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HYMERS AUGUSTUS WILSON

Summary

- Background Performer with 11 months experience.
- Social Worker with over 20 years front-line, Adult Protective Service Work, counselling, crisis support and management experience in community mental health, employee assistance and college settings.
- Minister with 15 years experience as pastor and program director.
- Teaching experience, working in both high school and elementary school settings.
- Worked with various cultural groups including Aborigines, Europeans, Asians, and people of African descent.
- Experience with different client population groups including, but not limited to, individuals with developmental disabilities, dual diagnoses, and concurrent, psychotic, bipolar, mood, and borderline personality disorders,.
- Team player who can work independently and with minimal supervision.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills.

Background Performer Experience

- Experience on sets such as Mayor of Kingstown, Tamarack, Bat Mitzvah, Most Dangerous Game, Varsity, Titans, Flint Strong, Gotham Knights and Improbable Valentine.

Social Worker Experience

- Assisted adults with developmental disabilities to become as independent as possible through case conferences with family members and by ensuring the provision of social support services.
- Counselling clients with mental health issues, such as affective mood, anxiety, bipolar and personality disorders, schizophrenia, and relationship issues.
- Counselling clients in-person in Aboriginal communities including in Northern Manitoba.
- Provided personal, career, academic and disabilities counselling to college students.
- Provided suicide prevention training to staff, faculty, students, and community members.
- Provided psychoeducation to individuals, families and groups to facilitate greater awareness and understanding of, and greater ability to cope with, mental illness.
- Assisted seriously mentally ill clients to live successfully in the community.
- Assisted clients with activities of daily living and medication compliance.
- Participated in regular case conferences with a multi-disciplinary Assertive Community Treatment Team (ACTT) to coordinate and harmonize treatment of clients with serious and persistent mental illnesses.
- Provided after-hours on-call crisis cover for ACTT clients and for the public.

- Provided appropriate case management services to assist clients to access necessary professional and social services in the community.
- Advocated for clients with serious mental illness to divert them from the justice system.
- Assisted clients in achieving rehabilitation goals, including clients on Community Treatment Orders.

Teaching Experience

- Taught religion classes to high school students.
- Taught core subjects to elementary school students.
- Conducted safeTALK (suicide prevention) training to staff, faculty, students and community members.
- Conducted Mental Health First Aid training to staff and faculty.

Pastoral Experience

- Conducted church services.
- Conducted home and hospital visits of parishioners.
- Chaired church board meetings.
- Coordinated local church ministries.
- Conducted workshops.

Work History

- Private Practice Counsellor NIHB/IRS RHSP Ontario Region June 2017 to October 2020.
- Private Practice Mental Health Therapist NIHB/IRS RHSP Manitoba Region August 2019 to October 2020.
- Counsellor. Sir Sandford Fleming College, August 2009 to June 2019.
- Counsellor, Shepell.FGI Consultants Corporation, May 2005 to 2010.
- Minister of Religion, Seventh-day Adventist Church, March 1982 to Sept. 1991 & July 2004 to August 2009.
- Muskoka-Parry Sound Community Mental Health Service, February 1997 to June 2004, with experience in the following positions:
 - Adult Protective Service Worker
 - Counsellor
 - Assertive Community Treatment Team Clinical Social Worker
 - Assistant Team Leader/Therapist/Crisis Support Worker
 - Area Manager/Therapist/Crisis Support Worker
- Muskoka Parry Sound Communication & Rehabilitation Services (private practice), October 1997 to September 2002, Social Worker/Team Leader/Administrator.
- Principal and teacher, Ottawa SDA Elementary School, August 1993 to June 1994 and religion teacher, John Loughborough (Secondary) School, August 1981 to March 1982.

Education and Continuing Education

- Master of Social Work, (with distinction), Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, Ontario, 1997.

Hymers Wilson, B.A., M.Div., M.S.W.

- Master of Divinity, Theology, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, Michigan, 1981.
- Bachelor of Arts, Business Studies, South Bank Polytechnic, London, England, 1976.
- Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction Program (22 hours), 2019.
- Mental Health First Aid Trainer, Mental Health Commission of Canada. 2013.
- safeTALK trainer, LivingWorks Education Inc. 2011.
- Completed Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST). 2011.
- 8-week training course Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (Basic), Hincks Dellcrest Centre Gail Appel Institute, 2007.
- 8-week training course Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (Advanced), Hincks Dellcrest Centre Gail Appel Institute, 2008.
- Attended Critical Incident Stress Debriefing training, 2003.
- Certificate in Clinical Pastoral Education (2 units basic, 2 units advanced), 1992.
- Certificate in Counselling.
- Trained in Cardiac Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR).
- Trained in Non-violent Crisis Interventions.

Computer Skills

- Microsoft Word, Excel, Power Point, E-mail, Internet.

Awards

- Recipient of a five-year service award, Muskoka-Parry Sound Community Mental Health Service.

Interests

- Road cycling, Reading, Travel, Writing.

References available on request