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EDUCATION

The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley: Edinburg, TX ABD
Doctorate of Philosophy: Rehabilitation Services and Counseling
Research Assistant/Teaching Assistant

The University of Texas-Pan American: Edinburg, TX 2015
Masters of Science: Rehabilitation Counseling
Research Assistant

The University of Texas Pan American: Edinburg, TX 2011
Bachelors of Science: Rehabilitation Services
Honors: Deans List

EDUCATION EXPERIENCE:

- Teaching Assistant, Graduate Research, Summer I, 2019. UTRGV School of Rehabilitation Services and Counseling. Edinburg, Texas.
- Supervisor of Practicum Undergraduate Students, 2019. UTRGV School of Rehabilitation Services and Counseling. Edinburg, Texas.
- Lead Instructor: Multicultural Issues in Human Services, Spring, 2019. UTRGV School of Rehabilitation Services and Counseling. Edinburg, Texas.
- Lead Instructor: Case Management, Fall 2018. UTRGV School of Rehabilitation Services and Counseling. Edinburg, Texas.
- Guest Lecture: Implications of Social Support and Caregiving for Loved Ones With a Disability. Summer 2018, School of Rehabilitation Services and Counseling, Edinburg, Texas.
- Lead Instructor: Psychology of Disability, Spring 2018. UTRGV School of Rehabilitation Services and Counseling. Edinburg, Texas.

EXPERIENCE

Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor Texas Workforce Commission

2019 - present

- Developing and maintaining relations with community referral sources, businesses, employers and schools as applicable;
- Collecting and analyzing all information necessary to make an accurate eligibility decision (e.g. medical, psychological, school records, employment records, etc.);
- Assisting the consumer in choosing an appropriate employment by analyzing information to determine the consumer's strengths, resources, priorities, concerns, abilities, capabilities and interests, and matching that information to the current job market, as appropriate;

- Working collaboratively with the consumer to develop a plan of services designed to achieve the consumer's identified employment goals;
- Ensuring timely, cost-effective provision of services and consumer progress toward achievement of their employment goal; and
- Developing and implementing a process leading to successful job placement.

Adjunct Lecturer
The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

2019

- Part-Time Lecturer: Multicultural Issues in Human Services, Fall 2019, UTRGV School of Rehabilitation Services and Counseling. Edinburg, Texas

Marini & Associates
Forensic Rehabilitation Consultant

2014 – present

- Conduct intake interviews and generate intake reports;
- Review and summarize medical records;
- Contribute to the process of life care planning, assessing personal and work-related injuries as well as vocational assessment process in relation to earning loss capacity;
- Conducting labor market analysis and transferable skills analysis;
- Familiarized with specific job duties classified under the Dictionary of Occupational Titles;
- Make specific job recommendations based on transferable skills;
- Experience observing and familiar with the Social Security Administration's adjudication process with Administrative Law Judges and court proceedings;
- Trained in vocational expert testimony, assessing past relevant work according to the DOT, and finding other work in the national economy.

Benchmark Family Services
Therapeutic Support Specialist

2016 - 2017

- Established a formal process for case reviews and information transfer between agencies and referral sources that appropriately meets the needs of those agencies/professional referral sources to promote their professional involvement in the child's treatment;
- Gather information to offer appropriate support to adequately provide services to children and families;
- Identified and connected individuals to appropriate resources;
- Provided crisis intervention to individuals of all ages;
- Assisted with services alongside Department of Protective and Family Services in order to maintain a child's life including but not limited to counseling, different forms of therapy, education, independent living skills, and adult preparation;
- Maintained proper time management in regards to proper input of information with ChildTrax;
- Provided case management services to foster children and foster families including but not limited to, advocating on behalf of the client and family with social service agencies, court, police, medical, school, and other mental health professionals;
- Conducted home visits and provides on-going assessments to ensure foster homes remain viable for placements;
- Complied with paperwork requirements as established by the state placing agency and Benchmark Family Services, Inc.;
- Provided 24/7 on-call services in crisis intervention and de-escalation when situations arise;
- Assisting with other miscellaneous duties as assigned.

Easter Seals, Inc.
PAT Parent Educator

2016

- Provided professional parent instruction and delivery of information to families implementing the curriculum provided by the National Parents as Teachers (PAT) Center;

- Coordinated services with other community programs with similar purpose;
- Supported and enhanced the existing PAT program;
- Represented First Step PAT at various community events supporting families and/or young children;
- Supported the concept of early learning as critical to school readiness;
- Supported the philosophy and mission of First Step Family Support Center;
- Supported the philosophy and mission of Parents as Teachers;
- Supported the frame work of Strengthening Families (promoting protective factors in the lives of families);
- Utilize time management in order to enter data into a web-based data base with accuracy in a timely manner;
- Maintain the ability to keep files and timelines organized;
- and utilize flexibility with respect to time and days able to work.

**BCFS Health and Human Services
Lead Case Manager Intern**

2015

- Provided case management services to foster youth ages 18-21;
- Gathered information regularly to provide appropriate recommendations regarding a wide range of services;
- Create and manage client files following guidelines based on Preparation for Adult Living;
- Conduct intake interviews and develop transition plans for future care;
- Familiar with specific guidelines with CPS, DFPS and BCFS in order to ensure youth receive the utmost services needed;
- Connected youth and adults with appropriate resources and other referrals based off of information gathering;
- Weekly follow-up with youth to maintain status;
- Provided crisis intervention in varying situations including high tension;
- Provide skills training in medication management, psychoeducation, financial independence, education, job placement and transitional skills, and independent living.

**Tropical Texas Behavioral Health Center
Qualified Mental Health Professional**

2013

- Provided mental health and case management services to adolescents between the ages of 8-17;
- Conduct intake interviews to see if clients qualify for services;
- Identified, recommended, and connected individuals with a range of services;
- Organize and administer skills training, psychoeducational training, medication management, and life skills training to help promote a better quality of life;
- Develop transition plans for future services rendered;
- Create and manage client appointments with facility and outside physicians;
- And provide crisis intervention and suicide prevention to adolescents.

**Jones, Galligan, Key & Lozano, LLP, Weslaco, Texas
Legal Assistant**

2002 - 2013

- Provided secretarial and clerical support to a managing partner and senior paralegal;
- Assist in maintaining attorney's calendar of court settings and filing deadlines;
- Prepare for and attend court proceedings during trial;
- Answer general telephone inquiries and route calls appropriately;
- Maintain attorney's litigation case files, to include indexing of pleadings, discovery and correspondence;
- Type general correspondence, witness logs and document production logs using WordPerfect 4 and Microsoft Word.

PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS:

Marini, I., Pinon, R.M., & Antol, D.L. (In Press 2019). A content analysis of letters to the editor regarding persons with physical disabilities.

Marini, I., Vang, C., Antol, D. L., Mora, E. M., Quijano, P., Pinon, R. M., & Cuevas, S. (2019). Redux: empirical validation of medical equipment replacement values in life care plans. *Journal of Life Care Planning, 17*(2),

Marini, I., Preston, B., Pinon, R., & Antol, D. L. (2018). Off task and lost work productivity: Why, how much, and implications of vocational expert testimony. *The Rehabilitation Professional, 26*(2), 101-108.

Ysasi, N. A., Marini, I., Antol, D. L., Maxwell, K., & Kerwin, S. (2016). A comparison of physiatrist life care planners versus non-life Care planner physiatrists' professional opinions regarding secondary complications of spinal cord injuries. *Journal of Life Care Planning, 14*(1), 3-24.

Ysasi, N. A., Kerwin, S., Marini, I., McDaniels, B., & Antol, D. L. (2016). A comprehensive literature review of secondary complications of spinal cord injury. *Journal of Life Care Planning, 14*(1), 25-58.

Marini, I., Preston, B., & Antol, D. L. (2015). Redux of employer validation of jobs with a sit/stand option. *Journal of Forensic Vocational Analysis, 16*(1), 33-42.

BOOK CHAPTERS

Owen, T., Marini, I., Antol, D. L., & Pinon, R. M. (2019). Assessment in private sector rehabilitation. In F. Chan & D. R. Strauser (Ed.), *Assessment in Rehabilitation and Mental Health Counseling*, (308-334). New York: Springer.

AWARDS: Scientific Poster Award - Third place. *Social Media and Depression: The Effects on Young American Adults*. 2018 UTRGV School of Rehabilitation Services and Counseling Annual Conference.

Scientific Poster Award – First place. *Foster Parent Needs when Caring for Children with Disabilities*. 2019 UTRGV School of Rehabilitation Services and Counseling Annual Conference.

LEADERSHIP: Vice President – DEAF Rehab Club, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley; 2018.

2018 Committee member - PDAP 9th Annual Substance Abuse and Behavioral Health Conference.

2018 Committee member - UTRGV School of Rehabilitation Services and Counseling Annual Conference.

Social Media Advisor (Texas) – National Association of Multicultural Rehabilitation Concerns, 2020-2022.

NATIONAL PRESENTATIONS:

A Content Analysis of Letters to the Editor Regarding Persons with Physical Disabilities. National Association of Multicultural Rehabilitation Concerns. Atlanta, GA. July 18-20, 2019.

Educating Undergraduates in Rehabilitation: The UTRGV Model. National Association of Multicultural Rehabilitation Concerns. Atlanta, GA. July 18-20, 2019.

Forensic Rehabilitation: Is this a Career for You? (Ethics) National Association of Multicultural Rehabilitation Concerns. Atlanta, GA. July 18-20, 2019.

Validating Replacement Values of Durable Medical Equipment in Life Care Planning. International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals – Forensic Section. Charlotte, NC. October 25-27, 2018.

Social Media and Depression: The Effects on Young American Adults. National Association of Multicultural Rehabilitation Concerns. Scientific Poster. Las Vegas, NV. July 11-14, 2018.

Forensic Rehabilitation: Is this a Career for You? National Association of Multicultural Rehabilitation Concerns. Las Vegas, NV. July 11-14, 2018.

The Value of Volunteering for Individuals who are Chronically Unemployed. The National Counsel of Rehabilitation Professionals. Scientific Poster. Anaheim, CA. March 13-15, 2018.

Redux of Employer Validation of Jobs with a Sit/Stand Options. International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals – Forensic Section. New Orleans, LA. October 21-24, 2015.

MEMBERSHIPS:

International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals
National Rehabilitation Association
National Association of Multicultural Rehabilitation Concerns
National Counsel of Rehabilitation Educators
American Rehabilitation Counseling Association