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University of Chicago and Northwestern-trained psychiatrist. Board-certified in both general and forensic psychiatry. Active clinical practice. Clinical experiences include inpatient, outpatient, and correctional psychiatry. Award-winning teacher. Northwestern faculty. Experienced expert witness in both civil and criminal cases.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Northwestern Feinberg School of Medicine

Adjunct Lecturer of Forensic Psychiatry, 2024 - present
Adjunct Assistant Professor of Forensic Psychiatry, 2023 - 2024
Health Systems Clinician, 2023 – present
Adjunct Assistant Professor of Psychiatry, 2022 – 2023
Assistant Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, 2020 – 2022
Associate Psychiatry Clerkship Director, 2021 – 2022

University of Illinois School of Medicine

Clinical Assistant Professor of Psychiatry, present

Wellsprings Health Associates

Clinical Outpatient Psychiatrist, 2022 – present

Illinois Department of Corrections

Correctional Psychiatrist, Northern Receiving Center, 2020

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Research Fellow, Division of Vector-Borne Diseases, 2008 – 2011

CERTIFICATIONS AND LICENSES

Board Certification

1. General Psychiatry, 2020
2. Forensic Psychiatry, 2022

Medical Licenses:

1. Illinois: 03614552
2. Arizona: 72293
3. California: A196119
4. Indiana: 01092276A
5. Iowa: MD-56034
6. Kentucky: C2276
7. Louisiana: 339825
8. Michigan: EMC0004352
9. Minnesota: 75810



10. Mississippi: 34386
11. Missouri: 2025043227
12. New York: 325641
13. Ohio: 35C.001202
14. Pennsylvania: MD491517C
15. Texas: U8494
16. Utah: 13937442-1235
17. Vermont: 042.0017518
18. Washington, DC: MD500002655
19. Wisconsin: 3830-320

EDUCATION

Northwestern University, Feinberg School of Medicine

Fellowship in Forensic Psychiatry
2019 – 2020

University of Chicago, MacLean Center for Medical Ethics

Fellowship in Clinical Medical Ethics
2018 – 2019

University of Chicago Medicine, Department of Psychiatry

Residency in Psychiatry
2015 – 2019

Tulane University School of Medicine

New Orleans, LA
Doctor of Medicine (MD)
2011 – 2015

Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine

New Orleans, LA
Master of Public Health (MPH)
2011 – 2015

Oberlin College

Oberlin, OH
Bachelor of Arts (BA), Biology, Chemistry
2004 – 2008

PANELS AT NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS

1. Gray matter and white collars: Navigating neuropsychiatric dimensions of financial crime in older adults. American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law, 56th Annual Meeting. Boston, MA, 2025.
2. Dementia in forensic psychiatry: A practical primer. American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law, 56th Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, 2025.
3. Geriatric forensic psychiatry and Oklahoma Bill HB 3505: Human rights and advocacy in the complex world of capacity assessment. American Academy of Geriatric Psychiatry Annual Meeting 2025. Phoenix, AZ 2025

4. Sleep behind bars: Navigating the nightmares of sleep health in prison. SLEEP 2024. The American Academy of Sleep Medicine, Sleep Research Society World Meeting. Houston, TX 2024.
5. A precarious balance: Autonomy, religion, and undue influence. American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law 54th Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL 2023.
6. The transgendered population within Illinois carceral setting: Case law and evolving policy, Midwest Chapter of the American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law Annual Meeting. Minneapolis, MN, 2022.
7. A secondary traumatic stress reduction program in emergency room nurses incorporating mindfulness. International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies Annual Meeting, Virtual, 2021.

LECTURES

1. Correctional Psychiatry Case Law. Northwestern Feinberg School of Medicine. Chicago, IL, 2025
2. Informed consent and decisional capacity in the forensic setting. Northwestern Feinberg School of Medicine Department of Psychiatry, Chicago, IL, 2025
3. Violence risk assessment and duty to warn. University of Illinois at Chicago School of Medicine. Department of Psychiatry. Chicago, IL, 2025
4. Professional career development in private practice forensic work. Northwestern Feinberg School of Medicine. Chicago, IL, 2025.
5. Forensic psychiatry lecture series: Psychiatric malpractice. University of Illinois College of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry. Chicago, IL, 2025.
6. Forensic psychiatry lecture series: Maintaining professional boundaries. University of Illinois College of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry. Chicago, IL, 2025.
7. Psychopharmacology of Bipolar Depression: Lecture 2 – Advanced and Treatment-Resistant Approaches, Northwestern Feinberg School of Medicine. Chicago, IL, 2024
8. Psychopharmacology of Bipolar Depression: Part 1 – Overview and Initial Treatment Approaches. Northwestern Feinberg School of Medicine. Chicago, IL, 2024
9. From incarceration to infirmity: Navigating the ethical challenges of prison healthcare. Northwestern Medicine Medical Ethics Grand Rounds. Chicago, IL 2024.
10. The death penalty. University of Illinois College of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry. Chicago, IL 2023.
11. Correctional psychiatry. Northwestern Feinberg School of Medicine. Chicago, IL, 2022.
12. Ethical issues in the inpatient psychiatric setting. Northwestern Feinberg School of Medicine Department of Psychiatry, Chicago, IL, 2022.
13. An introduction to the insanity defense. Northwestern Feinberg School of Medicine Department of Psychiatry, Chicago, IL, 2022
14. The wild and wonderful world of mood stabilizers II: Treating bipolar depression. Northwestern Feinberg School of Medicine Department of Psychiatry, Chicago, IL. 2022
15. The wild and wonderful world of mood stabilizers I: Treating bipolar mania. Northwestern Feinberg School of Medicine Department of Psychiatry, Chicago, IL. 2022.
16. An introduction to the psychiatric history of present illness. Northwestern Feinberg School of Medicine, Chicago, IL, 2021.
17. Ethical considerations in competency to stand trial evaluations. Northwestern Feinberg School of Medicine Department of Psychiatry, Chicago, IL. 2021.
18. Anxiety disorders. Northwestern Feinberg School of Medicine, Chicago, IL, 2020.
19. Considerations for the incarcerated with mental illness during the COVID-19 pandemic. Grand Rounds, Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine Department of Psychiatry. Chicago, IL, 2020.
20. Ethical considerations in forensic psychiatry. Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine Department of Psychiatry. Chicago, IL, 2020.

21. Compassion fatigue intervention: A pilot program in UCMC nursing staff. University of Chicago MacLean Center for Medical Ethics. Chicago, IL, 2019.
22. Sorrow and psychopathy: Maintaining empathy and humanity in antisocial-personality disorder. Grand Rounds. University of Chicago Department of Psychiatry, Chicago, IL, 2018.
23. Review of long-acting injectable naltrexone induction: A randomized trial of outpatient opioid detoxification with naltrexone versus buprenorphine. University of Chicago Department of Psychiatry, Chicago, IL, 2017.
24. A case study of primary progressive aphasia. University of Chicago Department of Psychiatry. Chicago, IL, 2017.
25. Non-suicidal self-injury in the hospital setting. University of Chicago Department of Psychiatry. Chicago, IL, 2016.
26. Better late if ever? Late-onset schizophrenia presenting in the emergency room. University of Chicago Department of Psychiatry. Chicago, IL, 2016.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

1. **Robinson, L. K.**, Dupré, J., Huselid, A. N., & Burke, S. (2024). The Present State of Housing and Treatment of Transgender Incarcerated Persons. *The Journal of the American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law*, 52(2), 186-195.
2. **Robinson, L. K.**, Sterling, L., Jackson, J., Gentry, E., Araujo, F., LaFond, C., ... & Lee, R. (2022). A secondary traumatic stress reduction program in emergency room nurses. *SAGE Open Nursing*, 8, 23779608221094530.
3. Kato, C. Y., Chung, I. H., **Robinson, L. K.**, Eremeeva, M. E., & Dasch, G. A. (2022). Genetic typing of isolates of *Rickettsia typhi*. *PLOS Neglected Tropical Diseases*, 16(5), e0010354.
4. Chung, I. H., **Robinson, L. K.**, Stewart-Juba, J. J., Dasch, G. A., & Kato, C. Y. (2022). Analytically sensitive *Rickettsia* species detection for laboratory diagnosis. *The American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene*, 106(5), 1352.
5. **Robinson, L. K.**, Heyman-Kantor, R., & Angelotta, C. (2020). Strategies mitigating the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on incarcerated populations. *American journal of public health*, 110(8), 1135.
6. Coccaro, E. F., Hill, M. N., **Robinson, L. K.**, & Lee, R. J. (2018). Circulating endocannabinoids and affect regulation in human subjects. *Psychoneuroendocrinology*, 92, 66-71.
7. Kato, C. Y., Chung, I. H., **Robinson, L. K.**, Austin, A. L., Dasch, G. A., & Massung, R. F. (2013). Assessment of real-time PCR assay for detection of *Rickettsia* spp. and *Rickettsia rickettsii* in banked clinical samples. *Journal of clinical microbiology*, 51(1), 314-317.

BOOK CHAPTERS

1. **Robinson, L.K.** (2024) PTSD and Violence: Understanding the Connection and Implications for Treatment. *Post-traumatic Stress Disorder - Latest Developments in Diagnosis, Causes, and Treatments*. IntechOpen; 2024. Available from: <http://dx.doi.org/10.5772/intechopen.1007488>

PUBLICATIONS

1. **Robinson, L.K.** (2025). "Pig Butchering" Scams and the Growing Role of Geriatric Forensic Psychiatry in the Digital Age. *American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law Examiner*. Spring Edition. Submitted and pending acceptance.

POSTERS PRESENTED AT SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS

1. Chung IH, **Robinson LK**, Dasch GA, and Kato CY. 2011. TaqMan and Melt-MAMA Assays for Both Detection and Characterization of *Rickettsia typhi* in Fleas. ASM General meeting. New Orleans, LA. Poster.

2. Kato CY, Chung IH, **Robinson LK**, Patel JC, Eremeeva ME, Bruce DC, Munk C, Detter JC, Brettin TS, and Dasch GA. 2009. Genotyping of Rickettsia prowazekii Isolates by Mismatch Amplification Mutation Assays. ASM Biodefense and Emerging Diseases meeting. Baltimore, MD. Poster.
3. Kato CY, Chung IH, **Robinson LK**, Eremeeva ME, Bruce DC, Munk C, Detter JC, Brettin TS, and GA Dasch. 2009. Mismatch amplification mutation assays for genotyping Rickettsia typhi isolates. ASM Biodefense and Emerging Diseases meeting. Baltimore, MD. Poster.
4. Kato CY, **Robinson LK**, Chung IH, Eremeeva ME, and GA Dasch. 2009. From genomic typing studies to (R. rickettsii, R. prowazekii, and Pan-Rickettsia) TaqMan assay development, and beyond. CDC, Rickettsial Zoonoses Branch meeting. Atlanta, GA. Presentation.
5. Kato CY, **Robinson LK**, White FH, Slater KG, Karpathy SE, Eremeeva ME, and GA Dasch. 2009. Insertion/deletion (INDEL) typing of Rickettsia rickettsii isolates. 23rd Meeting of the American Society for Rickettsiology. Hilton Head, NC. Poster.
6. Kato CY, **Robinson LK**, White FH, Eremeeva ME, and GA Dasch. 2009. Inexpensive and high-throughput whole genome amplification for improved screening and characterization of Rickettsia DNAs. 23rd Meeting of the American Society for Rickettsiology. Hilton Head, NC. Poster.
7. Kato CY, Eremeeva ME, **Robinson LK**, Karpathy SE, and GA Dasch. 2009. TaqMan real-time PCR assay development for Rickettsia rickettsii and R. prowazekii. ASM Biodefense and Emerging Diseases meeting. Baltimore, MD. Poster.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Northwestern Memorial Hospital and Feinberg School of Medicine

Medical Ethics Committee (2020 – present)

Medical Education Clinical Scholars Program (2022 – present)

Psychiatry Career Advisor (2020 – present)

Psychiatry Inpatient Attending (2020 – 2022)

Psychiatry Clerkship Ethics Instructor (2021 – 2022)

Psychiatry Clerkship Objective Structured Clinical Exam Reviewer and Grader (2021 – 2022)

Psychiatry Residency Noon Report Facilitator (2022)

American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law

Geriatrics Psychiatry and the Law Committee, Co-Chair (2024 – present)

Peer-review Committee Member

Maintenance of Certification Board Question-Writer

Research

Survey of Threat Assessment teams in Illinois Institutions of higher education, Chicago, IL (2019 – 2020)

Bath Salts and the Illicit Drug Market, New Orleans, LA (2014 – 2015)

Professional Memberships & Committees

American Psychiatric Association (2015 – present)

Illinois Psychiatric Society (2015 – present)

American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law (2019 – present)

Midwest Chapter of the American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law (2019 – present)

American Academy of Geriatric Psychiatry (2024 – present)

Physicians for National Health Plan (2018 – present)

World Professional Association for Transgender Health (2020 – 2021)

American Medical Women's Association (2020 – 2021)

International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies (2020 – 2021)

AWARDS

Teaching of Excellence of Award, Northwestern Feinberg School of Medicine (2021)

Mossman Research Award, Midwest Chapter of AAPL (2021)

Healthcare Delivery Science and Innovation Grant, University of Chicago (2019)

Program of Excellence Award. American Association of Family Physicians (2012)

Health Equity Award, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (2009)

Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education Grant, US Department of Energy (2008)