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Education

1987-1991 Instituto Católico del Profesorado (Córdoba, Argentina)

B.A. in Philosophy, Psychology and Teaching

1994-1997 Boston University, School of Social Work

M.S.W.

2005-present New York University, Silver School of Social Work

Doctoral Candidate in Clinical Social Work

Publications

Alvarez, M.B., & Alessi, E.J (2012). Human trafficking is not the same as sex trafficking and prostitution: Implications for social work. *Affilia: Journal of Women and Social Work*. 27(2) 142-152

Alvarez, M.B., & Alessi, E.J. (in-press) Developing a Critical Understanding of Human Trafficking. Book chapter. *Gender Oppression and Globalization*

Teaching Experience

2007- 2012 Adjunct Instructor, New York University, Silver School of Social Work

Courses Taught:

Human Behavior III—Psychopathology (Masters)

Ethnocultural Issues (Masters)

Juried Conference Presentations

Alvarez, M.B. (2012, November). *Human trafficking in a globalized economy: Implications for social work.* Symposium at the NASW-Annual Program Meeting 2012, Washington, DC

Alessi, E.J., & Alvarez, M.B. (2012, May). *Incorporating gay affirmative practice techniques into one's existing practice approach*. Workshop at the NASW-New Jersey 2012 Conference, Atlantic City.

Alvarez, M.B., & Alessi, E.J (2012, May). *Human trafficking in a globalized economy: Implications for social work*. Workshop at the NASW-New Jersey 2012 Conference, Atlantic City.

Alessi, E.J., & Alvarez, M.B. (2011, October). Incorporating a gay affirmative approach into human behavior and practice courses. Paper presentation at Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, Atlanta.

Alvarez, M.B. (2009, January). Data and Research on Human Trafficking. Roundtable discussion at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Program, New Orleans.

Alvarez, M.B. (2007, October). Teaching social justice in social work education utilizing the evidence-based practice methodology. Paper presented at the Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, San Francisco.

Invited Presentations

1999

• Presented "Theatre of the Oppressed" seminar to Boston Children's Hospital social work staff

2000

- Lead "Theatre of the Oppressed" workshops with the "Growing Together" program at Bay State Prison (Walpole, MA)
- Co-wrote and co-produced *Homeward Bound*, a play about domestic violence and immigration performed at the Massachusetts Domestic Violence Conference at Children's Hospital in Boston

2001

 Presented case-based conference to Latino Mental Health Providers on "Parental Concerns About Virginity, A Case Of A Sexually Abused Latina Pre-Adolescent: Barriers to Treatment and Cultural Considerations."

2002-2003

- Presented lectures on "Child Abuse and Neglect" to first-year medical students at the New York Medical College
- Presented lectures on "Child Abuse and Neglect" and "Cultural Competency" to Child Psychiatry fellows and residents and Saint Vincent's Hospital

2004

- Presented lectures on "Child Abuse and Neglect" to first-year medical students at the New York Medical College
- Presented seminar on "Early Child Development" to first-year medical students at Columbia University

2005

- Presented seminar on "Interviewing Elementary School Children and their Families in a Culturally Mindful Approach" to social work and psychology interns at New York Presbyterian Hospital
- Presented seminar on "Distributive Justice as the Organizing Value of the Social Work Profession" to social work doctoral students at New York University
- Presented seminar on "International Social Work" to social work doctoral students at New York University

2006

- Presented seminar on "Cognitive-Behavioral Case Formulations" to social work and psychology interns at New York Presbyterian Hospital
- Presented lecture on "The Treatment of Borderline Personality Disorder" to MSW students at New York University

2008

• Presented workshop on Human Trafficking at the New York Presbyterian Social Work Department, sponsored by the domestic violence program (DOVE)

2010

• Lectured on "Child Abuse and Neglect" for New York Presbyterian Social Work Department

2011

• Planned and lead "Mindfulness Retreat" to Morgan Stanley Children's Hospital of New York Presbyterian interdisciplinary staff.

2012

- Presented lecture on Human Trafficking at the New York Presbyterian Pediatric Emergency Department Faculty Rounds in New York, NY.
- Presented lecture on Human Trafficking: A Primer for Health Care Providers at the New York Presbyterian Emergency Department Nursing Grand Rounds, in New York, NY.

Honors and Awards

- Recipient of the Robin Hood Relief Fund recognition for services provided to children and families affected by the 9/11 attack
- Recipient of the 2005 New York University School of Social Work Dean's Fellowship for Doctoral Students
- Recipient of the 2012 New York Presbyterian Hospital President's Award to the strongest hospital managers: "Building Tomorrow's Leadership"

Clinical Social Work Experience

2010-PRESENT Morgan Stanley Children's Hospital Of New York Presbyterian, Social Work Department (NY)

Social Work Manager/Director of Social Work and Care Coordination: Inpatient Services, Outpatient Pediatric Oncology, Outpatient Diabetes Center, Child Advocacy Center and Sibling Program (full-time)

- Provide individual and group supervision to 25 staff social workers and 6 care coordinators.
- Ensure service to individuals, families, and groups through productive use of social work staff time, skills, and appropriate level of competence. Monitor productivity and quality.
- Establish criteria for case finding mechanisms for ensuring all patients requiring social work services are identified and treated within established department policies and procedures.
- Participate in teaching psychosocial issues related to health and illness, community resources, and social work services.
- Maintain and develop social work and care coordination programs.
- Identify need for new programs within assigned areas.
- Interview, select, and recommend hiring of social workers and care coordinators.
- Coordinate staff development needs, discharge planning services, data collection and research, group work and other developmental activities.

- Coordinate graduate social work activities within the unit and department.
- Monitor and authorize expenditures.
- Monitor chart recording, statistics, and other systems used to measure performance levels
- Co-chair the hospital-wide interdisciplinary Transitions of Care committee.
- Collaborate with the Family Advisory Council in the development of the Spanish speaking Family Advisory Council.

2008- 2010 Morgan Stanley Children's Hospital Of New York Presbyterian, Social Work Department (NY)

Social Work Manager: Child Advocacy Center and Sibling Program (part-time)

Leadership/Supervision/Program Design

- Managed Charna's Kids Club Sibling Program
- Managed Child Advocacy Center Forensic Interviewing Program
- Created social work forensic interviewing protocols
- Created and manage inpatient child abuse social work consultation liaison service
- Supervised staff social workers

2004- 2008 MORGAN STANLEY CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL OF NEW YORK PRESBYTERIAN, PEDIATRIC PSYCHIATRY (NY)

Clinical Social Worker at the Elementary School-Based Mental Health Program (full-time)

Psychotherapy/Clinical Consultation/Teaching and Supervision

- Provided individual, group and family psychotherapy in a Washington Heights public school
- Conducted crisis intervention and psychosocial assessments in outpatient program
- Created partnerships in the Washington Heights community
- Translated into Spanish program materials and administrative forms
- Supervised social work interns

2001- 2004 Saint Vincent's Catholic Medical Centers Of Manhattan (Ny) Latino Team Clinical Coordinator/Psychotherapist (full-time)

Leadership/Program Design

- Designed and managed Latino Mental Program in Child and Adolescent Behavioral Health
- Researched and wrote Latino Team Program Proposal
- Created referral sources database for Child and Adolescent Latino Program
- Participated in leadership team to develop Early Education, Therapeutic Classroom Program in hospital setting for Severe Emotionally Disturbed Children

Psychotherapy/Clinical Consultation

- Provided individual, group and family psychotherapy
- Provided counseling to children and families affected by the 9/11 attack
- Provided group and individual psychotherapy to students with special needs in Therapeutic

Classroom setting.

• Provided clinical consultation to psychiatry fellows

Teaching/Supervision/Curriculum Design

- Designed and coordinated Latino Social Work Internship Training Program
- Designed teaching modules and lead Bilingual, Spanish-English, Parenting Training Program
- Supervised social work interns and pre-med students

1997 - 2001 Children's Hospital Of Boston (MA) Pediatric Health Associates, Primary Care Clinic

Social Worker (full-time)

Assessment/Counseling/Case Management

- Psychosocial assessments, case management and referral services in pediatric setting
- Individual short-term psychotherapy with children
- Risk assessment and crisis intervention
- Collaboration with the Children's Hospital Crisis Response Team in the evaluation of sexually and physically abused Latino children

Teaching/Supervision/Curriculum Design

- Teaching and consultation to pediatric residents
- Member of medical residency training curriculum committee: design teaching modules for pediatric medical training in the areas of communication skills, community resources, and cultural sensitivity
- Participated in leadership committee for the creation of a quarterly publication (Sobremesa) and educational luncheons of Latino Mental Health and Human Services providers of the Harvard Longwood Medical Area
- Supervised social work interns

1996 -1997 CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, PSYCHIATRY DEPARTMENT

MSW Intern in Outpatient Psychiatry Latino Mental Health Clinic (part-time)

- Performed psychological assessments and rapid diagnostics
- Provided individual and family psychotherapy
- Presented clinical seminars in "Eutony and Body Expression: Their Application in Clinical Practice with Children"

1995 -1996 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES (BOSTON, MA)

Intern (part-time)

- Assessed client needs, developed services plans, and managed cases
- Provided crisis intervention and family mediation services
- Advocacy in court in the areas of domestic violence

Religious Employment & Service

1996 - 2004 Saint John-Saint Hugh Church (Roxbury MA) Director of Religious Education (part-time)

- Designed and managed children's educational program
- Supervised and trained agency volunteer workers

1994 - 1996 St. Ambrose Church (Dorchester, MA) Pastoral Associate/Director of Religious Education (full-time)

- Created and managed parish pastoral program
- Created and directed bilingual education programs
- Supervised and trained agency volunteer workers
- Conducted parenting skills workshops
- Provided bilingual (English and Spanish) pastoral counseling
- Coordinated outreach and referral services

1980 - 1991 The Archdioceses Of Santa Fe And Cordoba (Argentina) Teacher /Community Organizer

Our Lady of Calvary High School, Santa Fe, Argentina (1980-1985) - Director of Religious Education/Director of Volunteer Programs/Teacher

- Created and managed a city-wide project for flood victims
- Coordinated activities for 250 volunteers in special project
- Designed and led community development program
- Led youth crime prevention program
- Trained teachers on strategies for social and disciplinary problems
- Collaborated with indigenous peoples in human rights and community development

Our Lady of Calvary Elementary, Middle and High School/St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Cordoba, Argentina (1985-1991) - *Director of Religious Education and Outreach Program*

- Designed and managed outreach programs for families and children
- Designed and led community development program
- Led community organizing initiatives with peasants and indigenous peoples

<u>Languages</u>

Bilingual/Bicultural in Spanish:

• Translated "SOS Help for Parents: A practical guide for handling common everyday behavior problems," a book for parents by Dr. Lynn Clark from English into Spanish.

• Translated the book "SOS Help for Emotions: Managing anxiety, anger, and depression," a self-help book for adults by Dr. Lynn Clark.

Reading and comprehension of French, Italian and Portuguese

Licensure

2000	American Association of Social Work Boards, Massachusetts, LICSW
2001	American Association of Social Work Boards, New York, LCSW-R with
	psychotherapy privileges

Professional Affiliations

- National Association of Social Workers (NASW)
- Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)
- American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children (APSAC)
- American Case Management Association (ACMA)