

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION:

Masters of Social Work, University of Texas at Arlington, 2006

Bachelors of Science in Social Work, Texas Christian University, 2003

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:

Licensed by the Texas State Board of Social Work Examiners, 2003 to present. License number 38536. Currently under LCSW supervision plan.

Parenting Facilitation/Parenting Coordination Training, Houston, Texas, 2010

Mediation Training, Texas Christian University, 2003.

Love & Logic Parent Trainer, Love & Logic Institute, Denver, Colorado, 2004.

EXPERIENCE:

Forensic Counseling Services, 2009 – Present

- Forensic evaluations (social studies) incorporate behavioral and social science in an objective investigative and fact checking exploration of personal dynamics to aid courts in decision-making.
- Social studies are conducted in compliance with the Texas Family Code and associated administrative, professional, and ethical guidelines, and are frequently used to assist courts in determination of children's best interests during custody and access litigation.

Intake Family Therapist, Cook Children's Medical Center, 2009 – Present

- Clinical triage and psychosocial assessments for psychiatric in-patient program admissions.
- Screening for referral to partial hospitalization and intensive outpatient programs.
- Participate in group and family therapy sessions.
- Verification of patient's mental health benefits and pre-certification of inpatient admissions.

Director/Owner, Giggles and Grins Learning Center, 2008 - Present

- Maintain awareness of the State of Texas Child Care Licensing's Minimum Standards and ensuring they are followed throughout the facility.
- Assessing prospective families and speaking with references.
- Ensuring that the physical, emotional and educational need of each child is being met.
- Advertisement, maintaining the website, interviewing prospective families, interviewing hiring and supervising employees, creating and maintaining lesson plans and food menus.
- I work closely with my Child Licensing Representative and the Child Nutrition Food Program.
- My primary daily role is to ensure that the physical, emotional and educational need of each child is being met.

Social Worker II, Baylor Medical Center of Irving, 2007 to 2010

- Perform psychosocial assessments
- Create and implement discharge plans
- Referrals to community resources, nursing homes, hospice care
- Provide emotional and psychological support

Social Worker II, Parkland Health & Hospital System, 2006 to 2007

- Perform psychosocial assessments
- Create and implement discharge plans
- Referrals to community resources, nursing homes, hospice care
- Provide emotional and psychological support

Foster Care Specialist, All Church Home for Children, 2003 to 2005

- Recruitment of prospective foster/adoptive parents
- Conducted pre service training and ongoing training on issues affecting foster children, foster families and the court system
- Conducted social studies/home study assessments on families who completed the foster parent training process
- Monitoring and support of foster parents to ensure they are following licensing standards and meeting the needs of their foster children
- Collaborate with Child Protective Services, Attorney Ad Litem, Therapists
- Developing Plan of Services for each foster child
- Attend team meetings and court hearings

VOLUNTER/INTERNSHIP

CASA Volunteer, Child Advocates of Tarrant County, 1999–Present

- Developing a supportive and trustworthy relationship my foster children through regular visitation
- Collaborating with Child Protective Service, Attorney Ad Litem, Foster Parents, Foster Parent Agencies, Therapist
- Investigate extended family and friends for collateral information and to consider possible alternative placements
- Search for missing relatives
- Attend team meetings and court hearings
- Provide a written court report and/or testify under oath in court as to the best interest of the children

Family Therapist Intern, Cook Children’s Hospital Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Unit, 2005

- Develop a psycho-social history of the families of children placed on the psychiatric unit
- Create a family genogram to assess family patterns
- Participate in group and family therapy sessions.
- Work closely with the Child Psychiatrists and other team members

Social Work Intern, Child Protective Services, 2002-2003

- Investigated serious allegations of physical and sexual abuse, all suspicious child deaths in Tarrant County, and investigations involving school employees
- Worked very closely with the Fort Worth Crimes Against Children Police Unit and the District Attorneys
- Conducting social studies/home study assessments on prospective family or kinship placements
- Co-facilitated group therapy for victims of sexual abuse that were four to seven years old.

PROFESSIONAL AND ACADEMIC HONORS

Rookie of the Year, Child Advocates of Tarrant County, 1999

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND SERVICE

National Association of Social Workers, Member 2009-present
Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) Volunteer, Tarrant County, 1999-present
Keller Association of Family Child Care, Member 2008-present
Texas Association of Family Child Care, Member 2008-present
Mid Cities Mother’s of Multiples, Member 2008-present