

Amanda Connolly Benitez, LICSW

EDUCATION

Salve Regina University, Newport RI
Bachelor of Science, Social Work;
Minor, Theater Arts

Bridgewater State University, Bridgewater, MA
Master of Social Work, Clinical Social Work

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Woburn Public School, Woburn MA

September 2019- Present

Therapeutic Program Social Work: counselor

- Provide individual & group weekly therapy
- Crisis management
- Complete necessary documentation such as IEPs and crisis management plans

Eliot Community Human Services, Malden, MA

May 2019-September 2019

Survivor Services Clinician (Fee for Service): provide trauma services through VOCA grant

- Provide individual weekly therapy uses TF-CBT and ARC models
- Supervise MSW Intern
- Complete necessary documentation including grant related eligibility screening

Eliot Community Human Services, Everett, MA

January 2019-September 2019

Coordinator of School Based Services: counselor at therapeutic school (Devens)

- Complete necessary documentation in EMR such as comprehensive assessments and treatment plans
- Provide individual weekly therapy
- Facilitate community referrals as needed including serving as the “hub” for services
- Collaborate with school administration including crisis intervention and consultation

Mount Auburn Hospital, Cambridge, MA

July 2016-December 2018

Inpatient Social Worker: geriatric psychiatry case management and therapeutic support

- Complete psychosocial assessments
- Discharge planning including collateral contact and community building
- Facilitate family meetings and provide psycho-education
- Provide brief therapeutic intervention/ crisis intervention
- Obtain authorization for inpatient services

Family Service of Rhode Island, Providence, RI

September 2015-July 2016

Community Based Clinician: provide therapy to children and their families

- Provided outpatient, school based, and intensive in-home therapy
- Completed emergency based assessments and services including on-call coverage
- Utilized various modalities including Cognitive Behavioral Therapy and Trauma Systems Therapy
- Collaborated with internal and external providers to coordinate care and advocate for patients
- Obtained authorization for insurance-based services

Fellowship Health Resources, Cranston, RI

September 2012-September 2015

Rhode Island Regional Practice Manager: oversee the administrative processes of RI programs

- Provided supervision to regional employees including the hiring process
- Coordinated quality improvement efforts, including outcome measures across the state
- Oversaw financial and credentialing processes for the Rhode Island Region
- Liaison to all corporate departments including marketing, human resources, tech support, etc.

Appalachia Service Project, Johnson City, TN

May 2011-August 2012

Summer Staffer: coordinate home repair projects and volunteer programming

- Selected and supervised construction projects to make homes warmer, safer, and drier
- Lead community outreach and engagement efforts
- Managed county website and marketing tools
- Handled center finances including budgeting, accounts payable, and fundraising

INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

May Institute, Fall River, MA

September 2014-May 2015

Youth Trauma Program MSW Intern: provide trauma-informed individual and group therapy

- Provided individual therapy using the ARC Framework and TF-CBT treatment model
- Organized and facilitate group therapy
- Provided parenting support and education

St. Anne's Hospital, Fall River, MA

September 2011-May 2012

Oncology Social Work Intern: provide both in-patient and outpatient oncology services

- Introduced social work services including available resources to all oncology patients
- Advocated for additional services both internal and external
- Coordinated groups, educational events, and retreats

**Newport County Community Mental Health Center,
Middletown, RI**

September 2010-April 2011

Early Childhood Day Treatment Intern: provide services for children in intensive day treatment

- Coordinated daily therapeutic activities for children age 2-6
- Engaged and supported family systems through agency and home visits