

# DAWN MARIE DUIGNAN, LCSW-C

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## EDUCATION

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### THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA

National Catholic School of Social Service  
Masters of Social Work, May 1998  
Christ Child Scholarship Recipient, 1997-1998  
Dean's List Recipient, 1996-1998

The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C.  
Received Bachelor of Psychology, May 1996

## LICENSURE

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### MARYLAND BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS

Licensed Certified Social Worker-Clinical- May 2004-Present

### NEW JERSEY BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS

Licensed Clinical Social Worker – September 2004-Present

### NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

School Social Worker – September 2004-Present

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY DSS

125 Comet Drive  
Centreville, MD  
*CARE Team Coordinator*-July 2011-Present

Writing and implementing policies and procedures and ensuring compliance with Memorandum of Understanding and Standards of Operations for the Queen Anne's County Child Advocacy Center. Assessing and monitoring effectiveness of cooperation among agencies and implements changes as needed. Maintaining the CARE Team Center to provide a family-friendly environment. Collecting statistics as identified by the Management Team and submitting reports at the team meetings as needed. Providing forums for interagency problem-solving. Planning and conducting CARE Team meetings.

### PRIVATE CLINICAL PRACTICE

3060 Route 97, Suite #272  
Glenwood, MD 21738  
*Therapist* – August 2010- Present

Provide psychotherapy to children, adolescents, families, adults and couples in a private clinical setting. Use a strengths based, cognitive-behavioral and systems model in treatment. Manage insurance authorizations, medical billing and file maintenance. Provide consultation and training to local daycare center in regard to mental health and behavior issues.

### PRIVATE CLINICAL PRACTICE

125 East Main Street, Tuckerton, NJ 08087  
*Therapist* – August 2005- August 2009

Provided psychotherapy to children, adolescents, families, adults and couples in a private clinical setting. Treated between 20-40 clients per month. Used a strengths based, cognitive-behavioral and systems model in treatment. Managed insurance authorizations, medical billing and file maintenance.

**LITTLE EGG HARBOR SCHOOL DISTRICT**

305 Frog Pond Road, Little Egg Harbor, NJ 08087

*Child Study Team Social Worker* – September 2004-January 2007

Provided individual and group counseling to students ranging in age from three to thirteen. Counseled students on school problems, mental health, self-esteem, social skills, and anger management issues. Developed, implemented and monitored individualized education plans for fifty students with developmental disorders including autism, asperger's syndrome, oppositional defiant disorder, ADHD and other learning disabilities. Provided advocacy for families and connection to community resources.

**TALBOT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

10 Hanson Street, Easton, MD 21601

*Family Preservation Social Worker* – March 2003-August 2004

Provided intensive in-home services to families in crisis and at risk for out of home placement. Provided individual, family and group counseling. Counseled families on child maltreatment, domestic violence, homelessness, substance abuse, mental health, effective parenting and daily living skills. Provided and coordinated services needed to achieve or maintain family safety, stability, independence and unity.

**TALBOT COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS****EASTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

12 Magnolia Street, Easton, MD 21601

*Family Liaison Social Worker* – July 2000-March 2003

Provided individualized services to families and children to increase success and achievement in school. Provided individual, group and family counseling to children ranging in age from four to eighteen. Created and conducted groups for children, focusing on mental health issues, low self-esteem, anger management, impulse control and social skills. Developed and implemented daily behavior plans in school and home for children with behavioral and emotional disorders. Provided case management, advocacy and crisis intervention through meetings at the family's home, workplace and school.

**CAROLINE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES****CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES**

207 South Third Street, Denton, MD 21629

*Social Worker II* – March 2000-July 2000

Investigated complaints of child abuse and evaluated families for appropriate services to prevent future maltreatment. Provided crisis-intervention for children and families living in dangerous environments. Removed children from abusive and neglectful homes. Placed children with appropriate family members or in foster care. Created court reports and testified regarding condition of home and evidence of maltreatment.

**FAIRFAX COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY SERVICES****CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES**

12011 Government Center Parkway, Suite 200 Fairfax, VA 22035-1102

*Social Worker II* – June 1998-March 2000

Investigated complaints of child abuse and evaluated families for appropriate services to prevent future maltreatment. Provided crisis-intervention counseling for children and families living in dangerous environments. Removed children from abusive and neglectful homes. Placed children with appropriate family members or in foster care. Created court reports and testified regarding condition of home and evidence of maltreatment. Provided ongoing treatment and supervision to families at risk for further abuse and neglect. Conducted child abuse and neglect prevention training in schools, daycare centers and local recreation centers.

**MEMBERSHIPS/COMMUNITY INVOLEMENT**

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- Member of Advisory Board for Fostering Futures January 2011-Present
- Volunteer for Voices for Children November 2010-Present
- Attend Howard County Local Children's Board meeting September 2010-Present
- Member of the Ocean County Children's InterAgency Coordinating Council-CIACC January 2005- July 2009
- CIACC Education Subcommittee March 2005 - July 2009