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Education

Adelphi University
Masters of Social Work
Class of 2022

Hauppauge, NY
8/2019 to present

University at Buffalo
BA in Social Sciences

Buffalo, NY
8/2002 to 8/2006

- Concentration in health and human services and early childhood development

Professional Work Experience

Summary: 15 years' experience and commitment to results-oriented advocacy and treatment for at-risk children/youth and their families.

Adelphi University
Graduate Assistant

Hauppauge, NY
9/1/20 to 5/2022

- Provides tutoring for undergraduate and graduate students

The Retreat, Inc.
Director, Project SPARK

Hauppauge, NY
11/2020 to present

- Supervises direct service staff: family assistance counselors, outreach educator and case manager
- Program development from the ground up including strategic planning and implementation
- Generates reports and necessary documentation to funders
- Completes all administrative work including purchase orders, program management and organization
- Assists with annual budgets and work plan narratives
- Maintains a small caseload utilizing evidence-based practices: TF-CBT, Play Therapy and Motivational interviewing

The Retreat, Inc.
Project Coordinator

Hauppauge, NY
6/2016 to 11/2020

- Works on community level change projects for sexual violence prevention on Long Island
- Collaborates with several organizations to build coalitions based on violence prevention
- Works with community stakeholders for implementation and policy change
- Participates in the Suffolk County Task Force for Family Violence Prevention including the subcommittees for prevention and children and youth
- Participated in the poster session and exhibit for the SHAPE project; Population Health Summit VI (2019)

Suffolk Care Collaborative
Community Health Associate

Stony Brook, NY
10/2015 to 6/2016

- Works apart of the DSRIP program for New York State to provide community outreach to high-risk patients in the medical field
- Works apart of a multidisciplinary team to reduce emergency room visits for patients

Child Advocacy Center of the Finger Lakes
Family Outreach Coordinator

Phelps, NY
4/2013 to 10/2015

- Provides comprehensive advocacy to victims of child abuse and their non-offending caregivers, leveraging the NY State Case Tracking Database for data tracking and recording
- Collaborates extensively with the multidisciplinary team for Ontario County
- Facilitates community education and outreach on advocacy issues

- Participates in non-required teams, including the Domestic Violence Task Force for Geneva and co-facilitates the Child Fatality Review Team for Ontario County

Cayuga Home for Children

Auburn, NY

Family Resiliency Social Worker

3/2010 to 4/2013

- Worked in the Family Preservation and Family Support Programs, using the Trauma Sensitive Therapy Model and homebuilder's model
- Managed X number of cases per month, completing and recording home visits, conducting detailed assessments, and developing and tracking clear goals
- Worked closely with social services to prevent further involvement and/or placement
- Conducted crisis interventions with families, and participated in court hearings as necessary
- Participated in in non-required teams, including the Domestic Violence Coalition for Cayuga County and the Community Networking Committee for Cayuga County
- Gained fluency with Connections, a statewide database for child welfare workers

Gulf Coast Community Care

Largo, FL

Certified Case Manager

9/2007 to 4/2009

- Managed 25-38 cases at a time, conducting home visits, developing permanency plans, advocating in court,
- Gained fluency with the statewide data base for child welfare workers: Florida Safe Families Network (FSFN) and COBRIS systems

Certifications

- Authorized Facilitator for Darkness to Light: Stewards of Children (2013)
- Certified facilitator for Girls Circle (2017)
- Facilitator for Bringing in the Bystander (2016)
- Facilitator for Bringing in the Bystander Youth Edition (2019)
- Shifting Boundaries Facilitator (2018)
- Community Trainer for Safer Bars (2018)
- Enough Abuse Community Trainer (2018)
- Green Dot High School Curriculum trainer (2019)
- Trauma Informed-Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (2022)