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## **EDUCATION AND CREDENTIALING**

**Licensed Masters Social Worker** – Clinical  
*State of Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs*  
License No. 6801120359

**National Provider Identification:** 1295689891

**Master of Social Work**, clinical concentration  
*Michigan State University*

May 2023  
*East Lansing, MI*

- Evidence-Based Trauma Treatment Certificate
- Research Scholar: Trauma Informed Practice and Systems

**Bachelor of Social Work** 2021  
*Grand Valley State University*

*Allendale, MI*

- Minor Political Science

## **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT**

**Program Coordinator** August 2026-Present  
*Chance at Childhood, Michigan State University School of Social Work*

- Manage and supervise interdisciplinary clinical practice in family law setting for MSW, BSW, and law students.

## **CLINICAL EXPERIENCE**

### **Therapist**

*I am Healing, Therapy and Wellness Consulting*

February 2026-Present

- Provide evidence-based treatment for presenting problems including PTSD, depression, anxiety, and ADHD for children, adolescents, and adult clients.

*North Star Wellness Center*

August 2024-March 2026

**Case Management Coordinator**, Aug 2023-Aug 2026  
*Office for Resource and Support Coordination, Michigan State University*

- Responsible for providing case management services to students and staff injured and impacted by mass violence incident.
- Develop and deploy trauma informed guidance to stakeholders in the community and across campus.
- Coordinate and deploy annual commemoration and remembrance events.

### **Clinical MSW Intern**

*Child Advocacy Center of Kent County*

July 2022-November 2023

- Conduct Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TFCBT) with child and adolescent survivors of sexual abuse.
- Provide problematic sexual behavior screening services to children; Provide psychoeducation to families and children on typical sexual development, abuse prevention, and self-advocacy skills.

### **Holistic Defense Social Worker**

*Ionia County Public Defender*

January 2021-August 2023

- Launched and established the first Ionia County Public Defender Holistic Defense program, providing sentencing mitigation services and treatment-focused advocacy for indigent criminal defendants.
- Adapted models of holistic defense implemented in other states and counties to the unique needs and strengths of Ionia County.
- Established interdisciplinary teamwork between Public Defender, Courts and Court programs, jail, and community services to address needs of incarcerated individuals.

### **Mitigation Specialist BSW Intern**

*Muskegon Public Defender*

August 2020-May 2021

- Conducted biopsychosocial assessments for juvenile and adult pretrial defendants to develop diversion and treatment-based sentencing advocacy.
- Utilized advocacy and community services to achieve bond reductions for pretrial defendants, allowing clients to maintain housing, employment, and education.

## **SERVICE AND COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS**

### **Steering Committee Member**

*Trauma Services and Training Network, Michigan State University*

October 2021-Present

Akers, B. (June 21, 2024). Trauma Services and Training Network (TSTN): Introduction to the Trauma-Informed Approach. [Training session, Meeting - live]. Michigan State University Undergraduate Studies.

Akers, B. & Gombosi, S. (December 11, 2025). Trauma Services and Training Network (TSTN): Introduction to the LASER Method Trauma-Informed Approach for Supervisors [Training session, Virtual Meeting - live]. Michigan State University Information Technology Human Resources.

Moser, N. & Akers, B. (March 2024). Office for Resource and Support Coordination. An Introduction to Trauma: Definitions, Signs & Response. [Training session, Virtual Meeting - recorded]. Michigan State University Permanent Memorial Committee.

Novello, J. & Akers, B. (July 18, 2024). Trauma-Informed Student Supervision. [Training session, live meeting]. Michigan State University Human Resources, Student Supervision Series.