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EXPERIENCE

Colorado Department of Human Services

Denver, CO

Family Preservation (Core) Services Specialist

July 2023- Present

- Support, review, and monitor Family Preservation (Core) plans for all 64 counties and tribal reservations
- Identify and promote evidence-based practices across Colorado through the management and support of Family Preservation (Core) funds, overseeing \$55M+ yearly in allocations to assist family permanency
- Develop, support, and assist in implementing rules, policies, procedures, and statutes at the State and Federal levels. Discuss vital information with county departments, federal partners, and service providers
- Lead workgroups dedicated in advancing and promoting promising child welfare practices

Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment

Denver, CO

Healthcare Worker Resilience & Retention Program Outreach Specialist

May 2022- July 2023

- Supported county public health agencies, healthcare facilities, and emergency management personnel impacted by the COVID19 pandemic connect with appropriate local, state, and federal resources
- Co-led Outreach Plan design and implementation for Colorado CARES program for all 64 counties focused on rural and frontier communities

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill - School of Medicine

Chapel Hill, NC

Behavior & Technology Lab – Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Research Consultants

August 2021- May 2022

- Conducted technology-based research surrounding sexual health including factors that impact the acquisition and transmission of HIV and other sexually transmitted infections amongst sexual and gender minority youth
- Partnered with product managers, designers, physicians, and other researchers, to develop an app-delivered intervention platform to provide educational information on a range of health topics and care resources
- Assisted in design decisions and content development for the HealthMpowerment (HMP) mobile app

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill - School of Medicine

Chapel Hill, NC

Community Engagement / Recruitment Lead

March 2021- May 2022

Bilingual Community Outreach Educator

November 2020- March 2021

- Led unit in establishing and launching outreach/recruitment projects for pharmaceutical and PI sponsored trials
- Supervised community engagement team at UNC, UNC ID clinic, and Wake County Public Health locations
- Conducted community education initiatives focused on infectious diseases clinical research
- Assisted clinical research group in pre-screening, interpretation, and served as Community Advisory Board liaison

Family Abuse Services of Alamance County

Burlington, NC

Assistant Director of Outreach & Latinx Services

November 2019- October 2020

Latinx Outreach Coordinator

July 2019- October 2019

- Attended civil and criminal court proceedings for bilingual support, guidance, and crisis counseling
- Directed bilingual marketing/outreach to Spanish-speaking community, focusing on appropriate crisis management
- Developed and implemented trainings with schools, churches, and civic groups addressing marginalized identities

University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Charlotte, NC

Graduate Assistant for the Office of Leadership & Community Engagement

August 2017- June 2019

North Carolina State University

Raleigh, NC

The Office for Institutional Equity and Diversity Intern

August 2016- December 2016

The Center for Student Leadership, Ethics and Public Service Intern

May 2016-August 2016

EDUCATION

University of North Carolina at Charlotte - *Master of Arts: Latin American Studies*

Charlotte, NC

North Carolina State University - *Bachelor of Arts: Women's & Gender Studies*

Raleigh, NC

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Languages: English (Fluent) Spanish (Fluent)

Skills: Research and Analysis, Python, EDI, Teaching, Project Management, Policy & Finance, Written & Oral Communication, State Government

Honors and Awards: Order of Omega Greek

Leadership Honor Society, Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society