

POSITIONS

- House Calls Behavioral Health, P.C.** 1997 – Present
President and Clinical Director
- Provide individual and family psychotherapy to children, adolescents and adults as part of independent psychotherapy practice. Focus of clinical practice on treating Attachment- and Trauma-Dysregulation.
 - Provide individual and family psychotherapy to private and child welfare clients.
 - Develop and present workshops on many topics.
 - Provide clinical consultation to contracted therapists.
 - Manage finance and marketing functions.
 - Provide family mediation to DCFS families resulting in permanency for children/youth of the families.
- Little City Foundation Foster Care** 2007
Clinical Consultant
- Provided clinical and clinical case management consultation to specialized Foster Care program.
- Illinois Fatherhood Initiative** 2000 – 2004
Consultant
- Developed marketing materials to expand Boot Camp for New Dads workshops throughout the State of Illinois. The workshop, part of a national curriculum, was designed to help first-time fathers get off to a good start being active, involved dads.
 - Presented to hospitals and non-profit organizations interested in providing the workshop in their community.
 - Provided technical assistance to hospitals and non-profit organizations interested in providing the workshop in their community to enable them to start the program.
 - Trained staff at hospitals and non-profit organizations to run the Boot Camp for New Dads workshop.
- Loyola University School of Social Work** 1998 – 1999
Part-time Instructor
- Co-instruct undergraduate students an introductory, survey class of the Child Welfare system.
 - Co-revised curriculum.
- Governor's State University** 1999 – 2002
Adjunct Faculty
- Provided weekly clinical supervision to a group of administrators of the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services for social work licensure.
- Children's Home & Aid Society of Illinois** 1997 – 1999
Training Coordinator
- Chaired Clinical Instrument Committee which revised Assessment, Treatment Plan, and Quarterly Review forms for state-wide Medicaid Programs.
 - Developed and provided the training of the revised clinical instruments on a state-wide level.
 - Coordinated and provided training to direct-service staff in metropolitan Chicago including Medicaid and DCFS-related topics.
 - Coordinated and provided training to direct service staff at the residential treatment center.

Children's Home & Aid Society of Illinois
Supervisor II

1996 – 1997

- Provided clinical and administrative oversight for an adolescent Foster Care program.
- Directed the revision of the program plan.
- Developed and conducted in-service trainings for agency's Child Care Methods series.
- Coordinated and provided training to direct service staff in metropolitan Chicago including Medicaid and DCFS-related topics.
- Coordinated and provided training to direct service staff at the residential treatment center.
- Supervised full-time, professional Foster Parents and Child Care Workers.
- Supervised masters level Case Manager.
- Developed and maintained program budget.
- Supervised bachelors level student interns.

Children's Home & Aid Society of Illinois
Child Care Supervisor

1995 – 1996

- Supervised over fifteen Child Care Workers.
- Developed and conducted in-service trainings for agency's Child Care Methods series.
- Supervised full-time, professional Foster Parents.
- Revised agency-wide treatment plan.

DuPage County Health Department Intensive Outreach Unit
Clinician Consultant

1993 – 1995

- Provided in-home intensive therapy to intact and foster families and their children for hospitalization prevention (SASS), placement stabilization (ITS) and family preservation (Family First) programs.
- Delivered presentations to service providers on the programs of the Intensive Outreach Unit of the DCHD.
- Supervised MSW student interns.
- Facilitated in-service trainings for respite staff.

Travelers and Immigrants Aid Neon Street Programs
Clinical Administrator

1992 – 1993

- Provided clinical oversight for a residential and drop-in center for DCFS wards and homeless adolescents.
- Supervised five bachelors level case managers on case management and clinical issues.
- Supervised four specialty staff focusing on substance abuse education, intake and employment.
- Developed program-wide policies and procedures.
- Supervised four student interns

Anixter Center - Levy Program
Manager

1991 – 1992

- Managed the daily operation of a training program for developmentally disabled adults.
- Supervised three masters level staff focusing on clinical issues and case management.
- Supervised five bachelors level staff focusing on group programming and production.

United Charities Midway Center
Social Worker I

1990 – 1991

- Provided family, individual and couple therapy, general intake and assessment.
- Assessed and treated domestic violence and sexual abuse clients.
- Therapy emphasized 8- to 14-year-old children and their families with a focus on early intervention strategies and academic adjustment.

National Service Corporation – City Volunteer Corps
Support Services Coordinator

1989 – 1990

- Assessed and referred 17 to 21-year-old members of urban youth service corps.

- Provided short-term psychotherapy to Corps Members.
- Developed and facilitated workshops for youths on a team basis.
- Provided individual and group pre-screening for Public Assistance, Medicaid and Food Stamps.
- Advocated for Corps Members with New York City Human Resources Administration.

Forest Hills Jewish Center

1987 – 1989

Director of Youth & Community Programming

- Developed programs for three weekly youth groups.
- Youth leadership development.
- Facilitated youth group discussions.
- Provided informal counseling for youth.
- Created and edited youth newsletter.
- Supervised Youth Department and Athletic & Recreational staffs.
- Staffed various Center community committees.

Cult Awareness Network

1987 – 1989

Assistant Director

- Provided phone intake and referral.
- Assisted in the development and creation of data base.
- Developed fund-raising materials.
- Cataloged and organized library and files.
- Provided editing and layout of newsletter.

B'nai B'rith Hillel/Jewish Association for College Youth

1985 – 1987

Director at Adelphi University

- Formed student-run Jewish student organization.
- Trained students in leadership skills.
- Guided student leaders in programming.
- Facilitated seminars on local and regional levels.
- Developed and maintained organizational budget.
- Advocated to university administration on issues of concern to Jewish student community.
- Provided informal counseling of students.

TRAINING EXPERIENCE

- National Alliance for the Mentally Ill, Illinois Chapter – **Connecting the Disconnected: Therapeutic Parenting in SPACE**: Palos Hills, IL 2013
- House Calls Behavioral Health Parenting in SPACE 2013 Conference: **Zen and the Art of Curiosity; Introduction to Parenting in SPACE, & Dads of Trauma**: Zion, IL 2013
- New Mexico State University, 2013 CYFD Adoptive Families Conference Keynote Presentation: **Introduction to Parenting in SPACE**: Albuquerque, NW 2013
- The Theraplay Institute – Attachment Matters: **Treating Attachment in SPACE**: Evanston, IL 2012
- Mercy Home for Boys and Girls: **Connecting the Disconnected: Treating Attachment-related Problems**: Chicago, IL 2012
- Chicago Children's Advocacy Center: **Connecting the Disconnected: Treating Attachment-related Problems**: Chicago, IL 2012
- House Calls Behavioral Health Parenting in SPACE Conference, 2012: **Empathy, Acceptance and Connection; Introduction to SPACE & Dads of Trauma**: Lisle, IL 2012
- Sunny Ridge Family Center: **Attachment and Trauma 101**: Bolingbrook, IL 2011
- National Association of Social Workers Illinois State Conference: **Seeing Below the Surface: The Meaning of Out-of-control Behavior in Adopted Children**, Oak Brook, IL 2011

- House Calls Behavioral Health Parenting in SPACE Conference, 2011: **SPACE: The Prime Directive of Therapeutic Parent & Learning to be Curious:** Lisle, IL 2011
- Lakeshore Hospital: **Connecting the Disconnected: Working with Attachment-related Problems,** Chicago, 2010
- Linzi Mental Health Clinic: **Connecting the Disconnected: Treating Attachment- and Trauma-related Problems:** Shanghai, China 2009
- Fudan University, Union of Peer Counselors: **Mental Health Services for Young Adults in the United States:** Shanghai, China 2009
- National Association of Social Worker, Illinois State Conference: **Connecting the Disconnected: Working with Pre-adoptive Parents of Attachment- and Trauma- Dysregulated Children:** Chicago, Illinois 2009
- Rockford Early Childhood School District: **Teaching for Attachment-related Problems:** Rockford, Illinois 2009
- The Cradle: **Connecting the Disconnected: Working with Pre-adoptive Parents of Attachment- and Trauma- Dysregulated Children:** Evanston, Illinois 2009
- Oakton Community College: **Connecting the Disconnected: Treating Attachment- and Trauma- Dysregulated Children:** Des Plaines, Illinois 2008
- Loyola University/Erikson Institute – Child-Law Class Guest Lecturer: **The Family System:** Chicago, Illinois 2008.
- Little City Foundation: **Connecting the Disconnected: Parenting Attachment- and Trauma- Dysregulated Children:** Chicago, Illinois 2008.
- Tree House Training: **Treating Attachment- and Trauma- Dysregulation: An Introduction:** Chicago, Illinois 2007.
- National Association of Social Workers Illinois Chapter Conference: **Psychotherapy in The Home:** Chicago, Illinois 2007.
- Lawrence Hall Youth Services & Children’s Home & Aid Society of Illinois: **Connecting the Disconnected: Integrative Attachment Therapy:** Chicago, Illinois 2006.
- Catholic Charities: **Connecting the Disconnected: Integrative Attachment Therapy:** Chicago, Illinois 2006.
- Tree House Training: **Connecting the Disconnected: An Integrative Approach to Treating Attachment Disorder:** Chicago, IL 2005.
- National Association of Social Workers, Illinois State Conference: **Connecting the Disconnected: An Integrative Approach to Treating Attachment Disorder** Chicago, IL 2005.
- The University of Chicago, School of Social Service Administration: **African American Fatherhood Reconsidered: Historical, Contextual and Therapeutic Approaches:** Chicago, IL: 2005.
- Boot Camp for New Dads National Conference: **History of Fatherhood, Capturing Statistics:** Highland Park, IL: 2004.
- National Association of Social Workers Illinois Chapter Conference: **Father Involvement:** Chicago, IL: 2004.
- Children’s Home & Aid Society: **Father Involvement:** Chicago, IL: 2004.
- Christopher House: **Overview Of Attachment Disorder:** St. Charles, IL: 2004.
- Kane County Casa: **Overview Of Attachment Disorder:** St. Charles, IL: 2004.
- International Childbirth Educators Association: **New Dads In Labor:** Chicago, IL: 2003.
- Cook County Juvenile Court Judges: **Overview Of Attachment Disorder:** Chicago, IL: 2003.
- Children’s Home & Aid Society: **Fathers In Foster Care:** Rockford, IL: 2003.
- Ounce of Prevention Fund: **The First Years Of Life:** Chicago, IL: 2002.
- University Of Chicago, Lying-In Hospital: **Boot Camp For New Dads:** Chicago: 2002 – 2007.
- March of Dimes: 27th Perinatal Nursing Conference: **Workshop For New Dads:** Chicago, IL: 2002.
- Fathers as Educators-Educating Fathers Conference: **Workshop For New Dads:** Chicago: 2001.

- Start Early: Learning Begins At Birth Conference: **Workshop For New Dads**: Springfield: 2001.
- Southern Illinois University: **My Kids Are Driving Me Crazy**: Carbondale: 2001.
- Fathers and Families Forum: **My Kids Are Driving Me Crazy**: Chicago: 2000.
- Prevent Child Abuse Illinois: **Workshop For New Dads**: Springfield: 2000.
- Boot Camp for New Dads National Conference: **State-wide Expansion Strategies**: Chatanooga: 2000.
- Illinois Fatherhood Initiative, 1999 Fatherhood Summit: **Workshop For New Dads**: Chicago: 1999.
- Resurrection Health Care, St. Francis Hospital: **Boot Camp For New Dads**: Evanston: 1998 – 2002.
- Queens **Black-Jewish People To People Project**: New York City: 1987-1990.

EDUCATION

Yeshiva University

Wurzweiler School of Social Work
Master of Social Work

New York, NY • May 1987

Bradley University

Bachelor of Science in Public Relations

Peoria, IL • August 1985

PUBLICATIONS

- Kaplan, William S. "A Dilemma for Mandated Reporters." *Social Work Networker*, Vol. XLIII, NO. 8, December 2006/January 2007.
- Kaplan, William S. "New Dads in Labor: An Opportunity for Involvement." *International Journal of Childbirth Education*. Vol. 19, No. 3, September 2004.

MEDIA RECOGNITION

Psychotherapy Finances: April 2006
WYCC, Small Talk for New Parents: 2003
Psychotherapy Finances: February 2002
New Parent Magazine: Summer/Fall 1999
Chicago Tribune: May 9, 1999
NBC Chicago News: March 28, 1999
BBC London: March 23, 1999
BBC Scotland: March 23, 1999
Chicago Sun-Times: March 22, 1999
Parenting: November 1998
Practice Strategies: September 1998
The Daily Northwestern: May 18, 1998