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Education

Ph.D. in Family Therapy, 2008, Texas Woman's University, Denton, TX
M.S. in Family Therapy, 2005, Texas Woman's University, Denton, TX
B.A. in Psychology, 2002, University of Montana, Missoula, MT
A.A. in Psychology, 2000, Casper Community College, Casper, WY
A.A. in Addictionology, 2000, Casper Community College, Casper, WY

Teaching Experience

Capella University
Part-time Professor (Online) Minneapolis, MN (online) 2013 -present

- Courses
 - Research Methods- Introductory & Family Systems
 - Fieldwork /Internship
 - Theories of Personality

Western Wyoming Community College
Adjunct Professor (Online) Rock Springs, WY 2010-present

- Courses
 - Drugs and Behavior
 - Introduction to Counseling.
 - Research Methods
 - General Psychology

Texas Woman's University
Graduate Assistant Denton, TX 2005-2008

- Assisted the Department of Family Sciences as well as the Department of Teacher Education with setting up online courses for graduate and undergraduate students. I also served as a substitute lecturer/instructor when professors were absent. Specific courses I assisted in included: Public Policy, Professional Orientation and Ethics, Career Counseling, Child Development, Evaluation and Assessment, Statistics, Group Counseling, and Counseling Theories.

Research/Teaching Interests

- Research - Therapeutic Environment, Couples Therapy and Pre-Marital Therapy, Interventions/Resources needed to work with Step/Blended Families and Adoptive/Foster Families, Ethical/Legal Issues in the Profession.
- Teaching - Counseling with Children/Adolescents, Working with Families & Couples, Career Development, Strategies and Interventions, How to Read/Understand Statistics, Research Methods, Theories of the Family, Public Policy, Internship/Practicum.

Research/Publications

Backhaus, K. L. (2012). Solution-focused therapy with families. In L. Metcalf, *A Practical Approach to Learning Family Therapy*.

Backhaus, K. L. (2008). *Client and therapist perspectives on the importance of the physical environment of the therapy room: A mixed methods study*. Dissertation, Texas Woman's University, Denton.

Counseling Internships

Cumberland Presbyterian Children's Home

- Counseling Single Parent Families and their Children

Texas Woman's University Counseling and Family Development Center

- Worked with a wide range of families, children, and couples.
- As a Doctoral student provided supervision to incoming Master's Students

UT Southwestern Family Studies Center/ DISD Youth and Family Centers (Dallas, TX)

- Provided individual and family counseling services to children with special education needs. Primarily served Hispanic Families/Children

CITY House of Plano

- Conducted substance abuse groups for adolescents and their parents based upon the Choices Curriculum.

Presentations/Workshops

Wyoming Mental Health Licensing Board Update Casper, WY October 2013-2016

- 2 hour Workshop presented at Wyoming Counseling Association

The Impact of Deployment/Reintegration on the Family Various Locations 2010-present

- Various Workshops presented to the Wyoming Air & Army National Guards

Military Children Coping with Deployments Casper, WY April 2011

- 2 hour Workshop presented at Casper College Wellness Conference

Parenting with Love and Logic® Denton, TX Offered Monthly - 2008

- 8 Hour Workshop presented to parents of low-income children

Within Our Reach Denton, TX Offered Bi-Monthly -2008

- 8 Hour workshop offered to low-income couples so that they could obtain their marriage license for free.

Professional Licensure

Marriage & Family Therapist – State of Texas – License # 201042 Expires 08/2018

Marriage & Family Therapist – State of Wyoming – License # 139 Expires 08/2017

Licensed Professional Counselor– State of Texas - License # 62396 Expires 08/2017

Licensed Professional Counselor –State of Wyoming -License # 1073 Expires 08/2017

Approved Supervisor for LMFT/LPC in the State of Texas Effective 01/2014

AAMFT Approved Supervisor Candidate 01/2016

Professional Memberships

Wyoming Professional Mental Health Licensing Board (WY-PMLB) - LMFT Board Representative
–Member since 2012
American Association of Marriage & Family Therapists –Member since 2004
Texas Association of Marriage and Family Therapists – Member since 2003
Wyoming Association of Marriage and Family Therapists – Member since 2009
Chi Sigma Iota National Honor Society for Counselors – Member 2004 - 2010

Languages

- English - fluent
- Spanish – proficient

Professional Work Experience

- Natrona County School District Casper, WY 08/2014 - present
School Counselor/Social Worker
- Conduct groups, individual counseling and provide social/emotional support to students K-8. Provide assessment services and social work services for students with special education needs.
- Pathways to Change, LLC Casper, WY 01/2011 - present
Family Therapist/Licensed Professional Counselor
- Own and operate my own private practice offering counseling and consulting services to adolescents, couples and families.
- Chenega Corporation Exton, PA 11/2012 – 08/2014
Child and Youth Military Family Life Consultant
- Provide short term consulting and counseling services to service members and their children throughout the state of Wyoming. Additionally, I conduct training/briefings on issues related to deployment/reintegration. Left position due to loss of contract by Chenega.
- Health Net Inc. Rancho Cordova, CA 05/2010 – 11/2012
Child and Youth Military Family Life Consultant
- Provide short term consulting and counseling services to service members and their children throughout the state of Wyoming. Additionally, I conduct training/briefings on issues related to deployment/reintegration.
- Central Wyoming Counseling Center Casper, WY 01/2009-05/2010
School Based Therapist
- Provide therapy and counseling services to middle and high school students with substance abuse and mental health issues.
- Cumberland Presbyterian Children’s Home Denton, TX 05/2006 – 12/2008
Residential Programs Coordinator
- Responsible for the oversight of both the Children’s Residential Program as well as the Single Parent Family Program at CPOCH. Specific tasks include completing outcome measurement reports, evaluating and/or rewriting program objectives, and assisting with clinical emergencies and interventions. In addition to my regular job duties I also provided marriage and family counseling to community clients/ residents.

Single Parent Family Coordinator

- Coordinated the Single Parent Family transitional living program. To include monitoring the budget, supervising staff, recruiting families, conducting case management and creating/scheduling trainings and other events. I also conducted family therapy with the residential children and marital therapy with community clients at CPCH.

Texas Department of Family & Protective Services Lewisville, TX 05/2005 – 05/2006

Child Protective Services – Investigator

- Investigated reports of child abuse and neglect; which entailed: conducting interviews, assessing for risk in families, attending court proceedings, preparing court documents, and completing extensive documentation.

Nelson Residential Center Denton, TX 10/2003-04/2005

Residential Counselor

- Supervised daily activities of residents in the children’s center

Prevention Resource Center Butte & Helena, MT 06/00 – 06/01 & 07/02 – 07/03

VISTA Leader, Corporation for National and Community Service

- Recruited and placed VISTA volunteers within the State of Montana
- Assisted in managing 40 Americorps Members, and maintained all personnel files
- Acted as a liaison between the state sites and the placement office & organized statewide training events for 5 separate Americorps Volunteer groups

VISTA Volunteer, Butte School District

- Established and Recruited members for the city-wide Youth Action Council
- Designed & implemented prevention based programs targeting youth risk behaviors
- Worked to reduce teen pregnancy, teen violence, child abuse and neglect, youth chemical use, and school drop out rates.

Central Wyoming Counseling Center Casper, WY 08/1999 – 06/2000

Substance Abuse Tech, Foster Care Mentor

- Responsible for care of patients during the evening and on weekends
- Monitored AA meetings, Transported Clients, Distributed medications
- As a mentor, my duties varied according to each foster care child’s care plan.
- Further information about either position will be provided upon request

References

Stephanie Harrison, MA, LPC - Known 5 years – Co-Owner of Pathways to Change, LLC

- Phone: 863-412-5895 – pathwaystochange@ymail.com

Bill Breckenridge – Known for 4 years - Director of Soldier Family Employer Readiness Team, Wyoming Joint Forces/National Guard

- 307-772-5208 – bill.r.breckenridge@us.army.mil

Sheila Amir – Known 5 years – Nutritionist/Colleague

- 307-259-5662 – nutritionwithsheila@gmail.com