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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology
University of North Texas, 1996
Denton, Texas

B.A. in Psychology
Southwest Texas State University, 1989
San Marcos, Texas

CURRENT POSITION

Clinical Psychologist, Independent Practice
1997-Present

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Specializing in pre-employment psychological evaluations for area police departments and sheriff's departments, fire departments and EMT candidates, and private protection officers, in addition to Fitness for Duty Evaluations as required by the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas. I also conduct psychological evaluations of children and adolescents for diagnostic purposes, as well as provide clinical consultation services to residential treatment facilities and child placement agencies.

FORMER POSITIONS

Director of Psychology
1996-1998

San Saba State School
Post Office Box 935
San Saba, Texas 76877
(915) 372-5795

Supervisor: Lydia Barnard

Responsibilities included oversight of all aspects of treatment at a secure juvenile correctional facility operated by the Texas Youth Commission (TYC). Supervised three Associate Psychologists and provided clinical oversight for entire facility. Served as member of the Special Services Committee, which evaluated youth in consideration for parole. Also served as TYC representative in transfer hearings when youth were being considered for transfer to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, Institutions Division. Provided monthly training to clinical, casework, and direct care staff on proper implementation of the Resocialization Program. Also served as Administrative Duty Officer on rotating weekends.

FORMER POSITIONS (continued)

Associate Clinical Psychologist, IV
1995-1996

San Antonio State School
P.O. Box 14700
San Antonio, Texas 78214
(210) 532-9610

Supervisor: Peter Sturme, Ph.D.

Primary responsibilities involved writing Behavior Management Programs for dually diagnosed adults with developmental disabilities. Served as Administrator on Duty during rotating weekends and evenings. Member of review committee charged with the responsibility of monitoring the clinical integrity of behavior programs. Also trained staff in proper implementation of programs and monitored their effectiveness.

Associate Clinical Psychologist, II
1994-1995

Texas Department of Mental Health and
Mental Retardation, Community Services
1911 40th Street
Snyder, Texas 79549
(915) 267-8216

Supervisor: John Pichitino, Ph.D.

Responsibilities included outpatient treatment and assessment of adults, adolescents, and children across four counties in western Texas. The client population served included a wide variety of diagnosis, with focus on preventing hospitalizations among clients with diagnoses of Schizophrenia, Major Depression, or Bipolar Disorder. Other duties included serving as a member of the Peer Review Committee, Providing information and education to the community regarding mental health services available in the area, and providing on-call crisis intervention services.

Psychology Intern
1993-1994

Danbury Hospital
24 Hospital Avenue
Danbury, Connecticut 06810
(203) 778-6440

Psychology Intern in the APA accredited internship site within the Department of Psychiatry. This internship provided a broad range of clinical experiences in a general hospital setting. The inpatient population included children, adolescents, and adults. Outpatient work involved adolescent patients and their families. The three inpatient rotations included work on an adolescent unit, an adult unit, and an assessment rotation. Assessment referrals included inpatients and outpatients, with referring clinicians requesting diagnostic information concerning neuropsychological impairment, personality functioning, and learning disability. Other activities included working in the Emergency Room as part of the Crisis Team one evening per week, attendance of weekly grand rounds, journal club, psychology seminar, case conference, and one grand rounds presentation.

FORMER POSITIONS (continued)

Testing Technician
1991-1993

Dallas Neuropsychological Associates
Suite 120
4000 Spring Valley
Dallas, Texas 75244
(214) 243-1666

Supervisors: Joyce Johnson-Jones, Ph.D. and Bruce Jones, Ph.D.

This position involved the administration and scoring of the Halstead-Reitan Neuropsychological Test Battery and other neuropsychological tests. The patient population included inpatient and outpatient children, adolescents and adults. Sources of referrals included physicians, psychologists, and attorneys.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Dissertation research: *Criterion Validity of the Minnesota Multiphasic Personality Inventory-2 in a State Hospital Setting*. This research involved an analysis of psychological test scores of state hospital patients and their correlation with diagnoses at the time of hospitalization.

Assessment of social skills of adults who are dually diagnosed. This study investigated the inter-rater reliability and individual differences in consumer social skills using the Social Skills Assessment (SSA) to assess skill deficits in mentally retarded adults.

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND ACCREDITATION

Member, American Psychological Association, 1997-present

Texas State Board of Examiners of Psychologists
Certified Clinical Psychologist, 1996-1997
Licensed Clinical Psychologist, 1997-present