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## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

### **Erikson Institute**

Chicago IL

#### *Director of Field Education and Career Counseling*

2014 - present

- Direct activities of the Field Education Office and Career Services
- Prospect, develop, and administer field education sites for MSW and MSCD students
- Provide career counseling and workshops for students and alumni
- Teach MSW supervision seminar and field preparation class
- Advise MSW and MSCD students
- Implement assessment procedures related to field education and career services

#### *MSW Director of Field Instruction*

2013 – present

- Prospect and develop field placement sites and assign students accordingly
- Develop and maintain appropriate records and communication with field agencies
- Develop and implement field instructor training and field education resources
- Provide administrative leadership to the field education staff
- Teach supervision seminar
- Advise MSW and MSCD students
- Implement assessment procedures

### **Private Practice and Consultation**

1997 - present

#### *Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Consultant*

- Barbara Vick Early Childhood and Family Center (2009-2013)
- Harvey School District #152 (2010-2013)
- ECHO Family Enrichment Program (2010-2013)
- Ounce of Prevention Fund Healthy Parents and Babies (2012-2013)
- Henry Booth House Head Start (2012-2013)
- SOS Children's Villages Illinois (2012-2013)
- Positive Parenting DuPage in collaboration with Erikson Institute (2011-2012)
- Chicago Public Schools Early Childhood Education (2007-2011) in collaboration with Erikson Institute (2007-2009)

Activities include:

- Working collaboratively with principals, program directors, preschool teachers, and teacher's assistants to assess classroom practice and develop goals to promote a positive social emotional environment for young children
  - Facilitating reflective practice groups with teachers, educational coaches, and home visitors
  - Providing reflective consultation to Birth to Three program directors, home visitors, and doulas
  - Developing and presenting professional development programs for Early Childhood professionals
  - Providing direct service to at-risk families
- Supervisor of field placement for social work students from University of Chicago and Smith College
  - Individual child and adult, marital, group, and family therapist
  - Clinical case consultant
  - Family education speaker

**Erikson Institute**

Chicago IL

*Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Consultant*

1/2010 – 6/2010

- Provided mental health consultation to Birth to Three programs in South Cook County
- Engaged staff in reflective consultation and provided information and support, increasing the capacity of programs to address the mental health needs of young children and their families
- Supervised Erikson graduate intern

**La Rabida Children's Hospital and Research Center**

Chicago IL

*Site Director, Chicago-La Rabida Children's Advocacy Center,  
South Suburban Office, Park Forest IL*

1995 –1998

- Established the south suburban office of the Chicago-La Rabida Children's Advocacy Center
- Developed professional liaisons with investigators for the purpose of coordinating the investigation of child abuse and providing services to child victims and their families
- Managed the daily operation of the center
- Supervised staff and students
- Conducted forensic interviews
- Provided therapy services to children and families
- Developed and provided prevention programs for the community

**Columbus Hospital**

Chicago IL

*Clinical Director, Child Protection Center*

1989 –1995

- Co-founded and developed the children's advocacy center
- Administrative and supervisory responsibilities included: budget development, grant writing, professional and student supervision, community and professional liaison
- Supervised and conducted forensic interviews and therapy with abused children and their families

*Supervisor and Faculty Member, Department of Pediatrics*

- Provided supervision and didactic instruction to the pediatric residents and medical students
- Presented at Department's Grand Rounds
- Participated in curriculum and service development
- Consultant to medical staff

**Project Hope**

Chicago IL

*Child Life Therapist*

1990 –1993

- Provided individual, dyadic, and group therapy to chemically dependent women and their birth to age three children
- Developed and participated in the therapeutic milieu, and the patients' treatment planning and case management
- Supervised social work students from University of Chicago and University of Illinois

**Virginia Frank Child Development Center  
Of Jewish Family and Community Service**

Chicago IL

*Social Worker*

1986 –1990

- Provided assessment, psychotherapy, concrete services, advocacy, and intake to families with children under the age of six
- Experience includes family, marital, individual, and group therapy

**EDUCATION**

**University of Chicago,  
The School of Social Service Administration**  
A.M. in Social Work

Chicago IL  
1986

**University of Notre Dame**  
B.A. in Theology and Pre-Professional Studies

Notre Dame IN  
1982

**Erikson Institute**  
Infant Studies Program

Chicago IL  
1991-1992

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Licensed Clinical Social Worker—State of Illinois  
National Association of Social Workers  
Academy of Certified Social Workers  
Illinois Association for Infant Mental Health