Virtual Leadership Institute: Preparing Social Workers to Lead Tomorrow's Challenges

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Meet the Faculty



Bridgette Baker, MSW, LCSW, ACM

Bridgette Baker, MSW, LCSW, ACM has been a social worker for 27 years. She has spent her entire social work career with Intermountain Healthcare in Utah. She started as in BSW Intern at McKay Dee Hospital and worked her way from frontline discharge planning to Social Work Department Manager. She has provided clinical supervision to many BSW and MSW students from Weber State, Utah State and the University of Utah. She currently works for Castell, an Intermountain Company, overseeing the daily operations of the Castell House Program in Utah, which extends primary care and care management services to patients' homes when they are unable to be seen in a traditional clinic setting for care. She has been a faculty member for the Society's Leadership Institute (LI) for 7 years, primarily teaching the LI at the national conferences.



Gary B. Bailey, MA, MSW, Ph.D., LCSW

Dr. Gary B. Bailey is the founder and owner of Alamance Life Works EAP, PLLC. His company offers counseling, coaching, and psychotherapy to individuals, families and groups. In addition, he contracts with companies to provide employee assistance services to employees and organizations. Dr. Bailey is an EQ-i 2.0 certified professional who employs EMDR, and cognitive/behavioral techniques to offer clients concrete tools to address challenges. His research includes emotional intelligence, enhancing relationship communication in both professional and personal circumstances. Dr. Bailey has master's degrees in social work and psychology from the University of North at Chapel Hill and Northcentral University, respectively. Dr. Bailey completed two leadership institutes offered by the Society for Social Work Leaders in Social Work. Finally, he received his Ph.D., in leadership studies from North Carolina A & T University.

In a distinguished career as a psychotherapist and researcher in emotional intelligence, transformational leadership and job satisfaction, he has made national presentations and training for corporate clients, as well as education and counseling. He has lectured for the graduate schools at both The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and North Carolina State University Departments of Social Work.



Lee Renee Lucas, LCSW

Lee Lucas is a graduate of Bryn Mawr College School of Social Work and Social Research as well as the Gestalt Therapy Institute of Philadelphia. As a licensed clinical social worker for many years, Lee currently holds the position as Clinical Manager of Patient and Family Services at the Nemours/AI duPont Hospital for Children where she provides the clinical supervision and education to 15 masters prepared social workers and 10 patient and family service representatives. Nemours hired Lee as an intern in 1992 and she has remained at Nemours since that time providing social work services on the oncology, rehabilitation and general pediatric services as well as clinical supervision to many Nemours associates. MSW intern education is very important to Lee and she continues to foster, develop and coordinate the MSW intern education program at Nemours for MSW students across the country. As a guest lecturer, Lee has spoken on both the state and National levels about childhood cancer, loss/grief and therapeutic boundaries as well as authored a chapter on the psychosocial aspects of pediatric rehabilitation. She is currently a faculty and co-committee chair of the Leadership Institute for the Society for Social Work Leadership in Healthcare and was extremely proud to be honored as Social Work Leader of the Year 2018 for that organization. Lee believes that there is nothing that creativity, innovation, and kindness can't fix and she hopes to continue to provide social work services to patients and families for many years.