

# Curriculum Vitae – Gili Hoter Ishay, Ph.D

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## 1. Education

- Ph.D., Community Mental Health, University of Haifa (2016–2023)  
Thesis: 'Characteristics of youth oriented mental health service: pathways to care and youth satisfaction'. Supervisor: Prof. David Roe
- M.Sc. in Occupational Therapy, summa cum laude, Tel Aviv University, Sackler Faculty of Medicine (2011–2013). Thesis: 'Effect of a Cognitive Rehabilitation Program for People with MS on Occupational Performance and Participation'.
- B.O.T. in Occupational Therapy, magna cum laude, Tel Aviv University, Sackler Faculty of Medicine (2006–2010).

## 2. Academic Experience

- 2024–Present: Research Fellow, MH Rites Center, University of Houston, Texas, USA.
- 2023–Present: Research Fellow, Center for Mental Health Research, Practice and Policy, University of Haifa, Israel.
- 2022–Present: Faculty Member and Head of the Mental Health field, Department of Occupational Therapy, Ono Academic College, Israel.
- 2023-2025: Postdoctoral Research Fellowship, University of Houston, Texas with University of Haifa. Topics: Stigma, culture, mental health; interventions; NAVIGATE program implementation research.
- 2010-2018: Course instructor, Problem based teaching, Département of occupational therapy, Tel- Aviv University, Israel.
- 2014-present: Head of the vocational rehabilitation training and youth rehabilitation training, The rehabilitation and recovery school, Ono academic college, Israel.
- 2018-2023: Head of training, "the promotion of positive self and coping with stigma among youth with psychiatric difficulties" intervention program, The Ministry of Education, The Levinsky-Wingate Academic College, Israel.

## 3. Academic Activities

### • Journal Editing

Associate Editor, Israeli Journal of Occupational Therapy (2023–Present)

### • Conference organizing

Steering Committee, The 23<sup>rd</sup> Israeli occupational therapy society conference, 2018.

Conference organizing committee, The 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Navigate International conference. 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025

• **Article reviewing**

Reviewer for:

- Journal of Religion and Health
- Psychiatric Services
- European psychiatry
- International journal on child maltreatment
- Child Psychiatry and human development
- Early Intervention in Psychiatry

**Administrative roles**

2025: Academic leadership committee, Ono Academic College

2020-present: NAVIGATE Israel national implementation coordinator and website manager.

2024-2025: Academic writing group instructor, Israeli journal of occupational therapy (IJOT).

2016–2020: Clinical Training Coordinator, Department of Occupational Therapy, Ono Academic College

**Membership in professional associations**

Board Member, Forum of Occupational Therapists in Psychiatric Rehabilitation (2013–2024)

Board Member, Forum of Occupational Therapists in Vocational Rehabilitation (2018–2020)

Member, International Early intervention and prevention in mental health association. (2019-present).

Member, The Israeli Society for Occupational Therapy Association.

• **Supervision of graduate students**

M.A. Students: 5 (3 completed, 4 ongoing)

**4. Professional Experience**

- 2024–Present: Therapist, MATANA Department, Ono Academic College
- 2020–Present: National Clinical Coordinator, NAVIGATE Program Implementation in Israel (multiple clinics and hospitals), Lazlo N. Tauber Foundation, Israel.
- 2018–Present: Research Coordinator, National Evaluation of NAVIGATE Program.

- 2016–Present: **Clinical Supervisor**, organizations including Shikum Acher, Amitim, Dialog, Out of the Box, Beit Ekstein, Amal & Beyond, ESHNAV.
- 2019-present: **Clinical Supervisor**, shools for children with mental disorders: Beit Ekshtein, Ahuzat Yeladim etc.
- 2015- 2019: Research Coordinator, Headspace Evaluation Study, National Insurance Institute
- 2013-2015: Service Manager, Almog Youth Mental Health Center, Eychut Beshikum NGO, Bat Yam.
- 2010- 2013: Mental Health Practitioner, Occupational therapist, Almog Youth Mental Health Center, Bat Yam
- 2010-2013: Research Assistant of Dr. Eynat Ben Ari, Tel Aviv University

## 5. Grants and Awards

- 2015–2019: Research Coordinator, National Insurance Institute – Evaluation of Headspace Program (~300,000 NIS) (PI: Prof. David Roe)
- 2017-2021: Excellence Scholarship by the Lazlo N. Tauber Foundation.
- 2022-2023: Post doctoral Scholarship

## 6. Publications

**Hoter-Ishay, G.**, Brewer, K. B., Yaniv, H., Gearing, R. E., Abrahami, A., Smith, L., Paat, Y.-F., Powell, T. L., & Roe, D. (Under review). *Coping strategies during wartime: Comparison between cultural groups in Israel*. Manuscript submitted for publication, *Journal of Traumatic Stress*.

**Hoter Ishay, G.**, Mashiach-Eizenberg, M. & Roe, D. (2025). When a Mental Health Policy Change Meets a Youth Early-Intervention Service: Reflections on the Role of Diagnosis. *Early intervention in psychiatry*. <https://doi.org/10.1111/eip.70081>

**Hoter Ishay, G.** & Roe, D. (2025). Patterns of Service Utilization and Its Relation to Outcome in a First-Episode Psychosis Program. *Schizophrenia Research*. 284, 256-262.

**Hoter Ishay, G.,** Goldzweig, G., Hasson-Ohayon, I., Gelkopf, M., Shadmi, E., & Roe, D. (2025). Predicting satisfaction with vocational status among people with serious mental illness in vocational services: the role of perceived skills and support. *Frontiers in Psychiatry, 16*, 1533227.

**Hoter Ishay, G.,** Wagner, L. J., Meidan, O., Garber Epstein, P., & Roe, D. (2024). Promoting positive self-identity of youths with mental disorders: collaboration between academia and a ministry of education. *Psychiatric services, 75*(7), 713-716.

Marom, B., Regev, S. & **Hoter Ishay, G.**(2022). Editorial: Work Participation in Occupational Therapy - Past, Present and Future. *The Israeli Journal of Occupational Therapy, 31*, 2 (Hebrew).

**Hoter ishay, G.,** Zisman Ilani, Y., Roe, D. (2022). Associations between program satisfaction, service utilization and clinical characteristics: A longitudinal study of youth in a headspace center. *Early intervention in Psychiatry*. <https://doi.org/10.1111/eip.13347>

**Hoter Ishay, G.,** Shalem – Levin, E., Wagner, L., Meidan, O., Gerber - Epstein, P. & Roe, D. (2022). Adaptation and Assimilation of Self-Management Intervention and Reduction of Self-Stigma Among Students Dealing With Mental Disorders and Learning in Educational Settings. *Society and Welfare ,1*, 56-70 (in Hebrew)

**Hoter Ishay, G.,** Mashiach-Eizenberg, M. & Roe, D. (2021). Young Help-Seeker Profiles in Israel: The Case of the First Israeli Headspace Centre. *Early Intervention in Psychiatry*. <https://doi.org/10.1111/eip.13195>

Gal, G., Shadmi, E., **Hoter-Ishay, G.**, Gelkopf, M., & Roe, D. (2021). Comparing outcome measures of persons with severe mental illness in vocational rehabilitation programs: a dual perspective of consumers and providers. *International Journal for Quality in Health Care*, *33*(1), mzaa030.

Wagner, L., Meidan O., **Hoter Ishay, G.**, Garber- Epstein, P., Roe, D., (2021). Intervention for Promoting Positive Self-Perception and Reduction of Self-Stigma (Manual). The center for evaluation of health promotion interventions, University of Haifa.

Roe, D., Mashiach-Eizenberg, M., Garber Epstein, P., Yamin, A., **Hoter Ishay, G.**, & Zisman-Ilani, Y. (2020). Implementation of NAVIGATE for first episode psychosis in Israel: Clients' characteristics, program utilization and ratings of change. *Early Intervention in Psychiatry*, *15*, 1343-1348

**Hoter Ishay, G.**, Roe, D., Biton, L. & Zilcha-Mano, S. (2019). Youth and Young Mental Health Use and Needs of Services– A Review. *Society & Welfare*, *39*, 1, p.29-47

**Hoter Ishay, G.** (2018). Occupational Therapy in the field of Sexuality and relationship, a case study: Group intervention for youth with severe mental illness. *The Israeli Journal of Occupational Therapy*, *2* (27). (Hebrew)

Tal, A., Aloush, H., Neuberger, T., Dekel, H., **Hoter Ishay, G.**, Katz, N. & Hadas-Lidor, N. (2016). Cognitive Skills For Work- Hebrew Second Version.