



Myrick appointed to national research panel



Shannon Myrick, Ph.D.

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The National Institute of Justice (NIJ) in Washington, DC has appointed Dr. Shannon Myrick, OYA strategic initiatives manager, to serve on a scientific panel that will review research into teen dating violence and children exposed to violence.

In February, NIJ officials selected Myrick to be one of 18 peer reviewers to serve for a term of 2 to 3 three years. She traveled to Arlington, Va. in June to attend the first panel meeting.

“Your prominence and exceptional work in the area of teen dating violence and children exposed to violence warrants your inclusion in this limited group,” wrote Dr. Gregory K. Ridgeway, acting NIJ director, in the letter appointing Myrick. “We believe you are ideal to articulate the best directions and the strongest proposals for the future of social science research.”

Myrick joined OYA in 2008 as a research analyst before her promotion in 2013 to strategic initiatives manager. She is a noted authority on adolescent development and its relationship with juvenile justice, and has lectured and published scholarly articles on the subject. She received her undergraduate degree from the University of Oregon and her master’s and doctorate degrees from Portland State University, where she also serves as an adjunct professor of psychology.

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