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Education

- **Liberty University**, Lynchburg, VA: M.A., *Professional Counseling* (08/2010)
- **Master's International University of Divinity**, Evansville, IN: M.A., *Biblical Counseling* (06/2004)
- **University of North Carolina**, Chapel Hill, NC: B.A., *Sociology* (12/1999)
- **Durham Technical Community College**, Durham, NC: A.A., *College Transfer* (05/1996)
- **Fayetteville Technical Community College**, Fayetteville, NC: A.A.S., *Computer Programming* (12/ 1986)

Other Training/Certificates

- Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselor Supervisor (License #: S8741)
- Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselor (License #: 8741)
- Biblical/Christian Counseling
- Rostered: Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TFCBT)

Professional Experience

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC (March 2001 – Present)

→ **Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselor / Project Director/IRB Regulatory Coordinator**
(November 2017-Present)

- Lead study-related Cognitive Behavioral Therapy groups in UNC clinical settings
- Study Manager of 4-multi-site (PCORI-sponsored) study
- Primary liaison to principal investigator, other investigators, Clinicians, sub-site project managers, and prime site (RTI) to coordinate overall project
- Oversee site recruitment, data collection, timelines, reports, and overall coordination of pragmatic trial
- Submit study information and coordinate compliance with IRB and HIPPA policies
- **Project Director** (November 2015-September 2019)
- Administrative Manager of a 2-multi-site (Centers for Disease Control sponsored) study
- Primary liaison to the study Planning Team, principal investigator and research team
- Trained, mentored, and supervised research associates and collaborating site Community Health Workers
- Organized and systematized patient recruitment process to increase recruitment goal
- Oversaw proposal development to seek future funding
- Collaborated with budget managers and contractors to streamline project budget and expenditures
- Collaborated with Co-Investigators, Statisticians, Analysts, and Clinicians at study sites
- Designed and oversaw development of recruitment materials and questionnaires
- Submitted study information and coordinate compliance with IRB and HIPPA policies
- **Project Manager** (September 2011-August 2017)
- Managed project-related activities and staffing needs for a 3-multi-site American Cancer Society sponsored study
- Trained, mentored, and supervised research associates and nurses onsite and at collaborating sites
- Collaborated with principal investigator and research team in project planning and implementation
- Recruited patients and physicians for study
- Administered face-to-face baseline patient interviews
- Organized and systematized patient recruitment process to increase recruitment goal
- Oversaw proposal development to seek future funding
- Collaborated with budget managers and contractors to streamline project budget and expenditures
- Maintained excellent working relationships with Co-Investigators, Statisticians, Programmers, Physicians, Analysts, and Clinicians at primary and collaborating sites
- Oversaw development of recruitment materials and questionnaires
- Coordinated compliance with IRB and HIPPA policies
- Extracted data for study results and analysis
- Wrote and summarized progress reports for continued research activities

→ **Project Manager** (July 2006 – May 2010)

- Managed project-related activities and staffing needs for a 4-multi-site ACS-sponsored study
- Supervised, trained, and mentored patient interviewers onsite and at collaborating sites
- Recruited patients and physicians for study
- Conducted face-to-face patient interviews
- Systematized patient recruitment process to increase recruitment goal
- Coached and motivated research interviewers through consistent communication
- Collaborated with principal investigator and research team in project planning and implementation
- Coordinated and managed data entry and data collection
- Oversaw proposal development to seek future funding
- Collaborated with budget managers and contractors to streamline project budget and expenditures
- Created and drafted recruitment materials
- Maintained excellent working relationships with patients, researchers, and clinicians at all sites
- Managed development of questionnaires assuring compliance with IRB and HIPPA policies
- Developed progress reports for continued research activities

→ **Social Research Associate/ Project Manager** (March 2001 – July 2006)

- Managed evidence-based health research projects
- Coordinated project-related activities and staffing needs for multiple research projects
- Conducted face-to-face interviews with patients diagnosed with HIV/AIDS
- Supervised, trained, and mentored patient interviewers onsite and at collaborating sites
- Collaborated with principal investigators in planning, implementing, and evaluating activities
- Coordinated and managed data collection and data entry of 4 participating medical practices
- Traveled to sites to maintain relationships with participating practices
- Partnered with principal investigator on proposal development to seek future funding
- Collaborated with budget managers and contractors regarding project budget and expenditures
- Oversaw data coding, data management, development of survey and focus group instruments
- Collaborated with Data Programmers in analyzing data and summarizing study findings
- Facilitated and coordinated workshops and trainings
- Maintained project related databases
- Wrote and summarized progress reports to funding agencies
- Designed and maintained project web site (www.connect.unc.edu)
- Developed presentations and print media for workshops, project dissemination, and marketing

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→ **Private Practitioner, Outpatient Therapist/Workshop Facilitator** (October 2017- Present)

- Provides mental health services to children, adolescents and adults in an outpatient setting to include diagnostic assessments, individual and family counseling
- Serve a diverse population with diagnoses including Depression, Anxiety, Posttraumatic Stress Disorder, and Oppositional Defiant Disorder
- Provides Christian Counseling
- Participates in roundtable discussions including topics surrounding youth issues, mental health topics, Christian principles, etc.
- Conducts customized retreats for youth groups, churches, and various organizations
- Develops and conducts continuing education workshops on topics such as: Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy; depression, anxiety, and Cognitive Behavioral Therapy to diverse audiences in the non-profit, educational and business sectors

→ **Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselor Supervisor** (December 2019- Present)

- Provides clinical supervision to LCMHCAs

Securing Resources for Consumers, Inc., Durham, NC

Contract Outpatient/School Based Therapist (September 2017 – September 2020)

- Provided therapeutic mental health interventions to support children, adolescents and adults social, emotional, and behavioral functioning in the home and in the community
- Provided mental health services to children and adolescents in-the school environment, and in an outpatient setting to include individual counseling, diagnostic assessments, and family counseling

Family Preservation Services, Durham, NC: Outpatient Therapist (*January 2010– September 2017*)

→ **Outpatient In-Home/Co-Located School Based Therapist** (May 2015 – June 2017)

- Provided mental health services to children and adolescents in-the school environment, and in an outpatient setting to include individual counseling, diagnostic assessments, and family counseling
- Provided therapeutic mental health interventions to support clients' improvement in social, emotional, and behavioral functioning in the home and in the community
- Served a diverse population with diagnoses including Major Depressive Disorder, Bipolar Disorder, Panic Disorder, Posttraumatic Stress Disorder, and Oppositional Defiant Disorder
- Composed, reviewed, and approved client case notes to ensure effective treatment planning
- Developed and implemented Person Centered Plans to include crisis plans
- Prepared required client packet documentation (i.e., assessments, treatment plans, etc.)
- Attended court or education related meetings in support of client
- Collaborated with interdisciplinary treatment team to assess client's therapeutic needs
- Guided client's course of treatment by ensuring collaboration of necessary stakeholders
- Assisted with identifying natural support systems and enlisting support for clients
- As a Task Supervisor, Teach and guide MSW student-interns with selecting appropriate learning activities, and identify and design learning assignments appropriate for each student.

→ **Community Support Team Lead /Intensive In-Home Lead** (July 2011-November 2015)

- Provided mental health services to adults, children and adolescents in-home and in an outpatient setting to include individual counseling, diagnostic assessments, and family counseling
- Supervised, trained, and mentored Case Managers on Intensive-In-Home team
- Supervised, trained, and mentored Case Managers on Community Support Team

Turning Point Family CARE, Durham, NC

Qualified Professional/Outpatient Therapist (Intern) (December 2009 – August 2010)

- Served a diverse population of children/adolescents with diagnoses including Oppositional Defiant Disorder, Conduct Disorder, Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder, PTSD
- Implemented Person Centered Plans for client improvement of behavioral coping skills
- Implemented strength-based preventive and therapeutic interventions
- Co-facilitated weekly girls' adolescent Dialectical Behavioral Therapy group
- Conducted face-to-face evaluations through comprehensive clinical assessments
- Composed service notes reflecting accurate interventions and client progress
- Educated clients in behavior management to enhance functioning in educational setting

Research Triangle Institute, Center for International Development, Research Triangle Park, NC

Program Area Assistant/Information Systems Specialist (January 1992 - February 2001)

- Managed a \$5 million dollar project
- Oversaw collection of data for 430 incoming proposals throughout the state of North Carolina
- Designed graphs and reports for project presentations
- Managed project funding database
- Coordinated training sessions for international visitors from various countries
- Editor of CID's bi-monthly newsletter: responsible for writing, designing, editing
- Edited proposals, technical and project reports
- Conducted literature searches and analyzed data to provide information to technical staff
- Designed websites
- Maintained liaison with long- and short-term field staff domestically and internationally

Related Experience

The Peaceful Place, Inc. [501(c)(3) non-profit organization], Durham, NC

Founder/CEO (October 2004 – Present)

- Conduct annual youth retreats and customized retreats for youth groups and various organizations
- Conduct group counseling with youth, using therapeutic interventions
- Speak to diverse audiences in the non-profit, educational and business sectors

www.Purposefully-Living.com, Durham, NC

Administrator & Editor (2002 – Present)

- Compose and provide inspirational articles for Purposefully Living E-zine newsletter

Come As You Are Evangelistic Center, Aberdeen, NC

Christian Counselor/Youth Director (January 1994 – Present)

- Provide individual, family, and marriage counseling
- Provide one-on-one counseling to guide and support 50+ youth with diagnoses including, Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder and Depression
- Coordinate and facilitate youth activities, retreats, and programming

Come As You Are Evangelistic Center, Aberdeen, NC,

Sunday School Teacher (1994 – Present)

- Prepare and implement lesson plans for adolescents and adults

Audrina Jones Bunton, LLC, Durham, NC

Speaker/Workshop Facilitator (1993 – 2017)

- Speaks to diverse audiences in the non-profit, educational and business sectors
- Participates in roundtable discussions including topics surrounding youth issues, mental health topics, Christian principles, etc.
- Coordinates and leads workshops
- Conducts customized retreats for youth groups, churches, and various organizations
- Develops and presents AHEC continuing education workshops on topics such as: Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy; depression, anxiety, Cognitive Behavioral Therapy

Carolina Wildcats Boys Basketball, Durham, NC, *Team Coordinator (Volunteer)* (2000-2003)

Pregnancy Support Services, Durham, NC, *Crisis Counselor* (January 1997 – December 2000)

American Heart Association, Chapel Hill, NC: *Administrative Assistant* (November 1988 - May 1991)

Burroughs Wellcome/Olsten Temporary Svc., Research Triangle Park, NC: *Data Entry Clerk* (August-November 1988)

Citizen News Record, Aberdeen, NC: *Typesetter/Ad Layout* (October 1987 - June 1988)

Presentations/Workshop Facilitation

- Bunton, Audrina Jones, “A Walk in My Shoes: Brief and Effective Cognitive Behavioral Strategies to Promote Effective Change.” Charlotte AHEC (via Zoom). June 12, 2020.
- Bunton, Audrina Jones, “Peace of Mind: Mental Health Disorders- Symptoms, Signs, and Interventions.” Southern Regional AHEC (Pinehurst, NC). 18th Annual School Nurse Conference: Behavioral Assessment, January 21, 2020.
- Bunton, Audrina Jones, “Unveiling the Mask: Cognitive Processing Therapy.” Charlotte AHEC (Charlotte, NC). November 15, 2019
- Bunton, Audrina Jones, “Unveiling the Mask: Cognitive Processing Therapy.” South East AHEC (Wilmington, NC). October 25, 2019
- Bunton, Audrina Jones, “Children & Anxiety: Signs, Symptoms, and Strategies.” Wake AHEC (Raleigh, NC). May 20, 2019
- Bunton, Audrina Jones, “Unveiling the Mask: Cognitive Processing Therapy.” North West AHEC. Wake Forest School of Medicine (Winston-Salem, NC). April 30, 2019
- Bunton, Audrina Jones, “Unveiling the Mask: Cognitive Processing Therapy.” Wake AHEC (Raleigh, NC). April 26, 2019
- Bunton, Audrina Jones, Flick, Jodi, and Dixon, Beth: Guest Panelist: North Carolina Court Judges - Mental Health Care, School of Government, Chapel Hill, NC. April 1, 2019
- Bunton, Audrina Jones, “Children & Anxiety: Signs, Symptoms, and Strategies.” South Regional AHEC, Teen Summit (Fayetteville, NC). February 15, 2019
- Bunton, Audrina Jones, “Children & Anxiety: Signs, Symptoms, and Strategies.” Wake AHEC, Wake County Human Services (Raleigh, NC). January 18, 2019
- Bunton, Audrina Jones, “A Walk in My Shoes: Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavior Therapy with Children and Adolescents.” UNC School of Social Work Clinical Lecture Series (Chapel Hill, NC). January 14, 2019

- Bunton, Audrina Jones, “Children & Anxiety: Signs, Symptoms, and Strategies.” Eastern AHEC, Marine Corps Air Station (Cherry Point, NC). July 20, 2018.
- Bunton, Audrina Jones, “Where the Healing Begins: Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavior Therapy with Children and Adolescents.” Wake AHEC, McKimmon Conference Center (Raleigh, NC). May 2018
- Bunton, Audrina Jones, “A Walk in My Shoes: Brief and Effective Cognitive Behavioral Strategies to Promote Effective Change.” Charlotte Area Health Education Center (Charlotte, NC). October 2017
- Bunton, Audrina Jones, “A Walk in My Shoes: Brief and Effective Cognitive Behavioral Strategies to Promote Effective Change.” Eastern Area Health Education Center (New Bern, NC). August 24, 2017
- Bunton, Audrina Jones, “A Walk in My Shoes: Brief and Effective Cognitive Behavioral Strategies to Promote Effective Change.” Southern Regional AHEC (Fayetteville, NC). August 17, 2017
- Bunton, Audrina Jones, “Children & Anxiety: Signs, Symptoms, and Strategies.” Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, NC. July 2017.
- Bunton, Audrina Jones, “Children & Anxiety: Signs, Symptoms, and Strategies.” Charlotte Area Health Education Center, Charlotte, NC. May 2017.
- Bunton, Audrina Jones, “Children & Anxiety: Signs, Symptoms, and Strategies.” Eastern Area Health Education Center, Greenville, NC. May 2017.
- Bunton, Audrina Jones, “Where the Healing Begins: Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavior Therapy with Children and Adolescents.” Southern Regional AHEC (Fayetteville, NC). September 2016
- Bunton, Audrina Jones, “Children & Anxiety: Signs, Symptoms, and Strategies.” Wake AHEC, Raleigh Convention Center, NC. July 2016
- Bunton, Audrina Jones, “Where the Healing Begins: Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavior Therapy with Children and Adolescents.” Charlotte AHEC. April 2016
- Bunton, Audrina Jones, “Where the Healing Begins: Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavior Therapy with Children and Adolescents.” Cumberland County DSS. February 2016.
- Bunton, Audrina Jones, “A Walk in My Shoes: Brief and Effective Cognitive Behavioral Strategies to Promote Effective Change.” Charlotte AHEC. 2015
- Bunton Audrina, “Cognitive Behavioral Therapy: School-Based Interventions.” Durham Public School Based Psychologist Training. Durham Public Schools Faculty Training Center. 2015.
- Bunton A. Groomed for Greatness. North Carolina Future Business Leaders of America State Leadership Conference, Greensboro, NC; 2008.
- Bunton A. Community Research Advocate Facilitation. Durham, NC; 2005.
- Bunton A., Blakeney N, Enga, Z., Corbie-Smith G, “Increasing Recruitment of Minorities in Clinical Research.” Hawthorn Suites, Durham, NC; 2005.
- Blakeney N, Bunton A., “Project CONNECT: The Bridge to Healthy Communities Through Research.” North Carolina-Louisiana Prostate Cancer Project workshop, Chapel Hill, NC; 2005.
- Bunton A., Blakeney N. “Increasing Recruitment of Minorities in Clinical Research.” Lineberger Comprehensive Cancer Center, Chapel Hill, NC; 2004.
- Corbie-Smith G, Blakeney N, Bunton A., “Project CONNECT: The Bridge to Healthy Communities Through Research.” Office of Minority Health & Health Disparities, Raleigh, NC; 2004.

Publications/Websites

- Samuel-Hodge, C. D., Gizlice, Z., Allgood, S. D., **Bunton, A. J.**, Erskine, A., Leeman, J., & Cykert, S. (2020). Strengthening community-clinical linkages to reduce cardiovascular disease risk in rural NC: feasibility phase of the CHANGE study. *BMC Public Health*, 20(1). doi: 10.1186/s12889-020-8223-x
- Dalton, A. F., **Bunton, A. J.**, Cykert, S., Corbie-Smith, G., Dilworth-Anderson, P., McGuire, F. R., Edwards, L. J. (2013). Patient Characteristics Associated With Favorable Perceptions of Patient–Provider Communication in Early-Stage Lung Cancer Treatment. *Journal of Health Communication*, 19(5), 532–544. doi: 10.1080/10810730.2013.821550.
- Corbie-Smith, G., Goldmon, M., Isler, M. R., Washington, C., Ammerman, A. A., Green, M. M., & **Bunton, A.** (2010). Partnerships in Health Disparities Research and the Roles of Pastors of Black Churches: Potential Conflict, Synergy, and Expectations. *Journal of the National Medical Association*, 102(9), 823–831. doi: 10.1016/s0027-9684(15)30680-5
- Cykert, S., Dilworth-Anderson, P., Monroe, M. H., Walker, P., McGuire, F. R., Corbie-Smith, G., Lloyd, L. J., **Bunton, A. J.**, Factors Associated With Decisions to Undergo Surgery Among Patients With Newly Diagnosed Early-Stage Lung Cancer. *JAMA*. 2010; 303(23), 2368-2376.

- Sheridan S, Golin CE, **Bunton A**, Lykes J, Schwartz B, McCormack L, Driscoll D, Harris RP. Shared decision making for prostate cancer screening: the results of a combined analysis of two practice-based randomized controlled trials. *BMC Medical Informatics and Decision Making* 2012; 12:130
- Cykert S, Walker P, Monroe M, Mcguire F, Freeman C, **Bunton A**. Racial differences in lung cancer surgery: do poor numeracy skills represent a modifiable factor for decisions against care. (Presented at the national meeting of the Society of General Internal Medicine, Pittsburg, 2008). Abstract in *JGIM* 2008; 23(Suppl 2): 388.
- McTigue, KM, Harris R, Hemphill, B, Lux, L, Sutton, S, **Bunton, AJ**, Lohr KN. Screening and Interventions for Obesity in Adults: Summary of the Evidence for the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force. *Ann Intern Med.* 2003;139:933-49.
- McTigue KM, Harris R, Hemphill B, Lux L, Sutton S, **Bunton AJ**, Lohr KN. Screening and treatment for obesity in adults: a systematic review for the US Preventive Services Task Force, 2003. (Available at AHRQ website at: www.ahrq.gov/clinic/serfiles.htm).
- Harris R, Lohr KN, Beck R, Fink K, Godley P, **Bunton A**. Screening for prostate cancer: a systematic review of the evidence. Rockville, MD, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality. December 2002. (Available at AHRQ website at: www.ahrq.gov/clinic/serfiles.htm)

Professional Affiliations and Honors

Licensed Professional Counselors Association of North Carolina

North Carolina Counseling Association

American Association of Christian Counselors

International Association of Biblical Counselors Certification

Competent Toastmaster, Toastmasters International, (voted 4-Time "Best Speaker")

Research Triangle Institute "Thanks You Award" (For Exceptional Performance)

National Dean's List (1996, 1997, 2004)