

Taryn Hiatt MSW-CSW

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EDUCATION

Utah Valley University, Orem, UT

2024

Master of Social Work, 3.89 GPA

Bachelor of Science, Psychology

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Caring Connections: A Grief and Comfort Program

2024- Present

Clinical Social Worker

Managed complex clinical referrals for bereavement care, assisted with grief support group assignments, and implemented bereavement support services. Coordinated research activities, including participant recruitment, enrollment, and ongoing communication. Conducted interviews and psychosocial assessments under LCSW supervision to evaluate referrals and determine appropriate care. Administered approved counseling, providing assessments, counseling, and treatment. Provided outreach by offering information and referrals to community resources. Received supervision toward licensure as part of professional development.

American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, Utah

2003-2016

Chapter Board Chair and Founder

Founded the Utah chapter of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP) after the loss of my father to suicide. Established a robust board structure and initiated the Out of the Darkness Walks in Utah, leading the chapter to rank in the top 10 nationwide for fundraising. Achieved multiple Chapter of the Year awards for excellence in education programs and advocacy efforts, significantly impacting suicide prevention and mental health awareness in Utah.

Utah Suicide Prevention Coalition Executive Committee Co-Chair

2018-2024

Effectively managed coalition membership facilitated workgroups by endorsing strategic initiatives, and consistently engaged in key meetings. Spearheaded the development and execution of a statewide suicide prevention plan, promoting partnership and driving significant efforts to lower suicide rates throughout Utah.

State of Utah, Medical Examiner's Office

Fall 2023

Research Intern

Facilitate interviews with next of kin after suicide and overdose deaths

Utah State Hospital, Provo, Utah

2022-2023

Forensics Social Work Intern

As a Forensic Social Work Intern at Utah State Hospital, managed a diverse caseload, providing individualized support and care to patients. Conducted psychoeducational groups, focusing on enhancing patients' understanding of mental health, coping strategies, and social skills. Collaborated with multidisciplinary teams to develop and implement treatment plans, ensuring comprehensive and effective patient care.

Experienced Color Specialist and Educator, Paul Mitchell Advanced Education

2005-2013

Accomplished Color Specialist with extensive experience in advanced hair color techniques and education at Paul Mitchell. Skilled in teaching large groups and adept at facilitating comprehensive learning sessions that incorporate open, body, and close methods. Proficient in addressing multiple intelligences and learning types to enhance student engagement and mastery of complex color concepts.

SKILLS

- Suicide Prevention: Over 20 years of experience in suicide prevention, intervention and postvention.
- Teaching and Education: Engaging teacher and master educator. Mental health First Aid Instructor
- Peer Support: Trained in providing peer support for grief after suicide loss.
- Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Recovery: Long-term recovery experience, offering unique insights and empathy.
- Research and Writing: Recent MSW graduate with robust research experience and strong writing skills.
- Crisis Intervention and Community Education: Skilled in crisis intervention, community education, and support services.
- Mental Health Advocacy: Committed to fostering mental health awareness and resilience. Active in legislation and collaboration with stake holders.
- Team Collaboration: Proven ability to work effectively with multidisciplinary teams, fostering a cooperative and productive work environment
- Clinical Treatment and Assessment: Suicide Risk and Assessment, Motivational Interviewing, CBT, DBT, ACT skills.
- Grief Support Group Facilitator for families who have lost someone to suicide or overdose.
- Grief Literacy Trainer.
- Proficient in RedCap for Research Designs.