

Vergal C. "Chuck" Dawson, MA

Recent work: I am in private practice. I have been a Therapist with "The Family Connection LLC". I had A full cross section, numerous and varied heavy caseload. Co-conducted The Family Connections presentation on "Depression. I was a contract Clinical Supervisor and Evaluator for Family Plus Respite DD waiver program evaluating Case Management, provider and program goals and clinical objectives. I also have been conducting the PTSD Veterans group sponsored by the American Legion. Prior to that I was under contract with Families plus as a case assessment evaluator. This requires that I review files, diaries, and records of case workers, providers and clients. Interview guardians and clients to evaluate program and clinical work objectives. Prior to that I was self-employed in Real Estate and with "The Institute for Breakthrough Counseling" with a private practice. I have recently counseled children in preparation for " Safe Home" Authorities interviews after sexual abuse. Conducted Bi-monthly Veterans PTSD Group hosted by American Legion Rio Rancho. Counseled both Vets and sexually abused PTSD populations. Have done cross-cultural counseling for Native American populations. Working with cutting and self-mutilation populations. Working with oppositional Adolescence. Working with youth and families in Blended Family situations. I also have Collaborative Law Certification from the State Bar.

Past work:

Conducted and supervised "Child and adolescent" Workshops in communications and family issues for Discovery Institute of California.
Conducted Parent Effectiveness Training's with Co-Counselor Monique Kane. For Institute for Human Relations (brochure available)
Conducted "Intervention Counseling" for Sex Offenders at court request With Bay Area Psychological Associates. (letter available)
Published articles on "Assertive Behavior" (Articles available)
Conducted 60 hour training's and counseling for "Assertiveness cross cultural" St. Luke's Hospital Filipino Nurses Association. (Brochure available)
Taught Psychological courses for the California State Psychological Association School Psychologists and Psychometrists (Letters Available)
Conducted workshop "Where Isn't Therapy Going Today" Holistic Conference San Francisco (Program available)
Counseling, Workshops and Published articles in psychological preparation for birthing and the birth event. (Articles available)

Education:

Licensed Marriage Family Therapist State of New Mexico # 0695 NPI # 1538309679
Masters Degree in Counseling Psychology from Goddard College Plainfield, Vermont 1977
Bachelor of Arts from Antioch College, Yellow Springs, Ohio 1975
Evolutionary Psychology Conference 1995
Family Law Mediation at UNM School of Law 1991
Collaborative Law Coach State Bar 2010
1974-1976 Intern at Bay Area Psychological Associates Monteagle Medical Center St. Luke's Hospital San Francisco Ca (Dr. Paul Wanner)
1976-1979 3,000 hours Supervision under Monique Kane MFCC Palo Alto Ca.
Business Law at DeAnza College 1974
Psychology at U of MD 1964 through USAFI
40 CEU Each year in Psychology

Military Service:

United States Navy Vietnam Era four years Honorable

Trade groups and appointments:

Member APA , Board Certified with American Psychotherapy Association
Elected to the NM board of directors for AAMFT NM Div. Legislative Chairman
Organizer of the Professional Peer Counseling Group for AAMFT in Albuquerque
New Mexico Psychoanalytic society
Past member of California State Psychological Association
Past member of Bay Area Psychological Associates St. Luke's Hospital
Past member of The Institute for Human Relations California
Mental Health Advisory Board, Santa Clara, Ca appointment by County board of supervisors
Vice President Spina Bifida Foundation California
Justice Commission, Santa Clara, Ca appointment by County board of supervisors
Juvenile Delinquency Task Force, Santa Clara, Ca appointment by County board of supervisors
State Chairman of the Commissions on Birth and Violence, Ca appointment by Governor
Mayors Task Force on Crime, San Jose Ca appointment by Mayor
Western Regional Interagency Conference sponsored by U. S. HEW
Past director of Corrales PAL

Areas of Research:

Evolutionary Psychology, Psychological Alternatives in preparation for birth events.

Public Speaking:

Testified before the U.S. Congress on three occasions
Testified before the California and New Mexico State Assemblies on several occasions
Speaking at many Universities and Colleges on a range of subjects (letters available)
Conducting programs for Cal. State Psychological Association
Talk show Host for several years



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