

Phyllis Dodson, LMSW

Objective To provide quality services and learning experiences with the highest standard of practice skills.

Summary of Qualifications

Experience and education in administrative leadership, organization and supervisory abilities including management of federal/state contracts, grant development and oversight, experience in budget development and budget administration. Experienced in overall program planning, development and evaluation, quality assurance and policy development.

Education

B.A. in Social Work with double major in Sociology, Texas Woman's University, Denton Texas, Graduated Cum Laude December, 1996. **Undergraduate Internship experience;** Catholic Charities, 1216 W. Magnolia, Ft. Worth, Texas, Immigration and Refugee Services.

Master's in Social Work, Administration and Community Planning, University of Oklahoma, May 1998. **Graduate Internship experience;** Three Feathers Associates, Norman, Oklahoma. Assisted in the development of curriculum for training and technical assistance for Native American Head Start programs.

Professional Experience

Director of Tribal Services, Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Ignacio Colorado.

Overall responsibility for the management and supervision of the divisions within the Tribal Services Department to include Social Services, Emergency Family Services, Construction Services, Elder's Services, Vocational Rehabilitation, and Food Distribution Program. Responsible for management of federal/state contracts and grants, program planning and development, grant writing and oversight of Tribally funded programs and projects. Responsible for personnel management including recruitment, training, discipline, and professional development. July 2006-March 2010.

Director of Social Services, Taos Pueblo Indian Tribe, Taos, New Mexico.

Administration and supervision of the Taos Pueblo child/adult protective services, welfare assistance, family services. Responsibility for grant and contracts management including Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Juvenile Justice, and Prevention Grants, Tribal Youth Project, and the Youth Mental Health Initiative. Responsible for budget development and oversight, fiscal management and resource development including grant writing. Worked collaboratively with the local service provider network both on and off the reservation to provide comprehensive services to Tribal families. August 2002-May 2006.

Treatment Foster Care Coordinator. Casa de Corazon Group Home, Taos, New Mexico. Responsible for coordination and case management for children placed in treatment foster care including recruitment and training of foster parents. Coordinated with parents, schools, county, state and Tribal child welfare agencies to provide comprehensive services to foster children and their families.

Adjunct Professor, University of North Texas, School of Rehabilitation, Addiction and Social Work, Denton Texas. Taught "Community Organizing and Group Work" and assisted in the Field Intern Program. 2001 Spring semester-August 2002.

Adjunct Professor, Texas Woman's University, Denton Texas. Taught "Social Welfare as an Institution". Spring 2001.

Case Manager and Bereavement Counselor, Vitas Innovative Hospice, Forth Worth and Denton Texas. Provided patient and family services, counseling, resource attainment, volunteer coordination, and student intern supervision. July 1999-May 2001.

Medical Social Worker, John Petersmith Hospital, Fort Worth Texas. Intensive Care, Oncology, and Emergency Room Social Worker. Provided substance abuse and chemical dependency counseling. September 1998-July 1999.

Social Assessment Consultant. Denton County Courts, Denton Texas. Independent contract work for Denton County family courts to provide home studies and social assessments to court for the purpose child custody disputes and adoptions. 1997-2001.

Business Owner and stylist. Imagined Image Hair Studio and Art Gallery, Denton Texas, 1986-1996.

Dance Instructor, Jerre Harrell Dance Studio, Southlake Texas 1971-1885.

Honors

Social Worker of the Year, National Association of Social Workers, Denton Unit.

Dean's List, Cum Laude, Texas Woman's University.

Departmental Scholarship, University of Okalahoma.

Memberships

National Association of Social Workers (NASW) present.

National Indian Child Welfare Association, present.

NASW Leadership Identification Committee, past.

Ignacio Community Collaborative (ICC), past.

ICC Professional Training Committee, past.

Southwest Mental Health Community Collaborative, past.

Taos Community Foundation: Silent Auction Committee Chair, past.

Professional Advisory Board, Texas Woman's University, past.

Employee Giving Committee, John Petersmith Hospital, past.

American Indian Community Council, past.

Co-Founder, Fry Street Merchants Association, past.

Presentations

“Considerations for Tribal Communities”, Colorado Drug Endangered Children Conference, Vail CO. 2009.

“Resource Development and Sustainability”, Bureau of Indian Affairs Training Seminar, Albuquerque New Mexico, 2006.

“Mobilizing the Community for Your Tribal Youth Project”, Orlando Florida, Albuquerque, New Mexico, 2005.

“Cultural Competency in Social Work Practice”, various locations, Denton County, Texas, 1999-2000.

“Negotiating and Improving Communications”, Senior Care Conference. Denton, Texas, 2000.

“Advanced Directives, What You Need to Know”, various locations, Denton and Tarrant Counties, Texas. 1999-2000.

“Passing the Gift”, American Indian Counseling Seminar, Dallas, Texas, 1999.

“Practice with American Indian Clients; Issues and Concerns”, National Association of Social Workers Oklahoma State Conference, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 1998.