

CURRICULUM VITAE
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LICENSES: Texas Occupational Therapy License #107819

CERTIFICATIONS: National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy #1012809

ACADEMIC PREPARATION:

<u>Institution</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Major</u>
Rocky Mountain University For Health Professions	Provo, UT	OTD	Jan. 2010	Occupational Therapy
University of Texas Medical Branch, School of Allied Health Sciences	Galveston, Texas	B.S.	Dec. 1996	Occupational Therapy

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT: (TEACHING)

Assistant Professor 2011 – present
University of Texas at El Paso,
El Paso, Texas

Responsible for teaching occupational therapy students enrolled in the masters program. Primarily responsible for teaching the clinical content of the OT program. Other responsibilities include research, student advising, University, college and program committee service, and serve as faculty advisor for the Pi Theta Epsilon.

Courses Taught: Concepts and Foundations in Occupational Therapy
Surface Anatomy
Leadership and Management in Occupational Therapy
Occupational Performance in Adults II
Ethics

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT: RESEARCH

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT: CLINICAL

April 3, 2006-
October 14, 2016 El Paso Orthopedic Surgery Group
1755 Curie

El Paso, TX 79902

Occupational Therapist for two hand clinics. Responsible for the evaluation and treatment of clients with orthopedic injuries such as fractures, and status post surgery rehabilitation for shoulder, elbow, wrist, and hand injuries such as rotator cuff tears, carpal tunnel and nerve entrapments. Responsible for the supervision of Occupational Therapy Assistants and technicians.

January, 2007-
August, 2013

University Medical Center/RE Thomason Hospital

PRN therapist working with acute care patients that include trauma Cases such as TBI, stroke, SCI, wound care, gun shot wounds, and other orthopedic and neurological disorders.

October, 2005-
March 31, 2006 Mimbres Memorial Hospital

900 W. Ash
Deming, NM 88030

Director of Rehabilitation Services for Mimbres Memorial Hospital, Nursing Home, Home Health, and Outpatient services. Responsible for supervision of Physical, Occupational, Speech therapists, and technical/clerical staff. Evaluate and treat clients of all ages in an inpatient and outpatient basis. Clinical expertise in neurorehabilitation, orthopedic, manual therapy, low vision, and balance/vestibular treatment.

December 6, 1999-
September, 2005

Sierra Providence Health Network
1740 Curie
El Paso, TX 79902

Sierra Providence Health Network Director for Physical and Occupational Therapy for two acute hospitals, one inpatient rehabilitation hospital, and two outpatient clinics. Responsible for hiring staff, disciplinary action, financial and budgeting for the departments. Responsible for program development and staffing needs. Responsible for marketing programs through various media in the community. Responsible for supervision of Certified Occupational Therapy Assistants and Fieldwork students. Clinical expertise in neurorehabilitation and orthopedic treatment and working with clients of all ages. Responsible for evaluation and treatment of clients with CVA, TBI, SCI, shoulder/hand injuries, hip/knee replacements.

April 19, 1999-
December 4, 1999

Integrate Health Services, Inc.
2311 N. Oregon
El Paso, TX 79902

Full time Occupational Therapist responsible for evaluation, treatment planning, and implementation for individuals of all ages with mental and physical disabilities including fractures, CVA, TBI, and SCI. Responsible for coordinating for rehabilitative services under a PPS environment. PPS Liaison

and therapy coordinator.

November 1, 1998-
April 16, 1999

NovaCare, Inc.
El Paso Healthcare and Rehab Center
11525 Vista Del Sol
El Paso, TX 79935

Full time Occupational Therapist responsible for evaluation, treatment planning and implementation for individuals with physical disabilities such as fractures, stroke, TBI, SCI. Responsible for supervision of COTA's. Responsible for coordinating the rehabilitative services provided to patients by all disciplines under a PPS environment.

January 30, 1997-
October 31, 1998

Rehabworks, Inc.
Mountain View Healthcare Center
1600 Murchison
El Paso, TX 79902

Senior Occupational Therapist responsible for evaluation, treatment planning and implementation for individuals with mental and physical disabilities. Responsible for supervision of COTA's, technicians, and Fieldwork students.

PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE:

Membership in Professional Organizations

Member and District Chair – Texas Occupational Therapy Association
Member – World Federation of Occupational Therapy (2013-2015)
Member - American Occupational Therapy Association (2008-2015)
Member – Community-Campus Partnerships for Health
Lifetime Member-Pi Theta Epsilon
Member – International Kinesiotaping Association
Member of the International Women's Leadership Association
Member-Aquatic Therapy and Rehab Institute
OTA Conference Reviewer (2013)
NBCOT Item Developer (2012-2014)
WFOT Conference Reviewer (2017)

Community Service

Community and Academic Partnership in Health Science Research – member of a group of representatives from various community health agencies and from UTEP interested in conducting research to improve health services in our border community. Committee involves Parks and Recreation and senior health.

Junior Woman's Club of El Paso-Member (2003-2016) Treasurer (2012-2015): have held other offices and chaired several committees throughout the past 11 years.

Secretary and Den Leader for Cub Scouts Pack 86 (August 2016-present): provide educational activities for children ages 7-8 years.

Meetings with Rescue Mission for student participation and future projects

EDUCATIONAL

PUBLICATIONS

Article on Trigger Finger published in Southwest Senior (2012)

Article on Carpal Tunnel published in Southwest Senior (2012)

Article on Carpal Tunnel published in El Paso Times (April 2015)

PRESENTATIONS/ INSERVICE

Significance of Sleep and Fatigue with Traumatic Brain Injury, April 11, 2016

Myofascial Release in Orthopedic Conditions, April 11, 2016

Assessment and Intervention of Shoulder Disorders, November 6, 2015

Technology and High Tech Devices in Occupational Therapy Practice, November 7, 2015

Carpal Tunnel inservice for the Texas Worker's compensation group 2013-2014

Introduction to Wound Care October 4, 2014

Basic Introduction to Physical Agent Modalities-Mountain Central Conference-November 8, 2014

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UNIVERSITY SERVICE:

Member of the Admissions Committee for Occupational Therapy Program

Member of the Centennial Committee for the Occupational Therapy Program 2015-2016

Member of the Student Affairs Committee

Co-Faculty Advisor for SOTA (2010-2012)

Authoring OT department activities for the CHS Newsletter (January, 2013- June, 2014)

Faculty Advisor for Pi Theta Epsilon (2013-current)

Faculty Advisor for SOTA-(2014-current)

Member of CAPHSR (2012-current)

Participated in Career Day about OT program at UTEP May 27, 2016- Cedar Grove Elementary School

PTE Celebration, April 15, 2016

Participated in SOTA Fundraiser- Bubble Soccer April 30, 2016

Participated in Student Orientation on May 31, 2016

Participated at UTEP Open House, September 10, 2016

Assisted in Interdisciplinary Language Simulation Lab, November 4, 2016

Dodson Research Grant Reviewer, December 7-22, 2016