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### **EDUCATION**

## Ph.D. in Marriage and Family Therapy | Nova Southeastern University

AUGUST 2012 - JUNE 2018

Dissertation: A Natural Systems Inquiry to Therapist Burnout

Delta Epsilon Iota, Honor Society

Bowen Systems Club, Vice President

## Master's in Marriage and Family Therapy | Nova Southeastern University

AUGUST 2010 - JUNE 2012

## Bachelors of Science in Psychology | Florida International University

AUGUST 2006 - JUNE 2010



#### **EXPERIENCE**

#### **Associate Clinical Director | Sunserve**

NOVEMBER 2015 - PRESENT

- Provide trainings to community agencies in LGBT competency.
- Supervise student interns and staff therapist.
- Maintain the electronic billing system and client list.
- Train new therapist in assessments and writing therapeutic notes.
- Collaborate with other community agencies for client care.
- Conduct clinical assessments for suicide and trauma.
- Present at regional and state conferences for transgender youth best practices.
- Conduct family and individual sessions.
- Supervise and facilitate youth groups.
- Lead Facilitator for Different Drummer.
- Write grants and develop new program protocol.
- Collaborate with other departments to provide wrap around care.
- Develop clinical training protocols and procedures.
- Billing management for different funders.
- Attend community meetings.

## Family Therapist | The Mentor Network

APRIL 2013 - NOVEMBER 2015

Provide in-home individual and family therapy to families from diverse backgrounds.

- Provide therapeutic interventions in English and Spanish.
- Community Liaison for the Broward Region
- Marketing coordinator for the agency at local fairs, conferences and 5k Walks.
- Complete case notes, treatment plans and biopsychosocials for each family member.
- Work with community resources to help families in need.
- Provide training to other team members on various different topics.
- Create trainings for employees.
- Work with other agencies to provide high quality services to families in the community.
- Attend training and marketing events with several different agencies.

#### Family Therapist | Memorial Hospital

#### SEPTEMBER 2012 - APRIL 2013

- · Provide in-home Solution Focus Brief Therapy to families from diverse backgrounds.
- · Run parent and youth groups on a monthly basis.
- · Run family retreats on a yearly basis.
- · Complete case notes, treatment plans and bio-psycho-socials for each family member.
- · Work with community resources to help families in need.



#### **SKILLS**

- Fluent in Spanish
- Burnout Prevention and Intervention Expert
- Bowen Family Systems Trained
- Solution Focus Trained
- Relational Theories Trained
- Suicide Assessment and Prevention
- Conducting Different Therapy Groups
- Family Therapy
- Development of Programs
- Grant Writer
- Training Developer and Implementation
- International and National Presenter
- Organizational Consulting
- Grief and Loss Trained
- Acculturation and Immigration
- Advocacy Expert
- Official Trainer for the Children's Services
   Council of Broward County
- NAMI Member

- CPR/First Aid Certified
- TF-CBT Trained
- LGBT Trainer Certified
- Transgender Youth Expert
- Trauma Trained
- Child Abuse Assessment
- Working with the Child Welfare System
- Working with the Family Courts
- Trained in Supervision Techniques
- Marketing and Networking
- Substance Abuse
- Parenting and Couples Counseling
- Team Player
- Technology Competent
- Collaboration with all systems of care
- EMDR Certification In Process
- IFTA Clinical Member
- AAMFT Clinical Fellow



#### **PRESENTATIONS**

Gender in the Early Years June 2018

Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade

Topic: Gender in the Early Years

Creating a Welcome Miami for LGBT Refugees & Immigrants June 2018

**Gulf Coast Community Services** 

Topic: LGBT Immigrants Best Practices

May 2018 United Way Behavioral Health Conference

**Broward** 

Topic: Systemic Intervention and Prevention of Therapist Burnout

United Way Behavioral Health Conference May 2018

**Broward** 

Topic: Clinical Practices with Transgender Youth

**Provider County Training** Nov 2017

**Children Services Council** 

Topic: Systemic Factors to Burnout

LGBT Competency and Transgender Care Competency Nov 2016-Current

Various agencies in Broward

Children Services Council, Guardian at Litem, Private Practices,

Childnet, Broward County Agencies, Broward Hospital,

Memorial Hospital, DJJ, Family Court

United Way Behavioral Health Conference May 2017

**Broward** 

Topic: Working with Transgender Youth

Fifty Shades of Kerr Bowen May 2015

Nova Southeastern University

Topic: Burnout Prevention using a Natural Systems Perspective

Faculty of the Graduate School for Social Sciences and Humanities June 2013

Nova Southeastern University

Training Topic: Using Appreciative Inquiry to Improve Retention Rates and Lower Attrition

Rates in the College.

International Family Therapy Conference March 2013

Orlando Florida

Training Topic: How Graduate Programs Can Help their Students During Life Altering

**Events** 

## Community Youth Services All Staff Meeting Memorial Regional Hospital

Memorial Regional Hospital

Research Topic: Family Engagement and Resistance in Therapy

November 2012

China: Intercultural Exchange in Family Therapy

Nova Southeastern University October 2011

Topic: Our Intercultural Exchange in China

## Intercultural Exchange in Counseling, Psychology, and Family Therapy Beijing Normal University, Beijing China

June 2011

Topic: Cross Cultural Theory and Intervention: Clinical Delivery Strategy and intervention

in variety of settings

Research Topic Presented: What Clients Find Helpful In Therapy Worldwide

References upon Request