Marvin Karno, M.D. professional papers, 1965-2001

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Abstract: Dr. Marvin Karno, Professor Emeritus, Department of Psychiatry and Biobehavioral Sciences, UCLA School of Medicine, had an illustrious career as clinician, researcher, teacher, and administrator. This small collection focuses mainly on his research in community centered psychiatry, especially with Los Angeles Hispanic Americans, and on his administrative endeavors on behalf of the Division of Social and Community Psychiatry. Most of the documents date from the late 1970s and early 1980s.
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Biography
Dr. Marvin Karno (1933- ) was born and educated in Los Angeles. His UCLA B.A., plus one year of postgraduate study, focused on Anthropology. Then he switched to the UCLA School of Medicine, with the eventual goal of combining social science and medicine to gain understanding of human behavior. He received his M.D. in 1959, continued his Internship and Residency at UCLA, and added a Fellowship and an M.S. in Social and Community Psychiatry from the UCLA Neuropsychiatric Institute. His first funded research developed out of a class project for a seminar taught by Prof. Robert B. Edgerton: “The Perception of Mental Illness in a Mexican-American Community” (1964-1966).
From 1966 to 1970 Dr. Karno served in the County of Los Angeles Department of Mental Health, rising to Chief Deputy Director. After an interval as Director of Residency Education at the University of California, San Diego, he returned to UCLA as Director of the Training Program in Social and Community Psychiatry in 1974. Dr. Karno remained at UCLA until his retirement, combining teaching, research, and administration and filling a variety of positions including Director, Adult Psychiatry Program, and Associate Director, UCLA Neuropsychiatric Institute Hospital and Clinics. From 1981 to 1986 he held an NIMH Research Scientist Development Award. He was Board certified in 1970, and throughout his entire career maintained a clinical practice in parallel with his other duties.
Scope and Content
The collection covers two main themes: 1. Research grants in community-centered psychiatry focused on the psychiatric needs and behaviors of Hispanic-American populations, especially the Los Angeles "Hispanic/Anglo" site of the NIMH Environmental Catchment Area (ECA) study. 2. Academic matters pertaining to the UCLA Department of Psychiatry and Biobehavioral Sciences, especially the Division of Social and Community Psychiatry. Most of the documents date from the
late 1970s and early 1980s. There is also interesting material on the endeavors of the UCLA campus, and specifically the Department of Psychiatry, to meet community needs arising from the riots following the Rodney King-related jury verdict in 1992. The collection includes two digital computer tapes.

**Indexing Terms**
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.

**Subjects**
University of California, Los Angeles. Department of Psychiatry and Biobehavioral Sciences.
Karno, Marvin, 1933- , Archives
Catchment Area (Health) -- California
Community Mental Health Services -- utilization
Community Psychiatry
Hispanic Americans -- psychology
Mental Health
Psychiatric Status Rating Scales

**Box 1, Folder 1**  
**Master of Social Psychiatry degree program. 1965-1975.**
Scope and Content Note
"A proposal for a program of graduate studies in Social and Community Psychiatry for the Masters of Social Psychiatry degree (M.S.P.) to be given by the Department of Psychiatry, Division of Social and Community Psychiatry, UCLA", 54 pp., submitted to Committee on Instruction of the Graduate Council by the Department of Psychiatry, School of Medicine, Feb. 1965; Final Progress Report, 1974-75; "Community psychiatry at UCLA: a decade of training" - 9-page typed narrative

**Box 1, Folder 2**  
**Master of Social Psychiatry degree program revival. 1986-1988.**
Physical Description: folder 1 of 2
Scope and Content Note
a proposal to the UCLA Graduate Council to revive the M.S.P. degree program, dormant since 1975; correspondence; progress reports; notes

**Box 1, Folder 3**  
**Master of Social Psychiatry degree program revival. 1986-1988.**
Physical Description: folder 2 of 2
Scope and Content Note
background materials on the Department of Psychiatry and Biobehavioral Sciences, the UCLA Graduate Council, and pertinent course offerings; miscellanea

**Box 1, Folder 4**  
Scope and Content Note
correspondence with publisher

**Box 1, Folder 5**  
Scope and Content Note
manuscript drafts, correspondence
Note
chapter in: "Teaching psychiatry and behavioral science", ed. by Joel Yager, N.Y., Grune & Stratton, 1982
Container List

Box 1, Folder 6  "The perception of mental illness in a Mexican-American community". 1967.
Physical Description: folder 1 of 2
Scope and Content Note
application for a research grant augmentation to the Director of Mental Hygiene, Sacramento by Robert B. Edgerton, Ph.D., principal investigator; multi-page field-interview form; extensive instruction book for coding interview data

Box 1, Folder 7  "The perception of mental illness in a Mexican-American community". undated.
Physical Description: folder 2 of 2
Scope and Content Note
list of persons who might aid the project, and notes describing a few interviews; meeting notices and short reports to the project's Advisory Group; notes for a book or report; reprint of a short descriptive journal article on the project by M. Karno and A. Morales; miscellaneous notes

Box 1, Folder 8  "Epidemiologic Catchment Area (ECA) Los Angeles, Hispanic/Anglo study". probably 1979.
Physical Description: folder 1 of 3
Scope and Content Note
c. 400-page grant application for a 3-year study (1980-1983), submitted in response to the NIMH Epidemiological Catchment Area Program
Note
Dr. Karno was listed as Co-Principal Investigator

Box 1, Folder 24  "Epidemiologic Catchment Area (ECA) Los Angeles, Hispanic/Anglo study". probably 1979.
Physical Description: folder 2 of 3
Scope and Content Note
one computer tape, 7"

Box 1, Folder 25  "Epidemiologic Catchment Area (ECA) Los Angeles, Hispanic/Anglo study". probably 1979.
Physical Description: folder 3 of 3
Scope and Content Note
one computer tape, 10"

Box 1, Folder 9  "Major mental disorders among Mexican Americans". 1980-1982.
Physical Description: folder 1 of 2
Scope and Content Note
application for five-year Research Scientist Development Award; award statements and documents for Year-1, Year-2

Box 1, Folder 10  "Major mental disorders among Mexican Americans". 1981-1983.
Physical Description: folder 2 of 2
Scope and Content Note
ledger statements for Yr.-1, -2

Box 1, Folder 11  Grant application: "Family Intervention for Mexican American Schizophrenics - revised" (FIFMAS). 1983.
Scope and Content Note
original application (missing p.1), revised and additional new pages; correspondence, including arrangements for site visit
Box 1, Folder 12
Grant application: "Family Intervention for Mexican American Schizophrenics (FIFMAS)". 1983.
Scope and Content Note
Summary Statement by NIMH reviewers for the above proposed five-year study: approved the proposal's importance and the research protocol's conceptual framework and basic design, but felt methodological details needed to be refined; Recommendation: funding of a two-year pilot study

Box 1, Folder 13
Scope and Content Note
general plans and protocols; case management (CM) training manuscript; behavioral family therapy (BFT) protocols, training materials, forms, in English and Spanish

Box 1, Folder 14
Correspondence regarding the FIFMAS study. 1984-1987.

Box 1, Folder 15
Pilot study for "Family Intervention for Mexican American Schizophrenics (FIFMAS)". 1987.
Scope and Content Note
final report to the National Institute of Mental Health, who funded the two-year study
Note
Dr. Karno reports that the intended larger study was not funded

Box 1, Folder 16
Scope and Content Note
application to the UCLA Human Subject Protection Committee, with full grant description; four-year budget application to the California Department of Mental Health; curriculum vitae for Dr. Karno and major project personnel

Box 1, Folder 17
"Protocol for treatment strategies in schizophrenia study". 1983.
Scope and Content Note
33-page manuscript prepared by Nina R. Schooler and Samuel J. Keith, of the National Institute of Mental Health Cooperative Agreement Program
Note
contains a section on Family Management

Box 1, Folder 18
Scope and Content Note
"Response to Merit Review Board Inquiry regarding the project, Behavioral Family Therapy for Schizophrenics", from the Wadsworth Veterans Administration, Los Angeles, to the Director, Medical Research Service, V.A., Washington, D.C.
Note
the Wadsworth V.A. wanted to initiate a BFT program for veterans in which Dr. Karno would assist, with no salary requested for him

Box 1, Folder 19
Scope and Content Note
proposal (developed by MK, and Drs. Edgerton and Wells) for a new Division within the UCLA Department of Psychiatry and Biobehavioral Sciences; correspondence and memoranda, mostly internal, re. the formation and function of the Division; two brochures (1997, 1999-2000), describing the history, objectives, structure, and faculty of the Division
Note
Dr. Karno was appointed Director and Associate Chair and served as such through 1996
Box 1, Folder 20  **Scientology. 1991.**
Scope and Content Note
three published clippings and articles

Box 1, Folder 21  **Rodney King verdict riots in Los Angeles. 1992.**
Physical Description: folder 1 of 2
Scope and Content Note
correspondence, memos, reports regarding the activities of UCLA personnel, especially mental health professionals, to help in the emergency

Box 1, Folder 22  **Los Angeles Rodney King verdict riots. 1992.**
Physical Description: folder 2 of 2
Scope and Content Note
miscellaneous notes, articles, news stories

Box 1, Folder 23  **Psychiatric Disorders in America research fund. 1994-2001.**
Scope and Content Note
letters and memoranda re. Dr. Karno's deposits
Note
the authors of "Research Disorders in America: the Epidemiologic Catchment Area Study", N.Y., Free Press, 1991, established this fund to channel their royalties to psychiatric research; Dr. Karno sent his chapter royalties ["Obsessive compulsive disorder" by MK and Jaqueline M. Golding] to a various donors account he set up within the UCLA Department of Psychiatry