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Education

Crime Victims Services Management, M. S., Sam Houston State University, December 2016

Clinical Mental Health Counseling, M.A., Sam Houston State University, May 2014

Psychology, B. S., Sam Houston State University, May 2011

Clinical Experience

2018- Present *Rise Counseling & Wellness*, Chief Executive Officer, Counselor

Founded and operate a non-profit mental health counseling center in a rural, low-income area. Specialization in trauma, forensic psychology, trauma-focused CBT, and play therapy. Supervise licensed clinicians and graduate student counseling interns, provide therapy services to individuals and families, insurance billing, case notes, participate in local psychoeducational opportunities for teachers, law enforcement, parents and students. Provide child custody and adoption evaluations, expert witness testimony and consultation to family courts in Walker, Trinity, and Madison Counties.

2014-2018 *Family Enrichment & Play Therapy Center*, Clinical Director, Counselor

Provided individual, group and family counseling to children and adults. Led Strengthening Families and Child Parent Relationship Training parenting groups. Through partnership with Child Advocacy Centers Texas, provided Trauma-Focused CBT to children experiencing physical and sexual abuse. Participated in monthly multi-disciplinary team meetings with the CAC, CPS, law enforcement and district attorney to prepare child abuse cases for prosecution. Supervised clinicians, audited charts and coordinated care with local medical providers.

2014-2016 *CASA of Walker, San Jacinto & Trinity Counties*, Advocacy Coordinator

Provided educational, medical, and legal advocacy to children in foster care, and supervised volunteers assigned to individual cases in their advocacy efforts. Attended all CPS court hearings, legal staffings and planning meetings involving foster children in Walker and Trinity County. Prepared and distributed legal documentation. Provided court-room testimony and recommendations to the judge in the best interest of the child. Organized and participated in community awareness events. Organized annual training conferences on topics such as Addiction, Trauma Informed Care & Child Exploitation. Recruited and trained volunteer advocates. Provided education to university students, teachers and volunteers on trauma-informed care.

Other Relevant Experience

2010-2011 Dr. Desforges, Sam Houston State University, Research Assistant

Prepared and submitted research proposal to Internal Review Board. Conducted testing with student body population examining conformity in relation to quality and quantity of options presented.

Summer 2014 COUN 5399, *Play Therapy Basics*, Supervisor

Provided consultation and supervision to master's level students immediately following a live, two-way observation of their play therapy sessions.

August 2017 to Present, *Practicum*, Student Intern Supervisor

Provide weekly clinical supervision to Master's level Sam Houston State University student counseling interns during practicum. Assist student counselors in utilization of counseling theories in order to develop comprehensive treatment plans, case conceptualization, and interventions.

2003-2005 U.S. Navy - USS Dwight D. Eisenhower, Strike Operations Leading Petty Officer

Supervised enlisted personnel in Strike Operations Division. Coordinated ships schedule with all department heads. Prepared all flight plans and flight schedules onboard the USS Dwight D. Eisenhower.

2001-2003 U.S. Navy – Patrol Reconnaissance Wing One, Joint / Mobile Operations Command Center – Diego Garcia, BIOT, Masirah, Oman, Bahrain, Kandahar, Afghanistan.

Provided safety of flight to all armed flights in the 5th fleet area of responsibility during Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom. Prepared and presented air crew briefings to squadrons. Disseminated classified intelligence gathered during flight operations. Coordinated joint operations with British, Australian, French, and Canadian NATO forces.

Professional Associations

2015-Present Texas Association of Family and Conciliation Courts

2012-Present Texas Counselors Association

2012-Present Association for Play Therapy

2010-Present Collegiate Veterans Association

2011-2012 American Psychological Association, Student Associate

2009-2011 Psi Chi, International Honor Society in Psychology

Community Service

2019- Present Groveton Community Association

2017- Present Sponsor Trinity Risin' Sun Rodeo

2014- Present Trinity County Crime Stoppers

2010- 2014 CASA of Walker, San Jacinto & Trinity Counties
Board of Directors & Guardian Ad Litem