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Employment:

Private practice: Assessment and treatment of general psychological problems in individuals and couples including affective, anxiety and personality disorders. Forensic practice includes the evaluation of sex offenders and expert witness testimony at trial and sentencing in five western North Carolina counties, evaluation of sex offenders as court appointed psychologist and for private practice attorneys and three Departments of Social Service, consultation to attorneys on sex offender cases, treatment of sex offenders and supervision of the assessment and treatment of approximately 300 sex offenders; assessment and treatment of dentists who sexually offend for the North Carolina Dental Board; treatment of physicians who sexually offend as required by the North Carolina Medical Board; assessment of psychologists referred by the North Carolina Psychology Board; contracted with the Buncombe County Department of Social Services to provided sex offender assessments; assessment and treatment of sex offenders for the Buncombe County Department of Probation; evaluation and treatment of sexual dysfunctions. (August 1990 to the present).

Appalachian Hall: Individual and marital psychotherapy, group therapy, and and psychological assessment. (July 1985 to 1993).

Grove Clinic: Individual and marital psychotherapy. (July 1985 to August 1990).

University Counseling Center, Ithaca College, Ithaca, NY. Psychologist and Coordinator of Clinical Services. (August 1981 to June 1985).

University Counseling Services, Virginia Commonwealth University/Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, VA. Internship in Counseling/Clinical Psychology. (August 1980 to August 1981).

University Counseling Center, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Director of Testing Services and Counselor. (August 1978 to August 1980).

Presentations:

Presentation as Faculty Member, North Carolina Advocates for Justice, Defending Child Sex Abuse Cases, Raleigh, NC., December 10, 2010.

Presentation on federal legislation related to sex offenders, North Carolina Association for the Management and Treatment of Sexual Offenders, Greensboro, NC., November 23, 2006.

Presentation on Prediction of Relapse Risk with the Static-99, Sexual Abuse Intervention Network, Asheville, NC., November 21, 2003.

Testifying in Court, invited panel discussion for the North Carolina Association for the Management and Treatment of Sex Offenders, Greensboro, NC. Wednesday, September 10, 2003.

Presentation on The Code of Ethics, Practice Standards and Guidelines for Members of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, Sexual Abuse Intervention Network, Asheville, NC, January 20, 2003.

Buncombe County Department of Social Services, Thursday, September 11, 2000. Psychological characteristic of sex offenders and forensic assessment techniques.

Mountain Area Health Education Cooperative Pediatric Department, March 14, 2000. Assessment of sex offenders and the prediction of recidivism.

Mountain Area Health Education Cooperative, Family Practice Residency, three hour presentation each spring in 1996, 1997, and 1998. Sexual Dysfunctions and sex therapy.

Charter Asheville Psychiatric Hospital, June 3, 1995. Sexual issues and sex therapy.

North Carolina Social Work Annual Conference, October 15, 1993. Sexual Dysfunction: The Problem or A Symptom.

Highland Hospital, September 22, 1993. Assessment and Treatment of Abusers.

Education:

Continuing Educated listed separately.

Certificate, The Farrall Institute (1992). Use of the plethysmograph in the assessment and treatment of sex offenders.

Ph.D. Counseling Psychology (1983), University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (APA Approved).
Research: Control of EMG activity by internal and external locus of control subjects with self-statements and imagery.

Clinical Psychology (1976), Appalachian State University. All work completed for M.A. except internship. Thesis: EEG alpha activity, anxiety, and distraction.

B.S. Psychology (1971), Tulane University.

Licensure:

Certified Health Services Provider, Licensed Psychologist, North Carolina. (December 1994 to present).

Licensed Practicing Psychologist, North Carolina. (1985 to the present).

Publications:

McDonald, R.D. (2010). Issues in Sex Offender Assessment and Treatment. *The North Carolina Psychologist*, 62 (2).

McDonald, R.D. (1983). The Use of Imagery and Self-statements in Acquisition of Electromyographic Biofeedback Control. Dissertation Abstracts International, 44, October 1983.

McDonald, R.D. (1979). TM: Meditation, Aggravation, or Levitation. *The Personnel and Guidance Journal*, 58 (2).

Professional Affiliations:

American Psychological Association: Member since 1975.

Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers: Clinical Member since 1995.

North Carolina Adult Sex Offender Community Advisory Committee: Member.

North Carolina Association for the Management and Treatment of Sexual Offenders: Member
2001 - 2007, Vice Chairman 2005-2006, Chairman 2006 - 2007.

North Carolina Psychological Association: Member.

Psychology and Law Division, American Psychological Association: Member.

Psychology and Law Subcommittee, North Carolina Psychological Association: Member.

Sexual Abuse Intervention Network, Member 2000 - Present.

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