

CURRICULUM VITAE/RESUME

D'ANTOINETTE EDWARDS MS, LPC, CPCS

QUALIFICATIONS SUMMARY

Competent and confident Mental Health and Substance Abuse Healthcare Clinician Professional with 10+ years of demonstrated solid experience in the mental health care industry. Proven record and diverse background in Individual Therapy, Group Therapy, Family Therapy, Crisis Intervention, Case Management, Prevention, and Interventions. Has effectively counseled people of various cultural backgrounds, ages and socioeconomic statuses. Experience providing clinical supervision to associate level counselors.

EDUCATION, LICENSE & CERTIFICATION

Education

Masters of Science Degree, Clinical Mental Health Counseling, Mercer University, Atlanta, GA, May 2012

Dual Bachelor of Arts Degree, Psychology and Sociology, Minor: Speech Communication, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA, May 2009

License & Certifications

Licensed Professional Counselor (#008466)

Certified Professional Counselor Supervisor (#1662)

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS & PUBLICATIONS

Momentum in Emotional Health Workshop, City of Hope Church, Decatur, Georgia, June 2017

Jai Fit Academy Presents Girl's Code, Jai Fit Academy, Union City, Georgia, August 2017

'Till Death Do Us Part: Conquering the Surprise of Mental Illness, My Authentic Wedding, November 2017

From the Outside Looking In: A Better Understanding of Mental Health, Lincolnnton, Georgia, April 2018

Cognitive Distortions Mood Journal: Self-Help for Anxiety & Depression, September 2022

Affects of Childhood Trauma Across the Lifespan, LRP Ministries, Johns Island, South Carolina, May 2023

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATION

Licensed Professional Counselors Association of Georgia

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

HeartSync Therapy, LLC, Sandy Springs, GA

Founder/Licensed Professional Counselor & Clinical Supervisor

- Provides clinical supervision for associate licensed counselors.
- Provides individual, couple's, family, and group therapy for adults and teenagers via telehealth platform and in person sessions.
- Makes appropriate referrals for additional services

Lifescance Health, Atlanta, GA

Licensed Professional Counselor & Clinical Supervisor

- Provides clinical and administrative supervision for associate licensed counselors and interns.
- Provides individual, couple's, family, and group therapy for adults and teenagers via telehealth platform and in person sessions.
- Documents all session notes within 24 hours of encounter.
- Makes appropriate referrals for additional services

MDLive, Remote Position, GA

Telehealth Therapist

- Provides individual, couple's, family, and group therapy for adults and teenagers via telehealth platform and in person sessions.
- Documents all session notes within 48 hours of encounter.
- Makes appropriate referrals for additional services

Thriveworks Counseling, Smyrna, GA

Therapist & Clinical Supervisor

- Provided clinical and administrative supervision for associate licensed counselors.
- Provided individual, couple's, and family therapy for adults and teenagers via telehealth platform and in person sessions.
- Documented all session notes within 24 hours of encounter.
- Made appropriate referrals for additional services

Teladoc, Remote Position, GA

Telehealth Therapist

- Provided individual therapy for adults via telehealth platform.
- Documented all session notes in SOAP format
- Made appropriate referrals for additional services

Peachford Hospital, Atlanta, GA

Intake Counselor

- Provided information and services to callers and potential patients regarding appropriate psychiatric and addiction treatment options.
- Facilitated admission to hospital programs through evaluation.
- Provides referrals to outpatient treatment or alternative treatment options.
- Performs insurance authorizations for patients upon arrival to the hospital.

Case Manager

- Organized patient discharge to include appointment setting and linkages to appropriate resources.
- Reported abuse and neglect to appropriate agencies as needed.
- Completed psychosocial assessments, treatment plan, and crisis safety plans in a timely manner.
- Participated in multidisciplinary treatment team meetings.
- Performed group and family sessions for adult clients with mental health and substance abuse diagnoses.

Wellstar Behavioral Health, Austell, GA

Emergency Room Assessment Counselor

- Completed assessments to determine appropriate level of care.
- Provided referrals to patients as needed.
- Collaborated with medical and behavioral health staff regarding proposed treatment

Courage of Love Counseling Center, Atlanta, GA

Founder/Licensed Professional Counselor

- Employed research proven techniques to provide individual, couple's, and family therapy.
- Created, updated, and implemented personalized treatment plans.
- Completed mental health and substance abuse assessments to determine appropriate level of care, diagnosis, and course of treatment.
- Provided resources to clients as needed.

Eastside Medical Center, Atlanta, GA

Intake Social Worker

- Provided information and services to callers and potential patients regarding appropriate psychiatric and addiction treatment options.
- Facilitated admission to hospital programs through evaluation.
- Provided referrals to outpatient treatment or alternative treatment options.
- Performed insurance authorizations for patients upon arrival to the hospital.

Optum/United Healthcare, Atlanta, GA

Behavioral Healthcare Advocate

- Utilized knowledge of level of care criteria to provide initial authorization as appropriate.
- Performed concurrent reviews to determine the necessity of continued care.
- Recommended suitable treatment options to providers and members.

Behavioral Health Link/Georgia Crisis and Access Line, Atlanta, GA

Call Center Clinician

- Completed assessments to determine appropriate level of care.
- Provided information and services to callers regarding appropriate psychiatric and addiction treatment options
- Provided linkages to callers for substance abuse and psychiatric services.
- Initiated crisis intervention services for callers as appropriate.
- Trained new employees in company policies and procedures.

Academy for Family Empowerment, Conyers, GA

School Based Mental Health Therapist

- Completed and updated psychosocial assessments, treatment plans, and discharge summaries in a timely manner.
- Performed individual and family therapy sessions for 15 to 25 teen and adolescent consumers with mental health and substance abuse issues.
- Completed insurance re-authorizations for consumers; audited consumer files according to Medicaid standards.
- Documented the progression of clients in GIRP format; referred clients to resources and support services as appropriate.

Little Debbie's Second Chance Homes, Decatur, GA

Licensed Clinical Therapist

- Performed individual and family therapy sessions for teen and adolescent consumers.
- Facilitated substance abuse and mental health therapy groups.
- Completed and updates psychosocial assessments, CAFAS scores, and treatment plans.
- Documented the progression of clients in BIRP format.

GPA Treatment, Inc. Doraville, GA

Substance Abuse Counselor

- Performed therapy and case management for 40 to 50 clients.
- Completed intakes, psychosocial assessments, and treatment plans
- Documented the progression of clients; participated in staff professional development and team meetings.