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Bachelor of Science Eastern Oregon University
Anthropology and Sociology, Communication Minor

Lactation Consultant and Breastfeeding Counseling– 17 years

Health Educator – 13 years

Public Health – 13 years

Supervision and Management – 9 years

Breastfeeding Peer Counseling Coordinator January 2020 to present

Linn County Public Health

- Plans, develops, and implements the public health breastfeeding promotion and education program.
- Provides lactation education and clinical care for patients of all complexities in a public health clinic.
- Pioneered billing contract with Oregon Health Plan for equitable reimbursement for Public Health lactation services.
- Coordinated and led innovative state pilot program to equitably expand peer counseling throughout Oregon.
- Developed, implemented, and assessed the success of new procedures, policies, and practices to improve infant and maternal health outcomes within a trauma-informed and participant-centered model.
- Created community partnerships with stake holders to engage the public in health promoting behaviors and organized large community events to highlight the important of breastfeeding on long-term health outcomes.

Women’s Health Educator March 2017 to present

Legacy Health

- Teaches and facilitates community-based prenatal lactation and newborn care courses utilizing engaging adult based learning techniques and trauma-informed practices.
- Coordinates with providers and staff to improve health outcomes through prenatal education and resource building.

Lactation Consultant March 2017 to December 2020

Salem Pediatric Clinic

- Provided holistic, evidence-based lactation services and clinical care for patients of all complexities as part of a primary care team.
- Provided mentorship for lactation students and provided staff continuing education.
- Innovated practices to meet current professional standards, improve efficiency, and build community buy-in.

Faculty Member and Educator May 2013 to September 2017

CAPPA

- Facilitated curriculum development and program administration of health care professionals and students.
- Coordinated and planned annual international education conferences.

Lactation Consultant January 2013 to present

Bloom Lactation

- Offering outpatient lactation consultations including feeding assessment, developing, and implementing an individualized feeding plan, providing support and encouragement to enable parents to successfully meet their feeding goals while respecting the cultural preferences, psychosocial needs, and nutritional aspects of the feeding dyad.
- Offers perinatal presentations on a variety of topics to international audiences through speaking engagements and continuing education programs with a focus on advanced skills and clinical practices.

Breastfeeding Peer Counselor December 2009 to September 2014

Marion County WIC

- Addressed the educational and cultural context of health education for all families supported by the WIC program.
- Provided individual counseling and facilitated group learning for low-income families and moderate to high social risk.
- Assisted in curriculum development for the Peer Counselor program with continued refining of tools, techniques, and curriculum as the program expanded and developed.

Certifications and Licenses

International Board Certified Lactation Consultant L-98168
Lactation Consultant, Oregon Health Licensing LC-10189170
Basic Life Saving, American Heart Association: renewed biannually

Awards and Honors:

2022 Western Region USDA Gold Awardee for Breastfeeding Excellence
2022 Nation WIC Association Breastfeeding Champion
2021 Western Region USDA Recognition for Breastfeeding Excellence

Professional associations:

Board Member – Linn Benton Lincoln Breastfeeding Coalition
Board Member – Oregon Washington Lactation Association
Member – Marion County Breastfeeding Coalition
Member – United States Lactation Consultants Association
Member – International Lactation Consultants Association
Volunteer – Marion Polk Food Bank
Volunteer – Winema Early College High School
Volunteer – Family Building Blocks

Speaking Engagements 2021-2023:

Marion County WIC
Linn County WIC
Linn County Public Health
Benton County Public Health
Family Connects Program
Oregon Washington Lactation Association
Gold Lactation Conference
iLactation Conference – Breastfeeding: biological dialogues
Linn Benton Lincoln Breastfeeding Coalition
United States Lactation Association – New Horizons Conference
Maternal Child Health Nursing Program
Alaska Breastfeeding Coalition
California Breastfeeding Summit
iLactation – Lactation Conversations
Mass Breastfeeding Coalition and run the Nurturing Information for Professional Practice
California WIC Conference
Best Connections

References:

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