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SUMMARY:

Accomplished, compassionate Psychology / Mental Health professional with outstanding experience providing psychotherapy in a bilingual environment to children, adolescents and adults. Strong background in testing, evaluation, interviewing, grief counseling and dream analysis for individuals with emotional disturbances, mental illness, or developmental disabilities.

A Spanish-speaking bi-lingual and bi-cultural specialist providing direct client services to diverse, multicultural populations. Recognized for analytical problem solving, excellence in composing assessments and treatment plans, and for superb writing style in psychological processes. Strengths include:

- ◆ Resourceful, responsible and self-confident, with in-depth knowledge of community resources and support services.
- ◆ An engaged listener with an aptitude for building rapport and establishing trust with individuals at all levels.
- ◆ Calm, flexible and focused in urgently-paced, challenging and demanding environments.
- ◆ Proven multi-tasker known for accuracy, attention to detail, outstanding organizational skills and an impeccable client-centric approach.
- ◆ Self-motivated; able to set effective priorities and implement decisions to achieve immediate and long-term goals.
- ◆ A strong and trusted leader with a high standard of credibility and ethics who subscribes to a straightforward, hands-on style in getting the job done.

EXPERIENCE:

GUADALUPE KIRKLIN / PEDIATRIC PSYCHOLOGY SERVICES, Los Altos, CA *2010 - Present*
Pediatric Psychology Services' areas of expertise include childhood anxiety as well as the learning, social-emotional, or behavioral challenges that often accompany complex medical and developmental conditions.

Psychological Assistant

Charged with providing and coordinating, under general supervision, psychological treatment and evaluations, and individualized treatment care plans for children and their families in a multicultural environment.

- ◆ Utilizing in-depth understanding of human behaviors, mental health disorders and psychology research methods, conduct individual psychological testing and evaluations of preschool- / school-aged children and adults.
- ◆ Perform diagnostic evaluations and provide therapy, rehabilitation, crisis intervention and case management services.
- ◆ Provide Individual Therapy and Family / Marital / Relationship Therapy, interpreting thoughts, emotions, feelings and actions to determine course of treatment.
- ◆ Conduct school and home observations as component of overall assessment.
- ◆ Proffer consultation, education and information services to lay and professional groups and individuals.
- ◆ Collaborate with other treating professionals, including psychiatry, neurology, family physician, pediatrics, educators, behavior management, speech / language and occupational therapists.
- ◆ Refer clients to community agencies and support services when appropriate.

SLO COUNTY, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES, San Luis Obispo, CA

2008 - 2010

SLO County Health Services offers a full range of specialty mental health services provided by a culturally diverse network of community mental health programs, clinics and private psychiatrists, psychologists and therapists.

Ph.D. Intern Clinical Psychologist / Mental Health Therapist III

Accountable for providing and coordinating, under general supervision, mental health services and individualized treatment care plans for emotionally disturbed clients in a multicultural environment.

- ◆ Performed services at Latino Outreach Program and South County Clinics, making it possible for clients to transition fluidly into acculturation and adjust to American culture.
- ◆ Assessed, evaluated and provided first-rate therapy, rehabilitation, crisis intervention and case management services for seriously mentally ill persons.
- ◆ Performed and participated in individual, conjoint, family, and group psychotherapy.
- ◆ Formulated treatment plan programs utilizing various modalities of treatment.

AURORA VISTA DEL MAR HOSPITAL, Ventura, CA

2007

The hospital works with psychological, emotional and behavioral problems, including depression, bipolar disorder, addiction and alcoholism.

Ph.D. Intern Clinical Psychologist / Mental Health Counselor

Provided and coordinated, under supervision, mental health services and individualized treatment care plans for mentally ill persons with acute psychiatric illnesses.

- ◆ Performed mental health services that made it possible for patients to transition smoothly between treatment levels as their needs evolved.
- ◆ As member of in-patient team, counseled individuals and groups on psychological problems and behavior therapy.
- ◆ Participated in treatment planning programs to help stabilize patients as rapidly as possible and return them to an improved level of functioning. Performed clinical charting and discharge planning duties.

VENTURA COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH (VCBH), Oxnard, CA

2007

VCBH provides a system of coordinated services to meet mental health and substance abuse treatment needs.

Ph.D. Intern Clinical Psychologist

Relative to juvenile / criminal justice system, provided and coordinating, under general supervision, mental health services for seriously mentally ill persons and their families in a multicultural environment.

- ◆ Assessed, evaluated and provided therapy, rehabilitation, crisis intervention and case management services for seriously mentally ill individuals or couples and families with gravely mentally ill members.
- ◆ Counseled individuals and groups as a member of an out-patient, day treatment or in-patient team on psychological problems and behavior therapy. Selected, administered and evaluated psychological tests.

TRI-COUNTIES REGIONAL CENTER, Oxnard, CA

2004 - 2007

Tri-Counties Regional Center provides support and services for children and adults with developmental disabilities.

Service Coordinator II

Provided consultation, advocacy, resource information and service coordination for people with developmental disabilities.

- ◆ Utilizing comprehensive knowledge of developmental disabilities, provided consultation, troubleshooting, problem solving and feedback.
- ◆ Supported clients by maintaining regular contact and formulating Individual Family Service Plans (IFSP) and Individual Program Plans (IPP).
- ◆ Imparted operative knowledge of legal system, individual civil rights and overall advocacy.
- ◆ Conducted strength-based assessments that communicated an understanding of unique issues facing families.

SEMINIS VEGETABLE SEEDS, INC. Oxnard, CA

2003 - 2004

Seminis is the largest developer, grower and marketer of fruit and vegetable seeds in the world.

Executive Assistant

Provided senior level administrative support to the Vice President of Supply and Delivery Chain for this global leader in agrotechnology industry.

CIAP MEXICO (Integral Center of Psychological Support, Mexico). Zamora, MI / Mexico

1999 - 2003

Chief Officer of Operations

Selected, trained and supervised a multi-disciplinary staff. Assisted with definition of goals and procedures in the areas of program assignment to assure quality and continuity of service to the community.

EDUCATION & LICENSURE:

- ◆ Ph.D. Candidate, Clinical Psychology, Pacifica Graduate Institute, Carpinteria, CA (anticipated graduation March – April, 2012)
- ◆ MS, Clinical Psychology, California Lutheran University, Thousand Oaks, CA
- ◆ California Registered Clinical Psychological Assistant Reg.PSB35731
- ◆ Ph.D., Clinical Psychology UNIVA-Mexico in Clinical Psychology
- ◆ Transcripts from Doctoral Degree in Mexico evaluated by IREF, U.S.A. in January 2004.
- ◆ Mexican-Licensed Psychologist License #4049690 SEP Mexico

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT & CERTIFICATIONS:

- ◆ People with Autism, Ventura County Autism Society (VCAS)
- ◆ Staff Training, Tri-Counties Regional Center
- ◆ Person-Centered-Thinking, Michael Smull Training, Tri-Counties Regional Center
- ◆ Psychotropic Medications, Tri-Counties Regional Center
- ◆ DIR / Floor Time: A Developmental/Relational Treatment of Autism and Sensory Processing Disorders, Certified
- ◆ Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule (ADOS), Certified

HONORS & AWARDS:

- ◆ Scholarship Recipient, UNIVA, Mexico, 1997, 1998 and 1999
- ◆ Award for scholastic achievement and university activities in Psychology, UNIVA, Mexico, 1999

DISSERTATIONS:

- ◆ Near-Death-Experience: An Alchemical View (in progress; to be defended by Spring of 2012)
- ◆ Burnout Syndrome in Mental Health Professionals, 2002
- ◆ Detection of Facilitating Agents of Pharmacodependance in Youngsters, 2000

CITIZENSHIP:

- ◆ United States Citizen