

# Margaret M. Brett, L.C.S.W., A.C.S.W.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### **Erikson Institute**

Chicago IL

#### *Interim MSW Program Director*

June 2023 – present

- Provide leadership to the MSW program
- Responsible for program administration including accreditation compliance, budget, and personnel
- Collaborate with Admissions, Dean of Students office, and Academic Affairs to help recruit, enroll, and retain students
- Hire, supervise, and evaluate adjunct faculty
- Provide academic and career advising to students
- Develop and oversee MSW curriculum in conjunction with faculty and Academic Affairs
- Participate in the Assessment Committee, working to develop effective and innovative assessment strategies

#### *Director of MSW Practicum Education*

June 2023 – present

- Direct activities of the MSW Practicum office
- Supervise the Associate Director of Practicum Education
- Prospect, develop, and administer practicum education for MSW students
- Advise MSW students through the practicum process
- Continually evaluate Practicum office policies and procedures

#### *Director of Field Education and Career Services*

August 2014 – June 2023

- Directed activities of the Office of Field Education and Career Services
- Supervised Associate and Assistant Directors of Field Education
- Prospected, developed, and administered field education sites for MSW and MSCD students
- Developed and sustained relationships with community partners
- Provided career counseling and workshops for students and alumni
- Taught MSW supervision seminar and field preparation class
- Advised MSW and MSCD students
- Implemented assessment procedures related to field education and career services

#### *Interim Director of Student Affairs*

April 2020 – June 2022

- Managed student services, including advisement, retention efforts, support of academic progression
- Provided support to students around mental health issues, school/life balance, and life circumstances
- Collaborated with other student services' teams
- Facilitated procedures around academic integrity and student conduct, student grievances and complaints

#### *MSW Director of Field Instruction*

August 2013 – August 2014

- Prospected and developed field placement sites and assign students accordingly
- Developed and maintained appropriate records and communication with field agencies
- Developed and implemented field instructor training and field education resources

- Provided administrative leadership to the field education staff
- Taught MSW supervision seminar
- Advised MSW students

**Private Practice and Consultation**

January 1997 - present

*Private Practice*

- Individual child and adult, marital, group, and family therapist in person and through telehealth
- Clinical case consultant
- Psychoeducational speaker

*Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Consultant*

- St. Xavier Birth to Three Program (2010-2013, 2017-present)
- Barbara Vick Early Childhood and Family Center (2009-2013)
- Harvey School District #152 (2010-2013)
- ECHO Family Enrichment Program (2010-2013)
- Ounce of Prevention Fund Healthy Parents and Babies (2012-2013)
- Henry Booth House Head Start (2012-2013)
- SOS Children's Villages Illinois (2012-2013)
- Positive Parenting DuPage in collaboration with Erikson Institute (2011-2012)
- Chicago Public Schools Early Childhood Education (2007-2011) in collaboration with Erikson Institute (2007-2009)

Activities include:

- Working collaboratively with principals, program directors, preschool teachers, and teacher's assistants to assess classroom practice and develop goals to promote a positive social emotional environment for young children
- Facilitating reflective practice groups with teachers, educational coaches, and home visitors
- Providing reflective consultation to Birth to Three program directors, home visitors, and doulas
- Developing and presenting professional development programs for Early Childhood professionals
- Providing direct service to at-risk families

**Erikson Institute**

Chicago IL

*Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Consultant*

January – June 2010

- Provided mental health consultation to Birth to Three programs in South Cook County
- Engaged staff in reflective consultation and provided information and support, increasing the capacity of programs to address the mental health needs of young children and their families
- Supervised Erikson graduate intern

**La Rabida Children's Hospital and Research Center**

Park Forest IL

*Site Director, Chicago-La Rabida Children's Advocacy Center, South Suburban Office*

March 1995 – January 1998

- Established the south suburban office of the Chicago-La Rabida Children's Advocacy Center
- Developed professional liaisons with investigators for the purpose of coordinating the investigation of child abuse and providing services to child victims and their families
- Managed the daily operation of the center
- Supervised staff and students

- Conducted forensic interviews
- Provided therapy services to children and families
- Developed and provided prevention programs for the community

**Columbus Hospital**

Chicago IL

*Clinical Director, Child Protection Center*

June 1989 – March 1995

- Co-founded and developed the children’s advocacy center
- Administrative and supervisory responsibilities included: budget development, grant writing, professional and student supervision, community and professional liaison
- Supervised and conducted forensic interviews and therapy with abused children and their families

*Supervisor and Faculty Member, Department of Pediatrics*

- Provided supervision and didactic instruction to the pediatric residents and medical students
- Presented at Department’s Grand Rounds
- Participated in curriculum and service development
- Consultant to medical staff

**Project Hope**

Chicago IL

*Child Life Therapist*

January 1990 – June 1993

- Provided individual, dyadic, and group therapy to chemically dependent women and their birth to age three children
- Developed and participated in the therapeutic milieu, and the patients’ treatment planning and case management
- Supervised social work students from University of Chicago and University of Illinois

**Virginia Frank Child Development Center of Jewish Family and Community Service**

Chicago IL

*Social Worker*

June 1986 – January 1990

- Provided assessment, psychotherapy, concrete services, advocacy, and intake to families with children under the age of six
- Experience includes family, marital, individual, and group therapy

**EDUCATION**

**University of Chicago, The School of Social Service Administration**

Chicago IL

*A.M. in Social Work*

June 1986

**University of Notre Dame**

Notre Dame IN

*B.A. in Theology and Pre-Professional Studies*

May 1982

**Erikson Institute**

Chicago IL

*Coursework in the Infant Studies Program*

1991-1992

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Licensed Clinical Social Worker—State of Illinois

National Association of Social Workers

Academy of Certified Social Worker