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EDUCATION

Obtained License as a Clinical Practical Counselor from the State of Illinois-July, 2008

Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago, Illinois
Certified Rehabilitation Counselor, as of March, 1999
Masters Degree in Science, July, 1999

Saint Xavier University, Chicago, Illinois
Bachelor's Degree in Psychology, January, 1995

EMPLOYMENT

2000-Present

Health Connection of Illinois, Aurora, Illinois
(Consulting firm for private sector rehabilitation)

Rehabilitation Consultant/Vice President

- Case Management, Medical Management, vocational assessment and evaluation, and vocational counseling.
- Supervise job placement staff
- Work with injured workers to regain employment in the job market.
- Serve as a liaison between the claimant, insurance company, attorneys and potential employers, as needed.
- Handle all facets of job development, pre-employment training skills, conduct mock interviews, and perform follow-up services.
- Conduct Labor Market Surveys to determine current occupational outlook and physical demands of job classifications.
- Manage a case load requiring an in-depth evaluation of the claimant's vocational background and current knowledge of worker's compensation laws and insurance regulations.
- Videotape claimant's employment position to determine physical demands of the job.
- Provide assistance with educational/vocational retraining.
- Administer, score, and interpret vocational tests.
- Responsible for follow-up and on the job training.

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INTERNSHIP

- 2/94-
5/94
- Sertoma Career Center, Alsip, Illinois**
Counseling Intern
- Individual Counseling
 - Group Counseling Sessions
 - Individual & group job development
 - Career counseling of individual with various disabilities
 - Interviewing skills & techniques provided to individuals with disabilities.

CONSULTING POSITIONS

- 2004.**
- Thomas A. Grzesik & Associates, Schererville, Indiana**
Rehabilitation Counselor/Job Placement Specialist
- 2000-Present
- Social Security Administration**
Office of Hearings & Appeals
Vocational Expert

UNRELATED EMPLOYEMENT

- 3/86-12/95
- Vondrak Publishing Company, Chicago, Illinois**
Assistant Classified Ad Manager
- Performed various general office duties
 - Customer Service
 - Handled reception area and switchboard
 - Trained and supervised individuals in departmental functions.

HONORS

National Dean's List Society
PSI-CHI, Psychology Honor Society

AFFILIATIONS

American Board of Vocational Experts