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### Education:

BA 2011 Skidmore College, Psychology, Music

MA 2015 University of Colorado at Boulder, Speech-Language and Hearing Science

**Positions and Employment:**

2018-present Speech Language Pathologist

Marcus Institute of Brain Health

Instructor, Department of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation

School of Medicine

University of Colorado, Anschutz Medical Campus

2016-2018 Speech Langauge Pathologist

Brain Injury & Stroke Rehabilitation Inpatient Program

Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation

Saddle Brook, New Jersey

2015-2016 Speech-Language Pathology Clinical Fellow

Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation, Saddle Brook, New Jersey

2015 Graduate Clinician

Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation, Saddle Brook, New Jersey; Highline

2015 Graduate Voice & Swallowing Extern

Rusk Rehabitiation   
 NYU Langone Health, New York NY

**Clinical Certifications and Licensure:**

Certificate of Clinical Competence: Speech-Language Pathology (ASHA) 2016-present

Colorado State Certification in Speech-Language Pathology (DORA) 2013 - present

Certified Brain Injury Specialist (ACBIS) 2014 - present

New Jersey State Certification in Speech-Language Pathology 2015- 2018

Neuromuscular Electrical Stimulation (VitalSTIM) for Dysphagia 2016

Lee Silverman Voice Therapy 2014 – 2016

**Professional Memberships:**

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA)

Academy of Neurological Communication Disorders & Sciences (ANCDS)

Academy of Certified Brain Injury Specialists (ACBIS)

ASHA SIG2- Neurogenic Communication Disorders

**Awards & Honors:**

Leadership Development Program; ASHA 2019-2020

Select Medical Patient-Centered Care Recipient; Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation 2018

Select Medical Living The Way Recipient; Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation 2017

Cum laude; Skidmore College 2011

**Publications:**

1. Elliott, G., Filley, C.M., McCann, A.V., **Diefenbach, H.A.,** Lucie, A., Heibel, M.E., Vanderryn, J. (In submission). The art of interdisciplinary care for a veteran recovering from traumatic brain injury: A case study.

**Published Abstracts:**

1. Hardin, K.Y**.** & **Diefenbach, H.A.** (2019). Integrated intensive speech-language pathology services for persistent symptoms of mild traumatic brain injury. *Brain Injury, 33*(5), 268-269.

**Peer Reviewed Conference Presentations:**

1. **Diefenbach, H.,** Hamrick C. (2021, November). Routes for Developing Outpatient Speech Language Pathology Programs for Veterans with TBI and Complex Comorbidities. Planned Seminar at the Annual Convention for the American Speech-language Hearing Association, Washington, DC.
2. **Diefenbach, H.,** Hamrick, C. (2021, October). Outpatient Interdisciplinary Care for Veterans with TBI and Complex Comorbidities. Colorado Speech-Language-Hearing Association (CSHA)/Wyoming Speech-Language-Hearing Association (WyoSHA) Joint Confence, Denver, CO.
3. **Diefenbach, H.** (2021, April).Outpatient Interdisciplinary Care for Veterans with TBI and Complex Comorbidities: Routes for Interdisciplinary Case Design in SLP. Poster presented at the 2021 Partnerships for Veteran & Military Health Conference. Denver, CO.
4. **Diefenbach, H.A.** (2020, November). Interdisciplinary care for veterans with mTBI and complex comorbidities: Clinical routes and roles in SLP. Proposal accepted at the Annual Convention of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, San Diego, CA (Convention canceled).
5. **Diefenbach H.,** (February 2020). Cognitive communication assessment: Recommendations and practical tips for the examination of individuals with attention to cultural-linguistic diversity. Presented at the Behavioral Neurology and Neuropsychiatry Conference, University of Colorado School of Medicine, Department of Neurology, Aurora, CO.
6. Elliott G, McCann A, Vanderryn J, Lucie A, **Diefenbach H**. Envisioning a path toward healing: An interdisciplinary approach to clinical care for mTBI in veteran populations. Poster presented at the Annual Conference on Brain Injury. New Orleans, LA. February 2020.
7. Hebert, J.R., **Diefenbach, H.A.,** Lucie, A., Elliot, G., Milo, S., Babcock, M., Filley, C.M. Enhancing interdisciplinary care for patients with mild traumatic brain injury (TBI): Implementing shared vocabulary to improve outcomes. Poster presented at the Annual Conference on Brain Injury. New Orleans, LA. February 2020.
8. **Diefenbach, HA.** (2018). Cultural diversity & acquied brain injury: A hospital-based initiate to minimize disparites for hispanic populations. Oral Presentation at 2018 Brain Injury Summit: A Meeting of the Minds, Vail, CO.

**Invited Presentations:**

1. Hardin, K.Y.& **Diefenbach, H.A.** (October 2018). Adults with concussive symptoms: Auditory attention to written expression. Presented at the Colorado Speech-Language-Hearing Association annual conference in Greenwood Village, CO.

**Service to the Profession:**

External Reviewer for Leadership Development Program (ASHA) 2020

Member, SLP-mTBI professional practice group 2019-present

**Service to the University of Colorado Anschutz**

Action Committee: Outcome Metrics 2020

Action Committee: Patient Goals 2020

MIBH Faculty & Staff In-Service: Speech Language Pathology 2020

Search Committee for MIBH Assistant Director of Clinical Operations 2019

Action Committee – Concept of Care 2019

MIBH Faculty & Staff In-Service: Auditory Processing Disorder 2018

Wellness Committee, Anschutz Health and Wellness Center 2018-present

**Service to the Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation:**

Cultural & Linguistic Diversity Fair, Lead Organizer 2018

Reconnecting after Brain Injury (caregiver education course) 2015-2018

Steps to Wellness (caregiver stroke education course) 2015-2018

In Service: Exercise Physiology: Considerations for Dysphagia 2017

Stroke Support Group 2015-2017

Better Speech & Hearing Month Fair, Lead Organizer 2016

**Service to the University of Colorado at Boulder:**

Outreach, Centro de Rehabilitación Infantil Teletón, La Paz, MX 2014

Speaker at Fairview High School 2013

**Service to the Community:**

Speaker for Colorado Speech-Language-Hearing Association 2018

Student speaker for vocal performers, Farview High School 2014

NJHS Hospice Patient Services Volunteer 2012-2013

**Education & Professional Development:**

ACRM Cognitive Rehabilition Online Training 2020 ASHA Leadership Development Program 2019-2020

Langmore Foundation FEES Course, UCHealth, Aurora, CO 2019

Motivational Interviewing for Health Behavior Change; Aurora, CO 2018

Introduction to PROMPT Technique; New York, NY 2017

VitalStim NMES for Dysphagia: Adults; Boston, MA 2016

HRET Interpreter Training Program for Bilingual Staff 2016  
LSVT LOUD Training and Certification Workshop, Boulder, CO 2014