

# LAURA MAY DUTFIELD

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## EDUCATION

### **Master of Arts – Counselling Psychology**

Yorkville University

January 2019 – Present, Expected Completion April 2021

### **Bachelor of Arts - Anthropology and Hispanic Language and Culture**

McGill University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada

Degree Obtained: February 2016

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### **Therapist**

Forensic Psychological Services

April 2020 to present

Winnipeg Manitoba, Canada

- Provide treatment services for children, adolescents and adults with complex mental health needs, trauma and externalizing behaviour while working closely with relevant collaterals to promote development, growth and healing
- Conduct a range of assessments under supervision of registered psychologist including psychological assessments, risk assessments and parenting capacity assessments
- Experienced in working with males and females of various cultural backgrounds including those who have been or are at risk of being in conflict with the law
- Provide multisystemic consultation

### **Senior Adolescent Treatment Counsellor**

Marymound - Pelletier Hope Center

January 2019 to January 2020

Winnipeg Manitoba, Canada

- Supervise, mentor and provide leadership to Adolescent Treatment Counsellors, ensure the effective implementation of safety and treatment plans, risk assessments and unit documentation
- Provide feedback and input to Clinical Specialist and Occupational Therapist for the design of treatment and safety plans
- Coordinate intake and discharge processes for youth entering and exiting program
- Participate in case conferences, oversee coordination of conference reports
- Complete administrative duties including payroll, staff scheduling, absence waivers, intake/discharge documentation and attendance
- Maintain collaborative relationships with Winnipeg Police, Street Reach, Probation, HSC, Mobile Crisis
- Participate in strategic and program planning processes, continually working to better facilitate trauma-informed, culturally appropriate treatment services
- Coordinate and facilitate bi-weekly staff meetings
- Support unit staffing needs through interviewing new hires and provide initial and ongoing training
- Intervene with youth in times of crisis or emergency

### **Adolescent Treatment Counsellor**

Marymound - Pelletier Hope Center

July 2018 to January 2019

Winnipeg Manitoba, Canada

- As per clinical team's recommendation, implement safety and treatment plans to assist in the reduction of negative behaviours and stabilization of youth
- Accurately and promptly record data, write incident reports and provide feedback to clinical team in order to effectively implement behaviour plans
- Engage and build rapport with youth through trauma-informed care
- Intervene with youth in times of emergency or crisis

- Responsible for contributing to a nurturing safe, resilient and therapeutic milieu in collaboration with an interdisciplinary team

**ABA Interventionist**

Morneau Shepell – Children’s Support Solutions

September 2016 to December 2017  
Montreal Quebec, Canada

- Design and implement program plans for the acquisition of language, academic, social skills and emotional awareness and regulation
- Conduct home, school and daycare observations and support client's instructor with challenging behaviours and classroom performance
- Develop parent programs to support and train primary caregivers in the implementation of home based programs
- Represent and promote Morneau Shepell services within the Montreal region
- Perform Verbal Behaviour Milestones Assessment and Placement Program (VBMAPP) evaluation and Behaviour Intake Assessments
- Develop evaluation tools, templates and forms to support effective data collection and documentation processes

**Consultant and Integration Aid**

Private

September 2012 to December 2017  
Montreal Quebec, Canada

- Design and implement program plans for the acquisition of language, academic, social skills and emotional awareness and regulation
- Conduct home, school and daycare observations and support client's instructor with challenging behaviours and classroom performance
- Develop parent programs to support and train primary caregivers in the implementation of home based programs

**ABA Therapist**

Gold Centre Abili-T

September 2011 to June 2012  
Montreal Quebec, Canada

- Carry out program plans using ABA principles providing 1-1 therapy to support the acquisition of various language, social and academic goals
- Monitor, respond and reduce challenging behaviours in accordance with clinician's behaviour intervention procedure

**VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE**

**McGill University Research Assistant**

Kids, Kinds and Minds Project

September 2014 to December 2014  
Montreal Quebec, Canada

**Human Rights College Planning Committee Member**

Amnesty International

September 2007 to June 2013  
Ottawa Ontario, Canada

**Youth Advisor to the Minister of Education**

MB4Youth Advisory Council

September 2007 to June 2008  
Winnipeg Manitoba, Canada

**AWARDS**

- South Winnipeg Member of Parliament Award June 2008
- Proficiency Award in Family Studies June 2008
- Loran Scholarship June 2008
- Lafarge Scholarship June 2008