

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION: **Masters of Social Work**
Cleveland State University
Cleveland, Ohio
1996 – (GPA 3.98)

Bachelors of Arts in Social Work
Kent State University
Kent, Ohio
1980

LICENSURE: **Licensed Supervising Independent Social Worker**
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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

The University of Akron – Akron, Ohio
Associate Instructor
School of Social Work

July 2004 - Present

Undergraduate Instruction:

Human Behavior and the Social Environment I
Human Behavior and the Social Environment II
Practice I
Practice I Skills Lab
Practice II
Practice IV
Introduction to Social Work Practice
Introduction to Field Experience
Field Experience Seminar
Social Work Practice in Health Services
Social Work Ethics

Graduate Instruction:

Social Work Practice with Small Systems
Advanced Practice with Small Systems II

Responsibilities have included duties related to my role as instructor . As an instructor, my responsibilities have included teaching undergraduate and graduate level coursework. I have also been actively involved in the revision of Practice coursework with competency based strategies. I function as a member of the School of Social Work Curriculum Committee and Co-Chair for the MSW Admissions Committee. In addition, I am in the process of integrating evidence-based practice strategies into the Practice coursework. I function as faculty advisor for Phi Alpha Honor Society as well as the Social Work Alumni Club. Additional responsibilities have included the following: Advisement of BSW students, faculty field liaison for 12-15 students per semester, field visits with students and field instructors, advising for the Social Work Alumni Club, Advising Phi Alpha Honor Society, Alpha, Alpha, Alpha Honor Society, Chair of the MSW Admissions Committee, MSW and BSW Curriculum Committees, MSW By-laws Committee, Faculty Search Committee, MSW Graduation Committee, and MSW Academic Performance Committee.

Cleveland State University, Cleveland, Ohio
Part-time Faculty – Department of Social Work

September 1998 – 2009

Responsibilities include part-time teaching of the Field Seminar I course. I assist students with agency based learning experiences enabling them to demonstrate social work knowledge, skills, and values. In the past, I have also been actively involved in the Cleveland State University Field Education Committee. Additional duties have included: provision of Field Instructor Orientation Workshops and participation in the CSU Curriculum Committee.

Southwest General Health Center, Cleveland, Ohio
Medical Social Worker/Cardiovascular Case Manager

March 2003 – July 2004

Provided cardiovascular case management services on the cardiac step-down unit. Responsibilities included: In-patient diagnostic assessment, discharge planning, hospice counseling services, in-patient counseling, facilitation of out-patient community resources, coverage for the Intensive Care Units and back-up coverage for emergency room social work services. Other duties included: provision of facility continuing education programs which enabled staff to meet licensure requirements, involvement in the facility hospice committee, care path committee and the subacute committee. I also provided field instruction for a graduate level social work student.

MetroHealth Center for Skilled Nursing Care **January 1981 – March 2003**
Manager, Department of Social Work

As manager for the Department of Social Work, I was responsible for a staff of four social workers and approximately 3 undergraduate and graduate interns per year. I also managed rehabilitation patients and provided counseling for residents with mental health issues and behavior management problems. I had been involved in quality management studies, developed departmental policies and procedures, and maintained a departmental budget. I provided in-service training to all medical staff on social work related issues. I functioned as field instructor for Cleveland State University for over 15 years.

Social Worker Subacute and Skilled Nursing Residents

While at MetroHealth Center for Skilled Nursing Care, I also provided social work case and group work to subacute and long-term care residents, initiated an amputee support group, provided social work in interdisciplinary team settings to subacute residents, worked with MR/DD Board in placement of mentally retarded residents in community settings, mobilization of community resources for indigent patients, assisted residents in adjustment to physical and emotional issues. Assisted patients in executing discharge plans.

Catholic Charities Service Bureau

February 1980 – September 1980

Undergraduate Internship

Direct practice case management in adoption and foster care program. Provided resource exploration with indigent clients as well as intervention with clients in the income maintenance program.

TownHall II Crisis Intervention Hotline

1979-1980

Crisis Intervention Volunteer:

Received specialized training in crisis intervention working specifically with college age population. Responsibilities included: work with suicide call-ins, rape crisis intervention, chemical dependency and substance abuse crises, an information and referral services.

TEACHING:

Part-time Faculty - Cleveland State University: Field Seminar I - 1998-2009

TEACHING:

Faculty – Senior Instructor: University of Akron – School of Social Work

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS:

2016 – October 21 – ““Good vs. Bad Decisions: What Ethical Social Workers Need to Know” and “Mastering Supervisory Competence in Clinical Social Work”, The University of Akron, Akron, Ohio.

This ethics workshop reviewed NASW and ACA Codes of Ethics, Ohio Revised Code ethical standards, assisted participants in understanding standards for ethical decision making models in social work and counseling, and identified methods for solving ethical dilemmas in practice settings. Participants also applied ethical decision making models to vignettes illustrating ethical dilemmas. Participants also identified the major components of supervision. They also discussed supervision mandates as identified in the Ohio Revised Code and as it relates to competent social work practice. Developmental models were discussed that identified and integrated supervision in social work practice.

2016 – October 14 – “Ethics & Professional Conduct: What Social Workers and Counselors Need to Know” and “Mastering Professional Competence in Clinical Supervision”, Belmont Pines, Youngstown, Ohio.

This ethics workshop reviewed NASW and ACA Codes of Ethics, Ohio Revised Code ethical standards, assisted participants in understanding standards for ethical decision making models in social work and counseling, and identified methods for solving ethical dilemmas in practice settings. Participants also applied ethical decision making models to vignettes illustrating ethical dilemmas. Participants also identified the major components of supervision. They also discussed supervision mandates as identified in the Ohio Revised Code and as it relates to competent social work practice. Developmental models were discussed that identified and integrated supervision in social work practice.

2016 – October 5 – “Aging In Place”, The Merriman Workshop, Akron, Ohio.

This workshop provided a power point presentation identifying strength-based and competency driven practice with older adults. Participants explored strengths-based models to assist in care coordination for older adults to “age in place and remain independent”. Participants were able to identify competency-driven practice skills for Social Work with older adults.

2016 – July 29 – “Cognitive Behavioral Therapy: Does it have to be all or nothing?” NASW State Conference, Columbus, Ohio.

Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) has been widely researched for use in treatment with clients experiencing a broad range of problems. Despite its demonstrated effectiveness, clinicians miss opportunities to use CBT due to concerns about lack of training and/or suitability in non-traditional behavioral health settings. This workshop explored specific CBT strategies and cognitive conceptualizations that may be useful with clients in a variety of settings, leaving participants more confident in applying CBT techniques in their own practice settings.

2016 – April 2, – “Aging In Place”, BPD Annual Conference – Dallas Texas.

This workshop provided a power point presentation identifying strength-based and competency driven practice with older adults. Participants explored strengths-based models to assist in care coordination for older adults to “age in place and remain independent”. Participants were able to identify competency-driven practice skills for Social Work with older adults.

2016 - March 21, - “Ethics and Professional Conduct: Good vs. Bad Decisions.” Mid-Northern Ohio Association of Medical Social Workers, Akron, Ohio.

This ethics workshop reviewed NASW code of ethics, Ohio Revised Code ethical standards, assist participants in understanding standards for ethical decision making models in social work, and identified methods for solving ethical dilemmas in practice settings. Familiarize participants with supervision mandates as identified in the Ohio Revised Code as it relates to competent social work practice.

2016 - May 20 “Social Work In Health Care”. Directions Home, Hartville, Ohio.

This workshop identified factors related to Social Work in Health Care settings. Participants explored the role of social work in a wide variety of health care settings, the future of social work in health care, and the interprofessional collaboration model that is emerging in medical settings.

2015 – November 12 – “Creating A Catalyst for Aging in Place: Competency-Driven Practice for Work with Older Adults”. NASW State Conference, Columbus, Ohio.

This workshop provided a power point presentation identifying strength-based and competency driven practice with older adults. Participants explored strengths-based models to assist in care coordination for older adults to “age in place and remain independent”. Participants were able to identify competency-driven practice skills for Social Work with older adults.

2015 – October 2 – “Ethics & Professional Conduct: What Social Workers and Counselors Need to Know” and “Mastering Professional Competence in Clinical Supervision”, Belmont Pines, Youngstown, Ohio.

This ethics workshop reviewed NASW and ACA Codes of Ethics, Ohio Revised Code ethical standards, assisted participants in understanding standards for ethical decision making models in social work and counseling, and identified methods for solving ethical dilemmas in practice settings. Participants also applied ethical decision making models to vignettes illustrating ethical dilemmas. Participants also identified the major components of supervision. They also discussed supervision mandates as identified in the Ohio Revised Code and as it relates to competent social work practice. Developmental models were discussed that identified and integrated supervision in social work practice.

2015 August 6, “Wellness – Understanding Coping Techniques to Assist with Common Life Stressors”. Directions Home, Hartville, Ohio.

This wellness workshop identified the factors related to wellness and mental health issues, assisted participants in understanding common life stressors experienced by our clients, and facilitated participant’s understanding of techniques used to assist clients in coping with stress.

2015 August 6, “Creative and Experiential Approaches When Working with Families”. Directions Home, Hartville, Ohio.

This workshop identified factors related to the Experiential Family Therapy approach that encourages patients to identify communication issues that impact family functioning. Interventions identified “client-driven models” for use with patients and families to improve functional living in community settings.

**2015: April 24, “Social Work Supervision: Mentoring Competent Practice”
Help Me Grow/Catholic Charities, Akron, Ohio.**

Participants identified three major components of supervision. The components will reflect the administrative, educational, and supportive roles of supervision. Familiarize participants with supervision mandates as identified in the Ohio Revised Code as it relates to competent social work practice. Explore developmental models that identify integrated supervision as it relates to social work practice.

2015: March 11, “Ethical Issues in Practice & Supervision: Understanding Changing Systems” Akron Medical Social Workers, Akron, Ohio.

This ethics workshop reviewed NASW code of ethics, Ohio Revised Code ethical standards, assist participants in understanding standards for ethical decision making models in social work, and identified methods for solving ethical dilemmas in practice settings. Familiarize participants with supervision mandates as identified in the Ohio Revised Code as it relates to competent social work practice.

2015: March 2, “Strengths Perspective and Group Supervision of Social Work Students” Baccalaureate Program Directors, Kansas City, Missouri.

This workshop integrated the theoretical models of the strengths perspective with narrative theory and reflective practice. Methodology also incorporated the concepts of parallel process and the Socratic method into the group supervision of social work students to facilitate interprofessional collaboration in the field practicum environment.

2014 - “October 30, Social Work Supervision: Mentoring Competent Clinical Practice”, Area Agency on Aging, Hartville, Ohio.

Participants identified three major components of supervision. The components will reflect the administrative, educational, and supportive roles of supervision. Familiarize participants with supervision mandates as identified in the Ohio Revised Code as it relates to competent social work practice. Explore developmental models that identify integrated supervision as it relates to social work practice.

2014 - October 10, “Ethics Matters: Professional Ethics Guiding Social Workers and Counselors”. Belmont Pines, Youngstown, Ohio.

This ethics workshop reviewed NASW code of ethics, Ohio Revised Code ethical standards, assist participants in understanding standards for ethical decision making models in social work, and identified methods for solving ethical dilemmas in practice

settings. Participants also applied ethical decision making models to video case examples illustrating ethical dilemmas.

2014 - September 17, “Ethical Issues in Supervision for Social Workers and Counselors”, Cleveland State University, Cleveland, Ohio.

Participants identified three major components of supervision. The components will reflect the administrative, educational, and supportive roles of supervision. Familiarize participants with supervision mandates as identified in the Ohio Revised Code as it relates to competent social work practice. Explore developmental models that identify integrated supervision as it relates to social work practice.

2014 - March 21, - “Ethics & Diversity Issues Guiding Social Work Practice”, Akron Medical Social Workers, Akron, Ohio.

Reviewed NASW code of ethics, Ohio Revised Code ethical standards, assisted participants in understanding standards for ethical decision making models in group work practice, and identified methods for solving ethical dilemmas in small group settings. Participants also applied ethical decision making models to vignettes illustrating ethical dilemmas in social work with groups.

2014-March 8 - “Viewing Globally & Acting Locally: Ethical Guidelines For Social Workers”. University of Akron Alumni Group. Akron, Ohio.

This ethics workshop reviewed NASW code of ethics, Ohio Revised Code ethical standards, assist participants in understanding standards for ethical decision making models in social work, and identified methods for solving ethical dilemmas in practice settings. Participants also applied ethical decision making models to video case examples illustrating ethical dilemmas.

2014- January 31- “Diversity Perspectives in Ethical Social Work Practice”, Cleveland State University, Cleveland, Ohio.

Reviewed NASW code of ethics, Ohio Revised Code ethical standards, assisted participants in understanding standards for ethical decision making models in group work practice, and identified methods for solving ethical dilemmas in small group settings. Participants also applied ethical decision making models to vignettes illustrating ethical dilemmas in social work with groups.

2013 – September 21 - “A Comprehensive Overview of What Ethical Social Workers and Counselors Need to Know”. Cleveland State University, Cleveland, Ohio.

This ethics workshop reviewed NASW code of ethics, Ohio Revised Code ethical standards, assist participants in understanding standards for ethical decision making models in social work, and identified methods for solving ethical dilemmas in practice

settings. Participants also applied ethical decision making models to video case examples illustrating ethical dilemmas.

2013 – June 8 – “Mutual Aid Groups and the Strengths Perspective”, Boston, Massachusetts. IASWG Annual Symposium.

In mutual aid groups, the strengths perspective is related to the belief in the fundamental possibility of change through the use of the resources within the group. In group work, members report that they were able to express a variety of feelings that they have not been able to with family and friends. Being able to “talk about it” and apply the resources from the group experience is linked to a sense of trust and cohesion with group members.

2013 – March 28 - “Ethics and Legal Mandates That Guide Social Work Practice”. Akron, Ohio. Akron Medical Social Workers Annual Workshop.

This ethics workshop reviewed NASW code of ethics, Ohio Revised Code ethical standards, assist participants in understanding standards for ethical decision making models in social work, and identified methods for solving ethical dilemmas in practice settings. Participants also applied ethical decision making models to video case examples illustrating ethical dilemmas

2013 – March 16 - “Ethical Standards Guiding Social Work Practice”. Akron, Ohio. The University of Akron School of Social Work Annual Spring Fling Workshop.

This ethics workshop reviewed NASW code of ethics, Ohio Revised Code ethical standards, assist participants in understanding standards for ethical decision making models in social work, and identified methods for solving ethical dilemmas in practice settings. Participants also applied ethical decision making models to video case examples illustrating ethical dilemmas.

2012 – December 11 - “Ethics That Guide The Social Work Practitioner”. Wooster Hospital, Wooster, Ohio.

This ethics workshop reviewed NASW code of ethics, Ohio Revised Code ethical standards, assist participants in understanding standards for ethical decision making models in social work, and identified methods for solving ethical dilemmas in practice settings. Participants also applied ethical decision making models to video case examples illustrating ethical dilemmas.

2012 – November 30 – “Empowering Persons with Disabilities: A Call to Action”. NASW State Conference, Columbus, Ohio.

This empowerment workshop identified factors related to the medical profession's view of problems of disability as the “**inability** of a person to perform certain activities of daily living (ADLs).” The workshop emphasized empowerment through self-determination of disabled persons rather than reliance on medical experts. Interventions

identified client-driven models of care focusing on client goals, their ability to transform their environment and emphasized roles of education and skill-building.

2012 – September 21 - “Addressing Ethical Issues That Guide Social Work Practice”. Cleveland State University, Cleveland, Ohio.

This ethics workshop reviewed NASW code of ethics, Ohio Revised Code ethical standards, assist participants in understanding standards for ethical decision making models in social work, and identified methods for solving ethical dilemmas in practice settings. Participants also applied ethical decision making models to video case examples illustrating ethical dilemmas.

2012 – June 15 – “Ethics in Group Work Practice”. AASWG Annual Symposium, Long Island, New York.

Co-presented this Ethics in Groups Work workshop with Dr. Mamadou Seck at the annual AASWG symposium. Reviewed NASW code of ethics, Ohio Revised Code ethical standards, assisted participants in understanding standards for ethical decision making models in group work practice, and identified methods for solving ethical dilemmas in small group settings. Participants also applied ethical decision making models to vignettes illustrating ethical dilemmas in social work with groups.

2012 – April 20 – “Ethics That Guide the Social Work and Counseling Practitioners” and “Social Work Supervision: A Privilege and an Opportunity for Growth”, Belmont Pines, Youngstown, Ohio.

This ethics workshop reviewed NASW and ACA Codes of Ethics, Ohio Revised Code ethical standards, assisted participants in understanding standards for ethical decision making models in social work and counseling, and identified methods for solving ethical dilemmas in practice settings. Participants also applied ethical decision making models to vignettes illustrating ethical dilemmas. Participants also identified the major components of supervision. They also discussed supervision mandates as identified in the Ohio Revised Code and as it relates to competent social work practice. Developmental models were discussed that identified and integrated supervision in social work practice.

2012 – March 28 - “Ethics that Guide the Social Work Practitioner”, Akron Medical Social Workers, Akron, Ohio.

This ethics workshop reviewed NASW and ACA Codes of Ethics, Ohio Revised Code ethical standards, assisted participants in understanding standards for ethical decision making models in social work and counseling, and identified methods for solving ethical dilemmas in practice settings. Participants also applied ethical decision making models to vignettes illustrating ethical dilemmas.

2012 – January 20 – Ethics: Guiding Social Work Practitioners. NASW sponsored for Summit County Children’s Services, Akron, Ohio.

This ethics workshop reviewed NASW code of ethics, Ohio Revised Code ethical standards, assist participants in understanding standards for ethical decision making models in social work, and identified methods for solving ethical dilemmas in practice settings. Participants also applied ethical decision making models to video case examples illustrating ethical dilemmas.

2011 – December 9 - Ethics That Guide the Social Workers, Counselors, and Psychologists Working with Developmentally Disabled Individuals. Board of Developmental Disabilities, Cleveland, Ohio.

This ethics workshop reviewed standards for ethical decision making models in social work, psychology, and counseling. Participants also identified methods for solving ethical dilemmas in practice settings.

2011 – November 2 - Ethical Issues in Social Work Practice. Alliance Hospital, Alliance, Ohio

This ethics workshop reviewed NASW code of ethics, Ohio Revised Code ethical standards, assist participants in understanding standards for ethical decision making models in social work, and identified methods for solving ethical dilemmas in practice settings. Participants also applied ethical decision making models to video case examples illustrating ethical dilemmas.

2011 – October 10 –Ethics in Counseling and Social Work. Blick Clinic, Akron, Ohio.

This ethics workshop reviewed NASW and ACA Codes of Ethics, Ohio Revised Code ethical standards, assisted participants in understanding standards for ethical decision making models in social work and counseling, and identified methods for solving ethical dilemmas in practice settings. Participants also applied ethical decision making models to vignettes illustrating ethical dilemmas.

2011 – September 30 – Ethics That Guide the Social Work and Counseling Practitioners. Belmont Pines, Youngstown, Ohio.

This ethics workshop reviewed NASW and ACA Codes of Ethics, Ohio Revised Code ethical standards, assisted participants in understanding standards for ethical decision making models in social work and counseling, and identified methods for solving ethical dilemmas in practice settings. Participants also applied ethical decision making models to vignettes illustrating ethical dilemmas.

2011 – June 6 - Lifeboat: Support Groups for families of persons with mental illness and substance misuse - theoretical perspectives and evidence-based practice. AASWG Symposium, Long Beach California.

Service delivery methods, including group interventions available for families of persons with mental illness and families of persons with substance use disorders.

2011 – June 4 – Panel Analysis of Teaching Methods Using the AASWG Group Work Standards. AASWG Symposium, Long Beach California.

Discussion for this workshop focused on panel of instructors and professors who teach both graduate and undergraduate group work courses and utilize the AASWG Group Works Standards in the classroom. Specific teaching assignments and methods were analyzed as well as analysis of the AASWG Standards as a teaching tool.

2011 – March 14 - “Understanding and Using the Second Edition of Standards For Social Work Practice with Groups”, University of Central Florida, Orlando, Florida.

Discussion for this workshop included the background and application of the Standards for Social Work Practice with Groups, Second Edition, published by the Association for the Advancement of Social Work with Groups, Inc. in early 2006. Knowledge, values, skills and tasks related to each phase of work with groups were discussed.

2011- March 4 -“Ethics that Guide the Social Work Practitioner”, Akron Medical Social Workers, Akron, Ohio.

This ethics workshop reviewed NASW and ACA Codes of Ethics, Ohio Revised Code ethical standards, assisted participants in understanding standards for ethical decision making models in social work and counseling, and identified methods for solving ethical dilemmas in practice settings. Participants also applied ethical decision making models to vignettes illustrating ethical dilemmas.

2010 - October 22 - “Social Work Supervision: A Privilege and an Opportunity for Growth”. Belmont Pines, Youngstown, Ohio.

Participants identified three major components of supervision. The components will reflect the administrative, educational, and supportive roles of supervision. Familiarize participants with supervision mandates as identified in the Ohio Revised Code as it relates to competent social work practice. Explore developmental models that identify integrated supervision as it relates to social work practice.

2010-October 11- “Wellness and Mental Health Groups” Area Agency on Aging, Akron, Ohio.

This wellness workshop will identified the factors related to wellness and mental health issues, assisted participants in understanding common life stressors experienced by our clients, and group work techniques used to assist clients in coping with stress. I also provided an exercise simulating wellness resources for use with clients.

2010 – June 6 – “Team Building and Group Process Among Two Faculty Groups Delivering A Joint Master of Social Work Program”, Montreal, Canada.

Emerging trends in Social Work Education as it relates to the use of technology in delivering a joint Master of Social Work Program. Conference focus was on addressing the group dynamic and roles played by faculty members in the development and evaluation of the joint distance learning program as well as delivery of a competency based program adhering to the CSWE standards for a joint MSW program.

2010 – June 5 – “A Child’s Grief: Group Work Facilitating Child’s Coping Following The Suicidal Death of A Parent”, Montreal, Canada.

Developed participant’s knowledge related to childhood grief following the death of a parent to suicide. Participants learned group facilitated activities that benefit children of suicidal parents in group counseling sessions. Assisted in therapeutic recognition of the importance of group therapy for these children.

2010 – June 4 – “Understanding and Use of Standards for Social Work Practice with Groups”, Montreal, Canada.

Provided background and application of the Standards for Social Work Practice with Groups, Second Edition. Participants developed an understanding of the purpose, structure, and applicability of the standards. It provided insight into the knowledge, skills, tasks and ethical considerations related to the five stages of group development with an international perspective. The workshop was presented for the Association for the Advancement of Social Work with Group’s annual international symposium.

2010 – March 24 - “Social Work Supervision – A Privilege and an Opportunity for Growth”, Youngstown, Ohio.

Participants identified the major components of supervision. They also discussed supervision mandates as identified in the Ohio Revised Code and as it relates to competent social work practice. Developmental models were discussed that identified and integrated supervision in social work practice.

2009 - October 30 – NASW, Ohio Chapter Annual Conference – Workshop- “Online Groups and the Use of Technology As A Form of Computer Mediated Technology”, Columbus, Ohio.

Presentation identified the benefits and pitfalls of using technology to facilitate online support groups as a form of computer mediated intervention. I provided an experiential exercise simulating an online experience. Participants received PowerPoint handouts as well as online group resource information.

2009 – August 19 – Summa Health Care – Workshop – “Social Work Supervision – A Privilege and an Opportunity for Growth” Akron, Ohio.

Participants identified the major components of supervision. They also discussed supervision mandates as identified in the Ohio Revised Code as it relates to competent social work practice. Developmental models were discussed that identified integrated supervision in social work.

2009 – June 28 – AASWG Annual Symposium – Workshop – “Simply Wellness” Chicago, Illinois – Co-presented with Dr. Thelma Silver.

Familiarized participants with methods to incorporate wellness activities into their interventions with groups. They discussed the need to support group members as they seek self-help methods to enhance the supports in their lives. Participants identified issues related to wellbeing and how individuals are influenced by a number of social factors that are related to life tasks. Participants identified mental health components related to wellness and skills for promoting wellness in groups that allow group members to transfer to their daily lives.

2009- April 8 – Belmont Pines – Workshop – “Online Groups and the Use of Technology” – Lisbon, Ohio

Familiarized participants with group work options related to forms of online Self-Help Support Groups. Participants identified characteristics of “Good Online Groups” as standards for client referrals. Participants also explored the pitfalls and benefits of online groups.

2009 – March 25 – University of Akron, Women Studies Council – Workshop – “Women and Wellness” – Akron, Ohio

Participants explored the connection between the mind and body in the lives of women. Members discussed the mental health effects of common life stressors. Learned techniques participants could use, anytime, to reduce the tension in their lives.

2009 – March 11 – Belmont Pines – Workshop – “Online Groups and the Use of Technology” – Youngstown, Ohio

Familiarized participants with group work options related to forms of online Self-Help Support Groups. Participants identified characteristics of “Good Online Groups” as standards for client referrals. Participants also explored the pitfalls and benefits of online groups.

2009 – March 6 – Akron Medical Social Workers – Workshop – “Ethics that Guide the Social Work Practitioner” – Akron, Ohio

Reviewed NASW code of ethics, Ohio Revised Code ethical standards, assisted participants in understanding standards for ethical decision making models in group work

practice, and identified methods for solving ethical dilemmas in small group settings. Participants also applied ethical decision making models to vignettes illustrating ethical dilemmas in social work with groups.

2008 – November 14 – NASW, Ohio Chapter Annual Conference – Workshop- “Ethics that Guide the Group Work Practitioner – Be the Rock”, Columbus, Ohio. Co-presented with Dr. Mamadou Seck.

Reviewed NASW code of ethics, Ohio Revised Code ethical standards, assisted participants in understanding standards for ethical decision making models in group work practice, and identified methods for solving ethical dilemmas in small group settings. Participants also applied ethical decision making models to vignettes illustrating ethical dilemmas in social work with groups.

2008 – April 18 – Understanding and Use of Standards for Social Work Practice with Groups, Belmont Pines, Youngstown, Ohio.

Provided background and application of the Standards for Social Work Practice with Groups, Second Edition. Participants developed an understanding of the purpose, structure, and applicability of the standards. It provided insight into the knowledge, skills, tasks and ethical considerations related to the five stages of group development. Standards were applied for group work with youth in mental health settings.

2008 – April 9 - Mid-Northern Ohio Association of Medical Social Workers - “Social Work Supervision”, Akron, Ohio.

Provided models for supervision of social workers in medical and clinical settings. Identified Ohio Revised Code mandates for social work supervision related to social work trainees and training supervision for those seeking LISW status. I also identified three major components of social work supervision as well as supervisory responsibilities.

2007 – December 12 – In-service Training for Mental Health Services of Cleveland - Understanding and Use of Standards for Social Work Practice with Groups, Cleveland, Ohio.

Provided background and application of the Standards for Social Work Practice with Groups, Second Edition. Participants developed an understanding of the purpose, structure, and applicability of the standards. It provided insight into the knowledge, skills, tasks and ethical considerations related to the five stages of group development. Standards were applied for group work in mental health settings.

2007 – November 1 – NASW, Ohio Chapter Annual Conference – Presentation of Boundary Issues in Field – Helping Students Integrate Ethical Decision-Making, Columbus, Ohio. Co-presented with Dr. Nikki Wingerson and Prof. Jill Dickie.

Identified supervisory strategies for social work supervisors to assist employees in developing insight into common boundary violations, dual relationship issues, self-disclosure dilemmas, and the cultural impact on boundary maintenance. Case examples provided application opportunities for supervisors to identify boundary violations related to NASW and Ohio Revised Code mandates.

2007 – October 12- Solving Ethical Dilemmas in Group Work Practice – Berea Children’s Home, Berea, Ohio. Co-presented with Dr. Mamadou Seck.

Reviewed group work models, assisted participants in understanding stages of group development, provided standards for ethical decision making model in group work practice, and identified methods for solving ethical dilemmas in small group settings. Participants also applied ethical decision making model to vignettes illustrating ethical dilemmas in social work with groups.

2007 – June 30 – Understanding and Use of Standards for Social Work Practice with Groups – 29th Annual Symposium on Social Work with Groups: Gateway to Growth, Jersey City, New Jersey. Co-presented with Elizabeth Schmid.

Provided background and application of the Standards for Social Work Practice with Groups, Second Edition. Participants developed an understanding of the purpose, structure, and applicability of the standards. It provided insight into the knowledge, skills, tasks and ethical considerations related to the five stages of group development. The workshop was presented for the Association for the Advancement of Social Work with Group’s annual international symposium.

2007 – March 8 – Boundary Issues in Field – Helping Students Integrate Ethical Decision-Making -The University of Akron School of Social Work, Akron, Ohio. Co-presented with Dr. Nikki Wingerson and Prof. Jill Dickie.

Identified supervisory strategies for field instructors to assist students in developing insight into common boundary violations, dual relationship issues, self-disclosure dilemmas, and the cultural impact on boundary maintenance. Case examples provided application opportunities for field instructors to identify boundary violations related to NASW and Ohio Revised Code mandates.

2007 - January 17 – Understanding and Use of Standards for Social Work Practice with Groups – NASW Region II, Akron, Ohio.

Provided background and application of the Standards for Social Work Practice with Groups, Second Edition. Participants developed an understanding of the purpose, structure, and applicability of the standards. It provided insight into the knowledge, skills, tasks and ethical considerations related to the five stages of group development.

2006 - October 19 – Understanding and Use of Standards for Social Work

Practice with Groups – NASW Ohio Chapter 2006 Annual Conference, Columbus, Ohio. Co-presented with Mr. John Ramey.

Provided background and application of the Standards for Social Work Practice with Groups, Second Edition. Participants developed an understanding of the purpose, structure, and applicability of the standards. It provided insight into the knowledge, skills, tasks and ethical considerations related to the five stages of group development.

2006 - June 23 – Use of Supervision, Adult Learning, and Knowledge Application – BSW Field Instructors, Akron, Ohio. Co-presented with Dr. Nikki Wingerson.

Provided elements pertinent to appropriate use of field instruction, knowledge of supervisory purpose, roles, expectations, orientation, boundaries, and theory application. It provides models of supervision, concepts for adult learning, and knowledge application.

2006 – March 9 – De-Stressing the Social Work Professional - Akron Medical Social Workers, Akron, Ohio. Co-presented with Dr. Nikki Wingerson.

Identified symptoms of social work burnout and strategies to assist in avoiding early warning signs of workplace burnout. Provided basic guidelines for development of tasks to de-stress their work environment. Identified ways to guard against workplace burnout in the future.

2006 – March 6 – Use of Supervision, Adult Learning, and Knowledge Application – Field Instructors, Akron, Ohio. Co-presented with Dr. Nikki Wingerson.

Provided elements pertinent to appropriate use of field instruction, knowledge of supervisory purpose, roles, expectations, orientation, boundaries, and theory application. It provides models of supervision, concepts for adult learning, and knowledge application.

2006 – February 22 – De-stressing the Social Work Professional – Southwest General Hospital Social Workers and Case Managers, Middleburg Hts., Ohio.

Identified symptoms of social work burnout and strategies to assist in avoiding early warning signs of workplace burnout. Provided basic guidelines for development of tasks to de-stress their work environment. Identified ways to guard against workplace burnout in the future.

2005 – November 18 – How to De-stress Yourself and Take Care of Your Students – Field Instructors, Akron, Ohio. Co-presented with Dr. Nikki Wingerson.

Identified factors that may result in job stress or workplace burnout. Assisted in field instructor identification of student stressors, student perception of “quality field”,

understanding of tasks necessary to de-stress their environment, and strategies for students and field instructors to guard against workplace burnout.

2005 – September 7 – Use of Supervision, Adult Learning, and Knowledge Application – BSW Field Instructors, Akron, Ohio. Co-presented with Dr. Nikki Wingerson.

Provided elements pertinent to appropriate use of field instruction, knowledge of supervisory purpose, roles, expectations, orientation, boundaries, and theory application. It provides models for supervision, concepts for adult learning, and knowledge application.

2005 – August 12 – Use of Supervision, Adult Learning, and Knowledge Application MSW Field Instructors, Akron, Ohio. Co-presented with Dr. Nikki Wingerson.

Provided elements pertinent to appropriate use of field instruction, knowledge of supervisory purpose, roles, expectations, orientation, boundaries and self reflection. It provides models for supervision, concepts for adult learning, and knowledge application.

2005 – June 24 – Use of Supervision, Adult Learning, and Knowledge Application – Field Instructors, Akron, Ohio. Co-presented with Dr. Nikki Wingerson.

Provided elements pertinent to appropriate use of field instruction, knowledge of supervisory purpose, roles, expectations, orientation, boundaries and self reflection. It provides models for supervision, concepts for adult learning, and knowledge application.

2005 – Trends in Medical Social Work – Mid-Northern Ohio Association of Medical Social Workers, Akron, Ohio.

Identified trends in medical social work practice and discussed advancement of profession through evidence based practice.

2004 – Medicare Prescription Drug Legislation – Southwest General Hospital, Middleburg Heights, Ohio.

A presentation for medical social workers involved in obtaining prescription drugs for the indigent elderly.

MEMBERSHIPS

International Association for the Advancement of Social Work with Groups

(Past: Chair – Chapter Development/ Executive Board

IASWG, NE Ohio - Executive Council (Student Scholar Chair)

Phi Alpha National Social Work Honor Society

National Association of Social Workers

Women's Studies Council - Past

Social Work Leaders in Health Care – Past President

International Assoc. for the Advancement of Social Work with Groups - Education Com.

North Central Field Consortium - Past

Mid-Northern Ohio Association of Medical Social Workers

Cleveland State University Alumni Association
Community Welfare Forum
Social Work Leaders in Health Care - Past PAC Committee
Past - Board of Trustees Sunny Acres Foundation Auxiliary

FACULTY ADVISOR

Phi Alpha Honor Society 2009 - present

Alpha Alpha Alpha Honor Society 2009 - present

The University of Akron Social Work Alumni Club 2005- present

HONORS AND AWARDS

Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity Faculty Recognition March 2010
Phi Alpha National Social Work Honor Society 2005

LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

International Association for the Advancement of Social Work with Groups, Chair – Chapter Development, Executive Board, New York, New York 2007 - 2014

Association for the Advancement of Social Work with Groups Northeast Ohio Executive Committee 2005-present

Association for the Advancement of Social Work with Groups Student Scholars Advisor 2006-present

AASWG Membership Chair – Executive Committee – NE, Ohio 2006-present

Social Work Leaders in Health Care - Cleveland, Ohio President of Local Chapter 2002

Cleveland State University - Cleveland, Ohio Co-President Social Work Alumni Association 2004-2005

Cleveland State University - Cleveland, Ohio Secretary Master of Social Work Student Association 1995-1996