

Wakako Masuno, LCSW

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LICENSE/ EDUCATION

Licensed Clinical Social Worker, June 30th 2014. **LCSW 61848**

California State University, Long Beach

Master of Arts in Social Work (MSW), May 2008. GPA: 4.0

College of Health & Human Services Graduate Dean's List

Concentration: Older Adults and Families

Bachelor of Arts in Social Work (BASW), May 2007. GPA: 3.9

SPECIAL COURSES/ CERTIFICATIONS

MATRIX: Evidence Based Substance Abuse Educational Program

Co-Occurring Education

3 Day Trauma Informed Care Training at Tarzana Treatment Center

EXPERIENCE

CalSWEC Field Education Consultant

Apr 2018- Present

California State University Long Beach Research Foundation, School of Social Work

- Working as a member of Field Team to ensure the educational integrity of our BASW and MSW program. Tasks consist of; recruiting, selecting, and monitoring field placements for CalSWEC and non-CalSWEC students, providing consultation to field instructors around development, implementation, and teaching strategies for field experiences, maintaining linkage between students, agency instructors, and faculty in insuring integration of classroom and field learning, teaching two seminar classes (BASW and MSW program), participating in identification, outreach, evaluation and development of community field placements site for CalSWEC and non-CalSWEC students, Assisting with the development and provision of trainings and orientations for field instructors and other community agencies, providing guidance and support for students, field liaison, community agencies to ensure student's success in completing our social work program. Currently teaching one graduate level field seminar and one undergraduate level field seminar.

Part-time Faculty, Field Seminar Instructor

Aug 2014— Apr 2018

California State University Long Beach, School of Social Work

- Taught a field seminar course to undergraduate level social work students. Tasks consist of: providing support and assistance for students to ensure their learning and acquisition of social work knowledge and skills, helping students to increase their understanding of social work values and ethics, visiting internship sites to ensure students' performance and maintaining a strong relationship with community agencies, holding a weekly seminar class to address students' challenges associated with their internship experiences, helping students to develop professionalism and self-awareness, reviewing students' weekly journals, written assignments, and evaluation reports, implementing a performance contract if/when a student struggles to meet education goals.

Director of Social Services

Aug 2016- Apr 2018

La Casa Mental Health Rehabilitation Center, Long Beach, California

- Supervised 5 Master's level social workers and 5 Bachelor's level staff members in the department of social services. Tasks consist of: overseeing admission and discharge, reviewing referrals from acute sites for possible admission, communicating with DMH for clinical rationalization of denial or admission, providing clinical supervision to social workers to ensure the quality of services, conducting departmental audits, working in a multidisciplinary management team to ensure quality of care, implementing a performance contract as needed, providing performance evaluations, ensuring mandated training/education requirement for staff members, providing training for new hires, taking lead in preparing the annual state audit as well as CARE, providing clinical consultation to other disciplines, taking a role as a liaison between La Casa and

Mental Health Court, attorneys, as well as other collaterals outside the agency to take a lead in handling complex issues of our consumers, and handling challenging family issues in the facility.

Licensed Clinical Team Lead

April 2015-Aug 2016

La Casa Mental Health Rehabilitation Center, Long Beach, California

- Supervised clinical aspects of the two largest units (Total 88 consumers) in a sub-acute facility to ensure quality of care. Tasks consisted of: providing recovery teams with support and education, assisting the team members (Master's and Bachelor's level social workers, rehabilitation specialists, and RN) in developing clinically sound recovery plans, managing crisis situations (danger to self and/or others situations), communicating with DMH regarding clients' progress and discharge planning, working with department managers to ensure the quality of care, responsible for development and implementation of the internship program at La Casa MHRC, supervising 5 master's level and one bachelor's level social work interns, responsible for development and implementation of the DBT Skills Program at La Casa MHRC including the curriculum development, supervising facilitators to ensure the quality of DBT program, providing training and education for staff members in social services, rehabilitation, and nursing department, participating in facility audits to ensure clinically sound care plan and assessment as well as prepare for the State, County, and CARF audit, and providing 1:1 with the most challenging consumers on the supervising units.

Interim Director of Social Services

Oct 2014 --- Jan 2015

La Casa Mental Health Rehabilitation Center, Long Beach, California

- Supervised 5 Master's level social workers and 5 Bachelor's level staff members in the department of social services during the period La Casa MHRC had a vacancy in the director of social services position.

Licensed Psychiatric Social Worker

July 2014— April 2015

La Casa Mental Health Rehabilitation Center, Long Beach, California

- Worked in a multidisciplinary and multicultural recovery team in a sub-acute facility taking a clinical leadership role to implement the recovery model and assist consumers with severe and persistent mental illness in successful return to the community. Tasks consisted of: providing individual, group, and family therapy, crisis intervention, linking consumers to community resources, collaborating with collateral parties (DMH, LAPG, probation, DCFS, and other community organizations), providing mental health education to families and loved ones, conducting psychosocial assessments, suicide/self-harm risk assessments, developing clinically sound recovery plans (care plan), financial management, writing monthly reports on client's progress, discharge planning, coordinating/supervising interns from CSULB and Whittier College, and providing training and education for new hires in the social work department.

Psychiatric Social Worker

June 2008—June 2014

La Casa Mental Health Rehabilitation Center, Long Beach, California

- Worked in a multidisciplinary recovery team to assist 44 consumers on the unit towards successfully reintegration to the community settings.

Field Practicum

- **Intern Psychiatric Social Worker**

Jun 2007—May 2008

La Casa Mental Health Rehabilitation Center, Long Beach, California

- **Intern Full Service Partnership Case Manager**

Sep 2006—May 2007

Special Service for Groups, SSG: Older Adults Program, Gardena, California

- **Intern Program Assistant**

Feb 2006—May 2006

Health View Adult Day Care, Long Beach, California

Others

- **Treasurer** (Board member of the Student Body Organization)

Sep 2006—May 2007

Associated Students of Social Work: California State University, Long Beach

SKILLS/ KNOWLEDGE/ LANGUAGE

Excellent crisis intervention skills (9 years of experience)
Effective application of Recovery Model, Harm Reduction, and Motivational Interviewing
Sound knowledge of various interventions effective for substance abuse and mental health diagnoses
Sound Knowledge of various community resources
Sound knowledge of LA DMH Mental Health system
Sound Knowledge of Court 95 (Mental Health Court) process/LPS Conservatorship and consumer's rights
Fluent in speaking, writing, and reading Japanese

Publication

Masuno W. (2009) Reconciliation with My Past: Growing Up in A Troubled Family In Japan. *Reflections*, 15 (3), 12-22.

Presentations and Trainings

- **Preceptor Training**
California State University Long Beach, School of Social Work, Long Beach, CA. October 2019
- **MSW Field Lab: Mandated Reporting Law**
California State University Long Beach, School of Social Work, Long Beach, CA. Recurrent Since Aug 2018
- **Recovery Centered Clinical System**
California State University Long Beach, School of Social Work, Long Beach, CA. Guest Speaker for MH Classes August 2018
- **Annual Training: Clinical Interventions (Dialectical Behavioral Therapy, Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, Motivational Interviewing)**
La Casa Mental Health Rehabilitation Center, Long Beach, CA. October 2017
- **Court 95 (Los Angeles County Mental Health Court) and Conservatorship Hearings**
La Casa Mental Health Rehabilitation Center, Long Beach, CA. September 2017
- **Levels of Care: Los Angeles County Mental Health System**
La Casa Mental Health Rehabilitation Center, Long Beach, CA. March 2017
- **Developing a Clinically Sound Care Plan**
La Casa Mental Health Rehabilitation Center, Long Beach, CA. January 2017
- **Dialectical Behavioral Therapy Skills Group Facilitator Training**
La Casa Mental Health Rehabilitation Center, Long Beach, CA. August 2015
- **Introduction to Dialectical Behavioral Therapy**
La Casa Mental Health Rehabilitation Center, Long Beach, CA. August 2015
- **Duty to Warn (Tarasoff) and Suicide Risk and Interventions**
California State University Long Beach, School of Social Work. Recurrent since 2014 August