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EXPERIENCE:

Simmons College Graduate School of Social Work Assistant Professor
January 2005 to present

Currently, I teach a variety of courses including advanced clinical electives "Impact of Victimization on Child & Adolescent Development" and "Forensic Social Work" as well as required courses such as "Human Behavior in the Social Environment," and "Group Psychotherapy." My Committee assignment is Admissions and Program Development. Prior to becoming a full-time faculty member at Simmons College, I taught (as adjunct faculty) at two other local graduate schools of social work for twelve years.

Forensic Interventions Director
Newton, Mass.
February 1986 to present

Forensic Interventions is my consulting firm which provides: monthly clinical supervision to several residential and outpatient treatment centers; forensic evaluations to sexually acting-out youth and offers training on a national basis. Direct service in the form of paraphilia or abuse reactive group psychotherapy is available. During this time, I have taken leave to be: the Clinical Director for a 40 bed residential center for conduct disordered youth (1990-91); the Clinical Director for a 16 bed long-term secure psychiatric unit for adolescent girls (1995-96) and most recently, the Director of Clinical Services for a therapeutic day school and residential treatment center for 95 latency age children. I have also served as an expert witness for the US Attorney General (Miami, Fla. Division) and in numerous criminal cases, including one death penalty trial.

Sexual Abuse Treatment Unit Director
Coastal Community Counseling Center
Braintree, Mass.
April 1983 to February 1986

I was the founder of this comprehensive outpatient forensic treatment unit for sexually victimized children, non-offending family members and sex offenders who were approved for pre-trial diversion programs. This unit existed within the structure of a large, free-standing mental health center. At one point, I directed a staff of 24 clinicians who served over 300 clients per week. The treatment model has been featured in LIFE and PEOPLE magazines.

Woodstock, Vermont/Brookline Mass.
June 1978 to April 1983

Author/Therapist/Consultant

Rape Prevention Forum
Seattle, Washington
September 1973 to June 1978

Founder and Director

EDUCATION:

1976 Masters in Social Work, University of Washington
1972 Bachelors in Urban Planning, University of Washington

PUBLICATIONS:

Strong at the Broken Places: Building Resiliency in Survivors of Trauma,
Random House, 1990; Avon Books 1992; NEARI Press 2005.

Women and Self-Esteem: Understanding and Improving How We Think and Feel About Ourselves (co-authored with Mary Ellen Donovan), Doubleday & Co. 1984; Viking/Penguin 1986.

The Silent Children: A Parent's Guide to the Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse
Doubleday & Co. 1980; McGraw-Hill, 1982.

In Defense of Ourselves: A Rape Prevention Handbook
(co authored with Anne Fetter) Doubleday & Co. 1978.

.....and numerous articles.

BOARDS:

1984 U. S. Attorney General's Symposium on Child Molestation

1988 Child Welfare League of America Child Protection Standards and Practices Board

2000 Jewish Big Brother & Big Sister (as a consumer/parent) of Massachusetts

2002 Co-Chair of the Committee to Change the Professional Social Worker Licensing Bill

AWARDS:

2002 National Association of Social Workers (Mass. Chapter) Award for
"Greatest Contribution to Social Work Practice"