Karrie A. Grady, MS, LPC, CRC

Professional Qualifications

EDUCATION

Master of Science in Educational Psychology – Community Counseling awarded in August 2002. University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Bachelor of Arts double major in Psychology and Sociology awarded in May 1999. University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

EXPERIENCE

Vocational Professionals, Inc.

March 2003 - Present

Milwaukee, WI

Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor - Provide vocational assessments, testing, and counseling services to assist individuals in identifying relevant skills and making appropriate career choices. Instruct individuals in resume development, interview techniques, job seeking skills, and job search strategies to facilitate rehabilitation and employment. Render vocational expert opinions in Worker's Compensation, personal injury, Social Security, employment law, divorce proceedings, Collaborative Family Law, wrongful death, medical malpractice, etc. Consult with attorneys, insurance carriers, employers, physicians, government agencies, and unemployed workers to provide vocational rehabilitation expertise. Conduct labor market surveys, job analyses, and worksite modifications. Complete comprehensive Vocational Assessment Evaluation reports. Attend training programs and seminars regarding Worker's Compensation case law, state vocational programs, etc. Perform DVR evaluations.

Impact

October 2000 – March 2003

Milwaukee, WI

Community Resource Specialist - Provided Milwaukee County residents with assessment, information, and referrals for family, health, and social services. Primary staff go-to for shelter assessment and dispatching to shelter outreach. Attended ANET shelter information and Health Watch meetings. Answered nationwide hotline for alcohol and drug treatment. Crisis problem solving. Advocacy for W-2 clients, those seeking medical insurance, parenting resources, counseling, or legal assistance. Knowledgeable of resources available in the community, along with eligibility requirements for programs including food stamps, services for the disabled, emergency assistance for housing, Healthy Start, BadgerCare, Medicaid, and Social Security. Trained new employees and prepared reports for county funding for ANET shelter system in accordance with HUD.

Valley Packaging

July 1999 – July 2000

Appleton, WI

Job Development Specialist - Analyzed transferable skills of clients and job markets in the Fox Valley area. Networked with employers and provided client advocacy for potential job matches. Developed positions in a variety of production, service, and manufacturing areas. Interpreted basic functional and academic test scores of clients. Ran job placement groups, along with resume and interviewing skill development. Assisted in teaching job seeking skills using the local Workforce Development Center. Worked closely with Goodwill Industries. Successfully placed clients who were referred by DVR. Toured companies for worksite analyses. Provided follow-up services for clients possessing developmental, psychological, and physical disabilities.

CERTIFICATIONS

Certified Vocational Expert (10/11)

Department of Health and Human Services, Social Security Administration, Office of Disability Adjudication and Review

Certified Rehabilitation Counselor, CRC #00102287 (4/07)

Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification, Chicago, IL

Licensed Professional Counselor, LPC #3639 (10/05)

State of Wisconsin, Department of Safety and Professional Services

Certified Private Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist #722 (10/05)

State of Wisconsin, DWD – Worker's Compensation Division

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals (IARP) - WI Chapter (Board Member)

International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals (IARP)

National Rehabilitation Association (NRA)

Rehabilitation Counselors & Educators Association (RCEA)

National Rehabilitation Counseling Association (NRCA)

PRESENTATIONS

Society of Family Lawyers

March 16, 2016

The Role of the Vocational Expert in Family Law Matters

Disability Rights Wisconsin

March 17, 2015

Vocational Issues in Social Security Cases