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**Objective:** To obtain a position as a psychologist utilizing my clinical abilities and educational background in counseling and school psychology.

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

2020 Doctor of Philosophy School Psychology

 University of Central Arkansas, Conway, Arkansas

2011 Master of Science School Psychology

 University of Central Arkansas, Conway, Arkansas

1993 Master of Science Counseling Psychology

 University of Central Arkansas, Conway, Arkansas

1990 Bachelor of Science, Psychology

 University of Central Arkansas

1987 Associates of Art

 Phillips County Community College

**LICENSES**

Provisionally Licensed Psychologist – March 2021

Licensed Psychological Examiner, Independent – 2008 (Arkansas)

Licensed Psychological Examiner – 1994 (Arkansas)

**CREDENTIALS**

Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavior Therapy

Child Parent Psychotherapy

Infant Mental Health Certifician: DC:0-5

Parent Child Interaction Therapy

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES**

**March 2020 – Present: Mental Health Outpatient Therapist**

Counseling Associates/Arisa Health

Responsibilities: Provide individual and family therapy to children and adults with various mental health diagnoses.

**August 2019 - July 2020: School Psychology Specialist**

Russellville School District

Responsibilities: Conduct student assessments to identify psychological and educational needs. Design and implement suitable psychological interventions. Liaise with teachers and parents to evaluate effectiveness of academic and behavioral interventions. Provide crisis assessment, intervention and referral services.

**December 2017- July 2020: Trauma Focused Therapist**

Wade Knox Child Advocacy Center: Lonoke, Arkansas

Responsibilities: Provide Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy and Child Parent Psychotherapy to children and families who have experienced trauma, including sexual and physical abuse, witness to violence, death or loss in the family, and separation from family members.

**August 2008-Present: Head Start Mental Health Consultant**

Mid-Delta Headstart, Helena, Arkansas

Responsibilities: Observe and evaluate classroom interactions between the Headstart teachers and students and make recommendations. Score and interpret DECA.

**May 2016- December 2017: Outpatient Therapist/Psychological Examiner**

Mid-South Health Systems-Brinkley, Arkansas

Responsibilities: Provide individual, family and group therapy to children, adolescents and adults with various mental health diagnoses. Prepare integrated treatment plans. Administer and interpret psychological assessments to aid is diagnostic clarification.

**February 2016 to May 2016:** **Psychological Examiner**

Pediatrics Plus, Little Rock, Arkansas,

Responsibilities: Administer and interpret developmental assessments to children birth to five in a multi-disciplinary pediatric facility.

**August 2014-December 2014; August 2015-May 2016**

**Teaching Assistant/Adjunct Instructor:** Psychology Department, University of Central Arkansas, Conway, Arkansas,

Responsibilities: Prepare lecture materials and teach interactive undergraduate General Psychology courses to 50+ students per course.

**August 2013-June 2015**: **Research Assistant**

Psychology Department, University of Central Arkansas, Conway, Arkansas

Responsibilities: Assist professors in collecting, coding and analyzing research data for an NIH approved grant on bullying. Conduct literature reviews, develop independent research ideas and present proposals based on research data at state and national conferences.

**August 2010-December 2012**: **Research Assistant**

Psychology Department, University of Central Arkansas, Conway, Arkansas

Responsibilities: Assist in developing the administrative model for the Psychology and Counseling training clinic. Administer assessments and provide written reports in training clinic. Score graduate student’s assessment protocols (such as WISC-IV, WRAT-4, KTEA, WJ-III cognitive and achievement) for professors.

**March 2008-December 2009: Psychological Examiner/Therapist**

Counseling and Educational Center, Helena, Arkansas

Responsibilities: Provide individual, family, group and crisis intervention therapy services for children and adolescents, including therapeutic foster children, foster parents and biological parents. Serve as a liaison between the client, DHS and the schools.

**May 2003-July 2010:** **Psychological Examiner**

Kids for the Future, Pediatric Day Clinic, Helena, Arkansas

Responsibilities: Administer developmental assessments to children birth to five in a multi-disciplinary pediatric facility. Assist in coordinating multi-disciplinary evaluations. Prepare comprehensive reports for insurance approval.

**November 1999-April 2003: School Based and Outpatient Therapist/Psychological Examiner**

Counseling Services of Eastern Arkansas, Helena, Arkansas

Responsibilities: Provide individual, group and family therapy services to children, adolescents and adults in clinic, school based and therapeutic foster care settings. Administer and interpret intellectual, academic and personality assessments for the Department of Children and Family Services custody cases; under the supervision of a psychologist.

**January 1999-November 1999: Therapist/Psychological Examiner**

Family Counseling and Diagnostic Clinic, Forrest City, Arkansas

Responsibilities: Administer and interpret developmental assessments to children birth to five. Provide individual play therapy to children ages two to five.

**January 1998-December 1998: Adolescent Therapist/Therapeutic Foster Home Therapist** Centers for Youth and Family Services, Little Rock, Arkansas

Responsibilities: Provide individual therapy services to children in the Adolescent Day Treatment Program. Provide individual and family therapy to therapeutic foster children, foster parents and biological parents. Serve as a liaison between the court, school system and Department of Children and Family Services.

**May 1995-December 1997: Child/Adult Therapist:** Behavioral Health Services, Inc. of Phillips County, Helena, Arkansas

Responsibilities: Provide individual, family and group therapy to 7-12 graders in the alternative and public school settings, as well as in the clinic. Provide therapy and crisis intervention services in the outpatient clinic and crisis stabilization unit for seriously mentally ill clients.

**January 1994-May 1995: Child Therapist**: Counseling Services of Eastern Arkansas, Marianna, Arkansas

Responsibilities: Provide individual, group and family therapy services for children and families.

**PRACTICUM EXPERIENCES IN THE SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY DOCTORAL PROGRAM**

**August 2013-December 2013 Arkansas Behavioral Center:** Little Rock, Ar

Supervisor: Dr. Krameelah Banks

Responsibilities: Complete intake, psychological and psycho-educational assessments for individuals ages preschool through senior adult. Adult assessments included evaluating level of pain severity and overall mental health in preparation for medical procedures. Youth evaluations included assessing or co-assessing for learning disabilities, Autism, attention deficit disorder, depression and adjustment disorders.

**August 2013-December 2013 Psychology and Counseling Training Clinic**: University of Central Arkansas, Conway, Ar.,

Supervisor: Dr. Heather Martens

Responsibilities: Complete psycho-educational assessments (diagnoses and recommendations) for youth and adults. Conduct research based interventions based on psycho-educational assessments and provide feedback to youth and parents.

**June 2013-August 2013 Methodist Behavioral Health Acute and Sub-acute Residential Psychiatric Care**: Maumelle, AR

Supervisor: Kenneth Roy, LPC

Responsibilities: Provide individual and group counseling services to youth and adolescents ages 6 -17 in an acute and sub-acute setting. Diagnoses included psychotic disorder, anxiety disorder, disruptive behavior disorder, autism and depressive disorders.

**January 2013-May 2013 Methodist Behavioral Health Sub-acute Residential Psychiatric Care:** Maumelle, Ar.

Supervisor: Teressa Carter, LSW

Responsibilities: Provide individual and group counseling services to adolescent boys ages 11-17. Diagnoses included psychotic disorder, anxiety disorder, bipolar disorder, conduct disorder, disruptive behavior disorder and depressive disorders.

**August 2012-December 2012** **Conway Human Development Center:** Conway, Ar.

Responsibilities: Administer and interpret psycho-educational assessments to school-age clients and adults with mild to profound intellectual disabilities, as well as multiple disabilities. Conduct functional behavioral assessments and assist with creating positive behavioral support plans and safety plans

**September 2011-May 2012 Conway Public Schools:** Conway, Ar.

Responsibilities: Administer, score and interpret secondary and elementary level psycho-educational assessments, develop and implement academic interventions, lead and/or co-lead social skills and character education groups. Attend and participate in special education conferences and complete special education paperwork using SEAS.