

Gerald Richard Rivera

Licensed Social Worker (SW8962)

Education

University of South Florida, Sarasota, FL
December, 2005

Master of Social Work

University of South Florida, Sarasota, FL
December, 2002

Bachelor of Social Work

Manatee Community College, Bradenton, FL
December, 2000

Associate in Arts

Adolescent & Adult Dual Diagnosed Therapeutic Services

- T.A.N.F. Certified Clinician, Adult M.H/Children's S.A.
 - Adoption Competency Trained
 - T.E.A.M. Certified Trainer
 - Honored **"Professional of the Year"** by FADAA for 2009. (Florida Alcohol & Drug Addiction Assn).
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Experience

Comprehensive MedPsych Systems, Sarasota, FL

Psychotherapist

October, 2012 - present

Coastal Behavioral Healthcare, Inc., North Port, FL

February, 2012- Present

Service Director I - Director, South County Services

Director of South County Services in Venice/North Port:

Directed service delivery in rural and urban populations providing full service operations with adult/child substance abuse and mental health services, including psychiatry, therapy and case management. 4 years experience in directing operational services with Medicaid and State funding. Provided TCM supervision to support service delivery and clinical documentation compliant with Medicaid standards. Oversee all aspects of operations at the North Port office and coordinate with corporate directives and compliance of all operations and service delivery.

Coastal Behavioral Healthcare, Inc., Arcadia, FL

Aug, 2008- 2012

Service Director I - Director, Desoto County Services

Director of the Arcadia office: Implemented all aspects for service and operational delivery. Hands-on labor and development of office space. Coordinated donations of office furnishings and decorative interiors. Trained and developed staff. Re-established community connections. Assisted with implementing primary care services under a PBHCI (Primary Behavioral Healthcare Integration) grant.

Carried a caseload providing individual, family and couple's therapy to adults, children and families. Worked closely with DCF, The Safe Children Coalition and probation, as well as provided supervision to therapists, interns and case managers. Provided therapy (individual, couple/marital and family) to the general and SPMI population, and adults exiting the judicial system. Completed 42 hours of Adoption Competency training in working with the foster care through DCF and SCC.

Coastal Behavioral Healthcare, Inc., Sarasota, FL

January, 2008- Aug. 2008

Clinician III - Compass Center, Clinical Team Leader

- Clinical Team Leader: facilitated treatment team meetings. Provided intake assessments for a 25 bed Coed-Residential facility (adolescents in a 6-12 month program). Provided individual, family and group therapy to the residences and families. Liaison with residents, parents, families, staff and area agency providers, including governmental and judicial agencies.

Coastal Behavioral Healthcare, Inc., Sarasota, FL

January, 2006- December, 2007

Clinician II - Compass Center Therapist

- Provided individual, group and family therapy to adolescent residents in a 6 month co-occurring residential program.

Coastal Behavioral Healthcare, Inc., Sarasota, FL

January, 2005-2006

Clinician I - Clinical Therapist, Foster Care-Wrap-Around Services

- Certified TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) therapist providing both mental health services to adults and substance abuse treatment to children.

Coastal Behavioral Healthcare, Inc., Sarasota, FL

January, 2003-2005

Case Manager/Assessor - Juvenile Assessment Center

- Provided assessments, treatment plans, and psycho-educational groups (substance abuse and anger management) to juveniles in DJJ programs and on probation. Performed community consultation and education services; served as a liaison with other community, governmental and judicial agencies and provided client assistance services.