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Professional Experience

Center for System Integration (CSI) Denver, Colorado, 2005 - Present

CSI offers policy solutions to complex problems by bringing together a combination of research, engagement of all stakeholders, interagency cooperation and information dissemination to help find policy solutions. Responsibilities include consumer and civic engagement on policy and legislative recommendations in local and state initiatives.

Current cross sector projects with multiple site management include:

- Justice Assistance Grant with the Division of Youth Corrections promoting state infrastructure support and local cross system assessment and care plans with 9 pilot sites
- State of Colorado Workforce Development, Statewide TANF fiscal integration project with 7 pilot sites

Previous work includes; 2009 School Health Leadership Task Force, 2007 Colorado Behavioral Health Care Task Force (HJR 1050), School Health Summit, 2006: Mental Health Wellness Project, 2005/6. Activities on behalf of the Colorado Department of Human Services and Public Safety and the Colorado legislative task force on the Mentally Ill in the Criminal Justice System.

University of Denver: Graduate School of Social Work: Adjunct Professor, 2002–Present

Private consulting:

The Center for Public-Private Sector Cooperation & Center for the Improvement of Public Management (“The Centers”), University of Colorado at Denver, - Denver, Colorado, 2005-Present

Contract to provide strategic planning and technical assistance for grantee communities of The Colorado Trust, Partnerships for Health Initiative. Emphasis on strategic planning, infrastructure building, problem solving, and consumer engagement through cross sector community collaborations on the following initiatives:

- Older Adult Fall Prevention: Tri-County Health Department
- Access to Health Care in rural Colorado: Routt, Moffat, Rio Blanco and Jackson Counties

Conference Coordinator: Federation of Families for Children’s Mental Health June 2007 – March 2008

Conference Coordination for Barbara Huff’s ‘Parent-Professional Partnership’ Train the Trainer workshops in Denver-Metro community and western slope: Grand Junction, CO.

Interim Clinical Director, Jefferson Hills August 2007 – October 2007

Clinical and Program Director - member of executive team for not-for-profit therapeutic residential treatment center for males and females with severe emotional and behavioral problems.

Contractor: Englewood Public Schools, October 2006 – September 2007

Engaged to provide consultation to School Based Health Center stakeholder group to expand mental health services in an existing school based health clinic at Englewood High School.

Contractor: Jefferson Center for Mental Health, a Therapeutic Residential Child Care Facility, October 2006 – August 2007

Engaged to oversee a planning grant from the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment to create a school based health center at Alameda High School, in partnership with Metropolitan Community Provider Network and Jefferson County Public Schools.

Foothills Behavioral Health, 2006

Engaged to provide needs assessment and implement recommendations in coordination with multiple public sector service providers (child welfare, mental health, physical health, schools, and developmental disabilities) on a case-by-case basis.

Community Liaison: System of Care Grant, June 2004 – April 2005

Jefferson County Department of Human Services, Division of Children, Youth and Families

Federal Health and Human Services System of Care grant to improve child welfare outcomes of safety, permanence and well-being. Primary responsibility to work with youth, families and consumers of child welfare services, cross sector community partners and child welfare caseworkers to improve communication and programming toward more positive outcomes for youth and families.

Jefferson Center for Mental Health: School Services Manager, January 2001- June 2004, June 1996 – June 1998

Program management of multi-site school counseling program, in Jefferson, Gilpin and Clear Creek Counties

- Program oversight and clinical supervision of three school-based health centers and 15 school based and day treatment programs serving K-12th grade.
- Assisted with grant writing, reports and extensive grant management responsibilities
- Grant reviewer: Foothills Foundation
- Initiated and maintained community / stakeholder involvement
- Utilization management and quality assurance responsibilities

Stay at home mother: June 1998 – January 2001

Education

5/90 Masters in Social Work
Columbia University School of Social Work
New York, New York

5/87 Bachelor of Science in Psychology
State University College at Oneonta, Oneonta, New York

Licenses

Colorado Licensed Clinical Social Worker: License # 991526

Conference Presentations / Media Appearances

- Office of the Child's Representative, Cornerstone Advocacy, September 2010
- 5th Annual Conference on Advancing School Mental Health, October 2010
- Colorado Municipal Clerk Association Conference "Leadership in the 21st Century", July 2010.
- Colorado Child and Adolescent Mental Health Coalition Conference 2010
- Colorado Parent - Teacher Association 88th Annual Convention, 2009
- International Conference on Children with Behavioral Disorders, 2009
- Colorado Child and Adolescent Mental Health Conference, 2009
- Colorado Parent – Teacher Association Conference, 2008
- Statewide System of Care Initiatives: panel presentation
Colorado Child and Adolescent Mental Health Coalition, 2006: Widening the Lens:
Focus on Community Connections
- "System of Care Collaborative" Presentation, 2004
Improving Child Welfare Outcomes through a System of Care: National HHS
Grantee Meeting
- "Wings of Hope" Panel Presentation: "Children's Reactions to Grief"
Suicide Conference-Mental Health Association and Colorado Office of Suicide
Prevention, 2003
- "Courage to Risk" Panel Presentation: School Based Health Centers
Special Education Conference by Colorado Department of Education, 2003
- "How to Talk With Kids about War", 2003, Channel 7 News–Interviewed by Bertha Lynne,
Channel 4 News –Taped Interview, 2003
- "Suicide" Panel presentation: "Mental Health and Safe Schools"
Conference by Colorado Safe Communities / Safe Schools Initiative, 2003
- "School Collaboration" Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatrists, 2003
- "Children's Mental Health: A System of Care Approach"
Conference by American Academy of Adolescent Psychiatry, 2003
- "Responding To School Trauma"
Conference by Advancing School Mental Health Programs, 2003
- Childhood Trauma, 2002, ADHD, 2001
Colorado Child and Adolescent Mental Health Conference
- Childhood Trauma, 2002, Suicide and Depression, 2001
- Jefferson County, CO School Professional Staff Training

Committee facilitation and participation, 2003 – Present

- Task force for the Mentally Ill in the Criminal Justice System
- Multiethnic Action Committee, Boulder Valley School District
- Colorado System of Care Collaborative
- Mental Health Planning and Advisory Child and Family Subcommittee
- Linking Interagency Networks for Kids Services (L.I.N.K.S.)
- Member - Multi-Ethnic Action Community Collaborative of local school district
- 2006-2009 Parent Teacher Association VP and President
- 2009 Race to the Top Low Performing Schools
- 2008 State Advisory Council: Suicide Prevention and Intervention Plan
- 2008 Steering committee: Colorado System of Care Collaborative
- 2008 Colorado State Mental Health Planning and Advisory Council: Child and Family
Public Education Technical Assistance Subcommittees
- 2007 Graduate of the Denver Community Leadership Forum (DCLF)
- 2007 HJR07- 1050 Behavioral Health Task Force
- Colorado Association for School Based Health Centers, Board Member
- Colorado School Medicaid Consortium member

- Jefferson County Safe and Drug Free Schools
- Jefferson County Head Start Policy Council