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Licensed Clinical Social Worker

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SOCIAL WORK LICENSES

State of Missouri: Number 201800929
State of New York: Number 088244
State of Kansas: Number 06257

EDUCATION

2012 **MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK**
University of Missouri-Kansas City (UMKC)

2010 **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE: PSYCHOLOGY WITH AN EMPHASIS IN LEGAL ISSUES**
Pittsburg State University, Pittsburg, KS

EXPERIENCE

PROFESSIONAL

10/2025-Present **LICENSED CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER**
LCSW of Buffalo, PLLC, East Amherst, NY
Private Practice

- Provides individual therapy services to adults experiencing affective, anxiety, trauma-related, substance-related, personality, and internalizing and externalizing behavioral disorders.
- Completes ongoing assessment for goal-monitoring and achievement related to client's treatment plan.

03/2023-Present **LICENSED CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER**
Witcher & Associates, LLC, Kansas City, MO
Private Practice

- Conducts life history investigations, including in-depth record reviews, social histories, family interviews, and expert interviews.
- Provides written summaries of investigative data.
- Makes recommendations regarding treatment and placement of clients as needed/requested.
- Consults with attorneys regarding client cases.
- Works closely with interns assigned to cases.
- Provide administrative oversight, including scheduling, case management, and overall virtual office management for 1099s as requested.

03/2021-06/2026 **LICENSED CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER**

U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs, Buffalo, NY

- Conducted mental health evaluations and psychosocial assessments to determine needs of Veterans.
- Provided crisis intervention, provisional diagnosis, treatment and disposition recommendations.
- Conducted suicide risk evaluations for Veterans' presenting with suicidal ideations, attempts or other self-directed violent behavior.
- Identified those at high risk for lethality and manage needs of Veterans determined as high risk for suicide and/or violence.
- Completed appropriate discharge planning by generating referrals for needed programs and services, completing safety plans, assuring Veterans' mental health follow up care and coordinating care with providers involved in Veteran's care;
- Tracked high risk Veterans for lethality who were released from the emergency room or psychiatric inpatient setting and completed follow up by contacting Veteran, assessing their safety and making appropriate referrals.

05/2019-02/2021 **PROGRAM MANAGER**

Endeavor Health Services, Buffalo, NY

- Managed and coordinated the day-to-day activities of an integrated behavioral health clinic, which served 650+ clients who presented for forensic, mental health and substance use disorders;
- Provided clinical supervision and supervised overall activities of staff to assure that the program complied with both government and agency regulations and policies.
- Provided feedback and disciplinary measures to staff related to their work as well as administrative matters.
- Recruited and hired new clinicians, program assistants and interns.
- Trained new employees in areas such as clinical guidelines, agency policy, department procedures, and agency/government regulations.
- Reviewed, monitored, planned and assessed various programming offered (e.g., Domestic Violence, Anger Management, Substance Abuse and Sexual Abuse Prevention Treatment).
- Maintained a caseload of 15+ high-risk forensic clients.
- Completed psychosocial assessments, using the DSM-5 for diagnosis.
- Provided crisis management.
- Utilize Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, motivational interviewing and strengths-based therapy.

04/2018-09/2019 **SENIOR BEHAVIORAL CONSULTANT/LICENSED THERAPIST**

Developmental Disability Services for Jackson & Platte Counties, MO
Northland Social and Behavioral Support, Kansas City Metro, MO

- Person Centered Strategies Consultant/Counselor for individuals who already received services through Developmental Disability Services.
- Provided individual and family psychotherapy sessions for clients referred by the Family Court.
- Aimed to increase positive interactions and relationships within families and with others through using empirically supported therapy modalities.
- Collected supportive data to develop behavior management plans.
- Completed Functional Behavioral Assessments to inform interventions and behavioral supports for overall successful treatment.

11/2013-05/2019 **LICENSED CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER/MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM LEADER**
Missouri Department of Mental Health, Kansas City, MO
Center for Behavioral Medicine, Department of Social Work

Licensed Clinical Social Worker:

- Provided clinical services to individuals (ages 18+) civilly committed to a minimum-security forensic state psychiatric facility for competency restoration.
- Conducted intake screening and psychosocial assessments of patients' risk for self-harm/lethality, social, environmental, and economic backgrounds and psychosocial stressors to assist with diagnosis, prognosis, and rehabilitation.
- Provided group and individual therapy to adult clients utilizing Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT), psychoeducation, and motivational interviewing;
- Testified in probate and criminal courts as an expert and character witness.
- Provided discharge planning to link client with community services, resources and other opportunities in the community.

Multidisciplinary Team Leader:

- Facilitated multidisciplinary treatment team planning and staff meetings.
- Provided supervisory support for social work, psychology, nursing and psychiatric trainees.
- Added, revised, improved and enforced hospital policy and procedures to ensure the best quality of care was established and maintained.
- Ensured treatment team planning and service provision complied with JHACO and CMS standards.
- Developed and communicated appropriate modifications to prevent aggression, assault, self-harm and other forms of victimization to the Chief Operating Officer.

11/2014-08/2018 **SENIOR BEHAVIORAL CONSULTANT/LICENSED THERAPIST**
Behavioral Innovations, LLC, Kansas City, MO
Developmental Disability Services

- Person Centered Strategies Consultant/Counselor for individuals already receiving services through Developmental Disability Services.
- Provided individual and family psychotherapy sessions for clients referred by the Family Court.
- Aimed to increase positive interactions and relationships within families and with others through using empirically supported therapy modalities.
- Collected supportive data to develop behavior management plans.
- Provided individual and family therapy with individuals with various diagnoses and trauma, including perpetrators of domestic violence, who were court-ordered to participate in therapy.

06/2012-10/2013 **QUALIFIED MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL**
ReDiscover, Kansas City, MO

- Provided individual case management services to children, adolescents and their families either in-home or in a community setting.
- Assessed children and families utilizing empirically validated diagnostic tools.
- Developed and implemented crisis intervention plans.
- Conducted psychoeducation and developed behavioral modification plans for high-risk children.

09/2010-07/2014 **YOUTH CARE WORKER**
Adolescent Center for Treatment, Olathe, KS

- Conducted psychoeducation groups and milieu therapy with 30 adolescents, court-ordered to substance abuse treatment.
- Completed clinical documentation, which included behaviors, clinical impressions and progress towards identified treatment goals.

CERTIFICATIONS

10/2020	Static-99R/STABLE-2007/ACUTE-2007
11/2019	Violence Risk Scale-Sexual Offense Version (VRS-SO)