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### **EDUCATION**

2004-2007; Master of Science; School Counseling  
Butler University  
1995-1999; Bachelor of Arts; Major-Psychology, Minor-Communication Studies  
Butler University

### **EMPLOYMENT**

#### **August 2022-Present; Homicide Reduction Strategies Coordinator- Indiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence**

Duties include implementation and oversight of statewide homicide reduction strategies, Strategies include Lethality Assessment Protocol and other risk assessment processes, Coordination of the Indiana Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team, firearms surrender, domestic violence high risk team, and strangulation response protocol; Represent Coalition in various collaborative efforts within Indiana; Research and implement additional homicide reduction initiatives as appropriate;

#### **January 2007-August 2022; Training Coordinator- Indiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence**

Duties include all aspects of planning and implementing statewide training initiatives on behalf of Coalition including 2-day annual conference; Maintain and regularly update curricula; Represent Coalition at community events across Indiana; Research and implement additional training initiatives as appropriate; Coordinate and oversee training and implementation of Lethality Assessment Program-Maryland Model; Coordinate and guide Indiana State Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team

#### **December 2004-December 2006; Program Director-Transitional Housing, Quest for Excellence Inc.**

Duties include screening and placement of resident clients in 3 supportive or transitional housing programs; case management with all resident clients; maintenance of all records; seeking, applying for and maintaining grant funding for program activities and needs; representing Quest for Excellence at community events; training community partners about Domestic Violence.

#### **July 2004-December 2004; Family Case Manager, Marion Co. Office of Family and Children**

Duties include all aspects of ongoing case management for families involved in the child welfare system; creating and implementing case plans to facilitate permanency for children; data tracking using the Indiana Child Welfare Information System; appearing in court.

#### **September 2002-June 2004; Project Safe Families Advocate, Family Advocacy Center**

Duties include conducting one-on-one sessions with survivors of domestic violence to educate about the cycle of violence and available resources; assisting survivors in safety planning and accessing services; tracking client services using the Iris system; completing monthly statistic updates for grant reporting purposes; and training community partners on Project Safe Families and domestic violence.

## **RECENT CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS PREPARING OR FACILITATED;**

- September 2025~ Survivor Evaluation of Lethality Assessment – National Training Institute; National Center for Victims of Crime
- May 2025~ Violence & Intimacy: A Seminar on Brain Injury, Strangulation & the Rise of Rough Sex (Co-Facilitator); Cohosted with Indiana University Health & Indiana University School of Nursing
- May 2025~ Survivor Evaluation of Lethality Assessment – Conference on Crimes Against Women
- Spring /Summer 2025~ Creating & Implementing a Multi-Disciplinary Response to Non-Fatal Strangulation; Cohosted with Indiana Emergency Nurses Association – Bartholomew, Delaware, Monroe & Tippecanoe Counties
- October 2024~ Danger Assessment as a Tool of Safety in Child Welfare Cases – Indiana Child Safety Summit
- April 2024~ Using Risk & Lethality Assessments in Judicial Process – Spring Judicial College for Indiana Office of Court Services
- Spring /Summer 2024~ Creating & Implementing a Multi-Disciplinary Response to Non-Fatal Strangulation; Cohosted with Indiana Emergency Nurses Association – Allen, Grant, Marion, Tippecanoe & Vanderburgh Counties
- February 2023~ Faculty - The Art & Science of Expert Testimony in Civil, Family, or Criminal Court; The Training Institute on Strangulation Prevention
- June 2022~ In Her Shoes; Living with Domestic Violence Economic Justice Edition – Indiana IV-D Prosecutor’s Conference
- February 2022~ A Trauma-Informed Understanding of Intimate Partner Violence; Certified Mediator’s Foundational Training
- November 2021~ Faculty – Family Law Matters Virtual Training Platform for Marion County Judges
- April 2021~ Creating Inclusive Community & Services for Survivors; Monroe Co Task Force Against Violence Ending Violence Together Conference
- September 2020~ Advocates as Expert Witnesses (Webinar) Cofacilitated with IN Prosecuting Attorneys Council
- May 2020~ Addressing Vicarious Trauma for Advocates & Other Helping Professionals; Indiana Housing & Community Development Assoc.
- January 2020~ Advocacy for Survivors of Sexual Violence, Investigating Allegations of Sexual Violence Under PREA; Indiana Department of Corrections
- July 2019~ Collaborating with State Courts on Electronic Filing of Protective Orders; National Network to End Domestic Violence Tech Summit
- April / May 2019~ Advocacy for Survivors of Sexual Violence, Investigating Allegations of Sexual Violence Under PREA; Indiana Department of Corrections
- April 2019~ Addressing Counterintuitive Behavior as an Expert Witness and Responding to Direct Examination; IN Prosecuting Attorneys Council Expert Witness Conference
- January 2019 – Current~ Understanding Intimate Partner Violence and Providing Services to Those Effected by It Webinar Sessions - Indiana Department of Child Services
- October 2018~ Identifying & Working with Those Experiencing Intimate Partner Violence; Indiana School of Medicine Office of Diversity Affairs
- October 2018~ Abuse Through the Internet of Things; Alpha Chi Omega National Officer Training
- June 2018~ *Moving Ahead Through Financial Empowerment* Curriculum Training of Trainers for Survivors of Financial Abuse
- February 2018~ Law Enforcement Role in Strangulation DV Cases; Kosciusko & Whitley Co Law Enforcement Training

January 2007-Current~ Facilitated over 750 workshops, trainings, conference presentations, and webinars focusing on the dynamics of and/or issues related to interpersonal violence and trauma.

### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES/ASSOCIATIONS;**

- Expert Witness Qualified; 98 criminal and civil cases
- Client Contact; Provided crisis intervention and/or direct advocacy services to approximately 6,000 survivors of intimate partner and sexual violence
- Coordinator; Indiana State Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team
- Coordinator; Indiana Lethality Assessment Implementation Project
- Member; Indiana Maternal Mortality Review Team
- Member; Domestic Violence Advisory Committee of the Indiana Supreme Court
- Member; TechAdvocates~ National Network to End Domestic Violence SafetyNet Project
- Member; Indiana State Victim Assistance Academy Steering Committee
- Member; Indiana Violent Death Reporting System Advisory Board
- Professional Member; End Violence Against Women International

### **PUBLICATIONS**

- Report on 2020 Domestic Violence Fatalities – Primary Author; Published by Indiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Indiana Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team; May 2024
- Model Collaborative Strangulation Response Protocol for Indiana Jurisdictions – Primary Author; Published by Indiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Indiana Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team; October 2023
- Abbreviated Report on Domestic Violence Fatalities from 2016-2019 – Primary Author; Published by Indiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Indiana Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team; January 2021
- Report on 2015 Domestic Violence Fatalities – Primary Author; Published by Indiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Indiana Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team; January 2021

### **RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL TRAININGS ATTENDED;**

- *Conference on Crimes Against Women*, May 2025
- *Recantation and Domestic Violence*, October 2024 ~ Training Institute on Strangulation Prevention
- *Foundational Building Blocks for IPV Risk Assessment Implementation Series*, Fall 2023 ~ Center for Justice Innovation
- *Virtual Advanced Strangulation Prevention Training*, October 2021 ~ Alliance for Hope
- *National Conference on Health & Domestic Violence*; April 2021~ Futures Without Violence
- *Intersection of HIV/AIDS & Domestic Violence Updated Curriculum Training of Trainers*; April 2021~ National Network to End Domestic Violence
- *Advanced Strangulation Prevention Training*, June 2019 ~ The Training Institute on Strangulation Prevention hosted in Indianapolis, IN

- *Identifying, Investigating & Prosecuting Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Strangulation Cases*, March 2018 ~ The Training Institute on Strangulation Prevention hosted in Indianapolis, IN
- *Driving Change Conference; Conference on Domestic Violence High Risk Team Model*, November 2015 ~ Jeannie Geiger Crisis Center
- *National Conference on Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault & Campus Response*, April 2015~ End Violence Against Women, Intl.
- *Understanding Strangulation in the Context of Domestic Violence*, March 2014~ Dr Dean Hawley
- *Understanding Domestic Violence within LGBTQ Relationships*, May 2012 ~ Center on Halsted/Office for Victims of Crime
- *Intersection of HIV/AIDS & Domestic Violence Training of Trainers*; April 2012~ National Network to End Domestic Violence
- *SafetyNet Training of Trainers / TechSummit*; August 2006 – July 2020 (annually)~ National Network to End Domestic Violence
- *Lethality Assessment Program Training of Trainers*; May 2009~ Maryland Network Against Domestic Violence
- *National Victim Assistance Academy*; May 2008~ Office for Victims of Crime Training & Technical Assistance Center

## REFERENCES

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