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LICENSES

Clinical social work licensure (LCSW)*, license # 220968

**eligible for independent licensure in July of 2017*

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS

- Certified Juvenile Court Clinician (CJCC) Candidate*
**eligible for full certification in July of 2017*
- Substance Abuse Research and Education training certificate, NYU School of Medicine Online Program (2014)
- Parents Helping Parents Group Facilitator Certification (2014)
- Cognitive Processing Therapy Certificate, Medical University of South Carolina Online Program (2013)
- National Yoga Alliance certified 200-hour yoga instructor/ Certified children's yoga instructor (2009, 2010)

EDUCATION

Boston University School of Social Work, Boston MA

May, 2015

Master of Social Work

University of New Hampshire, Durham NH

May, 1994

Bachelor of Arts in Sociology; Minor in Criminal Justice

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

MASS GENERAL HOSPITAL/ JUVENILE COURT CONSULTATION PROGRAM

Norfolk County Juvenile Court Clinic, Dedham, ma

Staff social worker

July, 2016- present

Suffolk County Juvenile Court Clinic, Boston, MA

Forensic Social Work Clinician

August, 2015- July, 2016

MSW student intern

September, 2014- May, 2015

- Conduct court ordered mental health evaluations of children, adolescents and their families with recommendations for services
- Perform evaluations and risk assessments of juveniles who are before the Court on matters of delinquencies and Child Requiring Assistance Petitions
- Conduct parenting evaluations that include mental health functioning, parental fitness, and parenting capacity for special needs children
- Assist with emergency screenings for adolescents as ordered by the Court to assess the need for civil commitment due to symptoms of mental illness or substance abuse
- Collaborate with collateral providers to make appropriate recommendations for services and interventions.

BROCKTON PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

West Middle School, Brockton, MA
School Adjustment Counselor, Internship

September, 2013- May, 2014

- Provided individual and group school-based counseling along with crisis interventions.
- Supported the social, emotional, and behavioral needs of a diverse population of students.
- Led social skills groups for sixth and seventh grade students.
- Assisted in the assessment and filing of 51A inquiries, as well as the the review and updating of 504 plans.
- Attended juvenile court hearings held by the Plymouth County District Attorney's office.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS TRAINING EXPERIENCE

Private Yoga and Meditation Instruction

December, 2011- present

St. Paul's School, Dedham, MA
Children's Yoga Instructor

July, 2010-November, 2015

Open Doors Power Yoga, Multiple studio locations in MA / Yoga Energy, Dedham, MA

Certified Yoga Instructor for Children and Adults

January, 2009-June, 2013

- Certified yoga instructor for private yoga studio with multiple locations in the Boston area.
- Led yoga classes for adults and children with all skill levels from beginners to advanced abilities. Provided guided meditation and breathing techniques within each class.
- Customized curriculum for clients specific to physical ability, health-related goals and limitations and physical injuries.
- Instructed therapeutic yoga for autistic youth.
- Developed, choreographed and marketed customized workshops for clientele.
- Built client relationships and conducted needs assessment resulting in significant client growth.
- Managed studios, including balancing cash flow and client accounts.

EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE

Medfield Public School System, Medfield, MA
Substitute Teacher

January, 2010- June, 2013

- Educational instructor for Medfield Elementary School, Middle School, and High School.
- Provided instruction to grades 1-12 covering a broad range of subjects.
- Served as a teaching aid for special needs students in an integrated classroom setting.

SALES EXPERIENCE

National Biotechnology Company, Boston, MA
Sales Assistant to Territory Manager

November, 2005- December, 2010

- Sales Assistant to the New England Area Senior Territory Manager promoting AlloDerm, a cellular dermal matrix used in reconstructive surgery.
- Built relationships with general, plastic and trauma surgeons.
- Coordinated educational dinners, speaker events and teleconferences.
- Assisted in product trainings in area hospitals. Instrumental in increasing sales from 4

million to 6 million in 2006.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS, PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS

- National Association of Social Workers Membership (2013-2017)
- Presentation for the Suffolk County Juvenile Court Clinic Training Program. *The Mind Body Connection: Practices for Healing Emotional Trauma* (2016)
- Partners in Excellence Award in Outstanding Community Contributions, Mass General Hospital Juvenile Court Consultation Team (2015)
- Ramsey Scholarship Award, Boston University (2014)