



Erin Hambrick, PhD.

Dr. Hambrick, CTA Director of Research, has a longstanding interest in teaching, advocacy, mental health treatment, and research concerning children exposed to trauma and adversity.

She received her PhD in Clinical Child Psychology from the University of Kansas, following the completion of a predoctoral internship at Children's Hospital Colorado. After graduate school, Dr. Hambrick completed a postdoctoral fellowship

through the Developmental Psychobiology Research Group at the University of Colorado School of Medicine. On this fellowship, she worked at both the Kempe Center for the Prevention and Treatment of Child Abuse and Neglect and the University of Denver's Graduate School of Social Work.

In addition to serving as CTA's Director of Research, Dr. Hambrick is currently an Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychology at the University of Missouri - Kansas City (UMKC), where she teaches graduate and undergraduate psychology courses and directs lab PANDA (Pediatric Abuse, Neglect, Disaster, and Adversity). Her research is broadly focused on children exposed to trauma and adversity. Specific lines of research include identifying risk and protective factors following exposure to trauma or adversity, identifying helpful ways for caregivers to talk to children about disasters, and evaluating the effectiveness of available trauma treatments in community-based settings. Her ultimate goal is to promote the use of evidence-informed, trauma-focused interventions in community-based service provision settings.

Dr. Hambrick has worked with the CTA for almost 10 years in various capacities, including writing literature to supplement the NMT certification processes, conducting data analyses regarding the effectiveness of NMT, working with CTA research partners, and co-authoring manuscripts.
