference, Tucson, AZ, August 17 – 20, 2005.

Freisthler, B. "The environment and children's welfare: How alcohol availability and parent drinking affect child abuse and neglect." Paper presented at the Community Geography and

Small Area Analysis satellite meeting of the Research Society on Alcoholism, Santa Barbara, CA, June 25, 2005.

Freisthler, B., Gruenewald, P.J., Remer, L.G., Lery, B., & Needell, B. "Examining child abuse and neglect over time and space" Poster presented at the Research Society on Alcoholism annual meeting, Santa Barbara, CA, June 25 – 30, 2005. (*Finalist for Enoch Gordis Research Recognition Awards for Junior Investigators*)

Freisthler, B., Gruenewald, P.J., Remer, L.G., Lery, B., Needell, B. "Examining child abuse and neglect over time and space" Paper presented at the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children annual meeting, New Orleans, LA, June 15 – 18, 2005.

Freisthler, B. "Alcohol outlet density, parental monitoring, and adolescent deviance: A multilevel analysis" Paper presented at the Kettil Bruun Society for Social and Epidemiological Research on Alcohol annual meeting, Riverside, CA, May 30 – June 3, 2005.

Freisthler, B., Gruenewald, P.J., Remer, L.G., Lery, B., & Needell, B. "Examining child abuse and neglect over time and space" Paper presented at the Kettil Bruun Society for Social and Epidemiological Research on Alcohol annual meeting, Riverside, CA, May 30 – June 3, 2005.

Freisthler, B. & Gruenewald, P.J. "Geographic distribution of alcohol outlets and chronic conditions for youth and young adults" Poster presented at the Research Society on Alcoholism annual meeting, Vancouver, Canada, June 26-30, 2004.

Freisthler, B. & Baraban, E. "Do community-based substance abuse resources impact child maltreatment rates?" Presented at the Society for Prevention Research annual meeting as part of "Safety, Permanency, and Well-being: Research on Outcomes in Children's Welfare Services" symposium. Quebec City, May 26 – 28, 2004.

Freisthler, B., Lery, B., Chow, J. & Gruenewald, P.J. "Spatial data analysis workshop." Workshop presented at the Society for Social Work and Research annual meeting. New Orleans, LA, January 15 – 18, 2004.

Freisthler, B., Needell, B., & Gruenewald, P.J. "The role of social disorganization and drug and alcohol availability in neighborhood rates of child maltreatment." Poster presented at the Society for Social Work and Research annual meeting. New Orleans, LA, January 15 – 18, 2004.

Freisthler, B. "Multilevel modeling, path analysis and related structural equation approaches to complex causal relationships." Invited workshop presented at the NIEHS Health Disparities Grantee Meeting, San Francisco, CA, November 20, 2003.

Freisthler, B. & Gruenewald, P.J. "Ecological modeling and alcohol outlets: Persons, places and assaults." Presented at the American Public Health Association annual meeting. San Francisco, CA, November 15 – 19, 2003.

Freisthler, B. "Neighborhoods and child maltreatment: Do alcohol outlets matter?" Poster presented at the American Public Health Association annual meeting. San Francisco, CA, November 15 – 19, 2003.

Freisthler, B., Needell, B., & Gruenewald, P.J. "The role of social organization and drug and alcohol availability on neighborhood rates of child maltreatment." Presented at the Society for Prevention Research annual meeting, Washington, DC, June 12 –14, 2003.

Freisthler, B., Treno, A.J., & Gruenewald, P.J. "The role of information management in community alcohol intervention efforts: The Sacramento Neighborhood Alcohol Prevention Project (SNAPP) management information system." Poster presented at the Research Society on Alcoholism annual meeting, Montreal, Canada, June 22-28, 2001.

Freisthler, B. & Treno, A.J. "Information management in community alcohol intervention efforts." Presented at the Society for Prevention Research annual meeting, Washington, D.C., May 31-June 2, 2001.

Freisthler, B. "The Relationship of Life Satisfaction, Social Support, and Family Type Among Young Adults." Poster presented at the Society for Social Work Research annual meeting, Charleston, SC, January 29-31, 2000.

PEER REVIEW ACTIVITIES

2015 – Standing Committee Member, National Institutes of Health, Behavior Genetics and Epidemiology (BGES) Study Section

2014 – 2015 Ad hoc Grant reviewer for National Institutes of Health, Social Sciences and Population Studies (SSPA) Panel A

2013 – Consulting Editor, Social Work Research

2013 – 2014 Mail Reviewer, National Institutes of Health, Understanding and Promoting Health Literacy Special Study Section

2012 – 2013 Ad hoc Grant reviewer for National Institutes of Health, Behavior Genetics and Epidemiology (BGES) Study Section

2012 Ad hoc Grant reviewer for National Institutes of Health, Social Sciences and Population Studies (SSPS) Second Panel

2011 Grant reviewer for the Health Research Council of New Zealand

2010 – 2013 Editorial Board, International Journal of Population Research

2008 – Editorial Board, Child Maltreatment

Reviewer for Journal of Family Violence, Alcoholism: Clinical and Experimental Research, Journal of Studies on Alcohol and Drugs, Psychology of Addictive Behaviors, Journal of Urban Health, Child Maltreatment, Child Abuse & Neglect, American Journal of Public Health, Substance Use and Misuse, Children and Youth Services Review, Addiction, Drug and Alcohol Dependence, Public Health Reports, Research on Social Work Practice

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Research Society on Alcoholism, 2004 to present

American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children, 2004 to present

Society for Social Work and Research, 2002 to present
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