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Education

- Ph.D. (in progress)** **Marriage and Family Therapy,**
Anticipated graduation date, 2020.
St. Mary's University, San Antonio, Texas.
- M.A.** **Family Psychology,** 2001.
Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Texas.
- B.A.** **Communications,** 1999.
East Texas Baptist University, Marshall, Texas.

Teaching and Supervisory Experience

Sandtray Faculty

*Texas State University, Institute for Play
Therapy-Sandtray Therapy Certification, San
Marcos, Texas.*

2019 – Present

- Designed and taught course curriculum (along with two other instructors)
- Led consultation groups for certification
- Supervised practicum experiences

Adjunct Instructor

St. Mary's University, San Antonio, Texas.

2014

- Created course content for Marriage and Family Life Development and Marriage and Family Practicum, graduate courses for MFT students
- Taught lectures highlighting content related to the family life cycle
- Mentored students through their leading of class presentations and writing of term papers

Director of Training

Center for Relational Care, Austin, Texas.

2013 – 2017

- Oversaw training development and implementation
- Served on administrative board
- Supervised LPC Interns and LMFT Associates

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- Supervised play therapists toward RPT
- Supervised graduate student interns
- Facilitated center-wide group supervision
- Served as consultant for those pursuing EMDR certification

Counseling Supervisor

Center for Relational Care, Austin, Texas.
2007 – 2017

- Supervised LPC Interns and LMFT Associates
- Supervised play therapists toward RPT
- Supervised graduate student interns
- Facilitated center-wide group supervision

Volunteer Practicum Supervisor

Texas State University, San Marcos, Texas.
2010-2011

- Assisted in supervision in Dr. Mary Morrison-Bennett's graduate level play therapy class
- Led small group play therapy supervision during live play sessions (micro-practicum)

Guest Speaker

University of Texas, School of Social Work, Austin, Texas.
2016-2017

- Guest lectured in Jaclyn Sepp's play therapy class during multiple semesters
- Presented on sandtray therapy

Guest Speaker

Texas A&M University-Central Texas, Killeen, Texas.
2009

- Guest lectured in Dr. Courtney Putnam's Advanced Psychopathology course
- Presented on disorders diagnosed in childhood

Guest Speaker

Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Texas.
2000

- Guest lectured in Dr. Dan McGee's undergraduate psychology class

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- Presented on the effects of stress on individuals and relationships

Clinical Experience

Clinical Therapist

Nurture Family Counseling, Cedar Park, Texas.

2018 - Present

- Conducts therapy for couples, families, and children
- Specializes in attachment and trauma work

Family/Play Therapist

Center for Relational Care, Austin, Texas.

2007 – 2017

- Conducted therapy for couples, families, and children
- Led multiple therapy groups
- Specialized in attachment and trauma work and directed family and children's team

Inpatient Therapist

Meridell Achievement RTC, Liberty Hill, Texas.

2006-2007

- Conducted inpatient assessments and treatment planning
- Performed inpatient therapy for minors and families
- Led treatment team meetings

Marriage & Family Therapist

Central Texas Counseling, Round Rock, Texas.

2003-2007

- Conducted counseling with individuals, couples, children, and families
- Performed CPS contract services for children and families
- Built relationships with referral services focusing on foster/adopt agencies

Case Manager

Texas Baptist Children's Home, Round Rock, Texas.

2001-2004

- Coordinated all care services for boys and girls in three group homes
- Conducted intake services

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- Planned and executed multi-family weekend groups
- Taught parenting groups and other mandatory classes

Therapist/Testing Intern

Jan Ford Mustin, Ph.D., Austin, Texas.
2001

- Performed therapeutic services with children, adolescents, and young adults
- Administered batteries of psychological tests
- Wrote neuropsychological reports under direction of psychologist

Graduate Intern

Hendrick Health System, Abilene, Texas.
2000-2001

- Performed counseling to patients and families in pediatric inpatient
- Responded to emergency calls across hospital
- Conducted intake psychosocial assessments
- Led rehabilitation hospital groups

Graduate Assistant

Hardin-Simmons University Family Psychology Department, Abilene, Texas.
2000-2001

- Assisted Professor Jill Walters, Ph.D.
- Fielded intake calls in university counseling center
- Graded term papers and assisted in class preparations

Graduate Intern

Family Psychology Center, Abilene, Texas
2000-2001

- Performed counseling services in university clinic
- Participated in team feedback for other interns
- Conducted ADHD assessments

Licensure and Certification

Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist – Supervisor (LMFT-S #200900), Texas State Board of Examiners of Marriage and Family Therapists.

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Licensed Professional Counselor – Supervisor (LPC-S #18279), Texas State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors.

Registered Play Therapist – Supervisor (RPT-S #1134), Association for Play Therapy, United States.

EMDR Certified and Approved Consultant, EMDR International Association.

Institute for Play Therapy-Sandtray Therapy Certified, Texas State University.

Additional Training and Highlighted Continuing Education

Bonnie Badenoch’s Yearlong Attachment and IPNB Study Group, Vancouver, Washington.

International Family Therapy Association (IFTA) World Congress (15 hours), Aberdeen, Scotland, 2019.

International Family Therapy Association (IFTA) World Congress (15 hours), Bangkok, Thailand, 2018.

International Family Therapy Association (IFTA) World Congress (15 hours), Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, 2015.

Trust-Based Relational Intervention (TBRI) Training (30 hours), Texas Christian University-Institute of Child Development, 2014.

EMDR Integrative Team Model Training (18 hours), Attachment and Trauma Center of Nebraska, 2013.

Working with Abused Children (6 hours), Eliana Gil, 2012.

Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing (EMDR) (40 hours), Trained Practitioner, Rick Levinson as approved by EMDR International Association, 2011.

Empowered to Connect (6 hours), Training in working with adoptive families, Karyn Purvis, 2010.

Graduate Course in Sandtray Therapy (45 hours), Texas State University, 2008.

Graduate Course in Counselor Supervision (45 hours), Texas State University, 2007.

Play Therapy with Sexually Abused Children (6 hours), Linda Homeyer, 2005.

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Parenting with Love and Logic Training (12 hours), Texas Baptist Children's Home, 2004.

Family Systems Theory Training and Supervision (9 hours), Texas Baptist Children's Home, 2002.

Certified Managing Aggressive Behavior Trainer (30 hours), National Resource Center for Youth Services (NRCYS), 2002.

Presentations

Homeyer, L. & Lyles, M. (2019, October). *Working with a play therapy theory/ approach within the sandtray therapy experience*. Presented at the Association for Play Therapy Annual Conference, Dallas, Texas.

Lyles, M. (2019, September). *Sandtray: An Attachment-Friendly Tool for Play Therapy Across the Lifespan*. Presented at The Theraplay Institute, Evanston, Illinois.

Lyles, M. (2019, September). *Using sandtray protocols in play therapy*. Presented at The Theraplay Institute, Evanston, Illinois.

Lyles, M. (2019, September). *The intersection of expressive therapy and play therapy (3-day workshop)*. Presented as a continuing education event, Cedar Park, Texas.

Lyles, M. & Ragland, C. (2019, September). *Treating adult trauma with sandtray therapy: A multi-generational play therapy approach*. Presented at SF-Bay Area Chapter Fall Conference, Walnut Hill, California.

Lyles, M. (2019, August). *Using sandtray protocols in play therapy*. Presented as a continuing education event, Cedar Park, Texas.

Lyles, M. (2019, August). *Sandtray: An Attachment-Friendly Tool for Play Therapy Across the Lifespan*. Presented at Harmony Schools, Houston, Texas.

Lyles, M. (2019, August). *Sandtray: An Attachment-Friendly Tool for Play Therapy Across the Lifespan*. Presented as a continuing education event, Houston, Texas.

Lyles, M. (2019, August). *Play therapy clinical theories: Understanding the role of attachment theory in family play sessions*. Presented at Full Force Foundation, San Antonio, Texas.

Lyles, M. (2019, August). *Cultivating inner resources with sandtray*. Presented at the Child & Adolescent Complex Trauma Conference, Manchester, Vermont

Lyles, M. (2019, June). *Approaches to sandtray therapy for enhancing therapeutic attunement (master class)*. Presented at the Mid-Atlantic Play Therapy Training Institute, Arlington, Virginia.

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- Lyles, M. (2019, August). *Sandtray: An Attachment-Friendly Tool for Play Therapy Across the Lifespan*. Presented as a continuing education event, Denver, Colorado.
- Lyles, M. (2019, August). *Cultivating EMDR inner resources with sandtray*. Presented at the EMDRIA Regional Meeting, Austin, Texas.
- Homeyer, L. & Lyles, M. (2019, May). *Four-day introduction to expressive arts therapies (and 2 days of group supervision)*. Presented for play therapy cohort, Istanbul, Turkey.
- Lyles, M. (2019, March). *Treating children's trauma using EMDR in a family context*. Presented at the International Family Therapy Association World Congress, Aberdeen, Scotland.
- Lyles, M. (2019, March). *Handling client paperwork with care*. Presented at Phoenix Center Staff Development, Marble Falls, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (2019, February). *Noticing self: Capturing moments for parental self-reflection*. Presented as a webinar for Robyn Gobbel.
- Lyles, M. (2019, January). *Tracking self: Monitoring person-of-the-play-therapist when treating attachment trauma*. Presented for the Coastal Bend Chapter of Texas Association for Play Therapy, Corpus Christi, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (2019, January). *Connecting with the heart: Exploring how attachment patterns influence grief*. Presented at the Austin Center for Grief and Loss, Austin, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (2019, January). *Remaining trauma-sensitive in expressive play therapy: Using sand tray for effective window of tolerance work*. Presented as a webinar.
- Lyles, M. (2019, January). *Permission to breathe: Patiently growing yourselves and your children*. Presented at Gladney Adoption Center, Fort Worth, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (2019, January). *Enhancing attunement with creative uses of sand tray in play therapy*. Presented at Austin Sandtray Association, Austin, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (2019, January). *Strengthening marriage in the midst of foster and adoptive parenting*. Presented at Chosen Foster/Adopt Annual Event, San Antonio, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (2018, November). *The neurobiology of protective emotions*. Presented at the Adoption Knowledge Affiliates, Austin, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (2018, October). *Creative uses of sandtray therapy that enhance therapeutic attunement*. Presented at the Expressive Therapies Summit, New York, New York.
- Lyles, M. & Ragland, C. (2018, September). *Treating adult trauma with sandtray therapy: A multigenerational play therapy approach*. Presented as a continuing education event, Austin, Texas.

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- Lyles, M. (2018, September). *Using sandtray protocols in play therapy*. Presented as a continuing education event, Austin, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (2018, September). *Raising relationally healthy kids*. Presented as a foster parent continuing education event at Safe, Austin, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (2018, September). *Trauma-informed expressive therapies*. Presented as a staff development event, Spirit Reins (equine therapy center), Liberty Hills, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (2018, June). *Using attachment-informed sandtray for play therapy across the lifespan*. Presented as a continuing education event, Cedar Park, Texas.
- Lyles, M. & Gobbel, R. (2018, August). *Beyond Bowlby: Applying the neurobiology of attachment to play therapy*. Presented as a continuing education event, Salt Lake City, Utah.
- Homeyer, L. & Lyles, M. (May, 2018). *Expressive Arts in Play Therapy Using: Sand Tray, Art, and Puppets in Individual and Family Play Therapy Settings*. Play Therapy Training Program, Simge Psychology, Istanbul, Turkey.
- Homeyer, L. & Lyles, M. (May, 2018). *Play Therapy Supervision: Process & Practicum*. Play Therapy Training Program, Simge Psychology, Istanbul, Turkey.
- Lyles, M. & Gobbel, R. (2018, May). *Beyond Bowlby: Applying the neurobiology of attachment to play therapy*. Presented as a continuing education event, Denver, Colorado.
- Lyles, M. & Gobbel, R. (2018, April). *Integrating EMDR with play therapy*. Presented at the Texas Association for Play Therapy Conference, Austin, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (March, 2018). *Self-compassionate view of protective emotions*. Ithraa Center, Beirut, Lebanon
- Lyles, M. & Homeyer, L. (March, 2018). *Permission to breathe*. Ithraa Center, Beirut, Lebanon.
- Homeyer, L. & Lyles, M. (March, 2018). *Play, art, and the brain: Managing overwhelming emotions*. Ithraa Center, Beirut, Lebanon.
- Lyles, M. (March, 2018). *Self-compassionate view of protective emotions*. Ithraa Center, Amman, Jordan.
- Lyles, M. & Homeyer, L. (March, 2018). *Introducing sandtray therapy to mental health team at refugee camp*. Ithraa Center, Amman, Jordan.
- Lyles, M. (March, 2018). *Permission to breathe: Managing maturity expectations with self-compassion*. The Queen's School (presentation to adolescents), Amman, Jordan.
- Lyles, M. & Homeyer, L. (March, 2018). *Permission to breathe*. Ithraa Center, Amman, Jordan.

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- Homeyer, L. & Lyles, M. (March, 2018). *Play, art, and the brain: Managing overwhelming emotions*. The Queen's School, Amman, Jordan.
- Lyles, M. (2018, March). *Using sandtray in supervision to enhance therapist awareness*. Presented at the International Family Therapy Association World Congress, Bangkok, Thailand.
- Lyles, M. (2018, March). *Using attachment-informed sandtray for play therapy across the lifespan*. Presented as a continuing education event, Austin, Texas.
- Lyles, M. & Gobbel, R. (2018, March). *Beyond Bowlby: Applying the neurobiology of attachment to play therapy*. Presented as a continuing education event, Austin, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (2017, July). *Room for everyone: Incorporating play into family therapy*. Presented at Institute for Play Therapy-Texas State University, San Marcos, Texas.
- Lyles, M., Hoffman-Arriaga, L., Huang, Y., & Ko, J. (2017, March). *Community-based Tai Chi training and its effects on balance and patient activation for the elderly*. Poster presented at St. David's CHPR Conference, Austin, Texas.
- Lyles, M. & Melendez, M. (2017, March). *Climate of fear: Meeting children's needs in changing political times*. Presented at Texas Association for Counselor Education and Supervision Conference, Austin, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (2017, February). *Attachment informed sandtray therapy: Engaging families in relational healing*. Presented at Momentous Institute, Dallas, Texas.
- Lyles, M. & Burselson, D. (2017, February). *More than counseling*. Presented at Center for Relational Care's signature training event in partnership with Austin Chinese Church, Austin, Texas.
- Lyles, M. & Allen, P. (2017, January). *Parenting with identity in mind*. Presented as keynote at Southside Church's (of Huntsville, Alabama) parenting retreat, Kentucky.
- Lyles, M. & Homeyer, L. (2016, September). *Helping children develop successful identities*. Presented at Ithraa Training Center, Beirut, Lebanon.
- Homeyer, L. & Lyles, M. (2016, September). *Sandtray training: A level two mini-practicum*. Presented at Ithraa Training Center, Beirut, Lebanon.
- Homeyer, L. & Lyles, M. (2016, September). *Trauma-informed expressive therapies*. Presented at Ithraa Training Center, Beirut, Lebanon.
- Lyles, M. & Homeyer, L. (2016, September). *Helping children develop successful identities*. Presented at Ithraa Training Center, Amman, Jordan.

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- Homeyer, L. & Lyles, M. (2016, September). *Introduction to play therapy*. Presented at Ithraa Training Center, Amman, Jordan.
- Lyles, M. & Homeyer, L. (2016, September). *Helping kids succeed after trauma*. Presented at Ithraa Training Center, Amman, Jordan.
- Homeyer, L. & Lyles, M. (2016, September). *Trauma-informed play therapy*. Presented at Ithraa Training Center, Amman, Jordan.
- Lyles, M. & Homeyer, L. (2016, September). *Compassion fatigue in helping professionals*. Presented at Ithraa Training Center, Amman, Jordan.
- Lyles, M. & Homeyer, L. (2016, July). *An encounter between science and spirituality (Play therapy focus)*. Presented at Notre Dame University-Louaize, Beirut, Lebanon.
- Lyles, M. & Homeyer, L. (2016, July). *Integrating relational needs with sandtray therapy*. Presented at Ithraa Training Center, Beirut, Lebanon.
- Lyles, M. (2016, July). *More than counseling: Level 2 (advanced training for clinicians)*. Presented at Center for Relational Care, Atlanta, Georgia.
- Lyles, M. (2016, July). *Attachment-based sandtray therapy*. Presented at University of Texas, School of Social Work, Play Therapy Symposium, Austin, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (2016, April). *Understanding trauma*. Presented at Ithraa Training Center, Amman, Jordan.
- Lyles, M. (2016, April). *Relational parenting: Creating and maintaining connections with your children*. Presented at Ithraa Training Center, Amman, Jordan.
- Lyles, M. (2016, February). *Using attachment-informed sandtray in family playtherapy*. Presented at Institute for Play Therapy-Texas State University, San Marcos, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (2016, January). *Exploring the person of the play therapist*. Presented at Annual HCC-TAPT Retreat, Wimberley, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (2016, January). *Enriching play therapy experiences: Working with metaphor*. Presented at Annual HCC-TAPT Retreat, Wimberley, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (2015, December). *Advanced sandtray skills: Exploring attachment theory*. Presented at Communities in Schools (Central Texas) Staff Training, Austin, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (2015, September). *Advanced play therapy skills*. Presented at Hill Country Chapter of the Texas Association for Play Therapy, Austin, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (2015, March). *The use of sandtray therapy with adoptive families*. Poster presented at the International Family Therapy Association World Congress, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

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- Lyles, M. & Lyles, I. (2014, November). *Let the children speak: An adoptive father and son's take on building relationship*. Presented at Adoption Knowledge Affiliate's Annual Conference, Austin, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (2014, March). *Using sandtray therapy to build relationships*. Presented at Center for Relational Care, Austin, Texas.
- Lyles, M. & Telisak, M. (2014, February). *Seeing trauma through a child's eyes*. Presented at Voz de Ninos Conference, Laredo, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (2013, October). *Relationship-based parenting*. Presented at Williamson County STARRY Foster Care Training, Round Rock, Texas.
- Lyles, M. & Meyer, M. (2013, July). *Building relationships through sandtray*. Presented at Brazosport ISD School Counselor Training, Lake Jackson, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (2013, April). *Keeping marriages healthy*. Presented at Together in Texas, Cedar Park, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (2013, April). *Supervising sandtray*. Presented at Texas Association for Play Therapy Conference, Austin, Texas.
- Homeyer, L. & Lyles, M. (2013, April). *Sandtray therapy with adoptive families*. Presented at Texas Association for Play Therapy Conference, Austin, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (2012, November). *Replacing shame-based identities in hurt youth*. Presented at Williamson County STARRY and Texas Baptist Children's Home All-Staff Training, Round Rock, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (2012, October). *Using sandtray to address shame-based identity issues in the playroom*. Presented at Hill Country Chapter of the Association for Play Therapy, Austin, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (2012, June). *Understanding PTSD in children*. Presented at Training Inservice for Williamson County Court-Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), Georgetown, Texas.
- Lyles, M. (2011, October). *When fear strikes: A relational approach to addressing anxiety in adolescents*. Presented at training event for multiple counties' Services to At-risk and Runaway Youth (STARRY) counselors, Brenham, Texas.
- Martin, L., Mercado, S. & Lyles, M. (2011, September). *Connecting and correcting principles (Based on the writings of attachment and trauma specialist, Dr. Karyn Purvis)*. Presented at Family Care Conference, Round Rock, Texas.

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Lyles, M. (2011). *Removing aloneness through sandtray therapy*. Presented at Hill Country Chapter of the Association for Play Therapy, Austin, Texas.

Homeyer, L. & Lyles, M. (2010, February). *Everyone taking part: Using sandtray in family therapy*. Presented at Christian Counselors of Texas Conference, Austin, Texas.

Homeyer, L. & Lyles, M. (2009). *Basics of children's therapy*. Presented at Intimate Life Ministries Relational Counseling Training for a Jordanian Delegation, Austin, Texas.

Lyles, M. & Watson-Ragland, C. (2009, February). *Recognizing relational needs in children*. Presented at Christian Counselors of Texas Conference, Austin, Texas.

Lyles, M. & Watson-Ragland, C. (2006, April). *Relational needs in the playroom*. Presented at Texas Association for Play Therapy Conference, Austin, Texas.

Lyles, M. (2004). *Preparing foster families for holidays*. Presented at Settlement Home Foster Parent Training, Austin, Texas.

Podcasts and Web-Based Interviews

Lyles, M. (2019, September). *Interview with Guy Macpherson*. The Trauma Therapist Podcast (episode 393).

Featured in EMDR promotional video. Produced by EMDRIA.

Lyles, M. (2018). *Reframing breathing as a parent in the trenches*. Reframed Podcast by Gladney (season 1, episode 2).

Lyles, M. (2018). *Reflective functioning*. Revive with Lisa Peck Podcast (episode 3).

Lyles, M. (2018, April). *Topic: Building up new trauma therapists*. Video interview with Guy Macpherson for The Trauma Therapist series.

Lyles, M. (2017, May). *The imperative of self-awareness for trauma therapists*. Video interview with Guy Macpherson for The Trauma Therapist series.

Lyles, M. (2016, May). *How adoption has more to do with you than your child*. Presented at Adoption H.E.A.R.T. Online Conference.

Lyles, M. (2016, January). *Interview with Guy Macpherson*. The Trauma Therapist Podcast (episode 152).

Lyles, M. (2011-2012). *Recurring interviews with Mariah Wilde*. Life Matters: Radio show on foster care and adoption.

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Refereed Publications

Lyles, M., & Homeyer, L. E. (2015). The use of sandtray therapy with adoptive families. *Adoption Quarterly*, 18(1), 67-80.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/10926755.2014.945704>

Non-Refereed Publications

Lyles, M. & Brown, A. Perspectives in practice: Navigating the child welfare system as an EMDR therapist. *EMDRIA Go With That Magazine*, March, 2019.

Homeyer, L. & Lyles, M. (2015). Supervision of play therapists conducting family counseling. In Green, E., Baggerly, J., & Myrick, A. (Eds.), *Counseling Families: Play-Based Treatment*, 161-178. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield.

Klumpp, K. & Lyles, M. (2014). The balloon technique: Coaching emotional regulation from preventative guidance to crisis intervention. *American School Counselor Association Magazine*.

Professional Associations Service and Memberships

World Association of Sand Therapy Professionals, Founding Board of Directors Member (2019 – Present).

Simgc Psychology, Play Therapy Training Center Advisory Board, Istanbul, Turkey (2019 – Present).

Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing International Association-Children and Adolescent Special Interest Group (EMDRIA-Child and Adolescent SIG), Research Chair (2018- Present).

Association for Play Therapy, Continuing Education Committee Member (2016).

AAMFT Conference, Proposal reviewer (2014).

Texas Association for Play Therapy, Conference Volunteer Chair (2009).

Families at Heart Conference, Co-Organizer (2007).

Texas Association for Play Therapy, Conference Program Chair (2003).

American Association of Marriage and Family Therapists (AAMFT), Clinical Fellow.

American Counseling Association (ACA), Past Member.

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Association for Play Therapy (APT), Member.

Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing International Association (EMDRIA), Member.

International Family Therapy Association (IFTA), Member.

Community and Volunteer Involvement

Neuropathy Alliance of Texas, Board of Directors (2012-2018).

CASA of Williamson County, New advocate training (2012).

NextGenImperative, Curriculum writer (2009).

State of Texas, Licensed Foster Parent (2003-2006).

Muscular Dystrophy Association, Central Texas area, Support group facilitator for patients and caregivers (2002-2004).

Frequent speaker on parenting topics in churches and schools.

Awards and Honors

Hill Country Play Therapy Association, Tom Hoeffner Play Therapy Stipend Recipient for Outstanding Contribution to Play Therapy (2015).

St. Mary's University, Ph.D. in MFT Scholarship Recipient (2013).

Hardin-Simmons University, Outstanding Graduate Student (2001).

Hardin-Simmons University, Fellowship Recipient (1999-2001).