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PROFESSIONAL GOALS:

I desire to utilize my extensive professional social work experiences, program development skills, leadership skills and teaching abilities to increase the success of other social workers and to directly impact current social problems in my community

ACADEMIC PREPARATION:

Master of Social Work, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, 1994.

Bachelor of Science, Social Work major, Pittsburg State University, Pittsburg, KS, 1983.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Program Coordinator\Lecturer, 2005-to present
Missouri State University, Joplin Campus

- teach 6 graduate courses in social work practice
- recruited 32 new students for MSW Program
- advise 18 graduate students
- committee participation: MSW Committee, Awards and Ceremonies, Field Committee

Per Course Instructor, 2001-2005

Southwest Missouri State University, Joplin Campus

- Off-site agency-based practicum Field Instructor, 5 students-Spring 2001
- Perspectives on Family Health Systems, 645 (ITV) -Summer 2001
- Family Health Assessment, 654- Fall 2002
- Introduction to Social Work Research, 620-Spring 2005

Clinical Director, 1998-2005

Lafayette House, Joplin, MO

- direct oversight of 18 clinical staff members
- quality assurance for services offered to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault and substance abusing women
- annual budget of \$2 million

Medical Social Worker, 1991-1998

St. John's Regional Medical Center, Joplin, MO

- Primary job site: Hospice and Home Health-Missouri, Kansas & Oklahoma territory
- PRN job sites: psychiatric unit, physical rehabilitation and medical floors

Resource Coordinator, 1991-1992

Boy's and Girl's Club, Joplin, MO

- fundraising and public relations activities

Substance Abuse Counselor, 1990-1991

Baxter Memorial Hospital, Baxter Springs, KS

- assessment, treatment planning and discharge responsibilities
- facilitated group therapy sessions
- facilitated individual therapy and family therapy sessions

Children's Service Worker, 1984-1990

State of Missouri, Division of Family Services, Joplin and Neosho, MO

- investigated childhood abuse and neglect
- caseworker for 25 foster children and their families
- designed and implemented the 'Independent Living Program' for 12 counties

Houseparent, 1983-1984

Elm Acres Youth Home, Pittsburg and Columbus, KS

- surrogate parent for adolescents in group home setting

Counselor Aide, 1981-1983

Children's Court Center, Pittsburg, KS

- weekend supervision of adjudicated juveniles in locked-down facility

PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE/MEMBERSHIP:

Missouri Licensed Clinical Social Worker, 1996-present

Kansas Licensed Master Social Worker, 1994-1998

Oklahoma Licensed Social Worker Assistant, 1994-1998

NASW member, 2005-present

PUBLICATION:

White, R. (1997) *Social Work Intervention for Social Isolation and Safety Concerns of the Rural Home Health Patient*. **Caring Magazine**, 16(1), 28-34.

STATE & NATIONAL PRESENTATIONS:

Southwestern Social Science Association Annual Conference, “Effecting Community Change”, San Antonio 2006

National Conference for Home Health Social Workers, “The Impact of Social Isolation on Rural Home Care Patients”, Boston, 1997

Oklahoma State Home Care Association Conference, “Assessing Risk and Safety for the Rural Home Care Patient”, Oklahoma City, 1997

First National Conference for Home Health Social Workers, “Coming Together- Identifying Needs of the Home Care Social Worker in the Rural Setting”, Chicago, 1996

Citizen’s for Missouri’s Children Annual Conference, “Aging Out of the Foster Care System- the Independent Living Program”, Jefferson City, 1989

COMMUNITY SERVICE/LEADERSHIP

current service:

Joplin Professional Social Work Group, Founding Chairperson 2003-present

Children’s Haven of SW MO, President/Founding Board Member 2000-present

St. John’s Home Care Advisory Board, member 2006-present

previous service:

American Network of Home Health Care Social Workers, Board Member 1996-1998

Missouri Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Vice Chair/Board Member 2002-2005

Newton & Jasper County Family Violence Council, Board Member 2002-2004

Community Health Clinic of Joplin, Board Member/Clinic Volunteer 1994-2002

Salvation Army of Joplin, Advisory Board Member 1994-2002

Four-State AIDS Project, Volunteer Group Leader 1992-1994

Area Agency on Aging Region X, Resource Listing Committee Chairperson 1992

Camp Soroptimist/Jasper County Foster Care Camp, Camp Director 1991-1997

HONORS AND AWARDS:

Women of Distinction Award, **Soroptimist International, Joplin Chapter**, 2005

Advocate of the Year Award, **Jasper County Prosecuting Attorney Annual Crime Victim's Rights Meeting**, 2004

Vocational Excellence Award, **Daybreak Rotary Club, Joplin**, 2004

MSW Intern Supervisor of the Year, **Southwest Missouri State University, School of Social Work**, 2003

MSW Internship Agency of the Year, **Southwest Missouri State University, School of Social Work**, 2002 (on behalf of Lafayette House)