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EXPERIENCE

Liberty Community Connections—Philadelphia, PA

Administrator of operations and strategic initiatives

May 2018 - December 2018

- Provided instruction and field supervision to three graduate Social Work students from the University of Pennsylvania's School of Social Policy and Practice (SP2)
- Designed and executed survey research to evaluate client satisfaction ratings and delivered written and oral reports on research outcomes
- Coordinated all activities and events related to the Board of Directors, including recording and distributing minutes before and after scheduled board meetings
- Developed and presented simulated trainings on a variety of topics, including Person-Centered Service Planning and Developing a Plan of Care
- Provided ongoing operations support and technical assistance during Pennsylvania's transition to a Medicaid managed care system known as Community HealthChoices
- Coordinated the delivery of home and community-based services for 15 individuals living with disability

Supports coordinator intern

June 2017 - May 2018

- Created a 3-year strategic plan to increase readiness to upcoming policy changes in home and community-based services, incorporating feedback from participant focus groups, staff, and stakeholder committees
- Assisted in the enrollment and service coordination of home and community-based services for individuals with physical disabilities, monitoring and recording quarterly progress and implementing individualized service plans
- Monitored individuals with paralysis transitioning from a care-dependent facility to a private residence and reported these metrics to a large private foundation
- Identified unmet programming needs and applied for funding requests (e.g. grants) to assist resource development and long-term program sustainability
- Provided technical assistance and liaison support for monthly Consumer Action Committee meetings to assist stakeholders conduct participant outreach and implement committee goals and vision

Case worker/intern, Well of Mercy - Chicago, IL

August 2016 - May 2017

- Founder of Faith Finders—a 12-week interfaith learning experience and mentorship program designed to address participants' spiritual needs, organizing weekly field trips to faith-based organizations and religious centers around Chicago, IL
- Lead a weekly support group for parenting and pregnant mothers experiencing homelessness
- Facilitated a weekly domestic violence (DV) and life skills psycho-educational therapy group
- Provided one-on-one, person-centered counseling with participants
- Organized advocacy and outreach events for mothers and single women experiencing homelessness
- Assessed participants' bio-psycho-social needs and recommended appropriate interventions
- Implemented digital communications strategy and generated daily original web content

 Composed and submitted grant requests for additional resources to increase capacity for programming and operations

Student fellow, Pulitzer Center for Crisis Reporting - Washington, DC

July 2016 - August 2016

- Traveled to St. Theresa Point, Manitoba, Canada for 4 weeks to document social issues in the Oji-Cree First Nation
- Contributed written, audio, and visual journalism for a web series in the Population & Migration gateway

Communications and advocacy intern, National Council for Community and Education Partnerships (NCCEP) – Washington, DC

December 2015 - July 2016

- Lead program planner of 2016 Youth Leadership Summit, responsible for managing various aspects of the event, including: web-based outreach and marketing, registration, student/scholar selection, content creation, and program execution
- Designed and produced original content for weekly NCCEP newsletter on national education topics
- Edited and assisted research for partnership and grant proposals and other promotional materials
- Facilitated partnership development by linking organizations with shared affinity
- Provided group support during 3-day annual conference attended by over 2,000 educators and students, including preplanning, registration, logistics, and assisted in postconference support tasks

EDUCATION

University of Pennsylvania, May 2018

Philadelphia, PA

Master of Social Work

Recipient of the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Graduate Scholarship

Loyola University Chicago, May 2017

Chicago, IL

Bachelor of Social Work - Summa cum laude

Recipient of the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship

Certifications

Pennsylvania Social Work Licensure

October 2018 – February 2021 License Number: SW135635

Seminar Training in Field Instruction (SIFI)

September 2018 – Present University of Pennsylvania

SKILLS

- Case Management, Person-centered Treatment Planning, Client Needs Assessment
- Qualitative Research, Participatory Action Research (PAR), Impact & Evaluation Research
- Organizational Development, Strategic Planning, Team Management
- Community Education, Group Facilitation