

Yvonne Warner

LICENSED SOCIAL WORKER

Profile

Licensed Social Worker specializing in mental health with a commitment and dedication to providing counseling, therapy, case management, and mental health treatment with a demonstrated ability to develop and maintain effective relationships with clients and their families. I am skilled in establishing and maintaining effective working relationships and communicating with clients, staff, and representatives of community agencies. Proficient in working with Veterans and family members from various socioeconomic, cultural, ethnic, educational, and other diversified backgrounds utilizing counseling skills.

Professional Experience

Department of Veterans Affairs - Readjustment Counseling Services | December 2019 – Present

Readjustment Counselor

- independently implement psychotherapeutic modalities in working with individuals, families, and groups to enhance the readjustment of Veterans, active-duty Service members, and their families
- Complete counseling intake procedures, including an assessment of risk for self-harm, military history, and military related psychosocial stressors, and assess family readjustment stressors and document identified behaviors or symptoms.
- Develop and implement treatment plans for veterans and their families dealing with PTSD, depression, and other mental health issues.
- Coordinate with internal and external referral sources to ensure veterans received appropriate services.
- Incorporate complex multiple causation in differential psychosocial assessment and direct service delivery to eligible Veterans, including making psychosocial diagnostic inferences within the clinical scope of practice.
- Actively participate in staff meetings designed to promote team building and staff development.
- Document all clinical interactions with eligible individuals and episodes of care coordination on their behalf as required by policy.

Texas Department of Family and Protective Services | May 2017 - December 2019

Conservatorship Specialist

- Managed a caseload of conservatorship cases, including providing assessments, recommendations, and legal advice.
- Conducted needs assessments to determine appropriate referrals for testing, evaluations, records, or further assessments necessary to achieving positive permanency.
- Identified potential permanency resources for children through ongoing contact with parents, family members, and other individuals the child(ren) and family identify as important to them.
- Searched for potential kinship providers throughout the case. Completed home studies of potential family members or family friends (kinship) who might care for a child(ren).
- Interacted with parents to assess risk and safety issues, identify changes necessary to achieve child safety, referred to appropriate services to address the identified needs to move towards positive permanency.
- Collaborated with a Placement Team, including Kinship staff, to discuss and explore permanency.
- Visited children to assess feelings of safety, plan for permanency, and discuss needs, wishes, and progress while in care.
- Participated in court hearings by preparing court reports and testifying in court about the needs of the child(ren), parent's progress, and the department's efforts to achieve permanency.
- Transitioned children during reunification and provided support to the family until the legal case was closed.
- Developed and maintained an effective working relationship between Child Protective Services and law enforcement officials, judicial officials, medical professionals, and other community resources.
- completed forms, narratives, and reports to form a written record for each client.

Education

Texas A&M University - Central Texas, 1001 Leadership Place, Killeen, Texas, 76549 | August 2015 - August 2017 - BSW in Social Work

The University of Texas at Arlington, 211 S. Cooper Street, Arlington, Texas, 76019 | August 2018 - August 2019 - MSW in Social Work

Licensure: Texas Licensed Master Social Worker (LMSW), License Number - 69707, Expires October 2023

Key Skills

- Attention to detail.
- Written and oral
- Communication
- Critical thinking