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About / We are all different... each client-therapist relationship is also. Let's find the type of therapy that suits you and your goals. The therapeutic relationship is built on trust which is created in a safe, inviting, and comforting environment. Being present is important; for people to feel truly heard, understood, and supported. I understand the gravity of what it means to sit with someone in their truth... in their grief and in their joys. I meet people just as and where they are.

We best serve others by seeing them as a whole within the context of their environment. This includes their mental wellness (state of mind), physical wellness (state of body,) and spiritual wellness. It's important to understand the lens in which people see themselves and the world around them.

# Qualifications

MSW: Rhode Island College, 2009

BSSW: Salve Regina, 2004

### Certificates

National Association of Social Workers Association of Oncology Social Workers Both since 2008

### Location

Currently offering services by video only & work in the greater Tri-State area, based in Southern, CT.

#### Hours

By appointment only. Regular session hours: 9am - 5pm, Monday - Friday

Services / I am available to provide psychotherapy & counseling for individuals, couples, and families as well as support group services. I also offer consultation, debriefing, and social work licensed clinical supervision.

Therapy Approaches / Cognitive Challenging, Refocusing, and Reframing, Communication Skills, Compliance Issues, Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, Exposure Therapy, Exploration of Coping Patterns, Exploration of Emotions, Exploration of Relationship Patterns, Guided Imagery, Interactive Feedback, Interpersonal Resolutions, Mindfulness Training, Preventative Services, Psycho-Education, Relaxation/Deep Breathing, Review of Treatment Plan/Progress, Role-Play/Behavioral Rehearsal, Structured Problem Solving, Supportive Reflection, Symptom Management

# Specialties Grief, Serious Illness, Spirituality, Transitions

# Mental Health Specialties Elderly Persons Disorders, Impulse Control Disorders, Mood Disorders

### Modality

Individuals, Couples, and Families with a focus on Adults and Older Adults

### Areas of Focus

Grief, Spirituality, Life Transitions, Serious Illness, Anxiety, Depression, Esteem & Identity, Workplace Issues, Women's Issues, Relationships, Family Conflict

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# Complete Scope of Issue Experience

Addiction Men's Issues
Adoption Obesity

Alzheimer's Obsessive-Compulsive (OCD)

Anger Management Oncology

Anxiety Oppositional Defiance

Behavioral Issues Parenting

Career Counseling Peer Relationships

Child or Adolescent Pregnancy, Prenatal, Postpartum

Chronic Pain Relationship Issues
Codependency School Issues
Coping Skills Self Esteem
Depression Self-Harming

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Divorce Sex Therapy
Domestic Abuse Sexual Abuse

Domestic Violence Sleep or Insomnia

Dual Diagnosis Stress

Eating Disorders

Emotional Disturbance

Family Conflict

Suicidal Ideation

Teen Violence

Transgender

Gambling Trauma and PTSD
Hoarding Traumatic Brain Injury

Infertility Video Game Addiction

Infidelity Weight Loss
Intellectual Disability Women's Issues

Internet Addiction Workplace Issues
Learning Disabilities

Life Transitions

Marital and Premarital

Sessions / Individual 50 minutes \$150, Couple / Group 50 minutes \$220 Bereavement support groups available to the community. Please contact for details.

Insurance / Aetna, Anthem-BCBS, Husky / Medicaid

Payment / Accepted payment options are Cash or Check, Health Savings Account, All Major Credit Cards

 $Out\ of\ Network / {\it If\ your\ insurance\ isn't\ listed\ above\ or\ you\ are\ uninsured\ we\ offer\ sliding\ scale\ rates}.$