

DONNA CURRIE

PROFILE

- Work well independently or in a team
- Punctual, reliable, hard working and well organized
- Self-motivated
- Resourceful in problem solving and maximizing resources
- Current First Aid and CPR

RELEVANT SKILLS

Teaching / Programming:

- Setting up and supervision of 3 ABA / IBI programs for children ages 3-10
- Instructor therapist for 2 ABA/IBI in home programs for children with autism
- Facilitated a social skills group for children with autism aged 5-8
- Coordinated a sibling group for brothers and sisters of children with autism
- Created and ran a support group for parents / caregivers of children with autism
- Shadowed a 3-year-old boy with autism in his nursery school program
- Supervision and child care for school-aged children ages 4-12, some with special needs

Counselling:

- Approximately 10 years experience working with individuals on the autism spectrum and counselling families with coping skills and programming ideas
- Educated with Respite Services Certificate, Autism Intervener Certificate, Non-violent Crisis Intervention Certificate and several ABA courses and workshops
- Counselling adults with eating disorders using behaviour modification techniques
- Counselling economical challenged families with financial and social issues

PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

Support for Individuals with Acquired Brain Injury

Wright Rehab

Present

Respite Worker

Various families with special needs children

2008

Director

The "Don't Stand Alone" Foundation: Barrie, ON

2004 – 2008

Educational Assistant Sunshine Nursery School: Barrie, ON	2004
Instructor Therapist Ottawa, ON	2002
Daycare Provider Ottawa, ON	1998 - 2001
Pharmacy Technician National Defence Hospital Pharmacy: Ottawa, ON	1994 - 1998
Counsellor Nutri / System: Kingston, ON	1998 - 1992
Childcare Worker YMCA Childcare Centre: North York, ON	1987 - 1988
Case Worker Family and Children's Services, Huntsville, ON	1986

EDUCATION

ABA1 (SPLED 597B) (4 credits) Penn State University: Pennsylvania, U.S.A	2004
Pharmacy Technician Diploma Algonquin College: Ottawa, ON	1994
Bachelor of Arts (Psychology) University of Western Ontario: London, ON	1987

VOLUNTEER / COMMUNITY SERVICE

- National Service Dogs – fundraising to provide individuals with autism with a service dog, organize Annual Easter Egg Hunt for dogs and their families
- Don't Stand Alone Foundation – fundraising for treatment funds for families with children with autism
- Running monthly support groups with educational speakers
- Volunteering at several schools and resource centres helping children, some with special needs over the last 10 years