# Sherry Sheffield, Ph.D., LCSW

# 2010 to Present

# MileStone Healthcare, Richardson, Texas

Program Director, Hunt Regional Medical Center Behavioral Health Unit

- Clinical management of the comprehensive treatment program in collaboration with the medical directors and clinical staff.
- Director of Social Services.
- Monitor and supervise clinical staff.
- Administrative management.
- Community education.
- Maintain contract relations and communication with the host hospital
- Additional responsibilities.
  - o Provides 24 hour coverage to the unit
  - o Additional duties appropriate to effective functioning of the unit.

# 2006 to 2010 Texas A & M University Commerce, Commerce, Texas

Ad Interim Faculty (2006-08); Assistant Professor (2008-10), Department of Social Work

- Educator in evidence-based theory and generalist social work practice to students enrolled in both the Bachelors and Masters of Social Work Programs.
- Faculty Liaison and field instructor to students in field internships throughout the northeast Texas and southern Oklahoma areas.
- Chair of the Professional Development Committee and member of the Curriculum Committee.
- Additional responsibilities include:
  - o Coordinating continuing education workshops for social work professionals in the northeast Texas area.
  - o Grant writing.
  - o Research to advance social work knowledge and theory.
  - o Academic advising for students in the BSW program.
  - o Service to the social work profession, the university, and the community.

# 1999 to 2006 Presbyterian Hospital of Greenville, Greenville, Texas

Emergency Department Social Worker

- Provided crisis counseling, psychotherapeutic intervention, and assessment of patients seeking treatment in the emergency department.
- Identified the impact of psychosocial factors on patient care.
- Collaborated with nurses, physicians, and other hospital personnel, as well as families, community agencies, and other systems to meet patients' identified needs.
- Developed processes for patient aftercare in the community to promote access and informed decision-making in utilizing the health care system.
- Explored funding opportunities and developed innovative programs to meet the needs of the community.
- Worked with other community agencies to increase effectiveness of service delivery within the community and surrounding counties.

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# 1998 to 1999 Christian Counseling Associates, Rockwall, Texas

Therapist

• Provided counseling and psychotherapy to individuals, couples, families, and groups.

Major: Social Work

### **EDUCATION**

Bachelors Degree with Academic Distinction

East Texas State University, Commerce, TX

Masters of Science Major: Social Work

University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX

Doctor of Philosophy Major: Social Work

University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX

Dissertation: The effects of education on healthcare professionals' assessment of

intimate partner violence in primary care settings.

#### LICENSE

Licensed Clinical Social Worker, #31573, Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners

# **EXPERIENCE**

# Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners' Program, Greenville, Texas

Coordinated and developed the Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners' Program for Hunt County. Coordinated program development with the HMHD Board of Directors. Awarded funding VOCA grant funding through the Office of the Governor, State of Texas. Enlisted nurses for entrance into the program. Provided oversight and program development. Provided community awareness and educational programs. Facilitated Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) - multidisciplinary team meetings.

# Women's Health Center, Presbyterian Hospital, Dallas, Texas

Provided patients support to accomplish their goals and maintain their physical, mental, and emotional well being throughout their pregnancy. Provided crisis intervention and counseling to patients in distress. Conducted psychosocial assessments to determine patient's needs and provide information and referrals.

# Senior Care Services, Presbyterian Hospital, Dallas, Texas

Provided comprehensive evaluation and psychosocial assessment of patients utilizing the Comprehensive Assessment Program (CAP) through Senior Care Services. Provided psychosocial assessment, treatment planning, and recommendations with the patient and their family that focused on maintaining a safe environment and quality of life for the patient. Networked with other community service agencies and provide information regarding the CAP Program and Senior Care Services.

# Child and Family Guidance Clinic of Rockwall County, Rockwall, Texas

Conducted intake interviews with clients and co-facilitated family and individual therapy sessions. Conducted research to determine duplications and deficiencies in services available to children and their families in Rockwall County. Assisted clinic director in networking with other agencies in the community to provide comprehensive and coordinated services to families.

### **COMMUNITY SERVICE EXPERIENCE**

Hunt County Child Fatality Review Team (Past Presiding Officer)

Hunt County Interagency Network, Community Action Plan Committee

Texas Women's Health Foundation

Licensed Foster Parent - Texas Department of Protective & Regulatory Services

Member - Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) of Hunt County

Member - Hunt County Child Advocacy Center Protocol Development Committee

Board Member - A Woman's Heart Pregnancy Resource Center

Member - Hunt County Community Resource Coordination Group

Volunteer - CASA for Hunt County

Volunteer - Crisis Center of Northeast Texas

## PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

### **Current Memberships:**

National Association of Social Workers/Texas Chapter (NASW/Texas)

### Former Memberships:

North American Association of Christians in Social Work (NACSW)
Texas Association Against Sexual Assault (TAASA)
Society for Social Work Leadership in Health Care (SSWLHC)
Academy on Violence and Abuse
Texas Women's Health Foundation

#### **GRANTS**

- 2010 Project RESPECT: Campus-wide Sexual Assault Prevention & Education Program. Submitted to the U.S. Department of Justice Office on Violence against Women; \$282,478.24 (award pending).
- 2009 Project RESPECT: Campus-wide Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Stalking, and Dating Violence Prevention. Submitted for funding to the Office of the Governor Criminal Justice Division; \$111,000.00 (award pending).
- 2006 Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners Program (2<sup>nd</sup> year) Hunt Memorial Hospital District, Criminal Justice Division of the Office of the Governor, State of Texas, \$46,000.00 (funded).

- 2005 Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners Program Hunt Memorial Hospital District, Criminal Justice Division of the Office of the Governor, State of Texas; \$45,000.00 (funded).
- 1998 Community Outreach Program Women In Need, Inc., Texas Department of Human Services; \$60,000.00 (funded).

### **PRESENTATIONS**

#### International

Integrating Principles of Spirituality into the Social Work Classroom. North American Association of Christians in Social Work, Indianapolis, IN, October 2009.

### State

- Self-Efficacy and Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) Assessment in Healthcare Settings. NASW/Texas, Ft. Worth, TX, October 2009.
- Assessing for Intimate Partner Violence in Primary Care Settings: Implications for Practice. NASW/Texas, Galveston, TX, November 2008.

### Local

Stop the Madness: Addressing Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) in Health Care
Settings. Parkland Health & Hospital, 5th Annual SW Conference, Dallas, TX,
May 2008.

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- Judd, R., & Sheffield, S. (2010). Perceptions of being educationally prepared for hospital social work: Results from a national survey. Manuscript submitted for publication.
- Judd, R., & Sheffield, S. (2010). Hospital social work: Contemporary roles and activities. Accepted for publication in *Social Work in Health Care*.
- Sheffield, S., & Openshaw, L. (2010). Utilizing spirituality to motivate clients. NACSW

  Curriculum Modules on Integrating Faith & Spirituality in Social Work Education. Advanced online publication. Retrieved from <a href="http://www.nacsw.org/member/Publications/49982049.pdf">http://www.nacsw.org/member/Publications/49982049.pdf</a>.
- Sheffield, S., & Openshaw, L. (2010). The importance of self care: A spiritual perspective.

  NACSW Curriculum Modules on Integrating Faith & Spirituality in Social Work Education.

  Advance online publication. Retrieved from

  <a href="http://www.nacsw.org/member/Publications/49981806.pdf">http://www.nacsw.org/member/Publications/49981806.pdf</a>

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- Sheffield, S. (2008). The effects of education on healthcare professionals' assessment of intimate partner violence in primary care settings. *Proquest Digital Dissertations* (UMI No. 3339162).
- Sheffield, S. (2006). Book Review [Review of the book Framing the victim: Domestic violence, media and social problems by Nancy Berns]. Perspectives on Social Work, 4(1), 36-38. Retrieved from <a href="http://www.uh.edu/gssw/prospectivestu/phd/perspectives.htm">http://www.uh.edu/gssw/prospectivestu/phd/perspectives.htm</a>.