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## ART THERAPY/COUNSELLING EXPERIENCE

March 2020present Art Therapy Private Practice, Saskatoon, SK

Individual, parent/child dyad, and group counselling for people of all ages with various concerns and challenges including complex trauma, behavior and emotional disturbances, attachment disruptions, mental illness, and addictions through a humanistic lens that is gender-affirming and anti-oppressive. Participate in case management meetings and submit progress reports for referring organizations; provide referrals to community supports; and maintain counselling records. Ongoing participation in clinical supervision.

Individual, parent/child dyad counselling for Ministry of Social Services Child and Family Programs, Saskatoon Open Door Society, Autism Services Saskatoon, Ministry of Justice Victims Services, Eagle's Nest Youth Ranch, Cognitive Disability Strategy.

Groups for Sask Abilities, OUT Saskatoon, Saskatoon Open Door Society, Eagle's Nest Youth Ranch, Elmwood Residences, Light of the Prairies.

December 2018-August 2019 (term position) **Youth Mental Health Clinician** 

Ki-Low-Na Friendship Society, Kelowna, BC

As part of the youth services team, deliver individual and group, culturally-safe counselling for urban Indigenous youth, parents and children, and families. Conduct intakes, maintain client records, and help families with Jordan's Principle applications. Develop community partnerships to deliver outreach counselling in schools, a low-barrier shelter, a group residence, the Foundry, and homes. Participate in First Nations cultural practices.

August 2017-September 2018 Aboriginal Child and Youth Mental Health Clinician Nisga'a Child and Family Services, Gitlaxt'aamiks, BC

Deliver culturally-responsive mental health support for children and youth through: individual and group counselling; family sessions; parenting workshops; intake and screening; referrals to mental health service providers and physicians. Develop treatment plans with clients and families experiencing disrupted attachment, children in care, mental health, suicidal ideation, behavioural issues, addictions, and trans-generational trauma.

May 2013-July 2017 Art Therapy Private Practice, Regina, SK

**Group counselling** for Paper Crane Community Arts/Ranch Ehrlo Society, Balgonie Elementary School, Canadian Mental Health Association Members Club (Regina Branch), Raising Hope (Street Workers Advocacy Project), Chip and Dale Homes, Riverbend Crossing Memory Care, SOFIA House, and Early Childhood Intervention Program

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**Individual counselling** for Cognitive Disability Strategy, Regina Children's Justice Centre, Creative Options Regina, Early Childhood Intervention Program, Saskatchewan Social Services, Touchwood Agency Tribal Council, Ranch Ehrlo, YWCA Kids in Transition Shelter, and self-referrals

### **EDUCATION**

- 2012 Art Therapy Honours Post-Baccalaureate Diploma, <u>Kutenai Art Therapy Institute</u>, Nelson, B.C. Thesis *Reflection Cards as an Opening Circle Activity* 
  - Graduate-level program with coursework in psychotherapy, human development, clinical issues and ethics, mental health disorders, cultural identity, case studies, and qualitative research. Counselling techniques, biopsychosocial intakes, screening using DSM-IVTR, treatment plans, summary reports, maintaining client files. Over 400 direct client practicum hours and 160 hours of clinical supervision.
- 2002 Master of Arts (*English, Film, Women's Studies*), University of Regina, SK
  Thesis <u>Daughters Without Mothers in the Girl Quest Tale</u>, comparative analysis of literature and film
- 1997 Bachelor of Arts (Art and Culture), University of Regina, SK

#### ONGOING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- 2025/21/23. Canadian Children's Grief Symposium, (2-day conference), Canadian Alliance for Children's Grief
- 2022 Addictions Studies Extension Certificate, Mount Royal University, Calgary
- 2022 ASK: Assessing for suicide in kids. ABK Wellness Consulting. (8 hour workshop)
- 2021/22 Threads: Cultural Conversations, (2-day conference) Saskatoon Open Door Society
- 202022 ASIST: Applied Suicide Intervention Skills and Training. ABK Wellness Consulting (2-day workshop)
- 2019 Water Teachings, Okanagan Nation Alliance (1-day workshop)
- 2019 Strengthening Our Youth, Westbank First Nation (1-day workshop)
- 2018 8<sup>th</sup> International Research Conference Adults and Adolescents with FASD, UBC (3-day conference)
- 2018 Neurosequential Model of Therapy, Dr. Emily Wang, Hull Services (2-day workshop)
- 2017 *Indigenous Tools for Living, Justice Institute: Aboriginal Focusing Oriented Therapy (3-day workshop)*
- 2017 Vicarious Trauma: Prevention and Resilience Strategies, Thrive (2-day training)
- 2015 Practical Tools for Helping Children, Crisis & Trauma Resource Institute Inc. (2-day workshop)
- Ongoing National Institute for the Clinical Application of Behavioral Medicine (NICABM) online

## PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

College of Registered Psychotherapists of Ontario (CRPO) registered psychotherapist (qualifying) #18234

<u>Canadian Art Therapy Association</u> (CATA) registered and insured professional member #223-R-17 (<u>CATA standards of practice</u>). Registration requires 1,000 client contact hours, 50 hours supervision, insurance, and ongoing professional development.