

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.
- Lawrence Hall Youth Services** 2017 - Present
Clinical Consultant
- Provide clinical consultation to residential treatment program.
 - Provide training workshops to all staff.
 - Conduct monthly support groups for Foster Parents.
 - Provide psychotherapy services to a youth in the residential treatment program.
- Kaleidoscope, Inc.** 2015 - Present
Clinical Consultant
- Provide clinical consultation to each of the programs of a Child Welfare organization.
 - Provide clinical consultation to the leadership of the organization.
 - Develop, present and support Clinical Philosophy on agency-wide basis.
 - Provide training workshops to all staff.
 - Conduct monthly support groups for Foster Parents.
- Mercy Home for Boys & Girls** 2016 - Present
Clinical Consultant
- Provide clinical consultation to the leadership and programs of this Child Welfare organization.
- PATHH Learning Collaborative (Chicago Children's Advocacy Center)** 2014 - 2015
Consultant/Trainer
- Provide training and consultation as panelist for the Providing Access to Hope and Healing learning collaborative.
- 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

1996 – 1997

Supervisor II

- 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

1995 – 1996

Child Care Supervisor

- 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

1993 – 1995

Clinician Consultant

- 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** 1992 – 1993
Clinical Administrator
- 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** 1991 – 1992
Manager
- 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** 1990 – 1991
Social Worker I
- 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** 1989 – 1990
Support Services Coordinator
- 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

- Elmhurst School District #209: **Managing Anger by Creating Trauma-Sensitive School Experiences for Children & Youth.** Elmhurst, IL 2018
- Winnebago County Special Education District: **Creating Trauma-Sensitive School Experiences for Children & Youth.** Rockton, IL 2018
- Three Points Center: **Healing Children & Youth with Developmental Trauma.** Hurricane, UT, 2017 & 2018 (Webinar Series)
- Kaleidoscope, Inc.: **Why Do Our Children Act Up & Why Does it Matter: Explores ACEs:** Chicago, 2017
- Illinois Association of School Social Workers State-wide Conference: **Creating Trauma-Sensitive School Experiences for Children & Youth.** Chicago 2017
- UCAN Academy: **Healing in SPACE: Treating Children & Youth with Developmental Trauma.** Chicago, 2017
- Lawrence Hall Youth Services: **HealingSPACE: Treating Children & Youth with Developmental Trauma.** Chicago, 2017
- House Calls Behavioral Health – Parenting in SPACE 2017 Conference: **SPACE: The Universe of Therapeutic Parenting** Oak Brook, IL 2017
- Chicago Area Families For Adoption (CAFFA) Conference: **Keep Your Behind in the Past: (darn dyslexia) Keep Your Past Behind You 2017**
- Central Arkansas Orphan’s Coalition Hope Conference: **It’s All About You, Be Kind to a Mind That’s Full, and SPACE: The Universe of Therapeutic Parenting** Little Rock, AR 2017
- Sonia Shankman Orthogenic School: **Healing Youth with Attachment & Trauma Problems with SPACE** Chicago, IL 2017
- Early Trauma Care: **SPACE: The Universe of Therapeutic Parenting** Oak Brook, IL, 2016
- House Calls Behavioral Health – Parenting in SPACE 2016 Conference: **SPACE: The Universe of Therapeutic Parenting & Keep Your Behind in the Past (darn dyslexia: Keep Your Past Behind You)** Northbrook, IL 2016
- House Calls Behavioral Health: **Developmental Trauma: Multiple Strategies for Treatment.** Northbrook, IL 2016
- The Saratoga County Citizens Committee for Mental Health and The Youth & Family Services team of Saratoga County Mental Health Clinic: **essentialSPACE: therapeutic parenting and treatment of Attachment and Trauma in Children & Youth.** Saratoga Spring, NY 2015
- Children’s Home & Aid: **Connecting the Disconnected: Treating Attachment and Trauma.** Rockford, IL 2015
- St. Anthony Hospital: **Resistance in Futile: Working with Parents.** Chicago, IL 2015
- House Calls Behavioral Health – Parenting in SPACE 2015 Conference: **SPACE: The Universe of Therapeutic Parenting & Exploring SPACE in the TV Show Parenthood.** Northbrook, IL 2015
- Kaleidoscope – **Attachment in Child Welfare:** Chicago, IL 2015
- Chicago Area Families for Adoption Bi-Annual Conference: **Zen and the Art of Curiosity: Seeing Below the Surface in Adoption:** Wheaton, IL 2015
- NAMI – Illinois, Annual “Piecing It All Together” Conference: **SPACE: The Universe of Therapeutic Parenting:** River Forest, IL: 2015

- Chicago Children's Advocacy Center –**PATHH Learning Collaborative** – A multi-modal, trauma-informed learning community: Chicago, IL 2014-2015
- Jewish Reconstructionist Congregation – **An Introduction to Therapeutic Parenting**: Evanston, IL 2014
- Chaddock – **Resistance is Futile: Working with Parents**: Quincy, IL 2014
- Chicago Children's Advocacy Center – **Resistance is Futile: Working with Parents**: Chicago, IL 2014
- Niles North High School – **SPACE: An Introduction to Teaching Therapeutically**: Skokie, IL 2013
- Hephzibah Children' Home – **An Introduction to Therapeutic Parenting**: Oak Park, IL 2013
- Children's Home & Aid Society – **An Introduction to Therapeutic Parenting**: Chicago, IL 2013
- 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