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EDUCATION

MSW Michigan State University, Master of Social Work
Organizational and Community Practice (Macro) May 2004

BS Michigan State University, Bachelor of Science
Family Community Services May 2002

EXPERIENCE

Director of Continuing Education, School of Social Work March 2020-Present
Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

- Direct operations, logistics, and administrative functions of the Continuing Education Program.
- Develop, coordinate, and manage non-credit programs and courses, and customized trainings.
- Engage in extensive outreach in the form of committee work and collaborate with both internal and external networks to advance the mission of the School.
- Ensure quality of Continuing Education Program offerings and compliance with credentialing processes.
- Represent Continuing Education Program to university, college, and community stakeholders.
- Develop and instruct continuing education courses.
- Supervise a team of staff, with responsibility for hiring, performance review, delegation of project work, and mentorship.

Co-Facilitator, Racial and Social Justice Collaborative, Dec. 2020-Present
School of Social Work

Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

- Provide supervision and leadership to master's level student interns.
- Create a platform to highlight and enhance systemic investment in racial and social justice through engagement of all school members, including faculty, staff, students, and community members.
- Partner with current SSW student groups to amplify student voice and opportunities to engage in various School processes in the interest of racial and social justice
- Collaborate with programs within the school to cultivate internal trainers/speakers and invite external leaders to share their expertise on racial and social justice matters.

Senior Project Coordinator, Center for Health Equity Practice 2012- 2020
Michigan Public Health Institute, Okemos, MI

- Provide leadership and direction for the Parent Leadership in State Government initiative, assuring training operations, curriculum development, policy development, and management of the Advisory Board.
- Provide leadership and coordination for the evaluation of the SisterFriends program, evaluating project outcomes for the grassroots, community volunteer movement focusing on maternal health and infant mortality reductions in the City of Detroit.
- Serve as the Health Equity Program Manager for the Health Services and Resources Administration funded Midwest Genetics Network, linking medically underserved populations to genetic services.
- Facilitate dialogue-based learning and engagement around health equity and social justice across multiple disciplines.
- Develop curriculum and programming for cross-disciplinary groups of stakeholders and implement participatory evaluation design.
- Supervise a team of staff, with responsibility for hiring, performance review, delegation of project work, and mentorship.
- Manage the financial status of projects, including monitoring and approving expenditures, subcontracts, and timelines.
- Analyze project needs, develop work plans and timelines, implement project activities, develop policies and procedures, manage subcontractors, and project report writing.
- Develop and distribute technical assistance and resources on building community voice through engagement and leadership.
- Write and submit grants and other funding proposals.
- Serve as a member of the Institutional Review Board (IRB)

Specialist, Children’s Special Health Care Services Division
Michigan Department of Community Health, Lansing, MI

2004-2012

- Youth outreach and engagement regarding programming and disability justice.
- Created and led the first Youth Advisory Committee, integrating young adult voice in program planning.
- Grant writer for Children’s Special Health Care Services, securing federal grant funds for special projects.
- Partner with multiple stakeholders for project implementation and coordination including university faculty, medical providers, and community agencies.
- Provide technical assistance for strategic planning by preparing issue briefs, facilitating small group work, and creating strategic plan goals and written reports.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Participatory Modeling Field School, [Michigan State University], 2021

- Engages stakeholders in the process of modeling complex systems
- Address community-identified issues through systems modeling

Story Facilitation, [StoryCenter], 2019

- Skills for holding space for deep listening and transformational learning
- Group storytelling facilitation

Social Innovation Lab, [Social Innovation Institute], 2017

- Tools to create a culture of innovation/entrepreneurship leading to improved collaboration

Facilitation Methods, [Technology of Participation], 2014

- Structured facilitation methods to help groups think, talk and work together
- Tools to foster collaboration in decision making and action

Strategic Project Management, [Orion Development Group], 2013

- Project management framework, communication and collaboration, team leadership, and program quality

SELECT PRESENTATIONS AND TRAININGS

Gembel G., (September 2022) Using an Equity Framework in Child Welfare. Michigan State University School of Social Work Continuing Education, Virtual

Gembel, G. (August 2021) Equity, Anti-Racism and Social Work Practice. Michigan State University, School of Social Work Field Education Orientation, Virtual

Gembel, G., Rowe, K. (April 2021) Applying Our Understanding of Social Identities in the Workplace, Michigan State University School of Social Work Continuing Education, Virtual

Gembel, G., Gordon, L., (July 2019). Using Storytelling in an Equity Framework. BUILD New Jersey Cohort Meeting, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Princeton, NJ

Gembel, G., Jones, J., Rabinowitz, E., (June 2019). Developing a Strategic Plan Focused on Health Equity and Systemic Change. Public Health Improvement Training: Applying Systems Thinking for Progress. New Orleans, LA

Gembel, G. (May 2019). Communities Leading Together: Leadership and Advocacy. Southwestern MI Migrant Resource Council Preseason Conference “Taking care of Today’s Harvest for Future Generations”. Lawrence, MI

Gembel, G., Hughes, T., (September 2016). Care Coordination: Empowering Families- Sickle Cell Disease Association 2016 National Convention, Baltimore, MD

Gembel, G., Hughes, T., (October 2014). Care Coordination: Empowering Families- A Partnership Between the Region 4 Midwest Genetics Collaborative and the Sickle Cell Disease Association of Illinois. Sickle Cell Disease Association 2014 National Convention, Baltimore, MD

Wintergerst, K, Gembel, G, Gorman, L. (March 2013) Poster: Region 4 Genetics Collaborative-Congenital Hypothyroidism Long-term Follow-up Project: Navigating the Rough Waters of a Multi-Center, Multi-State Public Health Project. American College of Medical Genetics Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting. Phoenix, AZ

Gembel, G. (February 2012) Partnering with Youth to Shape Policy and Program Development. Association of Maternal Child Health Annual Conference. Washington, DC

Burdo-Hartman W., MD, Buczek C., RN, BSN, Tremonti G, MSW (October 2006) Surviving to Adulthood with a Pediatric Illness. Michigan State Medical Society Annual Scientific Meeting, Troy, MI.

Tremonti, G. (March 2006) Looking Ahead: Transition to Adulthood for Youth with Special Health Care Needs. Spina Bifida Association Conference, Livonia MI

PUBLICATIONS

Gorman, L. A., Moore, J. A., Hawkins, K., **Gembel, G.**, Entwistle, D. N., Hoffman, D. L. (2018). Care Coordination: Empowering Families, a promising practice to facilitate medical home use among children and youth with special health care needs. *Maternal and Child Health Journal*.

Wintergerst K., **Gembel, G.**, Kreipe T., Zeller, P., Eugster, E., Young, B., Gorman, L. (2014). Congenital Hypothyroidism long-term follow-up project: Navigating the rough waters of a multi-center, multi-state public health project. *Journal of Genetic Counseling*, Epub Nov 18, PMID:25403899

Coffman, M. A., Fredrick, B., **Gembel, G.**, Harry, S., Hasegawa, L., Hawkins, K., Hooker, J., Vanags, K. (September 2013). Regional collaboratives: empowering people through education. *Exceptional Parent Magazine*