

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education

Diploma, Knott County Central High School, Hindman, Kentucky, 1991
BA, Social Work, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky, 1995
MA, Social Work, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky, 1997
Certified Social Worker, State Board of Social Work Examiners, 2000

Employment

2012 – Present

Clinical Faculty/Director/Co-Principal Investigator of the Credit for Learning Program (CFL), University of Kentucky (UK) College of Social Work (COSW), July 2012 – present. Direct the Credit for Learning Program, a Federal Title IV – E Child Welfare Program, involving collaboration with multiple child welfare agency partners and universities. The program is designed to facilitate child safety, permanency, and well-being by enhancing professional expertise of child welfare personnel through graduate social work education.

Significant Accomplishments

- Collaborate with the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services and university partners to implement the statewide CFL Program and curriculum.
- Serve as a member of the CFL Executive Committee, managing the implementation of policies and procedures developed by the Committee in UK's CFL Program.
- Manage the administrative operation of the CFL Program at UK.
- Coordinate all CFL related functions within the University, including the application and registration processes through Distance Learning, the Graduate School, the Registrar and the COSW.

- Oversee and coordinate the Title IV-E related work of all faculty working in the CFL Program.
- Serve as the academic advisor for all Cabinet employees enrolled in the Lexington MSW program.
- Research current literature on best practice in child welfare/family violence, as well as literature on promising practices in the professional development of public child welfare staff.
- Develop new CFL courses and training, and modification of existing CFL courses.
- Develop and provide technical and annual reports to the Cabinet for Health and Family Services.
- Participate in UK COSW Faculty duties as required and/or requested.

Courses Taught

SW 580, Social Work Practice with Vulnerable Adults
 SW 580, Partnership for Supporting and Children and Adults in Need
 SW 580, Advanced Practice in Child Welfare Services
 SW 580, Supervision in Child Welfare Services
 SW 580, Perspectives on Professional Development in Child Welfare
 SW 580, Advanced Casework Practice in Child Welfare
 SW 580, Casework Supervision in Child Welfare
 SW 580, Coaching and Mentoring in Child Welfare
 SW 505, Child Welfare Services
 EXP 396, UK Internship Program

1999 – 2012

Program Coordinator/Community Based Services Manager, University of Kentucky Targeted Assessment Program (TAP), A Division of the Center on Drug and Alcohol Research, University of Kentucky, November 1999 – present. Coordinate and supervise the Targeted Assessment Program, a nationally recognized and award winning program which works to identify barriers to Kentucky Families with low incomes by providing holistic assessment, case coordination, and referral services to families served by the Kentucky Department for Community Based Services.

Significant Accomplishments

- Provide direct supervision for mental health professionals co-located at Kentucky Department for Community Based Services offices.

- Assist in the development and submission of program proposals to the Kentucky Cabinet for Families and Children resulting in 13 years of continued funding.
- Create reporting tools and data collection systems to organize program data needed to meet contract outcomes.
- Generate quarterly, annual, and other outcome reports to the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services.
- Developed and coordinated 12 regional trainings regarding the impact of substance use in child welfare cases for staff of the Kentucky Department for Community Based Services Divisions of Protection and Permanency and Family Support, located throughout Kentucky.
- Conduct regular management meetings with Department for Community Based Services at each TAP site to ensure successful service implementation of TAP services for DCBS clients.
- Facilitate Targeted Assessment Program Advisory Councils for each county served by TAP.

2011 Dual Diagnosis Capability in Addiction Treatment (DDCAT) Evaluator, contract position, Kentucky Department of Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities, Frankfort, Kentucky, April 2011 – June 2011. Evaluated Kentucky Community Mental Health Centers to determine each center’s capacity for Dual Diagnosis Capability in Addiction Treatment and Dual Diagnosis Capability in Mental Health Treatment.

2009 Grant Proposal Evaluator, contract position, Institute for Youth Development, Washington, DC. Reviewed and ranked grant proposals from agencies aiming to obtain funding for youth education programs.

2001 – 2002 Adjunct Faculty, Part-time faculty appointment, College of Social Work, University of Kentucky, January 2001 – December 2002.

Significant Accomplishments

- Taught Social Work 400, Macro Level Social Work Practice, to undergraduate students at the University of Kentucky, course components included grant writing, systems advocacy, professional ethics, cultural diversity, legislative advocacy, and creating social action.

1999 Research Assistant, Center on Drug and Alcohol Research, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky, January 1999 – July 1999. Conducted participant interviews, collected and reported

data for a study, which focused on victimization among rural women.

Significant Accomplishment

- Study revealed groundbreaking data; an article was submitted and accepted to the Journal of Family Violence in May 2000.

1998 – 1999

Project Administrator, Kentucky Domestic Violence Association, Frankfort, Kentucky, May 1998 – November 1999. Developed and implemented the Local Coordinating Council Project, a statewide project funded by a Violence Against Women Act grant which worked to establish and maintain domestic violence councils across Kentucky.

Significant Accomplishments

- Developed the Local Coordinating Council Project.
- Supervised the implementation of grants awarded to 10 “model sites”.
- Assisted in revising/updating the Model Protocol for Local Coordinating Councils on Domestic Violence.
- Organized and presented 8 trainings to Kentucky communities on developing a coordinated community response to domestic violence.
- Served on the “Training, Prevention, and Awareness”, and “Local Coordinating Council” Committees of the Governor’s Council on Domestic Violence.

1995 – 1997

Victim Advocate, Fayette County Attorney’s Office, Lexington, Kentucky, October 1995 – May 1998. Performed crisis counseling, provided education about domestic violence, civil and criminal remedies to address domestic violence, and information regarding community resources to assist victims of domestic violence.

Significant Accomplishments

- Served on a multi-disciplinary prosecution team for criminal domestic violence cases.
- Conducted lethality assessments.
- Prepared clients for court room testimony.
- Provided referrals to other agencies.
- Helped to implement a crisis response team to assist victims with filing civil and criminal petitions for protection.

1994

Health Educator, Southeast Area Health Education Center, Hazard, Kentucky, May 1994 – August 1994.

Significant Accomplishments

- Acted as assistant director of “Health Careers Camp”.
- Provided presentations about various health care topics throughout Southeastern Kentucky.

Internships/Practicums

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| 1997 | Treatment Manager/Counselor, The Methodist Home, Versailles, Kentucky |
| 1996 – 1997 | Counselor, YWCA Spouse Abuse Center, Lexington, Kentucky |
| 1996 | Fayette County Domestic Violence Prevention Board, Lexington, Kentucky |
| 1996 | Local Coordinating Council Committee of the Governor’s Council on Domestic Violence, Frankfort, Kentucky |
| 1995 | Social Worker, St. Joseph’s Hospital, Lexington, Kentucky |
| 1995 | Victim Advocate, Fayette County Attorney’s Office, Lexington, Kentucky |

Professional Memberships

Member, Child Welfare League of America, 2015 - present
Member, Council on Social Work Education, 2014 - present
Member, University of Kentucky Women’s Forum Board, 2014 - present
Member, Kentucky People Advocating Recovery (PAR) 2005 - present
Member, Social Services Committee of the Governor’s Task Force on the Economic Status of Kentucky Women, 2001-2002
Member, YWCA Spouse Abuse Center Advocacy and Support Committee, 1995 - 2002
Member, Take Back the Night Planning Committee, 1997 – 2001
Member, Kentucky Coalition for Women’s Substance Abuse Services, 1999 - present
Member, Targeted Assessment Project Council (Boyd Co., Floyd Co., Perry Co. and Pike Co.), 1999 – 2012
Member, National Association of Social Workers, 1994 – present
Member, Training, Prevention, and Awareness Committee of the Governor’s Council on Domestic Violence, 1998 – 2000
Member, Local Coordinating Council Committee of the Governor’s Council on Domestic Violence, 1998 – 2000

Trainings/Workshops/Presentations

2016:

“Child Abuse and Neglect: Recognition and Reporting for Educational Professionals”, Guest Lecture for the UK College of Education, Lexington, Kentucky.

2015:

“Mental Health Considerations – Practical Information for Creating Inclusive Service and Trauma Informed Training”, Kentucky Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Frankfort, Kentucky

“Substance Use and Abuse in the Context of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault”, Kentucky Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Frankfort, Kentucky

“Working with parents Who Use Alcohol and Drugs”, What Works in Child Welfare Conference, Lexington, Kentucky

“Talking About My Generation”, Southern Bluegrass Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services Department for Community Based Services, Service Region Administrator meeting, Richmond, Kentucky

“Working with Individuals Who Use Alcohol and Drugs”, Passport, Louisville, Kentucky

“Managing Millenials”, Southern Bluegrass Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Department for Community Based Services, Out of Home Care Regional meeting, Lexington, Kentucky

“Substance Abuse and Mental Health: Module IV”, Kentucky Domestic Violence, Frankfort, Kentucky.

2014:

“Experiential Social Work Education for Child Welfare Supervisors: Learning Beyond the Classroom”, Council on Social Work Education 60th Annual Conference, Tampa, Florida.

“Training Supervisors for the Realities of Practice: Implementing an evidence-informed, trauma focused, and case based curriculum”, National Staff Development and Training Association (NSDTA), Louisville, Kentucky.

“Substance Abuse and Mental Health: Module IV”, Kentucky Domestic Violence, Frankfort, Kentucky.

2013 - 2012:

“Substance Abuse and Mental Health: Module IV”, Kentucky Domestic Violence, Frankfort, Kentucky.

2011:

“Substance Abuse and Mental Health: Module IV”, Kentucky Domestic Violence, Frankfort, Kentucky.

“UK Targeted Assessment Program Web Based Data Collection System”, Lexington, Kentucky.

“Assessment and Evaluation: Fayette County Model Court/Best Practices Court”, Fayette County Department for Community Based Services Division of Protection and Permanency, Workshop, Lexington, Kentucky.

2010:

“Domestic Violence Victimization and Substance Use”, Kentucky Domestic Violence Training Institute, Frankfort, Kentucky.

“Fayette County Friends of Children and UK Targeted Assessment Program: A Community Partnership”, Lexington, Kentucky.

“Fayette County Targeted Assessment Program Overview, Fayette County Welfare Provider Cabinet”, Lexington, Kentucky.

“Substance Abuse and Mental Health: Module IV, Kentucky Domestic Violence Association Certification”, Frankfort, Kentucky.

2009:

“University of Kentucky Targeted Assessment Program Case Closure Review Pilot Training”, Lexington, Kentucky.

“Substance Abuse and Mental Health: Module IV, Kentucky Domestic Violence Association Certification”, Frankfort, Kentucky.

2008:

“Working with Victims of Domestic Violence”, Workshop, KIDS NOW Plus Case Management Conference, Frankfort, Kentucky.

“Domestic Violence Victimization and Substance Abuse: Understanding, Assessing, and Treating”, Workshop, 35th Annual Kentucky School of Alcohol and Other Drug Studies, Highland Heights, Kentucky.

“Substance Abuse and Mental Health: Module IV, Kentucky Domestic Violence Association Certification”, Frankfort, Kentucky.

2007:

“Addressing Substance Abuse Among Kentucky Works Participants”, Department for Community Based Services, Workshop, London, Hazard, Richmond, Morehead, Covington, and Elizabethtown, Kentucky.

“Serving Substance Affected Families”, Department for Community Based Services, Workshop, London, Hazard, Richmond, Morehead, Covington, and Elizabethtown, Kentucky.

“Domestic Violence Victimization and Substance Abuse: Understanding, Assessing, and Treating” Workshop, 34th Annual Kentucky School of Alcohol and Other Drug Studies. Highland Heights, Kentucky.

“Substance Abuse and Mental Health: Module IV, Kentucky Domestic Violence Association Certification”, Frankfort, Kentucky.

2006:

“Domestic Violence Victimization and Substance Abuse: Understanding, Assessing, and Treating” Workshop, 33rd Annual Kentucky School of Alcohol and Other Drug Studies. Highland Heights, Kentucky.

“Accommodating Learning Differences: The Importance of Identifying, Communicating and Motivating Adults with Special Learning Needs” Targeted Assessment Program, Skill Enhancement & Employment Center, and Vocational Rehabilitation. Lexington, Kentucky.

2005:

“Substance Abuse and Mental Health” Kentucky Domestic Violence Association Certification Training. Frankfort, Kentucky.

“Domestic Violence Victimization and Substance Abuse: Understanding, Assessing, and Treating” Workshop, 32nd Annual Kentucky School of Alcohol and Other Drug Studies. Highland Heights, Kentucky.

“Substance Abuse and Domestic Violence Victimization” Workshop, Into the Light – Out of the Darkness Conference sponsored by the Barren River Area Safe Space and the Bowling Green Community and Technical College. Bowling Green, Kentucky.

“Domestic Violence Victimization and Substance Abuse” Workshop, the Kentucky Coalition for Women’s Substance Abuse Services. Paducah, Kentucky.

“Targeted Assessment Program” Presentation, Bi-Annual meeting of the Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS) Ready to Work Coordinators. Lexington, Kentucky.

2004:

“Mental Health and Substance Abuse Problems Among Victims of Violence” Workshop, 2nd Annual Appalachian Violence Outreach Network conference. Buckhorn, Kentucky

“Substance Abuse and Violence Against Women” Workshop, Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault: Recognition, Intervention, and Prevention, An Enhanced Response to Violence Against Women in the Public Health Setting Training. Bowling Green, Frankfort, Cincinnati, and Paintsville, Kentucky

“Substance Abuse and Domestic Violence” Workshop, Barren County Kentucky Agency on Substance Abuse Policy (KY ASAP). Glasgow, Kentucky.

2003:

“Helping the Whole Woman: Addressing Mental Health and Substance Abuse Among Victims of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault” Workshop, 5th Annual Ending Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Conference. Lexington, Kentucky.

“Targeted Assessment of Domestic Violence and Addiction”, Workshop, American Drug Problems Association of North America Women’s Issues Conference. Buffalo, New York.

2002:

“Domestic Violence Basics” Training, Hope Center Women’s Recovery Program. Lexington, Kentucky.

“UK Targeted Assessment Project” Presentation, Kentucky River Region Comprehensive Family Services Showcase. Hazard, Kentucky.

“Women’s Substance Abuse and Gender Specific Treatment” Workshop, KIDS NOW Substance Abuse and Pregnancy Initiative. Lexington, Kentucky.

2001:

“The Assessment of Substance Abuse and Domestic Violence” Workshop, Kentucky School of Alcohol and Other Drug Studies. Highland Heights, Kentucky.

“Whatever It Takes: Meeting the Client Where She Is” Workshop, 14th Annual Conference of the Alcohol and Drug Problems Association of North America. Tucson, Arizona.

“Domestic Violence and Substance Abuse” Presentation, Rowan County Domestic Violence Council’s Community Response to Violence Conference. Morehead, Kentucky.

- “Dating Violence” Workshop, University of Kentucky Young Women in Science.
Lexington, Kentucky.
- “Collaboration between Substance Abuse and Domestic Violence Service Providers”
Presentation, the Perseverance for Women Symposium sponsored by Pathways,
Inc. Ashland, Kentucky.

2000:

- “Targeted Assessment Project” Workshop, The Kentucky Cabinet for Families and
Children Vision 2000 Conference. Owensboro, Kentucky.
- “Developing a Strategic Plan: Targeted Assessment Project” Training, Pike County
Targeted Assessment Project Advisory Committee. Pikeville, Kentucky.
- “Dating and Domestic Violence” Presentation, Kentucky Coalition for Women’s
Substance Abuse Services. Prestonsburg, Kentucky.
- “Domestic Violence Basics” Training, Pike County Health Department Inservice.
Pikeville, Kentucky.

1999:

- “Domestic Violence Basics” Training, TOPS (Through Opportunity People Succeed)
Inservice. Prestonsburg, Kentucky.
- “Coordinated Response to Domestic Violence” Training, “Blueprint for Peace”
Conference. Louisville, Kentucky.
- “Domestic Violence, What You Can Do” Presentation, Boyd County Domestic Violence
Council Candlelight Vigil. Ashland, Kentucky.
- “Domestic Violence, It is Your Business” Presentation. Garrard County Domestic
Violence Awareness Speakout. Lancaster, Kentucky.
- “Domestic Violence Basics” Training, Kentucky Headstart Inservice. Lawrenceburg,
Kentucky.
- “Working to End Abuse: A Coordinated Response to Domestic Violence” Trainings,
Prestonsburg, Frankfort, Grayson, Carrolton, Paducah, Powell County, Whitley
County, and Christian County, Kentucky.
- “Local Coordinating Council Update” Presentation. Attorney General’s Office “Building
Bridges” Conference. Lexington, Kentucky.
- “Local Coordinating Council Expansion Update” Presentation. Governor’s Council on
Domestic Violence. Frankfort, Kentucky.
- “Improving the Response to Domestic Violence in Small Towns and Rural Areas: A
Technical Assistance and Training Project in Kentucky” Training, London,
Mayfield, and Richmond, Kentucky.

1998:

- “Collaboration in Cases of Domestic Violence” Training, Kentucky Domestic Violence
Association Certification Training. Frankfort, Kentucky.
- “Domestic Violence and the Effects on Children” Training, The Kentucky Safe Schools
Conference. Lexington, Kentucky.
- “The Local Coordinating Council Project” Training, “Innovations in Community
Response to Domestic Violence, the Next Step”, Louisville, Kentucky.

1997:

“Domestic Violence Basics” Presentation, undergraduate level social work students,
University of Kentucky. Lexington, Kentucky.

“Local Coordinating Council Survey Data” Presentation, Governor’s Council on
Domestic Violence. Frankfort, Kentucky.

Articles/Publications

Sanford, R.L., Ratliff, S.H., & Staton-Tindall, M. (2015). Working with Parents Who Use
Alcohol and Drugs. In L. Dixon, D. Perkins, L. Craig & C. Hamilton-Giachritsis
(Eds.), *What Works in Child Protection: An Evidenced-Based Approach to
Assessment and Intervention in Care Proceedings*. Manuscript submitted for
publication.

Faragher, T., & Ratliff, S.H. (1999). Working to End Domestic Violence: A Training
Manual for Local Coordinating Councils on Domestic Violence. Unpublished
manuscript.

Logan, T.K., Walker, R., Cole, J., Ratliff, S.H., & Leukefeld, C. (2003), Qualitative
Differences Among Rural and Urban Intimate Violence Victimization
Experiences & Consequences: A pilot study. Journal of Family Violence, 18, 2,
83-92.

Civic Activities

Member, Centerpointe Christian Church, Lexington, Kentucky

Member, Sandersville Elementary Parent Teacher Association

Member, Bluegrass School for the Creative and Performing Arts Parent Teacher
Association

Former President, Bluegrass Women’s Political Caucus, Lexington, Kentucky

Member, One Hundred Women

Co-Founder and Volunteer, Mothers Celebrating Recovery

Volunteer, Young Women in Science Mentor

Honors

University of Kentucky Work-Life Supervisor of the Year Award Finalist, 2009

Woman of the Year Award presented by Pathways, Inc. and Vision for the 21st Century,
2001

Kentucky Outstanding Victim Advocate Award presented by the Kentucky Victims’
Coalition, 1999

Alpha Delta Mu, National Social Work Honor Society, 1997

Personal

Born December 26, 1973, Hazard, KY

Married to Jeremy Joseph Ratliff; one daughter, Abigail Elise Ratliff (born 2002); two
sons, Haynes Aiden Ratliff (born 2007); and Wyatt Trace Ratliff (born 2009).