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EDUCATION

- 1979 Master of Social Work, Clinical Social Work
Florida State University
Tallahassee, Florida
- 1977 Bachelor of Arts in Sociology, Minor in Criminology
University of Tampa
Tampa, Florida

PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE

- 1982 Licensed Clinical Social Work, State of Florida (SW #0064)

TEACHING AND ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2000 – Present **BSW Program Coordinator and Clinical Instructor**
(Promoted to Associate Instructor March 2013)
School of Social Work, University of Central Florida

BSW Courses Taught:

- Assessing II: Understanding Systems
- Practice I: Understanding Generalist Practice
- Practice II: Interviewing Skills
- Micro Level Roles and Interventions
- Field Education Seminar (Media Enhanced & Classroom)
- Social Work Practice in Health Settings
- Social Work Practice with Loss and Life's Transitions

BSW Courses Developed:

- Social Work in Health Settings
- Social Work Practice with Loss and Life's Transitions
- Field Education Seminar Media Enhanced

MSW Courses Taught:

- Clinical Practice with Groups
- Practice I
- Social Work Practice in Health Settings

1998 – 2000 **Visiting Instructor**, School of Social Work, University of Central Florida, Orlando, Florida

1996 – 1998 **Adjunct Instructor**, School of Social Work, University of Central Florida, Orlando, Florida

Courses Taught: Micro Level Roles and Interventions

2002 – 2008 **Adjunct Instructor**, Valencia Institute, Valencia Community College, Orlando, Florida

Courses Taught: Chronic Illness & Disability, Addictions & Disabilities

ACADEMIC SERVICE

- Reaffirmation Committee Member
- Director, School of Social Work Search, Committee Member
- University Student Conduct Board Member
- School of Social Work Ethics Committee
- BSW Committee Chair
- BSW Coordinator of Advising Search, Chair
- Undergraduate Student Services Advisor Search, Committee Member
- Practice Sequence Committee Member
- HBSE Sequence Committee Member
- Curriculum Committee Member
- MSW Coordinator of Advising Position, Co-Chair
- MSW Coordinator Position Search, Committee Member
- Field Coordinator Position Search, Committee Member
- Field Education Assistant Position Search, Chair
- Honors in the Major Committee - Erica E. Even, *Interventions for the Treatment of Depressive Symptoms in Women newly Diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis*, Defended: April 15, 2008; Corrine Caswell-Riley, *Nursing Interventions for Adolescent Substance Use*, Defended April 2010

- Awards Committee Chair
- Undergraduate Coordinator's Committee Member
- Alumni Awards Committee Member
- CLAST Committee Member
- Lead Faculty for Practice I, Practice II, Micro Level Roles and Interventions and Field Education Seminar

PUBLICATIONS

Manuals

Kohn, R.M., Percal, S., Keckley, J., Sofar, S. (2007). *Train the trainers' manual*. New York: United Spinal Association.

Kohn, R.M., Percal, S., Keckley, J. (2007). *Peer mentor manual*. New York: United Spinal Association.

Professional Profiles

Kohn, R.M., Adcock, R. (2008, February). Caregivers 101. *Action Magazine*, 3, 12-13.

Professional profile: Robin M. Kohn. (2009, November). *SCI Psychosocial Process*.

Professional Association Newsletter

Kohn, R.M. (2007, January/February). Addictions & disabilities: A tangled web. *NASW State Newsletter*, 10-11.

GRANTS

2009 **Principal Investigator - Curriculum Development Institute (CDI) Grant** - awarded by the CSWE National Center for Gerontological Social Work Education (Gero-Ed Center) for undergraduate social work programs to integrate gerontological competencies and content into the BSW curriculum. The expectation is to plan, implement, evaluate, and sustain gerontological content within the foundation curriculum and program structure, \$2500. This grant is supported by the John Hartford Foundation.

Educational & Teaching Grants

2008 University of Central Florida, Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning Winter Institute (in collaboration with Health Services Administration), \$1000.

2008 University of Central Florida, IDL Training, \$2000

2006 University of Central Florida, Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning Winter Institute, (in collaboration with Undergraduate Student Services), \$1000.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

- Loss & Life's Transitions: Interventions Across the Life Course Utilizing the Strengths-Based Model, NASW/SSWLHC Annual Conference June 2013, Orlando, Florida
- Disabilities Forum, BPD National Conference 2013, Board Sponsored Session, Hilton Head, South Carolina
- Accessing Abilities: Accessing Abilities: Using the Strengths Perspective in Working with Persons with Disabilities, NASW/SSWLHC Annual Conference June 2012, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida
- Accessing & Assessing Abilities: Using the Strengths Perspective, Case Management Academy UCF School of Social Work, April 2012 & 2013, Orlando, Florida **Invited**
- Enhancing the Quality of Education for Returning Veterans and their Families, Association of Baccalaureate Program Director's (BPD) National Conference, March 2012, Portland, Oregon
- Ethical Practice & Legal Issues in Social Work Supervision, Field Instructor's Training, School of Social Work, January 2012, Orlando, Florida, **Invited**
- Best practices in a Healthcare Setting: Professionalism, Documentation, and Confidentiality, Florida Hospital Transplant Team, August, 2011, Orlando, Florida, **Invited**
- Professionalism & Effective Communication, Neuro Restorative at Avalon Park, In-Service Presentation, July 2011, Orlando, Florida
- Role of Social Work in Healthcare, UCF Medical College, Feb. 2011, Co-presenter Dr. Mary Ann Burg, Orlando, Florida
- Accessing Abilities: Using the Strengths Perspective in Working with Persons with Disabilities, NASW/SSWLHC Annual Conference June 2006 & 2007, Deerfield Beach & Orlando, Florida; Baccalaureate Program Director's (BPD) National Conference 2009, Dallas Texas
- Disability and Technology, Baccalaureate Program Director's (BPD) National Conference 2010, Portland, Oregon

- Disabilities Forum, BPD National Conference, Board Sponsored Session, 2007, 2008, Phoenix, Arizona, 2009, Dallas, Texas, Accepted for March 2010 Atlanta, Georgia
- Successful Caregiving: A Daily Challenge, SCI 101 Academy of Spinal Cord Medicine and Rehabilitation Annual Conference, September 2009, Dallas, Texas **Invited**
- Addictions and Disabilities: A Tangled Web, NASW/SSWLHC Annual State Conference June 2007 & 2008, Orlando and Deerfield Beach, Florida; Baccalaureate Program Director's (BPD) Conference, March 2008, Phoenix, Arizona & Orange County Coalition for a Drug Free Community Treatment Conference, August 2008 & 2009, Orlando, Florida **Invited**; American Association of Spinal Cord Injury Psychologists and Social Workers(AASCIPSW)Annual Conference, September 2008, Orlando, Florida
- Addictions & Disabilities: A Tangled Web, Independence Expo, September 2009, Orlando, Florida **Invited**
- Sexuality in Disability and Illness, NASW/SSWLHC Annual Conference, June 2008, Deerfield Beach, Florida
- Caregiving 101, Independence Expo, August 2007 & 2008, Orlando, Florida **Invited**
- Boundaries and Ethics, Relationships After Injury: Anything is Possible, & Peer Training - Department of Health, Brain & Spinal Cord Injury Program, October 2007, Orlando, Florida **Invited**
- Alcohol, Drugs, & Disabilities: Strategizing Treatment-Psychosocial Aspects, Annual Treatment Conference Orange County Coalition for a Drug-Free Community, August 2006 & 2009 Orlando, Florida **Invited**
- Professional Relationships, Boundaries, and Ethics, Part I and II Florida Hospital Rehabilitation Center & Brain & SCI Program Case Managers, 2000, Orlando, Florida
- Peer Facilitation Program Training, Lucerne Rehabilitation and Spinal Center, Florida Hospital Rehabilitation Center and the State Department of Health Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Program, repeated several times over 10 years (continues)
- Psychosocial Aspects of Rehab: Implications for the Patient, Florida Hospital Rehabilitation Center, 2000, Orlando, Florida
- Psychosocial Adjustments and the Elderly, Arbors at Orlando Sub-Acute and Rehab Center, Staff in-service education, 1997, Altamonte Springs, Florida

- PLISSIT Model, Florida Hospital Rehabilitation Center, Staff in-service education, 1999, Orlando, Florida
- Medical Groups and More, Florida Society for Social Work Leaders in Health Care Annual Conference, 1998, Daytona Beach, Florida
- The Impact of Transitional Living, American Association of SCI Psychologists and Social Workers (AASCIPSW) Annual Conference, August 1994, Las Vegas, Nevada

TRAINING

- Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (Initial Certification Workshop)
- Group Therapy: Tasks & Techniques
- Listening Techniques for the Professional, Lloyd Fernald, Jr., Central Florida Association of Rehabilitation Nurses
- Brain Injury Update, Dr. Geeta Narula, Florida Hospital Rehabilitation Center
- Sexuality and SCI, Dr. Stephen Sloan, Shepherd Center, Atlanta, Georgia
- Verbal De-escalation of the Agitated Patient, Dr. Gordon Horn and Dr. Michelle Dolske, Florida Hospital Rehabilitation Center
- Individual, Family and Community Practice from the Strengths Perspective: Theories, Concepts, Principles and Methods, Dr. Dennis Saleebey, University of Kansas
- Bridges to the Future: Continuity of Care in Stroke Rehabilitation, National Rehabilitation Hospital, Washington, DC
- Meeting the Challenge: Practical Approaches to Stroke Rehabilitation
- Bridges to the Future: Continuity of Care in Stroke Rehabilitation, National Rehabilitation Hospital, Washington, DC
- Cognitive & Behavioral Techniques and Relationship Issues in the Treatment of Brain Injured Adults; Rebuilding the Injured Self Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago, Illinois
- Skill Building in Psychosocial Oncology, H. Lee; Moffitt Cancer Center, Tampa, Florida

- Annual American Association of SCI Psychologists and Social Workers, Las Vegas, Nevada, Orlando, Florida, Dallas, Texas (1987-2012)
- Association of Baccalaureate Program Director's (BPD) National Conference (2001-2013)
- BPD Field Directors: The Challenges Encountered
- Orientation & Training-BPD Directors of BSW Programs
- Integrated Practice Courses: Method or Madness?
- Focused & Student-Focused Assessments
- Demonstrating Excellence through Assessment: Integrating Program Competencies
- Teaching Substance Abuse in the BSW Curriculum
- Out of the Closet in Social Work Education
- Interceptions Perceptions & Deceptions: Playing in the Super Bowl of Cultural Competency & Knowing How to Win! UCF School of Social Work, Orlando, Florida
- National Association of Social Workers (NASW)/Social Work Leaders in Health Care (SSWLHC) Annual State Conference (2001-2009)

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

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| 2009-2013 | <p>Consultant Comprehensive Care Services (CCS) at Avalon Park, (changed to Neuro Restorative in 2011) Orlando, Florida</p> <p>Provide psychosocial assessments and individual, family, and group therapy to participants in the Transitional Living Facility for traumatic brain injuries and spinal cord injuries. Attend interdisciplinary team meetings, report progress and provide recommendations. Identify resources for participants.</p> |
| 2003-2007 | <p>Consultant/Facilitator of ALS Support Group, ALS Association, Orlando, Florida</p> <p>Facilitated monthly support groups for individuals and their caregivers who had been diagnosed with ALS, assisted with</p> |

providing appropriate resources, and completed home assessments on the newly diagnosed.

2006-2008

Consultant United Spinal Association, New York

Developed and co-authored the Train the Trainers Manual and the Peer Mentor Manual. Provided training to prospective peer participants for the Peer Mentoring Program out of state and within Florida. Designed for the spinal cord injured population.

1996-2002

Clinical Associate, Florida Physicians Medical Group, Florida Hospital Rehabilitation Center, Orlando, Florida

Conducted individual, family, and group therapy sessions in inpatient and outpatient settings related to all types of illnesses especially SCI. Interviewed clients and completed psychosocial evaluations and diagnostic interviews. Advocacy, assessments, treatment planning, diagnostic interviews, and psychiatric consultation as needed.

1994 – 1996

Director of Social Services, Arbors Sub-Acute and Rehabilitation Center, Altamonte Springs, Florida

Interviewed clients and completed psychosocial evaluations on all residents in the facility. Coordinated and managed patients' rehabilitation programs with the interdisciplinary team and external case managers. Developed and coordinated social service programs for rehabilitation and long-term care. Researched and compiled information on existing therapeutic facilities and agencies. Supervised graduate interns and employees.

1986 – 1994

Clinical Social Worker (Family Services), Lucerne Medical Center Lucerne Rehabilitation and Spinal Center, Orlando, Florida

Completed psychosocial and diagnostic interviews with clients admitted to the rehabilitation unit. Designed and presented materials to assist students and clients in rehabilitation in building self-confidence, managing stress and anger, making decisions, sexuality, adjustment, and effective communication styles. Presented in-service education to staff on professional boundaries, compliance issues, substance abuse, and adjustment issues

related to SCI. Provided individual, family, and group counseling to children, adolescents, and adults experiencing depression, poor self-concepts, academic and career indecision, relationship problems, and adjustment concerns following an illness or injury. Coordinated with physicians the admission and discharge of hospitalized patients on rehabilitation unit. Designed, implemented, and coordinated the Peers on Wheels Program, Peer Mentoring Program & the Greater Orlando SCI Network for the spinal cord injured population. Supervised interns.

1985 – 1986

Counselor/Trainer, Valencia Community College (VCC), Center for Continuing Education for Women (Grant Funded), Orlando, Florida

Administered and interpreted personality and vocational inventories. Facilitated a structured 66-hour employability skills training course, including components on assertiveness, risk-taking, fear, problem-solving, and interviewing techniques. Assessed clients for appropriateness to the VCC program and referred clients to community service agencies and other resources.

1983 – 1986

Coordinator, Single Parent Family Services, Jewish Community Center (Grant Funded), Maitland, Florida

Facilitated “single parent” and “children of divorce” support groups. Organized family activities and adult socials for single parent families. Developed and implemented the Single Parent Family Services Program of the Jewish Community Center.

1979 -1984

Therapist, Northeast Orange Community Mental Health Center, Winter Park, Florida

Provided individual, family, and group therapy. Conducted psychosocial assessments, mental status exams, and provided recommendations to the interdisciplinary team. Referred clients to community resources as needed.

AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS

2013 NASW State of Florida Educator of the Year 2013
NASW Central Unit Educator of the Year 2013

- 2013 Promoted to Associate Instructor, UCF School of Social Work
- 2011 Excellence in Faculty Advising National Award by the National Academic Academic Advising Association (NACADA)
- 2010 Selected to be honored at the Women Making History: The Faculty Women Prominence Project
- 2010 UCF Excellence in Faculty Academic Advising Award for the University of Central Florida
- 2009 College of Health & Public Affairs – The Unsung Hero Award
- 2009 Professional Profile in the Spinal Cord Injury Psychosocial Process Journal
- 2008 Abstract reviewer for The Association of Baccalaureate Program Directors Annual National Conference
- 2008 Certificate of Excellence from the BSW Students
- 2006 Certificate of Appreciation from Undergraduate Student Services for “your tireless enthusiasm, commitment, dedication and excellent service as The Energizing Bunny Advisor”
- 2006 UCF Scholar-Athlete Award
- 2006 Certificate of Appreciation from the BSW Students
- 2006 Certificate of Appreciation from Orange County Coalition for a Drug Free Community in recognition as a presenter at their Treatment Conference
- 2006 UCF Excellence in Faculty Academic Advising Award for COHPA
- 2004 Abstract reviewer for the National Association of Social Workers Annual State Conference 2004 to 2009. Conference Chair 2005 & 2009
- 2002 NASW State of Florida Social Worker of the Year
NASW Central Unit Social Worker of the Year

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- Society for Social Work Leaders in Healthcare
- National Spinal Cord Injury Association
- American Association of Spinal Cord Injury Psychologists and Social Workers (AASCIPSW) now Academy of SCI Professionals – Board Member
- Program Planning Committee member for the Academy of SCI Professionals
- National Association of Social Workers (NASW) – CONLI Committee Member
- Academy of Certified Social Workers (ACSW)
- Mental Health Association
- Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)
- Association of Baccalaureate Social Work Program Directors (BPD)
- Partnership to Improve the End-of-Life Care Member

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Baccalaureate Program Directors (BPD) Committee on Disabilities and Persons with Disabilities Member (2003-present); Chair (2006-present)
- Orange County Coalition for A Drug Free Community – Co-Chair Addictions and Disability Workgroup (2005-2012); member of the Treatment Committee (2005-present)
- Conference Planning Committee (National) –Academy of SCI Professionals (2006-present)
- Academy of SCI Professionals (ASCIP) – Section Council Board Member (2008-present)
- NASW State Conference Committee, Member and Conference Chair 2009 & 2013
- NASW Committee on Disabilities and Persons with Disabilities Chair (2003-2010)
- NASW Ethics Committee Member (2005-present)
- UCF Student Conduct Board (August 2008-present)
- Orlando Wheelchair Games Advisory Council (2002-present)
- Accessible Solutions at Avalon Park (ASAP) Board (2004-2009)
- NASW State Committee on Nominations & Leadership (CONLI) (Chair 2007-2010)
- NASW Central Unit Chapter Chair (1994-1995, 2002-2006)
- UCF School of Social Work Advisory Council Vice Chair (1996-1999); Chair (1999-2003)

- Accessible Alternatives Advisory Council (1990-2002)
- Society for Social Work Leaders in Healthcare (Chair 1995; member 1995-present)
- NASW Central Unit Secretary, Central Florida Chapter (1992-1994)
- Education Committee - AASCIPSW (1990-1992)