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Summary: French psychologist with experience in diagnosing and evaluating mental and emotional disorders of individuals through observation, interview, and psychological tests, and formulating and administering programs of treatment.

Summary of qualifications

- Thorough knowledge of principles and practices of modern psychology and including: abnormal psychology, diagnostic testing, personality theory, psychological therapeutic counselling. Communication skills both orally and in writing with people from diverse ethnic and socioeconomic backgrounds.
- In-depth ability to provide a variety of psychological diagnostic services, therapeutic counselling and to identify normal and abnormal behaviours, preparing prognoses.
- Strong ability to administer and interpret a variety of psychological tests and assessment instruments (e.g. Rorschach, TAT, WAIS, WISC, HARD, HDRS, MADRS, ERD, BPRS, AMDP4, General Health Questionnaire...)

Professional experience

CEF (Centre éducatif fermé – Correctional facility) La Rouvelière, Allonnes, France

500 hours, 08/07 to 12/07

- Conducted clinical interviews to obtain information regarding attitudes, social background and developmental history in a closed facility for multi-recidivists boys (from 16 to 18 years old) with suspended sentences or under judicial decisions (waiting for trial).
- Administered, scored, and interpreted a wide variety of standardized and special intelligence, personality, aptitude, and other psychological tests under the guidance of a licensed psychologist (specialized in criminology and victimology).
- Provided on-going counseling on a day-to-day basis.
- Attended staff meetings, consulted with and served as a liaison between social workers, teachers and patients. Prepared reports intended to Judicial Protection of Minors, health communities, social workers, parents....
- Assisted patients with resolving conflicts and developing more productive ways of coping with issues through parlour games, drawing, and painting in group sessions.

IME (Institut Médico-Educatif) de Vaurouzé, Le Mans, France

300 hours (12/05 to 03/06). Facility receiving mentally disabled children from 12 to 16 years old with multi-tasks professionals including a psychiatrist, several psychologists, nurse, physical therapist, social workers, teachers....

- Observed, conducted and participated in individual interviews under legal guidance of a licensed clinical psychologist.
- Observed, participated in therapeutic workshops (drawing, painting, puppets, and fairy tales).
- Administered, scored, and interpreted standardized psychological tests under the guidance of a licensed psychologist.
- Attended staff meetings, prepared reports for various institutions such as accredited government administrations.

Child care “Les petits mousses”, Le Mans, France, April 2005

- Participative observation of early childhood (59 children). Study of social and individual behaviours and guided report on abnormal developmental psychology in three children.

Other professional experiences:

- Employed in a Human resources department, Siemens VDO Automotive, Gainesville, GA, USA, from 2002 to 2004. New hires, terminations, translations from Spanish to English for company presentations and employee programs. Weekly payroll reports, coordination of benefits, support of the ISO 14001 certification process.
- Volunteer, Chestatee Middle School, Gainesville, GA, USA, 2001. Help Spanish speaking children during classes.
- Spanish teacher. Collège Saint-Julien, Le Mans, France, 2000
- Intern, European parliament in Luxemburg, political and economical translations from English and Spanish to French, 1999.

Education

Master’s degree in clinical psychology, abnormal psychology and psychotherapy. Université de Paris 8, France. (2008)

Bachelor’s degree in psychology (majors : clinical psychology and development) Université de Tours (2006) and Rennes, France (2005)

Bachelor’s degree in English and Spanish applied to business and management, France and Spain (1998)

Baccalauréat (three languages: English, Spanish, Italian), Angers, France (1993)