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## OBJECTIVE

Seeking an opportunity that will utilize my skills as a Licensed Professional Counselor, Certified Experiential Therapist level 3, Experiential Certified Supervisor, Nationally Certified Master Addiction Counselor, Nationally Certified Counselor, Certified Clinical Supervisor, Advanced Certified Relapse Prevention Specialist, Rapid Resolution Therapy Certified Practitioner, and a Certified Yoga and Meditations Teacher.

## SUMMARY

Use organizational and interpersonal communication skills to maintain productive working relationships with management, co-workers, patients and the general public. Emphasis is to provide operational support to managers and to maintain high standards by focusing on a detailed, organized, and result-oriented performance.

## SKILLS

Licenses in the state of GA and TN.

Honored as Georgia Addiction Counselor Association 2010 New Counselor of the Year

\*Excellent Trainer \*Excellent communication skills \*Great organizational ability \*Proficient and resourceful problem solving \*Attention to detail \*Goal Oriented \*Creative presentation skills and writing ability \*Very proficient in computer skills \*Excels at experiential and expressive therapies \*Team Building Games

## Experience

**September 2009 – Current**

**MVP Consulting**

Trainer/Consultant/Coach/Counselor

- Experiential Programing for individuals, couples, groups, corporations, and communities.
- Create and update programs for the 180 hour addictions counselor training course
- Facilitate training sessions for counselors on a national level
- Develop home study & Webinar courses
- Staff Development training
- Client Development workshops

**March 2020 – Current**

**Onsite Workshops**

Clinical Experiential Specialist

- Facilitate experiential workshops with individuals, couples, families, and groups around the topics of trauma, addiction, grief, conflict, shame, and emotional wellness
- Train mental health professionals and Onsite Staff that are seeking to deepen their knowledge and application of experiential methods.
- Content creation for online programs, workshops, and social media

**January 2018 – Current**

**Onsite Workshops**

Consultant/Trainer/Guide

- Facilitate Workshops (Healing Sex and Intimacy issues for men, Living Centered Program, Healing

Trauma Program, Veterans LCP, Life After Loss, Experiential Training Institute)

- Facilitate Individual, Family, and Couples Intensives.
- Onsite Foundation Facilitator for Africa Project

**January 2016 – November 2017**

**Safety Net Recovery**

Executive Clinical Director

- Clinical Supervision for 8 counselors
- Oversee interventions for track specific programs to include; LGBT, Young Adult, Primary Adult, Silver Fox, and Veterans tracks.

**September 2014 – January 2016**

**BX Healthcare Systems, Inc.**

Program Clinical Director

- Develop Gender specific IOP program for men and women
- Lead process of Joint Commission accreditation from initial application through receiving full accreditation
- Supervise staff of 15 counselors
- Write Joint Commission policy and procedure manual
- Business development
- Sought out state of the art cutting edge programming to set IOP apart from others

**September 2013 – July 2014**

**Family Intervention Specialists**

Substance Abuse Counselor

- Cobb County DUI Court IOP Counselor
- Individual/Group/Family Counselor
- Court Treatment Team Representative

**September 2011 – September 2013**

**Hope Homes, Inc.**

Substance Abuse Counselor

- Screening/Intake/Admissions
- Facilitate Individual, Group, & Family Counseling/Crisis Intervention
- Coordination of care with referents
- Psycho-education presentation on life skills
- On call counselor
- Case Management of individual case load

**October '09 – September '10**

**Family Intervention Specialists**

**Substance Abuse Counselor**

- DUI Court Counselor IOP
- Stepping Stones Recovery Residence Counselor
- Individual/Group/Family Counselor
- Court Treatment Team Representative
- UDS Facilitation

**August 07 – August 09**

**Hero House, LLC**

**Director of Client Services for Collegiate Young Adult Population**

- Performed Individual, Group, & Family Counseling/Crisis Intervention

- In charge of Screening/Intake, Admission, Assessment, & Treatment Planning
- Created/Facilitated psycho-educational lecture series to clients and their families
- National Marketing to increase census and community awareness
- Developed and maintained professional relations on a local and national level with interventionists, treatment centers, educational consultants, and therapists
- Liaison to Georgia Association of Recovery Residences
- Administered and interpreted urine drug testing.
- Developed and presented quarterly family workshop weekend
- Assisted in establishing agency's policies and procedures
- Integral part of growing this agency both clinically and administratively from a 4 bed male capacity to a 22 male, 6 female capacity upon leaving
- Represented agency at professional conferences on a national level

<b>Professional Presentations &amp; Experience</b>	<p><b>2018 International Conference Association for Experiential Education</b> – Facilitated Growth Experiential activities for Recovery and Wellness</p> <p><b>2018 McLeod Center</b> – Shame and Addiction</p> <p><b>2016 GA School of Addiction Studies</b> – Presented session on experiential group activities</p> <p><b>2012 -2016 GACA</b> – Presented on Compassion Fatigue, Relapse Prevention and Recovery Management, Theories of Addiction Counseling</p> <p><b>2013 NCAD National Conference of Addictive Disorders</b> – Presented on working with LGBTQ clients as well as relapse prevention versus recovery management</p> <p><b>2010 Consulting</b> – Provide monthly trainings to counselors seeking initial certification as well as recertification.</p> <p><b>2010 Ga. School of Addiction Studies</b> – Presenting 2 sessions 1) on Meth and HIV and 2) Cultural competencies and Ethics in working with GLBT.</p> <p><b>2010 Georgia Meth Project</b> – Training with the volunteers</p> <p><b>2010 GACA Spring Conference</b> – Presented a session on cultural competencies in working within the GLBT community.</p> <p><b>2009 GA. State University</b> – Outreach Coordinator to research project (Project MAP) and Research Assistant to Dr. Brian Dew</p> <p><b>2009 ACTS Consulting</b> – Presented on a variety of topics including Cultural Competencies and the GLBT community; Special Populations working with Young Adults; Relapse Prevention</p> <p><b>2008 Ga. School of Addiction Studies</b> – Presentation on the correlation of HIV and Meth</p> <p><b>2007 CDC/GA State University</b> – Research Assistant to Dr. Brian Dew and provided consultation to Project MAP -the Methamphetamine Project.</p> <p><b>2006 GBI-</b> Part of a discussion panel educating officers on Meth.</p> <p><b>2006 – 2009</b> Sat on Board of Directors for the Atlanta Meth Task Force</p>
<b>Education</b>	<p><b>2014-2017</b> <b>Argosy University Atlanta</b>  MA - Community Mental Health Counseling Graduate Program at Argosy University Atlanta, Ga.</p> <p><b>2010 – 2014</b> <b>Argosy University Online</b>  BA in Psychology with a minor in Addictive Disorders</p>
<b>Certifications</b>	<p><b>CYT - Kashi Atlanta – Trained Yoga and Meditation Teacher</b></p> <p><b>MAC – Master Addiction Counselor</b></p> <p><b>ACRPS – Advanced Certified Relapse Prevention Specialist</b></p> <p><b>NCC – Nationally Certified Counselor</b></p> <p><b>CCS – Certified Clinical Supervisor</b></p> <p><b>RRT-CP – Rapid Resolution Therapy Certified Practitioner</b></p>

<b>Presentation Topics</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Experiential Activities for Recovery and Wellness</li> <li>• GLBT Ethics and cultural considerations</li> <li>• Trauma Informed Care and Addiction Counseling</li> <li>• Working with young adults</li> <li>• Working with adolescents – neurobiology meets practicality</li> <li>• Shame and Addiction</li> <li>• Helping the Helper - addressing burnout and compassion fatigue</li> <li>• Recovery Promotion</li> <li>• Working with the criminal offender</li> <li>• Suicide prevention/ crisis intervention</li> <li>• Dual Diagnosis</li> <li>• Relapse Prevention and P.A.W.S.</li> <li>• Treatment Planning</li> <li>• Theories in working with Substance Use Disorders</li> <li>• Ice and HIV</li> <li>• Recovery promotion meets relapse prevention</li> <li>• Experiential Group Therapy</li> <li>• Developmental Model of Recovery</li> </ul>
<b>Professional Publications</b>	<p>Pimsler, M. (2015, March). Validation: a cunning, baffling and powerful addiction. <i>Addiction Professional, Spring</i>.</p> <p><b>Published Books</b></p> <p>Pimsler, M., Cummings, M., &amp; Sherman, D. (2017). <i>Facilitated Growth Experiential Activities for Recovery and Wellness</i>. Dubuque, IA: Kendall Hunt.</p> <p>Pimsler, M., Mckenzie, M. (2020). <i>Experiential Motivational Interviewing: An action-oriented way of being</i>. Dubuque, IA: Kendall Hunt.</p>

*References available upon request*