

Dominic Foster

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Qualifications

- Energetic, insightful and resourceful professional dedicated to helping children and families identify and enhance their unique potential and personal achievement.
- Experience collaborating with community partners, youth, parents, and schools to enhance youth outcomes.
- Proven prioritization, time management, organization and decision-making skills.
- Experience coordinating and presenting health and safety projects related to preventative strategies for youth violence.
- Strong interpersonal and communicational skills.
- Knowledge of secondary and alternative education practices and procedures and social work practices.

Professional Experience

Milwaukee Secure Detention Facility- Milwaukee, WI

2014- Present

AODA Social Worker

Responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- Assess, evaluate, and develop a plan for inmates assigned to caseload regarding treatment and security needs
- Review case files to determine inmates selected for AODA programming
- Monitor inmates' programs
- Provide direct social service to inmates in the areas of AODA treatment programming, overall goals, and institution and social functioning
- Coordinate services with team members, other staff, and community resources regarding transfer and release planning

Agape Community Center, Milwaukee, WI

4/2010- 2014

Program Coordinator

Responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- Coordinate and present health and safety prevention projects to youth, families and community partners.
- Report to and provide daily support to the Director in implementing After-School Program policies and activities focusing on improved outcomes for youth and their family.
- Oversee youth staff in designing and delivering daily activities to youth and adolescents which promote youth skill building, character development and preventive strategies.
- Coordinate with community organizations, schools, and community partners in providing Violence Prevention programming.
- Provide mentoring, individual and group counseling to at-risk adolescents.
- Build a successful rapport with parents, youth and service providers to ensure youth's personal and academic success.

- Monitor, manage and lead prevention projects utilizing evidenced-based prevention curricula.
- Under supervision of Director ensure grant and regulatory compliance through evaluating and monitoring daily programming activities and providing monthly reports.

Youth Service Worker

Responsibilities included providing assessments for youth and adolescents enrolled in the After School Program. Create, implement and facilitate daily lesson plans addressing the social, academic, psychological and physical needs of enrolled youth. Assist in planning and deliver of prevention activities and event. Provide community outreach regarding agency services, events, and programs. Established successful rapport to both youth and their parents to ensure adherence to program and participation. Provided daily attendance and monthly outcome tracking reports. Provide evidenced-based prevention curriculum. Attended monthly community partner meetings; collaborating on prevention programming strategies for Milwaukee County youth and adolescents.

Accomplishments:

- Promoted from Youth Service Specialist-Lead to Program Coordinator within one year of hire.

Lad Lake- Ultra Day Treatment Program, Milwaukee, WI

2000- 2010

Case Manager-Social Worker

Responsibilities include providing case management services to delinquent and severally emotionally disturbed adolescents. Identified and assessed client and family needs. Evaluated, coordinated, and ensured necessary services were provided through day treatment and in-home services. Provided individual and group counseling and mentoring services. Referred youth and family members for services as necessary. Developed and maintained client records and program documentation according to organization standards, including assessments, treatment plans, progress notes, and monthly reports. Implemented and led intervention strategies and oversaw behavioral programs associated with adolescent treatment plans.

Lad Lake- Synergy North Teacher

Provided services to adjudicated youth with severe emotional and behavioral concerns. Developed and implemented daily and unit lesson plans, behavioral plans, and assessed progress encouraging attendance and plan adherence. Fostered a classroom environment conducive to learning and behavioral management. Provided individual and group counseling to youth with social, emotional and severe behavioral issues. Mediated between youth and parents to resolve conflicts affecting youth behavior and performance. Conducted home visits and participated in multidisciplinary service plan meetings. Tracked and analyzed youth performance and moral/social development. Integrated intervention curricula with academic learning; applying a variety of methods to meet the needs and ability of youth. Provided oral and written monthly reports.

Accomplishments:

- Received emergency licensure as a Teacher.
- Promoted to case manager.

Lad Lake- Synergy North Teacher Aide

Assisted Lead Teacher in providing daily lesson planning to adjudicated and at-risk youth. Monitored youth classroom behaviors to improve academic learning. Provided positive youth development techniques as necessary. Communicated with peers, service providers, and parents regarding youth progress within the program. Provided daily attendance and behavioral reports. Provided individual counseling, home visits and recreational activities.

Accomplishments:

- Promoted to Teacher at Lad Lake-Synergy North-Milwaukee

Education and Certification

Bachelor of Science, Child Development Upper Iowa University- West Allis, WI 53214	2006
Social Work Certification Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensure	2009
Substance Abuse In-Training Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensure	2015
Master of Mental Health Counseling & Substance Abuse Springfield College- Milwaukee	Currently

References Available Upon Request