

The Center on Holocaust Survivor Care Institute on Aging and Trauma

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Carly Bruski, LMSW, is the Assistant Director for Strategic Partnerships at the Center on Holocaust Survivor Care and Institute on Aging and Trauma. Her role is to develop, nurture and grow relationships to further the Center's PCTI mission and serve as the point person for new partnerships. Carly has been working in the non-profit sector for 15 years with a focus on person-centered trauma informed care. She is committed to providing culturally sensitive services to under-resourced communities, immigrant, and refugee populations in particular.. She holds Bachelor's degrees in Journalism and Women's Studies from The Pennsylvania State University, and in 2014, Carly received her Master's degree in social work from Temple University.

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As Project Manager, Bradley Heller provides oversight and coaching to the Center on Holocaust Survivor Care and Institute on Aging and Trauma's subgrantees. Bradley has extensive experience working in community-based programs, both in the United States and internationally, in the areas of housing, social services, and health care.

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Hayley Herzog is the Assistant Manager of Research and Evaluation at the Center on Holocaust Survivor Care and Institute on Aging and Trauma. Hayley enhances the research and evaluation team by advancing program evaluation efforts, conducting qualitative and quantitative analysis for best practices and lessons learned, and building the field of PCTI evaluations.

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As Project Manager, Amanda Jarvis provides oversight and coaching to the Center on Holocaust Survivor Care and Institute on Aging and Trauma's subgrantees and educational trainings to the Aging Network. Previously, Amanda was an Associate Case Manager and the Holocaust Survivor PCTI Program Associate at Ruth & Norman Rales Jewish Family Services in Boca Raton, Florida, where she began as an AmeriCorps VISTA.



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Alana Knoppow is a Project Manager at the Center on Holocaust Survivor Care and Institute on Aging and Trauma. She provides technical assistance and coaching to subgrantees, as well as capacity building, systems improvement, and program analysis within the Center. Alana has been supporting older adults and their caregivers throughout her career in the nonprofit field for over a decade. She holds an MSW and Certificate in Advanced Clinical Dementia Practice from the University of Michigan School of Social Work.

Leah Bergen Miller | Associate Director <u>Leah.Miller@JewishFederations.org</u>

Leah Bergen Miller manages all JFNA-funded programs and technical support. She coordinates the grant award process, develops a supportive cohort by encouraging subgrantees to share lessons learned, and coaches subgrantees to promote PCTI care for Holocaust survivors, diverse older adults with a history of trauma, and family caregivers. Leah builds the national capacity to provide PCTI care for older adults by planning The JFNA Training Workshop and training webinars, as well as presenting at national conferences for the Aging Network.

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Elissa Mittman is the Financial Oversight Advisor for the Center on Holocaust Survivor Care and Institute on Aging and Trauma. She was previously employed in various senior roles at several international non-governmental humanitarian organizations and by the U.S. government, where she provided programs, services, and protection for some of the world's most vulnerable populations in the U.S. and overseas. In these capacities Elissa managed multi-year multi-million-dollar grants and programming, and supervised operations, finance, human resources, advocacy, and legal services. Most recently she worked on a program assisting evacuated atrisk Afghans in the United Arab Emirates seeking refugee resettlement in Canada. Elissa has a JD with academic honors from Hofstra Law School, and a BA from Johns Hopkins University.

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Abby Neft just celebrated her third year as the Project Assistant at the Center and handles internal and external scheduling, writing and distributing memos, tracking reports, organizing speakers for webinars and for our biannual training workshop. She also plays a part in our Review for Processes (RFP) by working with the review committee and helping develop new cohorts. Abby has her Bachelor of Arts from the University of Maryland and has spent time studying and working in Australia.



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Carmel Rabin creates evaluation resources for subgrantees, assists subgrantees with their evaluation plans, and analyzes local evaluation data. Additionally, she develops and conducts evaluations for the Expanded Critical Supports Program and the National Survey on PCTI care. Carmel shares her evaluation findings through written materials, conferences, webinars, and other presentations.

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Vanessa Rubenstein is the Graduate Fellow for Research and Evaluation at the Center on Holocaust Survivor Care and Institute on Aging and Trauma. She is responsible for supporting the research and evaluation team with program evaluation efforts, data analysis, and the writing of articles and reports.

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Shelley Rood Wernick oversees the Center's work to promote PCTI care as the universal strategy for serving all older adults and to promote efforts to raise additional resources to support Holocaust survivors. Shelley forges national partnerships, oversees the award process to local organizations; and leads the Center's educational initiatives to expand the recognition of a history of trauma as a risk factor for poor mental, social, emotional and physical health.

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Karen Edell Yoskowitz manages the Center's Expanded Critical Supports and National Network grant programs. She coordinates grant award processes and supports subgrantees, including Innovations-Fig Tree subgrantees, in their program development and implementation processes. Karen provides opportunities for Federations and local social service agencies to share promising practices, challenges, and lessons learned. She disseminates best practices in PCTI care for Holocaust survivors, older adults with a history of trauma, and their family caregivers through meetings, networking, and conference presentations.

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For more information about The JFNA <u>Center on Holocaust Survivor Care and Institute on Aging and Trauma,</u> see our website: https://holocaustsurvivorcare.org.