

Deborah Goss-Johnson

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OBJECTIVE

I have a desire to give back to the community by working either directly or indirectly on programs and issues that effect communities on micro and macro levels.

LICENSURES

Illinois Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor	<i>2009-present</i>
Clinically Certified Sex Offender Treatment Specialist	<i>2007-present</i>
Illinois Licensed Social Worker	<i>2001-present</i>

EDUCATION

Aurora University	Aurora, IL
Masters of Social Work	<i>June 1997</i>
Bachelors of Social Work	<i>June 1996</i>

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice, IYC-Warrenville	Warrenville, IL
<i>Social Worker III</i>	<i>February 1999-present</i>

- Engage committed youth in various mental health services, including individual therapy, group therapy, family therapy, crisis intervention, and psychiatric consultations.
- Participate in multi-disciplinary staffings.
- Lead various facility-wide trainings with topics including crisis intervention and techniques, gender differences, group treatment models, and general mental health institutional policies.
- Our goal is to assess and stabilize the committed youth, as well as provide voluntary services and behavioral skills education to youth.

Medical Source Network Inc.	Warrenville, IL
<i>Therapist</i>	<i>March 1998-February 1999</i>

- Provided individual and group counseling in a juvenile correctional facility.
- Counseled youth on ways to explore issues such as abandonment, anger, peer pressure, and abuse.
- Guided youth regarding problem solving, peer mediation, and conflict resolution techniques.
- Provided written documentation of services, in addition to recommended mental health services for parole.

Central Baptist Family Services

Aurora, IL

Case Manager

September 1997-February 1998

- Engaged in the Family First Program.
- Provided weekly home visits to ensure a healthy, safe environment for clients, in addition to individual and family therapy, and diagnostic assessments.
- Participated in school staffings as an advocate for the clients.
- Networked with community-based resources to help meet the clients' needs.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND COMMITTEES

The Aurora African American Health Coalition, Member	<i>2012-present</i>
The African American Heritage Advisory Board, Member	<i>2010-present</i>
Fox Valley Faith Health Network, Member	<i>2010-present</i>
National Association of Forensic Counselors, Member	<i>2007-present</i>

SKILLS

Direct Communicator, Team Player, Good Listener, Empathic, Caring, Role Model, Hard Worker, Passionate, and Community Focused.

REFERENCES AVAILABLE ON REQUEST