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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Staff Psychologist - Federal Bureau of Prisons, FCI La Tuna; Anthony, TX.

March 2008 - Present

Duties include conducting brief intake interviews with new inmates, brief counseling for a wide array of problems, suicide risk assessments, crisis intervention contacts, long-term psychotherapy for inmates with significant mental health disorders, and conducting psychoeducational groups in CBT/REBT. I am also responsible for the Inmate Suicide Watch Companion Program, which entails selecting and training inmates to observe other inmates who have been placed on suicide watch. Trainings for this program include an initial all-day training as well as subsequent quarterly and biannual trainings. I also regularly teach classes to new staff on recognizing signs of risk for suicide in the inmate population, and classes to all staff at annual refresher training on recognizing suicide risk, preventing sexual assault, and avoiding attempts at manipulation. I have also conducted trainings in diversity and inclusion for all staff, and specialty training in problem-solving for smaller groups of staff. I have also served as a team member and team leader for the Crisis Support Team which is responsible for providing humanitarian needs to staff and their families in the event of an institutional emergency.

Staff Psychologist - Federal Bureau of Prisons, FCC Yazoo City; Yazoo City, MS.

March 2005 - March 2008.

In addition to duties similar to those at FCI La Tuna, as FCC Yazoo City is a higher-security facility I also regularly participated in confrontation avoidance contacts with inmates in solitary confinement and a higher frequency of crisis intervention contacts (e.g. mental health evaluations of inmates on hunger strike).

Psychology Intern - Federal Bureau of Prisons, USMCFP Springfield; Springfield, MO.

August 2003 - August 2004.

One year internship appointment in completion of Ph.D. Duties included conducting forensic evaluations (e.g. competency to stand trial, criminal responsibility), monitoring an assessment of significantly mentally ill inmates, conducting individual and group therapy as part of a treatment unit for inmates with severe Personality Disorders, and assessment and monitoring of inmates with significant medical problems including those in hospice care.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Psychology Instructor - Drexel University

January 2003 - August 2003

As a graduate student I taught undergraduate Introduction to Psychology and Forensic Psychology.

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy - Clinical Psychology

Degree awarded August 2004

Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA. APA accredited program. Degree was earned in joint J.D./Ph.D. program in Law and Clinical Psychology offered through Villanova University School of Law and Drexel University respectively. Practicum placements including working with sexual offenders on probation or parole, conducting forensic evaluations (e.g. juvenile decertification, assessment of psychological injury claims, and capital punishment evaluations.) Dissertation was "Risk and Protective Factors For Suicide and Self-Harm in Individuals With a History of Psychiatric Hospitalization."

Juris Doctor

Degree awarded May 2003.

Villanova University School of Law, Villanova, PA. ABA accredited program. Degree was earned in joint J.D./Ph.D. program in Law and Clinical Psychology offered through Villanova University School of Law and Drexel University respectively.

Bachelor of Arts

Degree awarded May 1996

Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, NY. Psychology major. Graduated with General Honors.

PUBLICATIONS

"Civil Commitment."

Co-authored book chapter in "Forensic Psychology: Emerging Topics and Expanding Roles" (2006) A. Goldstein, Editor.