

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION:

Master of Social Work Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri	1993
Master of Business Administration Fonbonne College, St. Louis, Missouri	1990
Bachelor of Business Administration McKendree College, Lebanon, Illinois	1984

PROFESSIONAL LICENSES/CERTIFICATIONS:

Licensed Clinical Social Worker

State of Illinois

License Number 149-006753

Licensed Clinical Social Worker

State of Missouri

License Number SW005905

Certified Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Counselor (CADC)

Illinois Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Professional

Certification Association, Inc.

Certification Number 23431

Certified School Social Worker

State of Illinois

Certificate Number 1534141 (Type 73)

Certified Instructor Nonviolent Crisis Intervention

Instructor Number # 822550

Crisis Prevention Institute/International Association

Of Nonviolent Crisis Intervention Certified Instructors

Diplomate in Clinical Social Work (DCSW)

National Association of Social Workers

Academy of Certified Social Workers (ACSW)

National Association of Social Workers

Certified Clinical Trauma Professional (CCTP)

International Association of Trauma Professionals

CURRENT POSITIONS:

2015-Present	Chief of Social Work Chester Mental Health Center
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- Provide clinical supervision for all social work services provided in a maximum-security forensic psychiatric hospital.
- Supervise approximately twenty social work staff members.
- Serve as the coordinator of the Utilization Review Committee for the facility.
- Develops objectives and participates in facility strategic planning.
- Serve as chair of the Human Rights Committee.
- Serve as a chapter holder for accreditation standards and ensures clinical and policy compliance with accreditation standards.

2012-Present

Lecturer

University of Southern California

- Serve as a part-time faculty member in the graduate social work program.
- Provide instruction and feedback on progress to students in course.
- Make referrals to academic support programs as appropriate.
- Utilize web-based platform for delivery of classes.

PREVIOUS PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

2007-2015

Unit Director

Chester Mental Health Center

- Provide clinical and administrative supervision for all mental health services provided on the Unit in a maximum-security forensic psychiatric hospital.
- Serve as the head of the Unit's treatment team.
- Participate in executive committees within the facility.
- Conduct employee personnel evaluations and performance reviews.
- Provide clinical oversight and monitor performance of all staff within the unit.
- Served as Acting Chief of Social Work for one year and Social Work Committee Chair for two years.

2007-2013

Social Worker

St. Anthony's Medical Center-Hyland Behavioral Health Center

St. Louis, MO

- Provide routine and emergency risk and psychosocial assessments for patients at the medical facility.
- Provide referrals to community based resources.
- Certify care with insurance providers.
- Staff cases with attending and on-call psychiatrists regarding admission and treatment needs of patients.
- Process admissions to the facility's psychiatric unit.
- Established and implemented inpatient group treatment programming.

2007-2008

Therapist

Human Service Center

Red Bud, IL

- Prepare comprehensive assessments of clients.
- Prepare comprehensive service plans for patients.

- Provide solution-focused therapy to patients.
- Prepare referral to agency and community resources.
- Participate in clinical staffings concerning patient issues.

2004 -2007

Mental Health Administrator

Illinois Department of Corrections-Menard Correctional Center
Menard, Illinois

- Provide clinical and administrative supervision for all mental health services provided at the facility
- Provide crisis intervention and acute care services to offenders in the state's largest maximum-security correctional facility.
- Train medical, administrative, and security staff in techniques for addressing mental health issues of offenders in the correctional setting.
- Serve as the leader of the institution's crisis intervention team providing clinical direction for all crisis intervention services and team development activities.
- Serve as the chairman of the Treatment Review Committee which monitors the administration of involuntary psychotropic medications.

1999 - 2004

Social Worker III (Acting Mental Health Administrator)

Illinois Department of Corrections-Menard Correctional Center
Menard, Illinois

- Provide crisis intervention and acute care services to offenders in the state's largest maximum-security correctional facility.
- Train medical, administrative, and security staff in techniques for addressing mental health issues of offenders in the correctional setting.
- Serve as the chairman of the Treatment Review Committee which monitors the administration of involuntary psychotropic medications.
- Serve as the coordinator of the Sexual Assault Prevention and Intervention Program.
- Conduct external audits of correctional facilities and complete special assignments at the request of the Chief of Mental Health Services
- Conduct initial mental health evaluation of offenders upon arrival at the facility.
- Provide treatment and transfer recommendations to the chief administrative officer.
- Provide brief therapy services to offenders.

2001 - 2003

Foster Pride/Adopt Pride Trainer

Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville
Edwardsville, Illinois

- Implement training program developed by the Child Welfare League of America in collaboration with the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services to prospective adoptive and foster parents.
- Provide representatives from the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services an assessment of participants' level of ability.
- Maintain documentation in regard to participants progress in completion of educational objectives.

1998- 1999

Child Welfare Specialist II

Illinois Department of Children and Family Services
Belleville, Illinois

- Provided case management services to adolescent youth with severe behavioral and emotional issues.
- Represented the agency in juvenile court proceedings.

- Prepared court reports and petitions for both abuse and delinquency proceedings.
- Prepared comprehensive service planning for youth and their families.

1997 - 1998

Therapist

Safe Group Care of Illinois

Belleville, Illinois

- Responsible for providing therapeutic services to adolescent residents in a group home.
- Served as the acting administrator of the program in the absence of the agency administrator.
- Increased the number of mental health contact hours for residents by twenty percent.
- Submitted written progress reports to the assigned case manager and juvenile court.

1996 – 1999

Employee Assistance Program Therapist

People Resources, Inc.

Granite City, Illinois

- Provided operations oversight at a satellite office.
- Performed initial mental health assessments of employees.
- Assisted client companies with involuntary referrals to the program.
- Maintained overall responsibility for case management of chemically dependent clients.
- Provided training and supervision for other therapists.

1994 – 1997

Child Welfare Specialist II

Illinois Department of Children and Family Services

Belleville, Illinois

- Selected by the regional administrator to attend postgraduate training in the field of sex offender evaluation and treatment.
- Provided case management services to adolescent youth with severe behavioral and emotional issues.
- Represented the agency in juvenile court proceedings.
- Prepared court reports and petitions for both abuse and delinquency proceedings.
- Prepared comprehensive service planning for youth and their families.

1993 – 1994

Supervisor of Child Care Services

Call For Help, Inc.

Edgemont, Illinois

- Provided supervision for a shelter program serving abused, neglected, and homeless youth.
- Presided over a one hundred percent increase in the shelter program.
- Supervised approximately twelve staff members.
- Facilitated youth in maintaining links to their home community.

1985 – 1993

Assembler

General Motors Corporation

Wentzville, Missouri

- Assisted in the implementation of the quality control program for the Trim Department.
- Conducted quality inspections of vehicles produced within the Trim Department.
- Maintained documentation regarding production problems to managerial staff.

LEADERSHIP POSITIONS IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:**National Association of Social Workers-Illinois Chapter**

Elected Delegate to National Delegate Assembly 2011

National Association of Social Workers-Illinois Chapter

First Vice President
2009-2011

National Association of Social Workers-Illinois Chapter

Alternate Delegate to National Delegate Assembly 2008

National Association of Social Workers-Illinois Chapter

Chair, Political Action Committee
2008-2011

National Association of Social Workers-Illinois Chapter

Member of Board of Directors and Chair of Metro East St. Louis District
2004-2008

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:

Southern Illinois University-Carbondale

Department of Social Work
Advisory Board
2013-Present

International Association of Trauma Professionals

Certified Clinical Trauma Professional (CCTP)
2013-Present

International Association of Nonviolent Crisis

Intervention Instructors/Crisis Prevention Institute
2009-Present

Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville

Department of Social Work
Advisory Board
2007-2012

American Red Cross-St. Louis Area Chapter

Disaster Mental Health Volunteer
2004-Present

St. Clair County Mental Health Board

Disaster Mental Health Volunteer/Team Leader
2004-Present

Southwestern Illinois Critical Incident Stress Management Team

2004-Present

National Commission on Correctional Health Care

Certified Correctional Health Professional
2003 - Present

American Correctional Association

Member
2000 - 2005

Wisconsin Sex Offender Treatment Network

Fellow
1996

National Association of Social Workers

Member
1991 – Present

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Lecturer

University of Southern California

- Serve as a part-time lecturer in the graduate social work program.
- Provide instruction and feedback on progress to students in course.
- Make referrals to academic support programs as appropriate.
- Utilize web-based platform for delivery of classes.

Trainer- Foster/Adopt Pride

Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, Edwardsville, Illinois

- Implement training program developed by the Child Welfare League of America in collaboration with the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services to prospective adoptive and foster parents.
- Provide representatives from the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services an assessment of participants' level of ability.
- Maintain documentation in regard to participants progress in completion of educational objectives.

Trainer – Illinois Department of Corrections

Menard Correctional Center, Menard, Illinois

- Designated as agency crisis management team trainer.
- Selected to provide training to Department of Corrections staff and inmates on Sex Offender Management Services Program
- Developed curriculum materials for use in annual training of staff in regard to mental health services.
- Train medical, administrative, and security staff in techniques for addressing mental health issues to offenders in the correctional setting.
- Approved instructor for Institutional Adult Cycle Training Program Instruction by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board

HONORS AND ACTIVITIES

- Selected by Association of Social Work Board as examination item writer-April 2015
- Social Worker of the Year, Metro East St. Louis District, National Association of Social Workers-Illinois Chapter-March 2010
- Employee of the Month Chester Mental Health Center-May 2008
- Employee of the Month Menard Correctional Center –January 2004
- Outstanding Performance Award Menard Correctional Center-2003
- Biographee in Marquis' Who's Who in the Midwest – 1997
- Outstanding MBA Graduate – 1991
- Honors in Business Administration – 1985
- McKendree College Presidential Scholar – 1983-1984
- McKendree College's Dean's List – 1983

- National Dean's List – 1982
- American Legion School Award – 1974
- Illinois Power Company School Award – 1974

PUBLICATIONS

- Carich, M. & Harper, J. (2004). Introduction to the Victim Empathy Rating Scale. The Forensic Therapist, (3) 8-10.
- Carich, M.; Baig, M.; Metzger, C.; and Harper, J. (2004). Enhancing Victim Empathy for Sex Offenders. In R. Geffner, Crumpton-Franey, K., Geffner-Arnold, T., & R. Falconer (Eds.) *Identifying and Treating Sex Offenders: Current Approaches, Research, and Techniques*. Binghamton, NY: Haworth Maltreatment and Trauma Press.
- Carich, M.; Baig, M.; Metzger, C.; and Harper, J. (2003). Enhancing Victim Empathy for Sex Offenders. Journal of Child Sexual Abuse, (12) 255-276.
- Carich, M. & Harper, J. (2003). An outline of the key elements of victim empathy. The IL-ATSA Review, (6) 4-5.
- Carich, M.; Baig, M.; and Harper, J. (2002). A brief review of contemporary sex offender treatment. The Forensic Therapist, (1) 6-11.
- Carich, M. & Harper, J. (2002). Sexual offending: toward a continuum view of definition of sexual aggression. The Forensic Therapist, (1) 21-23.
- Harper, J. & Nottmeier, T. [Lead co-authors not credited in publication]. (2009) Social Work in the Criminal Justice System. In *Social Work Speaks 8th Edition NASW Policy Statements 2009-2012*. Washington D.C.: NASW Press.

PRESENTATIONS

- NASW-IL 2015 Statewide Conference (October 2015) "Forensic Social Work in Mental Health Settings" with Travis Nottmeier, LCSW
- "The DSM-5: History, Changes, Challenges, and Controversy" Chester Mental Health Center (April 2015)
- NASW-IL 2013 Statewide Conference (October 2013) "Mentally Ill and In Jail" with Travis Nottmeier, LCSW, CADC.
- Effective Documentation (October 2013) Chester Mental Health Center
- "Ethics for Social Workers" (May 2013) St. Anthony's Medical Center
- "Ethics for Social Workers" (October 2009) Chester Mental Health Center
- NASW-IL 2009 Statewide Conference (October 2009) "Leadership: A State of Mind" with Travis Nottmeier, LCSW
- "Mentally Ill and in Jail" (July 2009) Chester Mental Health Center
- "Grooming and Stalking Behaviors in Institutional Settings" (June 2009) Chester Mental Health Center

- NASW-IL 2007 Statewide Conference (2007) “Mentally Ill and In Jail” with Travis Nottmeier, LSW.
- NASW-IL Southern Illinois Chapter & Southern Illinois University (2006) Documentation, Standards of Care, and Ethics in Social Work Practice Panel Discussion with Galen Thomas, Larry Johnson, Christopher Julian-Fralish, and Travis Nottmeier.
- National Association of Social Workers-Illinois Chapter (2006) 1St Bi-Annual Symposium: Career Building for Social Workers “Elective/Panel Discussion: Revisiting Mental Health” with Daniel M. Potter, LCSW, BCD and Cindy L. Besecker, JD, MSW.
- Prevention First, Inc, Springfield, IL (2005) “IDOC: Co morbid Disorders” Co-presented with Travis Nottmeier, MSW, LSW.
- Prevention First, Inc. Springfield, IL (2004) “IDOC: Dual Diagnosis.” Co-presented with Nancy Garnett, LCSW.
- Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers 22nd Annual Research and Treatment Conference St. Louis, MO (2003) “The Five-Point Multi-Level Victim Empathy Checklist.” Co presented with Mark Carich, Ph.D. and Carole Metzger, LCSW.
- National Commission on Correctional Health Care Annual Research and Treatment Conference, Austin Texas (2003) “Early Detection of Psychiatric Disorders in the Prison Population”. Co presented with M. Baig, MD.
- Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers 21st Annual Research and Treatment Conference Montreal, Quebec (2002) “Enhancing Victim Empathy: A Treatment Context and Selected Victim Empathy Techniques”. Co presented with Mark Carich, Ph.D. and Carole Metzger, LCSW.

REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST