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Education

Master of Social Work, Boston University School of Social Work, Boston, Massachusetts
Clinical Social Work
January 1998

Bachelor of University Studies, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Gender Studies
December 1993

Professional

Clinical Instructor, School of Social Work, UNC Chapel Hill
Jordan Institute for Families, Behavioral Healthcare Resource Program. Chapel Hill, NC
2007- Present

- Coordinator of the statewide federally funded Work First/Child Protective Services Substance Abuse Initiative, an Initiative of North Carolina Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services (DMH/DD/SAS).
- Monitoring of programmatic trends and identifying needs.
- Provide training and technical assistance to Local Management Entities, county Department of Social Services staff and substance abuse providers, statewide.
- Provide technical assistance to Local Management Entities and substance abuse providers, relative to Women's Genders Specific Substance Abuse Services.
- Member of several collaborative workgroups under the North Carolina DMH/DD/SAS Best Practice Team, Community Policy Section, including monitoring of use of federal Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant funds and providing evidence based substance abuse treatment for families.

Perinatal Substance Use Specialist, Gillings School of Global Public Health, Family Health Resource Line, UNC Chapel Hill. Raleigh, NC
2004- 2007

- Coordinator of the Perinatal Substance Use Project, Provided training and education regarding perinatal substance use to professionals statewide.
- Increased awareness of substance use issues and available resources relative to pregnant women and women with dependent children to the public and professionals statewide.
- Provide technical assistance to Local Management Entities and substance abuse providers, relative to Women's Genders Specific Substance Abuse Services.
- Member of NC Child Fatality Task Force Perinatal Subcommittee, NC Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders workgroup, Women's Health and Tobacco Use workgroup, and NC Pediatric Society School Based Mental Health workgroup.

Mental Health Therapist, Presbyterian Medical Services' Teen Health Centers. Santa Fe, NM
2002- 2004

- Behavioral health provider in middle school and high school based health centers.
- Provided case management, individual and group counseling services.
- Initiated providing Teen Health Center behavioral health services at Ortiz Middle School.
- Provided Santa Fe Public Schools mandated substance abuse assessments for violators of the student code of conduct in regard to alcohol and other drug (ATOD) use.
- Provided trainings for school personnel regarding student ATOD use. ATOD education with youth serving community agencies.
- Member of Santa Fe Public Schools' ATOD Task Force.

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- Provided supervision of 2nd year Master's level Highlands University, School of Social Work student.

Social Worker, Cambridge and Somerville Program for Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Rehabilitation, Inc. (CASPAR) Youth Services Program. Somerville, MA

2000-2002

- Coordinator of SAMSHA Center of Substance Abuse Prevention funded research Student Assistance Program at public middle school.
- Provided a continuum of prevention and intervention services for all youth in grades six through eight, including classroom education, individual and group counseling.
- Provided consultation and technical assistance to school and agency staff. ATOD clinician at public high school's Teen Health Center.
- Served youth affected by family addiction and youth experiencing consequences of own use. Assessed youth for individual or group CASPAR services, as well as referred to external services for treatment options.
- Participated in school administrative student review meetings, as necessary.
- Member of the high school's Health Steering Committee.

Women's Health & Pediatric Social Worker, Neponset Health Center. Dorchester, MA

1999-2001

- Provided assessment of social service and mental health needs, case management and ongoing counseling.
- Facilitator of perinatal team meetings.
- Coordinated educational social service trainings for Women's Health and Pediatric medical providers.
- Directed various related projects, including developing a pediatric sexual abuse protocol.

Perinatal Social Worker, Upham's Corner Health Center, Dorchester, MA

1998-1999

- Provided assessment and case management of social service and mental health needs of high-risk prenatal patients.
- Provided crisis intervention with patients of all health center departments.
- Created and designed database for data management of prenatal patients.
- Member of public health councils, including Maternal and Child Health council and Father Friendly Initiative council.

Advanced Field Placement, Cambridge and Somerville Program for Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Rehabilitation, Inc. (CASPAR) Women's Outpatient Clinic. Cambridge, MA

1996- 1997

- Individual therapist and co-facilitator of substance abuse groups, working with adolescents and adults.
- Performed intakes, assessments, and case management.
- Contributing editor to revision of "Getting Sober, Getting Well, A Treatment Guide for Caregivers Who Work With Women".

Field Placement, Children's Services of Roxbury, Early Intervention Program. Roxbury, MA

1995-1996

- Served as case manager, providing advocacy and counseling to individual families with children from birth to age three parented by adolescents.
- Co-facilitated mutual aid mother-child group at Department of Social Services residential facility.

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Invited Presentations & Workshops for Conferences, Training Institutes and Agencies

“Children within the North Carolina Perinatal, Maternal and CASAWORKS for Families Substance Abuse Initiative.” NC Division of Mental Health/Developmental Disabilities/Substance Abuse Services, North Carolina System of Care Meetings. May 2010.

“Women, Gender-Specific Treatment & Addiction Recovery, Part 2.” MAHEC Mental Health Wednesday Webinar Series. Mountain Area Health Education Center. Webinar. May 2010.

“Department of Social Services & Substance Abuse Treatment: Effective Collaboration.” New Horizons Substance Abuse Treatment Program Dare County Department of Public Health. Manteo, NC. June 2009.

“Confidentiality, Substance Abuse Treatment and Department of Social Services.” New Horizons Substance Abuse Treatment Program, Dare County Department of Public Health. Manteo, NC. April 2009.

“North Carolina Work First/CPS Substance Abuse Initiative.”North Carolina Institute of Medicine, Substance Abuse Task Force. Raleigh, NC. May 2008

“Effective Use of the Audit, DAST-10 and the Substance Abuse Behavior Indicator Check list.” North Carolina Department of Social Services, Work First Institute. Greensboro, NC. April 2008

“Understanding Substance Abuse 101: Working with Families In Crisis Due to Alcohol and Other Drug Use.” North Carolina Department of Social Services, Work First Institute. Greensboro, NC. April 2008

“Accessing Substance Abuse Treatment for Women in North Carolina.” Statewide Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect. Prevent Child Abuse North Carolina. Winston Salem, NC. March, 2008.

“Substance Abuse Screening and Assessment.” Judges College, School of Government, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC. January 2008.

“Updates: Substance Abuse and Pregnancy.” Fourth Annual Perinatal Symposium. Wake Area Health Education Center, Smithfield, NC. November 2007

“Perinatal and Maternal Substance Use.” Women, Infants and Children Conference, NC Division of Public Health, Raleigh, NC September 2007

“Introduction to Motivational Interviewing.” Women’s Health Branch Regional Meetings, NC Division of Public Health, Raleigh, NC. Spring, 2007

“Methadone and Pregnancy; Pregnancy, the Infant and Breastfeeding.” Wake Forest University, School of Medicine. Hickory, NC. May 2007

“Universal Perinatal Substance Use Screening.” Robeson County Health Department. Lumberton, NC. May 2006

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“Perinatal Substance Use and Pregnancy Outcomes.” Perinatal Symposium. Eastern Region Area Health Education Center. Greenville, NC. May 2006

“Accessing Substance Abuse Treatment for Women in North Carolina.” 25th Statewide Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect. Prevent Child Abuse North Carolina. Durham, NC. March 2006.

“Best Practices: Prevention of FASD” FASD Mecklenburg Coalition Conference. Charlotte, NC, September 2006.

“Perinatal Substance Use in NC, Connecting Women to Treatment.” Women’s Health Workshop. Wake Forest University, School of Medicine. Greensboro, NC. April 2005

University and Community College Guest Lectures

“Addiction in the Family.” Sociology of the Family Course 213. Wake Technical Community College. Raleigh, NC. April 2007.

“North Carolina Work First/CPS Substance Abuse Initiative.” Social Welfare Policy Course 530. School of Social Work, University of North Carolina. Chapel Hill, NC. Spring 2007.

“Perinatal Substance Use.” Maternal and Child Health Course 702, Gillings School of Global Public Health, University of North Carolina. Chapel Hill, NC. On line, Summer 2010. Classroom, January 2011.

Publications

Awakenings: A Bulletin for Professionals on Substance Abuse Services for Women and their Children, Quarterly, Gillings School of Global Public Health, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. 2005-2008.

Community Service

GAL, Durham County Guardian ad Litem, Durham, NC, 2006-2009

Board Member, El Centro, Santa Fe, NM, 2004

Counselor, Santa Fe Mountain Center, Tesuque, NM, 2004

Counselor, Santa Fe Crisis Hotline, Santa Fe, NM, 2003

Counselor, Planned Parenthood, Santa Fe, NM, 1990

Counselor, San Francisco Women Against Rape, San Francisco, CA, 1989

Professional Credentials

Licensed Clinical Social Worker, North Carolina Social Work Licensure Board (License # CO05412)