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Education

1998 - 2004 Alliant International University
California School of Professional Psychology, Alameda, CA
APA accredited doctoral program
Doctorate in Clinical Psychology

1993 - 1995 Morgan State University, Baltimore, MD
Bachelors of Science, Psychology

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

08/2009 - Present Coalinga State Hospital, Coalinga, CA
Contracting Psychologist
Supervisor: Dennis Gardner, Ph.D.

Agency Description

The Coalinga State Hospital (CSH) is located in Coalinga, CA. This institution primarily houses individuals who have been civilly committed as Sexually Violent Predators (SVP). More recently, CSH has been housing inmates from the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) who have met the criteria for Mentally Disordered Offenders (MDOs).

My sole responsibility at CSH is to conduct Court ordered Annual SVP Evaluations. This task consists of the following:

- Reviewing current and prior mental health charts
- Reviewing current and prior medical charts
- Conduct a Clinical Interview with the patient
- Scoring/Interpreting STATIC 99 and STATIC 2002
- Writing a report and Court Declaration
- Peer Reviewing reports prepared by colleagues

**10/2005 - Present JSD PsyD Psychological Services, Albany, CA
Private Practice**

Practice Description

My private practice specialization is conducting clinical and forensic psychological evaluations including, but not limited to:

- 1368 Competency Evaluations
- 1017 Confidential Evaluations
- 730 Sentencing/Placement/Child Custody Evaluations
- 707 Juvenile Evaluations
- Educational Evaluations

I have testified in the Solano County Superior Court as a Court Appointed Expert Witness in 1368 and 707 cases.

In addition to forensic work, I conduct individual therapy sessions with adolescents and adults struggling with depression, anxiety and substance abuse issues.

I also provide family mediation services to divorced or separated couples who are sharing time with their children.

**2/2009 - 8/2009 California Department of Corrections- California State
Prison-Solano, Vacaville, CA
Staff Psychologist
Supervisor: Robert Flax, Ph.D.**

Agency Description

The California Department Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) California State Prison -Solano (CSP- SOL) is located in Vacaville, CA. This institution houses inmates of various security levels. Within this population there are individuals that have been diagnosed with one or more Axis I and/or Axis II disorders. CDCR created three levels of care for those individuals. Correctional Clinical Case Manage System (CCCMS), Enhanced Outpatient Program (EOP) and care within the Department of Mental Health.

Responsibilities:

- Maintained a caseload between 87 and 133 Inmates diagnosed with Axis I disorders
- Led groups designed to increase coping skills and resolve conflict while incarcerated
- Participated as a member of the interdisciplinary treatment team with all inmates housed within the section of the prison I was assigned

- Participated in Quality Assurance Meeting with a focus on Staff Credentialing
- Attended monthly Suicide Prevention meetings
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**6/2008 - 2/2009 Alameda County Behavioral Health, San Leandro, CA
Alameda County Juvenile Hall -Camp Sweeny Placement**

Agency Description

Alameda County Juvenile Hall is located in San Leandro, CA. This institution houses minors who have been adjudicated by the law. Some minors were waiting to return home, while others were waiting placements in various residential treatment facilities or being transferred to the California Youth Authority (CYA).

Camp Sweeny was a transitional placement for young men between 14 to 19 years-old. In addition to receiving education and vocational training, all residence were provided with the opportunity to have individual and/or group therapy. An 8-week psycho-educational group was mandatory for the parents of all residents. Parents were also required to attend three family intervention meetings.

Responsibilities:

- Provide Individual therapy to a caseload of 8 to 10 residence per week
- Led an Anger Management group for residence
- Led the Psycho-educational meeting for parents on a weekly basis
- Provided crisis intervention for residence and staff
- Worked closely with the Probation Officers to ensure that the services being offered would meet the needs of the resident and family
- Worked with providers in the community to ensure a continuum of care for the residence and their families

CLINICAL TRAINING

**9/2004 - 8/2005 California Department of Mental Health, Vacaville, CA
(Correctional Medical Facility)
Postdoctoral Fellowship (2000 hours)
Acting Staff Psychologist
Supervisors: Myla Young, Ph.D., A.B.P.N. (primary testing),
Julie Wolfert, Psy. D. (secondary testing) Kristina Kurpinsky,
Ph.D., (primary individual)**

Agency Description

The California Department of Mental Health (DMH) in Vacaville, CA is located within a Correctional Medical Facility (CMF) that houses inmates of all security levels (i.e., minimum to maximum levels, including condemned inmates) with medical concerns. The DMH has seven units, with five acute units (150 beds) and two sub-acute units (90 beds). The program was created in 1988 to provide mental health services to inmate/patients referred from all of California's 33 state correctional facilities.

Postdoctoral Fellowship Duties:

- Completed 2000 hours of supervised clinical experience
- Acted as staff psychologist on acute unit (with supervision)
- Supervised pre-doctoral intern on neuropsychological, cognitive and personality assessment, including direct observation of test administration, supervision on test scoring, and report writing
- Led Relapse Prevention group (sub-acute) that focused on substance abuse related problems
- Participated as a member of the treatment team with all inmate/patients on the ward

5/2003 - 9/2005

Psychological Assistant

Supervisor: Valata Jenkins-Monroe, Ph.D., BCFE

Practice Description

Licensed clinical and forensic psychologist in private practice who provided assessment and therapeutic services for adolescents in the five Bay Area counties. The majority of the clients included adolescent females who were experiencing emotional distress. Other clients were referred by the Victim Witness Program, attorneys or social services for therapy, cognitive and/or personality psychological testing.

Responsibilities:

- Administered and scored cognitive, emotional, and personality tests
- Conduct individual therapy sessions with clients referred by the Victim Witness Program.

9/2003 - 8/2004

California Department of Mental Health, Vacaville, CA **(Correctional Medical Facility)**

Predoctoral Internship (2000 hours)

American Psychological Association Accredited Internship Program

Supervisors: Myla Young, Ph.D., A.B.P.N. (testing), Carl Viesti, Ph.D. (sub-acute), Mark Shaw, Ph.D. (acute) and (group supervisor)

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Intern duties:

- Completed 2000 hours of supervised clinical experience
- Participated as a member of the treatment team with all inmate/patients on the ward
- Administered neuropsychological test batteries to inmate/patients for research and clinical purposes
- Co-led Relapse Prevention (sub-acute) group
- Co-led Substance Abuse Education (acute) group
- Provided individual consultations to inmate/patients as adjunct to group therapy (sub-acute)

SUPERVISORY EXPERINCE

8/2005 - 6/2009 **Bay Area Community Resources (BACR), Richmond, CA**
Training Director: Keith Burrell, LCSW

I provided weekly supervision to practicum level students earning hours in a school-based mental health program. I severed as the Primary supervisor for some students and as the Secondary supervisor for other students. The supervision included a review of the ethical guidelines in psychological practice, assessment of mental health symptoms, suicide assessment, the development of differential diagnoses and issues around transference and counter transference. Towards the end of each year I would also review issues related to professional development. I met with the Training Director and fellow supervisors once a month to review supervision concerns and student development.

EXPERIENCE DEVELOPING AND CONDUCTING WORKSHOPS

9/2003 - 10/2005 **Parenting & Communication Series, Oakland, CA**
St. Leo the Great School

Developed and co-led a six part series on parent/child communication. The workshop series was designed for parents with children ages four to 12. It provided parents with age appropriate communication skills they could use to discuss topics such as sex, drugs and peer relationships. Additionally, the workshop series included tips on how to approach and discuss academic and behavioral problems with teachers and other school officials.

5/2004 - 7/2004 **Family Wellness Series, San Francisco, CA**
Westside Community Mental Health Center

Developed and led a six week parenting class for mothers that were transitioning from a residential drug treatment program and in the process of reunifying with their children. The workshop focused on the developmental needs of children, developing coping skills for the parents, stress management techniques and anger management skills.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

9/2003 – 8/2006 **University of California Berkeley Extension, Berkeley, CA**
Instructor Fostering Wellness

Instructed a class that provided primary and high school teachers with strategies for teaching healthy concepts in elementary, secondary, and adult classes. Topics include the impact of nutrition, culture, stress, depression, sexuality, and the use of drugs and alcohol on the ability of students of all ages to learn. This class was designed to fulfill the Health Education requirement for the California Ryan Professional Clear Credential.

9/2006 – 8/2006 **Alliant International University, San Francisco, CA**
Instructor Intellectual Assessment

Taught a wide variety of cognitive assessment measures to first year graduate students. Instructed students on report writing and testing techniques. Responsibilities included providing written feedback on test protocols and comprehensive reports to 14 doctoral level students.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

2000 – Present American Psychological Association
2006 – Present Association of Family Conciliation Courts

REFERENCES

Available upon request