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Summary

Successful Clinical Social Worker with over 15 years of professional experience providing direct practice to clients within healthcare and non-profit legal settings seeks fellowships, adjunct faculty appointments, and funding sources to research the intersection of mental health and chronic disease. Experience with providing instruction for graduate students, successful in intense and demanding environments, proven ability to assess and manage complex obstacles, excellent research methodology skills, and strong academic writing abilities.

Education

Yeshiva University- Wurzweiler School of Social Work | New York, NY
Expected 05/2026

Ph.D. in Social Welfare

New York University-Silver School of Social Work | New York, NY
05/2018

MSW in Social Work

State University New York College At Old Westbury | New York
05/2010

BS in Politics, Economics, and Law

Clinical Experience

NYU Langone- Transplant Division
New York, NY
Senior Social Worker
07/2024- Current

- Provide timely and effective psychosocial assessments and evaluations for potential kidney transplant recipients. Uses clinical knowledge of psychosocial dynamics and interviewing techniques to gather social history, define problems, and develop a relevant treatment plan.
- Participate in teaching psychosocial issues related to health and illness, community resources and social work services.
- Participate in interdisciplinary planning and unit based interdepartmental meetings when requested.
- Conduct orientations patient/family groups, educating and/or elaborating on information about diagnosis, treatment, options for post-hospital care.
- Mobilize community agencies and other support networks in the interest of patients/families.
- Deliver appropriate psychotherapy services to adults (25-64) based on diagnosis and individual needs using preferred treatment modality of CBT.

Chasing Serenity Psychotherapy, PLLC |
New York, NY
Private Practice Owner
07/2023 - Current

New York Presbyterian: Weill Cornell
Medical Center | New York, NY
Surgical Unit In-patient Social Worker
05/2022 – 06/2024

- Conducted biopsychosocial assessments on all admitted patients.
- Facilitated interdisciplinary rounds with the medical team to ensure safe transitions of care.
- Met regularly with patients during their admission to address any concerns related to discharge planning and coordinating post discharge services.

New York Presbyterian: Brooklyn
Methodist Hospital | Brooklyn, NY
**Emergency Room Social Worker- Full-
Time Evenings**
03/2019 - 05/2022

- Conducted assessments and provided psychoeducation to patients and their families.
- Coordinated services (i.e., home services)
- APS services, and home hospice)

Brooklyn Counseling Services | Brooklyn,
NY
**Therapist (Part-time, In-person and
Remote Sessions)**
10/2018 - 07/2021

- Conducted psychotherapy with individuals, couples, children, and groups utilizing various clinical intervention modalities

Northwell Health: Long Island Jewish
Medical Center | New Hyde Park, NY
Medical Social Worker- Per-Diem
11/2019 - 03/2021

- Provided psychosocial assessments and participated in discharge planning for patients suffering from chronic and/or acute health conditions on inpatient medical/surgical units, behavioral health units, and the emergency department.

The Children's Law Center | Brooklyn, NY
Forensic Social Worker
06/2018 - 03/2019

- Provided social services, assessment, counseling, and case management to court-involved children to improve their social and psychological functioning with an average caseload of 50-60 children.

The Legal Aid Society | Brooklyn, NY
Senior Eviction Prevention Paralegal
08/2010 - 05/2018

- Independently managed a caseload of 40-50 low-income families facing eviction. Obtained governments assistance for families (FEPS, RAU Grants, and One-Shot Deals)
- Performed client intake, interviews and assessed clients' requests for legal services with Housing Court Attorneys

Teaching and Research Experience

**GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT, Social Work Policy-
Wurzweiler School of Social Work, Yeshiva University** 09/2023-12/22023

- Assisted over 30 master's and Ph.D. Level students in instruction in Social Policy by creating instructional PowerPoints and providing individualized tutoring via office hours.
- Reviewed completed assignments, utilized CANVAS programming to create assignments, respond to student inquiries, review attendance, and provide supporting documentation to students.

FIELD INSTRUCTOR (SIFI)

Columbia School of Social Welfare, Columbia University 09/2021-04/2022

- Supervise multiple practicum students enrolled for field placement at New York Presbyterian Brooklyn Methodist Hospital Emergency Department
- Provided psychoeducation and direct supervision to students on crisis intervention methods, biopsychosocial assessments, discharge planning, and assisted students with navigating the electronic medical record system.
- Met the learning needs of students through structured learning opportunities, including one hour of weekly individual supervision and weekly review of process recordings.
- Created a comprehensive field education plan and completed student evaluations to ensure that the students have gained the core competencies of social work practice in medical settings.

GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH ASSISTANT

New York University- Steinhardt School of Culture, Education, and Human Development 02/2017-05/2018

- Conducted data collection, data analysis, reporting, and research regarding disproportionality in the New York State Public School System and compiled data into workbooks for individual school districts to review.
- Analyzed Technical Assistance training evaluation data from individual school districts.
- Developed a brief and a literature review on the issue of disproportionality within NYS Public School System
- Coordinated the annual *Summer Institute* with the New York State Education Department

Conference Presentations

- *Experiences and U.S Born Black Americans, African-Born Immigrants, and Afro- Caribbean Immigrants with Diabetes Mellitus Type I&II in NYC*, 10/2024, Council for Social Work Education (CSWE)
- *Psychosocial Adjustment of Caribbean American Amputees*, 03/2024, National Doctoral Social Work Conference, Alabama
- *Psychosocial Adjustment of Caribbean American Amputees*, 04/2023, Black Doctoral Network Western Regional Conference, California

Publications

- Lee, SW; **Smith, Mavis** & Lee, Soohyoung. (Under Review). Impact on the short-term hospital outcomes from COVID pandemic among older adults with sepsis.
- Morrissey, Marybeth; Baptiste, Cauolyn, & **Smith, Mavis**. (Under Review). Interdisciplinary Conversations about Maternal Health: Urgency for Action.

Honors and Awards

- Weill Cornell Medical Center Social Work Clinical Excellence Award, 2023 & 2024
- National Association of Social Workers- Verne LaMarr Lyons Scholarship, 04/2017
- Pi Alpha National Social Work Honor Society Award, 09/2016
- Community Service and Excellence Award- SUNY Old Westbury, 02/2007
- Presidential Community Service Award- SUNY Old Westbury, 05/2006

Certifications

- Beck Certified Cognitive Behavioral Therapy Clinician Certification- Beck Institute- *Certification in process*.
- Clinical Supervision Certification- *Rutgers University*, 6/2024
- Clinical Social Work Licensure (LCSW NY & NJ) 09/2022 & 9/2023
- Seminar Training in Field Instruction (SIFI)- *Columbia University* (SIFI) 12/2021
- NYS Department of Education- Provisional School Social Worker Certificate 10/2018
- Master's Social Work Licensure (LMSW) 04/2018
- *Mount Sinai Hospital*- Sexual Assault Advocate Certification 02/2018
- New York State Department of Health Mental Health First Aid Certificate 10/2017
- New York State Mandated Reporter Certificate 08/2017
- Integrated Mental Health and Addictions Treatment Training Certificate 12/2016

Active Memberships

- Society for Social Work Research (SSWR)
- National Association of Social Workers (NASW)
- Council for Social Work Education (CSWE)
- National Black Doctoral Network-Mentorship Committee
- National Association of Black Social Workers- NYC Chapter
- New York University Alumni Association
- Phi Alpha National Honor Society
- All-Stars Project- New York City Chapter