

## CURRICULUM VITAE

### **S. AARON BETSINGER**

#### **Education:**

Ph.D. 2015 University of Maryland, College Park, Criminology and Criminal Justice  
M.A. 2005 University of Maryland, College Park, Criminology and Criminal Justice  
B.S. 2002 Old Dominion University, Criminal Justice

#### **Experience in Higher Education:**

2015 – present School of Social Work, University of Maryland, Baltimore, Research Assistant Professor  
*Ph.D. Committee:* Jenny Afkinich, “Social Worker Influence on Disproportionate Minority Contact: A Mixed Methods Study,” anticipated 2020

2015, 2017 Notre Dame of Maryland University, Associate Faculty  
*Course Taught:* Juvenile Delinquency

2012 – 2015 The Institute for Innovation & Implementation, School of Social Work, University of Maryland, Baltimore, Research Manager

2009 – 2012 Institute for Governmental Service and Research, University of Maryland, College Park, Faculty Researcher

2007 – 2009 Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice, University of Maryland, College Park, Assistant to the Editor for *Criminology*

2005 – 2007 Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice, University of Maryland, College Park, Research Assistant for Brian Johnson

2005, 2006 Bureau of Governmental Research, University of Maryland, College Park, Research Assistant (Summer only)

2002 – 2005 Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice, University of Maryland, College Park, Research Assistant for Denise Gottfredson and Stacy Najaka

#### **Experience in other than Higher Education:**

2015 BOTEC Analysis Corp., Consultant  
2003 – 2005 Gottfredson Associates, Inc., Data Analyst (Part-time)

#### **Honors Received:**

1999-2002 Dean’s List, Old Dominion University  
1999-2002 The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi

#### **Research Support:**

##### Principal Investigator:

2016 – 2021 Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

- (Subaward from Behavioral Health System Baltimore), *U-TURNS*, \$60,000 per year
- 2016 – 2018 Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (Subaward from Community Solutions, Inc.), *Baltimore County Multidimensional Family Therapy (MDFT) Outcome Evaluation*, \$20,000
- 2011 – 2012 National Institute of Justice, *Criminal Justice Researcher-Practitioner Fellowship Placement Program - Enhancing the Judiciary's Role in Child Welfare: Promoting Interagency Collaboration and Best Practices*
- 2011 – 2012 Family League of Baltimore City, *Monitoring Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) in Juvenile Justice in Baltimore City and Montgomery County*
- 2011 – 2012 Family League of Baltimore City, *Evaluating Efforts to Reconnect Detained Youth to their Families and Communities*

Co-Principal Investigator:

- 2010 – 2012 Maryland Department of Juvenile Services, *Research and Technical Assistance Initiative*, Principal Investigator: Douglas Young
- 2009 – 2010 Maryland Administrative Office of the Courts, *Outcome Evaluation of the Truancy Reduction Interventions*, Principal Investigator: Douglas Young
- 2009 – 2010 Maryland Administrative Office of the Courts, *Outcome Evaluation of Court-Based Mental Health Interventions*, Principal Investigator: Douglas Young
- 2009 – 2010 Maryland Administrative Office of the Courts, *Evaluation of Prince George's County Mental Health Court*, Principal Investigator: Douglas Young

Co-Investigator:

- 2016 – 2021 Children's Bureau, *National Quality Improvement Center on Tailored Services, Placement Stability and Permanency for LGBTQ Children and youth in Foster Care*, Principal Investigator: Marlene Matarese
- 2012 – 2021 Maryland Department of Juvenile Services, *Research and Technical Assistance to Enhance Juvenile Justice Case Management Practices*, Principal Investigator: Jill Farrell
- 2016 – 2019 Children's Bureau, *Evaluation of Maryland's Title IV-E Demonstration Project*, Principal Investigator: Bethany Lee
- 2016 – 2019 Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, *Assessing the Impact of a Graduated Response Approach for Youth in the Juvenile Justice System*, Principal Investigator: Jill Farrell
- 2017 – 2018 Maryland Department of Housing & Community Development, *Strategic Initiative to End Homelessness*, Principal Investigator: Deborah Harburger
- 2015 – 2018 Maryland Department of Juvenile Services, *Research and Technical Assistance for Evidence-Based Practices*, Principal Investigator: Michelle Zabel

2015 – 2017	Annie E. Casey Foundation, <i>Evidence2Success Continuous Quality Improvement Project</i> , Principal Investigator: Michelle Zabel
2016	Annie E. Casey Foundation, <i>Support to Build Evidence Base for Family Centered Treatment</i> , Principal Investigator: Charlotte Bright
2015 – 2016	Annie E. Casey Foundation, <i>Maryland LINKs (Linking Information to Enhance Knowledge) Interagency Data Collaborative</i> , Principal Investigator: Terry Shaw
2014 – 2015	The MENTOR Network/Institute for Family Centered Services, <i>Youth and Organizational Outcomes Following Family Centered Treatment</i> , Principal Investigator: Charlotte Bright.
2012 - 2015	Maryland Governor's Office for Children, <i>Maryland Evidence-Based Practice Implementation</i> , Principal Investigator: Michelle Zabel
2009 – 2010	Maryland Governor's Office of Crime Control & Prevention, <i>Maryland Statewide Assessment of Disproportionate Minority Contact</i> , Principal Investigator: Douglas Young

### **Publications:**

#### Edited Books:

**Betsinger, S.** (2005). Arson. In *Different crimes, different criminals: Understanding, treating and preventing criminal behavior*. Eds. D. MacKenzie, L. O'Neill, W. Povitsky, and S. Acevedo. Cincinnati, OH: LexisNexis/Anderson Publishing.

#### Articles in Refereed Journals:

Bright, C.L., Farrell, J., Winters, A.M., **Betsinger, S.**, & Lee, B.R. (2018). Family Centered Treatment, juvenile justice, and the grand challenge of smart decarceration. *Research on Social Work Practice* 28(5): 638-645.

Shipe, S., Shaw, T., **Betsinger, S.**, & Farrell, J. (2017). Expanding the conceptualization of re-entry: The inter-play between child welfare and juvenile services. *Children and Youth Services Review* 79:256-262.

Johnson, B.D., & **Betsinger, S.** (2009). Sentencing the model minority: Asian-American criminal sentencing outcomes in federal district courts. *Criminology* 47(4):1045-1090.

#### Final Reports for Grants and Contracts:

**Betsinger, A.**, Farrell, J., & Irvine, J. (2019). *Detention Risk Assessment Instrument (DRAI) validation study*. Baltimore, MD: University of Maryland, The Institute for Innovation and Implementation.

Lee, B., Freeman, P.C., Greeno, E., **Betsinger, A.**, Steward, R., Cosgrove, J., & Horen, M.J. (2018). *Interim evaluation report for Families Blossom Place Matters*. Baltimore, MD: University of Maryland.

Farrell, J., **Betsinger, S.**, Cosgrove, J., Strubler, K., Lowther, J., & Zabel, M. (2017). *Functional Family Therapy in Maryland: FY 2016 implementation report*. Baltimore, MD: University of Maryland, The Institute for Innovation & Implementation.

Farrell, J., **Betsinger, S.**, Cosgrove, J., Strubler, K., Lowther, J., Mayers, R., & Zabel, M. (2017). *Multisystemic Therapy in Maryland: FY 2016 implementation report*. Baltimore, MD: University of Maryland, The Institute for Innovation & Implementation.

- Farrell, J., **Betsinger, S.**, Cosgrove, J., Strubler, K., Midouhas, H., Lowther, J., & Zabel, M. (2017). *Functional Family Therapy in Maryland: FY 2015 implementation report*. Baltimore, MD: University of Maryland, The Institute for Innovation & Implementation.
- Farrell, J., **Betsinger, S.**, Cosgrove, J., Strubler, K., Mayers, R., Lowther, J., & Zabel, M. (2017). *Multisystemic Therapy in Maryland: FY 2015 implementation report*. Baltimore, MD: University of Maryland, The Institute for Innovation & Implementation.
- Matarese, M., Greeno, E., & **Betsinger, A.** (2017). *Youth with diverse sexual orientation, gender identity, and expression in child welfare: A review of best practices*. Baltimore, MD: University of Maryland, The Institute for Innovation & Implementation.
- Bright, C. L., **Betsinger, S.**, Farrell, J., Winters, A., Dutrow, D., Lee, B. R., & Afkinich, J. (2015). *Youth outcomes following Family Centered Treatment® in Maryland*. Baltimore, MD: University of Maryland School of Social Work.
- Department of Juvenile Services & University of Maryland Institute for Innovation & Implementation (2015). *Maryland Department of Juvenile Services alternatives to detention gap analysis*. Baltimore, MD: Department of Juvenile Services. (Completed the analyses and led the report writing)
- Farrell, J., **Betsinger, S.**, Chen, D., Acuna, R., Lowther, J., & Zabel, M. (2015). *Brief Strategic Family Therapy in Maryland: FY 2014 implementation report*. Baltimore, MD: University of Maryland, The Institute for Innovation & Implementation
- Farrell, J., **Betsinger, S.**, Chen, D., Lowther, J., Dutrow, D., Acuna, R., & Zabel, M. (2015). *Functional Family Therapy in Maryland: FY 2014 implementation report*. Baltimore, MD: University of Maryland, The Institute for Innovation & Implementation.
- Farrell, J., **Betsinger, S.**, Chen, D., Lowther, J., & Zabel, M. (2015). *Multidimensional Treatment Foster Care in Maryland: FY 2014 implementation report*. Baltimore, MD: University of Maryland, The Institute for Innovation & Implementation.
- Farrell, J., **Betsinger, S.**, Hall, E., Chen, D., Lowther, J., Mayers, R., Dutrow, D., Acuna, R., & Zabel, M. (2015). *Multisystemic Therapy in Maryland: FY 2014 implementation report*. Baltimore, MD: University of Maryland, The Institute for Innovation & Implementation.
- Farrell, J., **Betsinger, S.**, Chen, D., Mettrick, J., Dutrow, D., & Zabel, M. (2014). *Functional Family Therapy in Maryland: FY 2013 implementation report*. Baltimore, MD: University of Maryland, The Institute for Innovation & Implementation
- Farrell, J., **Betsinger, S.**, Chen, D., Mettrick, J., & Zabel, M. (2014). *Brief Strategic Family Therapy in Maryland: FY 2013 implementation report*. Baltimore, MD: University of Maryland, The Institute for Innovation & Implementation.
- Farrell, J., **Betsinger, S.**, Mettrick, J., Chen, D., Strickman, S., & Zabel, M. (2014). *Multidimensional Treatment Foster Care in Maryland: FY 2013 implementation report*. Baltimore, MD: University of Maryland, The Institute for Innovation & Implementation.
- Farrell, J., **Betsinger, S.**, Strickman, S., Chen, D., Mettrick, J., Dutrow, D., & Zabel, M. (2014). *Multisystemic Therapy in Maryland: FY 2013 implementation report*. Baltimore, MD: University of Maryland, The Institute for Innovation & Implementation.
- Betsinger, S.**, Strickman, S., Farrell, J., Irvine, J., Stables, M., Meyers, V., Garry, L., & Walters, S.R. (2013). *Doors to detention: Statewide detention utilization study*. Baltimore, MD: University of Maryland, The Institute for Innovation & Implementation.

- Farrell, J., **Betsinger, S.**, Mettrick, J., Chen, D., & Zabel, M. (2013). *Functional Family Therapy in Maryland: FY 2012 implementation report*. Baltimore, MD: University of Maryland, The Institute for Innovation & Implementation.
- Farrell, J., **Betsinger, S.**, Mettrick, J., Chen, D., & Zabel, M. (2013). *Multisystemic Therapy in Maryland: FY 2012 implementation report*. Baltimore, MD: University of Maryland, The Institute for Innovation & Implementation.
- Betsinger, S.**, Van Brakle, M., & Young, D. (2012). *Education Placement Team: Process evaluation*. Prepared for The Family League of Baltimore City, Inc.
- Betsinger, S.**, & Young, D. (2012). *Parent and Youth Empowerment Program: Outcome evaluation*. Prepared for The Family League of Baltimore City, Inc.
- Department of Juvenile Services & University of Maryland Institute for Innovation & Implementation (2012). *Doors to Detention: Prince George's County detention utilization study*. Baltimore, MD: Department of Juvenile Services.
- Department of Juvenile Services & University of Maryland Institute for Governmental Service and Research (2012). *"The Doors to Detention": A study of Baltimore City detention utilization*. Baltimore, MD: Department of Juvenile Services.
- Young, D., Yancey, C., **Betsinger, S.**, & Farrell, J. (2010). *Disproportionate minority contact in the Maryland juvenile justice system*. College Park, MD.: Institute for Governmental Service and Research.
- Farrell, J., Young, D., & **Betsinger, S.** (2010). *Pre-Adjudication Coordination and Transition (PACT) center: Outcome and process evaluation*. Prepared for The Family League of Baltimore City, Inc.

### **Presentations:**

#### *Refereed Presentations:*

- Farrell, J., **Betsinger, A.**, & Irvine, J. (2018, November). *Assessing the impact of a graduated response approach for youth in the juvenile justice system*. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA.
- Farrell, J., **Betsinger, A.**, & Irvine, J. (2018, November). *Studies of state-level juvenile justice system improvement efforts*. Complete Thematic Panel at the American Society of Criminology Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA.
- Shaw, T., Farrell, J., & **Betsinger, A.** (2018, July). *Reconsidering child welfare re-entry: Examining the re-removal of children*. Workshop presented at the Training Institutes, Washington, D.C.
- Shipe, S., Shaw, T.V., **Betsinger, S.**, & Farrell, J. (2017, January). *An examination of reentry: A continuum between the child welfare and juvenile justice systems*. Workshop presented at the Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR), New Orleans, LA.
- Farrell, J., **Betsinger, S.**, Cosgrove, J., Strubler, K., & Irvine, J. (2016, November). *Using evidence-based programs to improve reentry outcomes for youth in the juvenile justice system*. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA.
- Farrell, J., **Betsinger, S.**, & Fanflik, P. (2016, March). *Risk/needs assessment for juvenile justice-involved youth who are transitioning to adulthood*. Paper presented at the Society for Research on Adolescence Biennial Meeting, Baltimore, MD.

- Bright, C. L., Farrell, J., Painter, B., Winters, A., Lee, B. R., & **Betsinger, S.** (2016, January). *Family Centered Treatment® and juvenile justice outcomes*. Paper presented at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, Washington, DC.
- Shaw, T., Farrell, J., **Betsinger, S.**, Nadiv, S., & Kovilovski, K. (2016, January). *Developing collaborative data partnerships: The promise and pitfalls of big data in the human services*. Roundtable presented at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, Washington, DC.
- Betsinger, S.**, & Farrell, J. (2014, November). *Use of evidence-based programs in the juvenile justice system*. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA.
- Betsinger, S.**, Strickman, S., Farrell, J., & Irvine, J. (2013, November). *Closing the “back doors” to juvenile detention in Maryland*. Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA.
- Betsinger, S.**, Strickman, S., Farrell, J., & Irvine, J. (2013, June). *Detention utilization in Maryland*. Poster presented at the Maryland System of Care Training Institute, Baltimore, MD.
- Farrell, J., **Betsinger, S.**, Mettrick, J., Chen, D., & Zabel, M. (2013, June). *Multisystemic Therapy implementation in Maryland*. Poster presented at the Maryland System of Care Training Institute, Baltimore, MD.
- Jessie, L., **Betsinger, S.**, & Hallmon, M. (2013, June). *Parent and Youth Empowerment Program*. Presented at the Maryland System of Care Training Institute, Baltimore, MD.
- Midouhas, H., Mason, K., Farrell, J., **Betsinger, S.**, Mettrick, J., Chen, D., & Zabel, M. (2013, June). *Functional Family Therapy: Evaluation of FFT’s system of care for Maryland’s youth*. Poster presented at the Maryland System of Care Training Institute, Baltimore, MD.
- Betsinger, S.**, J. Walter, & D. Young. (2011, October). *Crossover youth in Maryland: Assessing interagency collaboration*. Poster presented at the OJJDP National Conference for Children’s Justice and Safety, National Harbor, MD.
- Betsinger, S.**, & Johnson, B.D. (2006, November). *Sentencing the ‘model minority:’ Examining Asian American sentencing outcomes in U.S. federal district courts*. Presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Conference, Los Angeles, CA.
- Najaka, S.S., Gottfredson, D.C., & **Betsinger, S.** (2005, November). *A meta-analytic study of prevention and intervention programs for youth*. Presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Conference, Toronto, Canada.

Invited Presentations:

- Farrell, J., **Betsinger, S.**, & Shaw, T. (2017, October). *Predicting crossover from the child welfare to the juvenile justice system in Maryland*. Paper presented at the Child Abuse, Neglect, and Delinquency Options (C.A.N.D.O.) Conference, Ocean City, MD.
- Young, D., & **Betsinger, S.** (2011). *DMC in Maryland: Where, when, and how much?* Presented at the DMC Site Coordinators Conference, Annapolis, MD.

**Professional Activities:**

Professional Associations:

American Society of Criminology

Task Force and Advisory Board Membership:

2018 – current	Member, Transgender Facility Admissions Task Force (Department of Juvenile Services)
2017 – current	Member, Intake Oversight Committee (Department of Juvenile Services)
2017 – current	Member, Maryland Comprehensive Assessment and Service Planning Intake Advisory Committee (Department of Juvenile Services)
2015 – 2016	Member, Baltimore City Youth Justice & Equity Council
2012 – 2013	Member, Baltimore City Disproportionate Minority Contact Steering Committee
2012 - 2013	Member, Front-End Reforms Subcommittee to the Baltimore City Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative
2011 – 2013	Member, Baltimore City Disproportionate Minority Contact Advisory Board
2012	Member, Alternatives to Detention (ATD) Subcommittee to the Baltimore City Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative
2009 – 2011	Member, Baltimore City Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative Committee

Journal Review Boards:

2017 – 2018	Reviewer, <i>Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency</i>
2017	Reviewer, <i>Journal of Public Child Welfare</i>

**University and School of Social Work Service:**

University Service:

2018 – current	Member, Diversity Advisory Council (DAC) <i>Committee Membership:</i> Evaluation and Assessment Committee, Education and Awareness Committee, Institutional Equity Workgroup
2018 - current	DAC Sponsor, Stonewall Pride affinity group

School of Social Work Service:

2018 – current	Faculty Advisor, Queer Community Alliance
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