

Harriet E. Gordon

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

COUNSELOR/FORENSIC INTERVIEWER/ADVOCATE

Northwest Missouri Children's Advocacy Center

Mar 2014-Present

St. Joseph, MO

Providing trauma-focused counseling. Conducting fact-finding interviews of child victims of physical and sexual abuse, severe neglect, and/or witnesses to crime. Referring families to services within their communities and the court system.

- Testify in court to information obtained during counseling and interviews.
- Participate in Multi-Disciplinary Team approach with members of Children's Mercy's Division of Child Abuse and Neglect, Children's Division, Prosecuting Attorney's Office, Juvenile Office, and Law Enforcement.

MENTAL HEALTH TECHNICIAN/SPECIALIST

Correctional Medical Services/ Corizon Health/Wexford Health Sources

Aug 2010-Jul 2013

Miami, FL

Dade Correctional Institution, attending adult male inmates with severe mental illnesses.

- Individual counseling and case management.
- Biopsychosocial Evaluations and Individualized Service Plans.
- Facilitated psychoeducational and anger management group sessions.
- Provided behavioral health activities for solitary in-cell completion.
- Stationed in inpatient and outpatient settings.

MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELOR: INTERN

Dade Family Counseling

Aug 2011-Oct 2012

Hialeah/Miami Gardens, FL

Facilitated substance abuse, batterer intervention, and parenting group services.

- Individual Mental Health Counseling and case management.
- Intakes, Psychosocial Assessments, and Treatment Evaluations.
- Reported clients' success to the courts.

SERVICE COORDINATOR

Progressive Community Services

Jun 2008-Jul 2009, Sep 2013-Mar 2014

St. Joseph, MO

Assisted individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

- Assessed individuals and identified needs.
- Coordinated and monitored community services.
- Petitioned for state funding and created a person-centered plan.

FAMILY CASE MANAGER

Kids Hope United

Dec 2006-Dec 2007

Cutler Bay, FL

Protected children vulnerable to abuse and strengthened parents' ability to provide care.

- Advocated for children within social services and the Juvenile Justice System.
- Coordinated and monitored supportive services for children.
- Prepared court documents and testified in court.

EDUCATION AND LICENSURE

Master of Mental Health Counseling

September 2012

Nova Southeastern University

Master of Criminal Justice

August 2010

Kaplan University

Bachelor of Psychology

December 2004

Florida International University

Licensure

December 2015

Licensed Professional Counselor

AFFILIATIONS

Golden Key Honors Society Member

Phi Theta Kappa Honors Society Member

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Frontline Wellness United: Wellness on the Frontline

Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA): Bliss Manor Breaking Patterns Group Facilitator

Habitat for Humanity: Changing lives by Building Homes

Rescue Mission, Overtown, Miami FL

Hours of ADDITIONAL TRAINING/CONTINUING EDUCATION

Glossary of Acronyms:

FCTC-Fox Valley Technical College

MDT-Multi-Disciplinary Team

MOACTS-Missouri Academy for Child Trauma Studies

MOCSA-Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault

MOPS-Missouri Office of Prosecution Services

MOVA-Missouri Victim Assistance Network

MWSU-Missouri Western State University

NCA-National Children's Alliance

NCAC-National Children's Advocacy Center

NCJTC-National Criminal Justice Training Center

NCMEC-National Center for Missing and Exploited Children

NWMOCAC-Northwest Missouri Children's Advocacy Center

OJJDP-Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Program

PESI-Professional Education Systems Institute

USDOJ-United States Department of Justice

2018

- 6.25 Art Therapy: 77 Creative Interventions for Challenging Children who Shut Down, Meltdown or Act Out-Laura Dessauer, EdD, ATR-BC-PESI
- 1 DSM-5 Differential Diagnosis: Four Steps to Accurate Diagnosis-Margaret Bloom, PhD-PESI
- 1 CBT for Anxiety-John Ludgate, PhD-PESI
- 6.25 Brain-Based Strategies for Children & Adolescents-Tina Payne Bryson, PhD-PESI
- .5 Killing More than Pain with Opioids: When Chronic Pain Management Turns into a Substance Use Disorder-Charles Athins, MD-PESI
- 1 The Problem with Diet Culture: What Every Therapist, Health Professional, Educator, and Parent Needs to Know-Judith Matz, LCSW-PESI
- 1 Overcoming Victim/Witness Intimidation: Innovative Prosecutor Tools and Techniques-John Delaney, ADA (ret.), Kristine Hamann ED Prosecutors' Center for Excellence-NCJTC
- 12 Child Abuse Prevention, Investigation, & Prosecution- MWSU
- Her Story about Child Abuse-Ellie Hagen
 - Break Every Chain: Coalition to End Human Trafficking-Christi Miller
 - Lucas Webb: Forgotten Son; The System Failed (parts 1 &2)-Bill Puett
 - The Use of Comic Books with Traumatized Children-Grey Endres
 - It Takes a Team: A Multidisciplinary Approach to Child Abuse-Amy Terros
 - Common Experiences of Domestic Human Trafficking Victims

2017

- 2 The Future of Psychotherapy-The State of Our Art: We're Older. Are we Better?- PESI-Bessel Van der Kolk & Dan Siegel
- 1 Police/Citizen Contact: 4 Principles to Improve Relationships-NCJTC-Ret. Chief Rick Myers

- 1 The Rise of Suicide and Trauma in Adolescents: How “13 Reasons Why” Missed the Mark- PESI-Dr. Meagan N. Houston
- 14 Following the Evidence in Child Exploitation Cases-Julie Kenniston & Chris Kolcharno-OJJDP, NCJTC, FCTC
- 1.5 Human Trafficking: Inside the Survivor’s Mind-Toni McKinley, LPC-OJJDP
- 2 EMDR & Beyond: The Trauma Power Therapies-Master Clinician Series-PESI
- 4 Multi-Disciplinary Team Training-Nodaway County, MO-NWMOCAC-Trenny Wilson, FI
- 24 Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT) Intensive Training-PESI-Lane Pederson, PsyD, LP, DBTC
- 6.5 Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT) Skills Training for Children and Adolescents: Rescuing the Dysregulated Child-PESI-Jane Eich, PhysD, LP
- 7 Responding to Youth with Sexual Behavior Problems: A Multidisciplinary Approach-MOCSA-Rene McCreary, MS, LPC & Matthew Moncado, MS, LPC
- 1.5 Compassion Fatigue Prevention & Resiliency: Fitness for the Frontline-PESI-J. Eric Gentry, PhD, LMHC
- 1 Following the Evidence in the Commercial Sexual Exploitation Forensic Interview- Julie Kenniston, MSW, LISW
- 1 “We Got Taylor”: The Story of an Abused 3 Year Old Boy-NCJTC-Det. Pauline Renick
- 1.5 Working Together as a Community to Prevent Youth Suicide and Build Resilient Youth-Dr. Scott Poland & Dr. Jackie Kibler
- 2.5 Suicide Prevention and Intervention for School Counselors & Social Workers-Dr. Scott Poland & Dr. Jackie Kibler
- 8 Multi-Disciplinary Team Training-Buchanan County, MO-NWMOCAC-Trenny Wilson, FI
- 1 Shame Shields: The Armor we use to Protect Ourselves and why it doesn’t Serve Us-PESI-Brene Brown
- 1.5 Ten Myths of Sexual Assault- NCJTC-Laurie Gray, J.D.
- 1.5 What’s my Next Question? Improving Frameworks in Child Forensic Interviews-NCJTC-Scott Snider, LCSW
- 16 TF-CBT Learning Collaborative Session 3-MOACTS-Missouri Kids 1st
- 1.5 Talking to Children about Sexual Abuse-NCJTC-Ellen Teller
- 16 Child Abuse Prevention, Investigation, & Prosecution- MWSU
- An Overview of Child Abductions-Trisha DeWet
 - Sexting, Sextortion and Enticement of Minors-Sgt. Jeff Owen
 - Let’s Talk about Sex Addiction: What it is and What it is Not-Richard Young
 - Sex, Porn and Dating in the Digital Age: Impact of Technology-Richard Young
 - The Trauma Informed Revolution-Matt Bennett
 - Trauma, Neurobiology and Addiction-Matt Bennett
 - Thrive: Self Care-Matt Bennett
 - Trauma Informed Leadership-Matt Bennett
- 1.5 Strategies for Supporting Resilience and Healing in Victims of Child Maltreatment- NCJTC-Amanda Gopal, LCSW
- 16 TF-CBT Learning Collaborative Session 2-MOACTS Missouri Kids 1st
- 1.5 Women who Molest Children-NCJTC-Col. Bill Carson
- 1.5 Maximizing Corroboration in Forensic Interviewing-NCJTC-Julie Kenniston, MSW
- 2 Child Sex Trafficking-USDOJ, OJJDP

2016

- 1 Understanding Substance Use Disorders-Kristina Hannon, MSW
- 16 TF-CBT Learning Collaborative Session 1-MOACTS Missouri Kids 1st
- 10 Post-Training Consultation Hours in EMDR-EMDR Consulting, LLC
- 3 Week without Violence, Finding and Helping the Hidden Victims-YWCA-Mark Wynn
- 1 Basic Testimony Preparation in Child Abuse Cases- NCJTC-Brooke Grona-Robb
- 24 Midwest Justice for Children Conference-The Child Center, Inc
- Whatever it Takes: Women who Offer Sex with their Children to Keep their Man-Dr. Joe Sullivan
 - Interviewing Sex Offenders: a Behavioral Analysis Framework-Dr. Joe Sullivan
 - Experimentation or Exploitation: How Behavior Analysis can Assist in Working with Young People Exhibiting Problematic Sexual Behavior-Dr. Joe Sullivan
 - 7 Sneaky Challenges Facing Survivors of Child Sexual Abuse-Kevin Mulcahy
 - Confidentiality: Is that Still in Today's Practice-Tamitha Overly
 - Biology of Resistance: Overcoming the Effects of Childhood Adversity-Dr. John Stirling
 - Suffering from Burnout? Give 'em the F.I.N.G.E.R.-Mark Yarbrough
 - Play & Art & Sand, Oh My!: Expressive Interventions for Treatment of Child Abuse and Trauma-Sueann Kenney-Noziska
 - Child Pornography: from Sex to Barbie Dolls-Jim Holler
 - Anatomy of a Child Sex Abuse Case from the Defense Point of View-Larry Braunstein
 - Mock Trial & Courtroom Psychology: How to be a Good Witness and Survive in the Courtroom-Larry Braunstein
- 1 Courthouse Facility Dogs: Improving the Investigation and Crimes Against Children-NCJTC- Ellen O'Neill-Stephens & Celeste Walsen
- 1.5 Suggestibility: Sources of Error in Children's Testimony-NCAC
- 1.5 Understanding Autism from the other Side of the Wall-Aaron Likens
- 1.5 Apps Trending with Youth- NCJTC-Christine Feller
- 32 Child Abuse and Exploitation Investigations-OJJDP, NCJTC, FVTC
- Medical Diagnosis of Physical and Sexual Abuse of Children-Dr. Adrienne Atzemis
 - Compassion Fatigue: Secondary Trauma among Professionals Who Work with Maltreated Children-Julie Kenniston, MSW, LISW
 - Sexual Abuse Investigations and Technology-Chris Kolcharno
 - Interviewing Children-Julie Kenniston, MSW, LISW
 - Adult Interview and Interrogation-Sgt. Jerry Barker
 - Legal Issues and Considerations in Child Abuse and Neglect Cases-Judy Johnston
- 48 Basic EMDR (Eye Movement Desensitization & Reprocessing) Part I/II-EMDR Consulting, LLC
- 20 Child Abuse Prevention, Investigation, & Prosecution-MWSU
- Unto the Third Generation: A Call to End Child Abuse in Three Generations-Victor Vieth
 - From Sticks to Flowers; Working with Parents using Scripture to Justify Corporal Punishment-Victor Vieth
 - Starvation of the Self: a Look at the Relationship between Eating Disorders and Trauma-Tanja Haaland, LCPC
 - Childhood Trauma and the Neurosequential Model of Therapeutics-Keith Bishop

- Moving Forward and the Need for Community Support-JAYC Foundation
 - Managing the Stress of Traumatic Cases-JAYC Foundation
 - Child Physical and Sexual Abuse Investigations-Trenny Wilson, FI
 - Child Pornography-Jeff Owen
 - Intergenerational Trauma: Helping Parents Help their Children-Jean West
- 2 Internet Crimes against Children: The MDT Approach-NCJTC

2015

- 8 Week without Violence Conference-YWCA
- Best Police Practices on Responding to Domestic Violence-Lundy Bancroft
 - Assessing Dangerousness in Men who Abuse Women-Lundy Bancroft
 - Emotional Injury and Recovery in Children Exposed to Domestic Violence-Lundy Bancroft
- 32 Protect our Children Conference-USDOJ
- Don't Give up Your Dreams-Patty Wetterling
 - Health Consequences of Human Trafficking-Jeffrey Barrows, DO, MA
 - Signs & Symptoms of Coercive Control: The Co-Occurrence of Child Abuse, Animal Abuse, & Family Violence-Catherine Vannier, JD
 - Physical Evidence in Child Sexual Abuse: Normal is Normal-Dr. Adrienne Atzemis
 - MDT Response to Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children-Boone County Human Trafficking Task Force
 - How Grief and Trauma Affect Children-Sasha Mudlaff
 - Randy & Me: A Prosecutor's Story of his Childhood Sexual Abuse-Kevin Mulcahy
 - Justice for Jessica: A Child Abduction & Homicide Investigations and Victim Services-Det. Michael Lynch, Det. Luis Lopez
 - Alternative Therapies: Qigong-Staci Nevinski
 - The Nature of the Problem: Missing & Abducted Children-Craig Hill
 - The MDT Approach to Recantation in Child Sexual Abuse Cases-Jerri Sites, MA, Lori Fluegel, JD
 - Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking-Jeffrey Barrows, DO
 - A Survivor's Story-Christine McDonald
 - Survived the Shatter-Nakia Austin
- 40 Interviewing Children and Preparing for Court-Child First
- Effective Interviewing
 - Dynamics in Child Abuse
 - Process of Disclosure
 - Child Development
 - Questioning Children
 - Forensic Interview Protocol
 - Blocks and Problems
 - Hearsay
 - Testifying
 - Medical Exams/Findings
 - Suggestibility

- Corroboration
 - Anatomical Dolls
 - Child in Court
- 32 9th Annual Family and Sexual Violence Conference-MOPS
- The New Criminal Code: Chapters 565 Offenses Against Persons-Steve Sokoloff & Ben Miller, LLM
 - The Batterer as Parent: Assessing Risk and Identifying Behaviors-Lundy Bancroft
 - The Impact of Physical and Sexual Violence: A Personal Journey Revealed-Olga Trujillo, JD
 - Accountability, Intervention, and Change for Men who Batter-Lundy Bancroft
 - Improving Systems Responses: From First Response to Court & Beyond-Lundy Bancroft
 - Victim Behavior: Assessing Credibility-Olga Trujillo, JD
 - Survivors in Court: Tactics in Working Through the Case with Traumatized Persons-Olga Trujillo, JD
 - Special Victims, Special Tactics: How Best Practices Made the Prosecution Case Better-Annie Gibson, PA & Chris Seufert, APA
 - The Twists & Turns of an Extreme Discipline Case: A Case Study State of Missouri vs. James Marquis-Chris Seufert, APA & Mark Gibson, APA
 - Fostering Family Resiliency: Understanding PTSD in Caregivers & Kids-Kristin Mills-Townbridge, MS, LPC, RPT-S
 - The Elephant in the Courtroom, Media (Not Just Entertainment)-Chief Russell Strand
 - Behind Closed Doors: Proving Constructive Force in Sexual Assault Cases-Chief Russell Strand
 - Making Strong Voices Heard: Practicing Assertive Diplomacy in Family Violence Cases-Katie Blaine, Statewide Victim Advocate/Coordinator
 - The Hunter and the Hunted: Taking the Blinders off: Sex Offender Red Flags-Chief Russell Strand
 - Forensic Experiential Trauma Interviews: A Trauma Informed Experience-Chief Russell Strand
- 1 Mental Health Responses of Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children and Other Trauma Survivors: A Guide for the MDT Professional-Amanda Gopal, LCSW
- 6 Desensitized to Death: The Lethality, Assessment, Documentation & Prosecution of Strangulation-Kelsey McKay
- 12.5 Child Abuse Prevention, Investigation, & Prosecution-MWSU
- Investigative and Behavioral Considerations in Child Abduction Cases-Dr. John Mabry
 - CSI Kid Cases-Kate Schaefer & Dwight Scroggins
 - Role of Juvenile in Child Protection-Chriss Huffman & Linda Meyer
 - Maternal Desire Abductions-Dr. John Mabry
 - Marc Dutroux Case Presentation-Evolving M.O. in Child Abductions-Dr. John Mabry
 - Interrogation of Child Sexual Predators: An Interdisciplinary Perspective-Alan Price
 - Protected Spaces-Jayc Foundation & Dr. Rebecca Bailey
 - Child Exploitation in Federal Cases-Teresa Moore
- 6 Play Therapy Interventions for Children with Dysregulation Issues: Autism, ADHD, Tourette Syndrome, and Mood Disorders-Robert Jason Grant Ed.D, LPC, RPT-S,CAS

12.5 Child Abuse Prevention, Investigation, & Prosecution-MWSU

- Introduction to Signs of Abuse-Dr. Tara Frazier
- Evolution of Child Protection Law in United States
- Meeting the Needs of Families: Post Traumatic Experience-Dr. Rebecca Bailey
- I have Autism, How do I Stay Safe?-Nicci Hayes
- Thinking Outside the Box
- Emotional Heroism and Why we do What we Do-Dr. Rebecca Bailey
- Mental Health First Aid-Rhonda Ewing
- Staying Cool in the Hot Seat-Jana Frye

20 Protect our Children Conference-USDOJ

- Human Trafficking: The Struggle to Save our Daughters and the Children Born into “The Game”-Chris Baughman
- Trauma and Recovery- Tonier Cain
- Responding to Online Victimization of Children-NCMEC-Rebecca Sternburg
- An MDT Approach to Responding to Youth with Sexual Behavior Problems-Elizabeth Durkin
- Neurobiology of Trauma-Dr. Christopher Wilson
- The Effect of Intimate Partner Violence on Children-Dawn Kuhlman, MA
- Warning Signs: What Children Can Teach us from Their Graves-Kristina Korobov
- The Spirit of a Child: From Rejection to Connection to Direction I/II-Derek Clark
- Sticks and Stones: Cyberbullying-Det. Sgt. John DeVoe & Les Kerr

2 Darkness to Light: Stewards of Children

20 Missouri Victim Assistance Network-30th Annual Conference

- A Hero’s Story-Scott Mason
- Victimization of Individuals with Developmental Disabilities: The Landscape-Dolores Sparks
- Why the Heck do they do that? The Ins and Outs of Child Abuse & Neglect-Scott Montgomery
- Working with Difficult, Reluctant or Challenging Victims-Kathy Tofall
- Human Trafficking: What does it Mean for Missouri?-Amy Cunningham & Amanda Colegrove
- Working with Child Witnesses-Lori Fluegel
- Language Access and Immigration Relief for Victims of Crime-Gail Reynoso
- The Ins and Outs of Victim Rights Complaints-Katie Blaine & Tyler Rieke
- Effective Response when Working with Rape Victims in Cold Hit DNA Cases-Cindy Malott

2013

6 Children of Trauma-Trauma Informed Care & Art Therapy Interventions-Jean West, LCSW

6 Structured Sensory Interventions-Jean West, LCSW