EXECUTIVE CHAMBER





RHODE ISLAND

FRANK J. PICOZZI MAYOR

June 8, 2023

TO THE HONORABLE STEPHEN P. MCALLISTER, COUNCIL PRESIDENT AND THE MEMBERS OF THE HONORABLE WARWICK CITY COUNCIL:

I have the pleasure to inform you that I have appointed:

Laura A. Tuscani 119 Lansing Avenue Warwick, RI 02888 Ward 2

To serve on:
--WESTBAY COMMUNITY ACTION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

VICE: Anthony Corrente, Jr.

Frank J. Picozzi

Mayor

Date

LAURA A. TUSCANI, CAGS, MRC, LMHC, CCTP-II 119 Lansing Avenue, Warwick, Rhode Island 02888 Cell: (401) 612-3011 and E-mail: ltuscani@yahoo.com

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Thundermist Health Center

Woonsocket, Rhode Island

CHT BH Clinician

February 10, 2020 - Present

- Provide high quality behavioral health and case management care to patients
- Conduct CHT intake and diagnostic assessment; develop treatment and BH care plan
- Provide care within the community to increase patient access to community resources, specialty care, and coordination of care within THC to improve patient outcomes/services
- Maintain proper and complete electronic records (eCW & evolve) with respect to patients;
 Comply with all Thundermist's policies and procedures regarding patient care, confidentiality, and services
- Serve as an active leadership member of the LatinX Affinity Group/Employee Resource Group

North American Family Institute's Enhanced Outpatient Program Bi-lingual EOS Clinician

Warwick, Rhode Island

June 2014 - Present

- Provide community therapeutic evidence-informed assessment and interventions to families of children/ adolescents who are at risk of hospitalization or out-of-home placement due to behavioral, emotional, or psychiatric conditions.
- Conduct intake & diagnostic assessment; develop and implement treatment plans; maintain client records; administer and interpret written assessment devices; assess crises situations; provide educational and court advocacy; coordinate services with other providers.
- Provide outreach, family stabilization, case management, wraparound services, parent-skills training, and evidence-based models.
- Provide counseling to families, individual/couple therapy, parent/caregiver psychoeducation and support, school support, medication management support, etc.
- Provide liaison to collaterals including mental health agencies, medical practices, community organizations (e.g., DCYF, Juvenile Probation, etc.), and schools.
- Experience working with diverse population & bi-lingual/ bi-cultural

West Bay Collaborative- Career Development Project

Warwick Rhode Island

Vocational Evaluator/CDP Coordinator

10/2006 - 06/2014

- Provided vocational assessment testing for student transition planning
- Coordinated transition, career awareness, and work readiness services for ORS & school districts

Work Opportunities Unlimited, Inc.

Warwick, Rhode Island

Founding Director RI Youth Career Services

09/2001-12/2006

- Implemented a vocational career service program for at-risk and disabled youth in RI
- Trained staff in areas of vocational evaluation assessment, career planning, case management, on the job support, transitional services for youth, job development, etc.
- Collaborated services with state and local human service agencies, six school districts, employers
- Provided direct vocational career counseling, job placement and support services to clients
- Facilitated transition forums for parents and career seminars at local high schools

City Year Boston and Rhode Island

Boston, Massachusetts/Providence, Rhode Island

Deputy Director of Recruitment, Retention and Operations/ Squad Leader

07/1994- 11/2001

- Managed clinical caseload of 105 socio-economically, ethnically, and educationally diverse young adults using strength model to increase corps member retention.
- Facilitated feedback sessions and conducted a variety of workshops
- Managed the Life After City Year Program, G.E.D Program, College and Career Advisory Board and a Mentorship program to provide support for corps members.

Boston Housing Authority

Boston, Mass achusetts

F.O.R.C.E Director/ Youth Worker/Youth Service Program Coordinator

10/1991 - 07/1994

- Developed and implemented a government funded female gang-prevention program called F.O.R.C.E. The program ran out of eleven sites and had over 900 participants.
- Planned and implemented a wide variety of youth training programs that touched on subjects: drug
 abuse prevention, HIV/AIDS prevention, college entrance, psycho-education support group,
 diversity tolerance, work readiness, etc.

EDUCATION

Master of Arts/ CAGS in Mental Health: Salve Regina University, 2013

Newport, Rhode Island

• Rehabilitation Counseling (MRC) & Mental Health Counseling Graduate Program

Bachelor of Arts: Boston College, 1991

Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts

High School Diploma: Mt. Pleasant High School, 1987

Providence, Rhode Island

SPECIALIZED TRAINING:

- Formulation Driven Treatment/ Person-Centered/Integrative Therapy/ Positive Psychology
- Mastering Differential Diagnosis with the DSM-5-TR
- Trauma Focused- Cognitive Behavioral Therapy & TF-CBT Plus Training
 - o TF-CBT Case Consultation (6/16/17 to 6/16/18)
 - o Risking Connection- Trauma- Informed Care
- Solution-Focused Brief Therapy (SFBT) Training
- Internal Family Systems Therapy (IFS) Training
 - Treating Complex Trauma with IFS
- Therapeutic Crisis Intervention
- Multicultural/DEI Training
- Dialectical Behavior Therapy Training: Core Concepts & Application
- Motivational Interviewing
- Brown Human Rights Asylum Clinic (BHRAC) Immigration Evaluation- Comprehensive Clinical Evaluations
- Effectively Engaging Fathers Training
- CPR/First Aid Certification; State Opioid Response Training: Preventing Overdose Death
- Vocational and Career Counseling/Vocational Functional Assessment Evaluations
- Judge Baker Children's Center Psycho-Educational Support Groups
- Samaritans Suicide Prevention Training & crises management
 - O Treating Suicidal Clients & Self-Harm Behaviors : Assessment & Guide for Care
- Leadership and Team Development, NCCJ Leadership for a Future
- Management & Communication Training
- Child Span Training for working with families
- Clinical Hypnotherapy Certification
- Psychopharmacology for non-prescribers; new medications and review of older medications
- Treatment of teen substance abuse: Contingency management interventions with teens and their families.
- 35 hours of ACRE-certified supported employment training
- Youth Mental Health First Aid USA Certification Training
- 33 hours certification training Cornell University- SSI/ SSDI

Language Proficiency: Spanish and English