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EXPERIENCE:

September, 2004 – present

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

School of Social Work

Center for Aging Research and Educational Services

Education Specialist/Clinical Instructor

Primary responsibility for all aspects of statewide training program for human service professionals who work with older and disabled adults and their families, through curriculum development; creation of training calendar; identification of training sites; presentation of training programs; recruitment of auxiliary speakers and faculty; training program evaluation; and program marketing.

March, 2001 - November, 2003

Friends Homes West, Greensboro, North Carolina

Resident Health Care Counselor

Clinical responsibility for: 1. Services related to psychosocial well being of 300 residents of Continuing Care Retirement Community (Depression Support Group, Nifty Nineties Group); 2. Counseling related to bereavement, illness, end of life issues, adjustment to facility; 3. Public policy issues as they affect this population; 4. Advocacy for the elderly.

Administrative responsibility for: 1. Admission evaluation team participation; 2. Staff development/training related to issues involving death, dying and family dynamics; 3. Budget development and compliance; 4. Conflict resolution.

Program development responsibility for: 1. Resident/facility relationships (includes helping residents and their families transition through progressive levels of care); 2. Team building among all staff members and departments; 3. Resident/family/staff relationships; 4. Building long-term relationships with the community (e.g., Family & Friends Group; Caregivers' Support Group).

July, 1995 - September, 2000

Blumenthal Jewish Home, Clemmons, North Carolina

Director of Social Services

Management responsibility for recruitment, hiring, training, supervision, and budgetary aspects of the Department of Social Services and the Department of Recreational Therapy; as well as, in-service training and team building programs for the entire staff of a long term care and assisted living facility. Clinical duties included resident and family counseling (regarding many issues, including end of life care) and conflict resolution services. Responsible for all phases of admission process from initial inquiry, to tour, to application, to admission day procedures.

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May, 1978 - February, 1980

University of Michigan Neuropsychiatric Institute, Department of Psychiatry

Full-Time Social Worker, Adolescent Inpatient Unit, Ann Arbor, MI

Teaching hospital position providing clinical social work services to adolescent patients and their families while the adolescent was hospitalized for psychiatric treatment. Responsibilities included membership on interdisciplinary team providing inpatient therapy to adolescents and their parents. Supervisory responsibility for Master's degree level social work interns.

March, 1976 - March, 1978

St. Lawrence Community Mental Health Center, Lansing, Michigan

Full-time Mental Health Therapist, Adult Outpatient Unit

Provided clinical social work services to individuals, couples, and families through the application of assessment, problem solving, communication and listening skills.

September, 1974 - May, 1975

Jewish Family and Children's Services, Miami, Florida

Full-time Intern

September, 1973 - May, 1974

Georgetown University Hospital, Washington, DC

Full-time Intern, Pediatrics Department and Department of Child Psychiatry

EDUCATION:

Smith College School for Social Work

M.S.W., Clinical Social Work

University of Michigan

B.A. with Distinction, Sociology

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

National Association of Social Workers

Academy of Certified Social Workers

Certified Master Social Worker - State of North Carolina

Clinical Social Worker in Gerontology (NASW Specialty Certification)

Leadership America North Carolina

Certified Eden Alternative Associate

Chair, Aging Practice Unit of NASW-NC

NASW Workgroup on Aging Specialty Credential

NC Study Commission on Aging Presentation: Service Delivery Recommendations

Governor's Advisory Council on Aging

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Shanawani, Hasan and Kathleen Nathan Lowe. "Is Greenacres (Skilled Nursing Facility) the Place to Be?" *American Medical Association Journal of Ethics, Virtual Mentor* (July 2005, Vol. 7 No. 7). <http://virtualmentor.ama-assn.org/2005/07/ccas3-0507.htm>

