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# **Experience:**

**Executive Director 1992 - Present** 

Wiconi Wawokiya, Inc. (Helping Families), Project SAFE Shelter & CAC PO Box 49. Fort Thompson. SD 57339

Supervisor: Board of Directors

- Provide direct services to victims of crime.
- 24- hour crisis line and crisis counseling.
- Provide supervision to seven full-time and two contracted employees.
- Coordination and collaboration with tribal, state, federal agencies for direct services to victims.
- Attend monthly Multidisciplinary Team and Child Protection Meetings.
- Developed and established The Children's SAFE Place Child Advocacy Center.
- Sustainability duties that includes grant submissions to state, federal agencies and foundations.
- Oversee program to assure successful outcomes of goals and objectives.
- Provide narrative and budget reports to funding agencies and board of directors.
- Provide training to the community, organizations, and law enforcement.
- Implemented Domestic Violence Task Force Team.
- Provide supervision, coordination and training to volunteer and advocates.
- Assisted in Developing Domestic Violence and Elder Abuse Codes.
- Community organizing, coalition building and public policy.
- Experience in renovating battered women's shelter and maintenance upkeep.
- Development and implementing new programs

#### Victim Advocate

Wiconi Wawokiya, Inc. (Helping Families), Project SAFE Shelter 1991-1992 Supervisor: Dariene Medicine Crow

- Provided advocacy to victims of crimes.
- Provided community outreach, information and transportation.
- Provided advocacy to victims in the federal justice system.
- Provided court accompany in tribal, state and federal court.
- Provided transportation to hospital and advocacy for adult rape and child abuse victims.
- Provided 24-hour on-call and crisis counseling.
- Provided supervision to volunteers.
- Provided support groups for adults

#### **Outreach Specialist**

Oct. 1998 - May 1999

South Dakota Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault PO Box 141, Pierre, SD 57501 Phone: 605-945-0869

Supervisor: Verlaine Guillickson

- Provided technical assistance and training to domestic violence, sexual assault programs and local law enforcement
- Organized community training's and events
- Designed and maintained organization's web site www.southdakotacoalition.org

Medical Clerk 1989 & 1991

Indian Health Service

PO Box 200, Fort Thompson, SD 57339 Phone: 605-245-1518 Supervisor: Dr. Bernstein

- Scheduled patient appointments and screened all incoming calls.
- Assisted Dentist with services and took x-rays of patients.
- Maintained patient charts.
- Entered service data on database system.

#### Skills:

- Adult development program design, implementation, training and evaluation.
- Group facilitation skills, including team building for youth and adults.
- Community organizing, coalition development, collaboration and resource mobilization.
- Organization management, development and communications.
- Public relations and organizational promotion; conference, training and event planning.
- Grant writing proposals and legislative advocacy.
- Word processing, desktop publishing, database management.
- Budgeting and Fundraising.
- Development of Procedures for Shelter and Child Advocacy Center.
- Development of Policies and Procedures for Personnel and Finances.
- Community Education and Awareness.
- Presented at several National and local conferences.
- Peer Reviews on VAWA, CTAS and OVC grants.

## **Education:**

GED - Lower Brule, SD

1987

Mitchell Vocational Technical Institute (Certificate)

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On-line Courses – PC Troubleshooting, File & Disk Management, Creating Webpages

Classes taken at Lower Brule Community College:

Counseling Methods I & 2
Issues of Dependency Among Native Americans
Cultural & Comparative Perspectives on Helping
Child Interview Techniques
Tribal Law & Treaties
Art

Batterer's Re-education Program Training (Certificate) 1998

Sacred Circle, Rapid City, SD

### Leadership:

School Board - Crow Creek Elementary School (1991-1993)

Board of Directors (Vice-President) - Crow Creek Head Start (1988-1991)

Board of Directors (Treasurer) - Hunkpati Project (1989-1991)

Founding Member (Vice- President) - Native American Advocacy Project (1993-1998)

Founding Member (President) - Native American Children's Alliance (2000-2002 & 2006/09)

Board of Directors (Secretary) - Native American Children's Alliance (2002-2006)

Board of Directors - Crow Creek Health Board (1996-1998)

Board of Directors- (Co-Chair) SD Coalition Against Domestic Violence & SA (1999-2001 2008 to 2010)

Executive Committee - SD Coalition Against DV & SA

(2001-2007)

SD Domestic Violence Task Force - Appointed by the Governor of SD (1999)

SD CASA Commission – Appointed by Governor Rounds of SD (2003-present)

7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> National Indian Nations Planning Committee

# **Awards and Recognition:**

2015 National Crime Victims' Service Award, OVC/DOJ, Washington, DC

2012 Bonnie Heavy Runner Advocacy Award – 13th Annual Indian Nations Conference

2009 In the Spirit of Carol Malcki Advocacy Award - South Dakota Coalition Ending Domestic and Sexual Violence

Nominated for NCA's National Leadership Award 2001 USDOJ – Office for Victims of Crimes, Certificate of Appreciation 2000

National Crime Victim's Rights Week, Certificate of Appreciation- 1998 United States Attorney, District of South Dakota

Certificate of Appreciation, Native American Advocacy Project 1998

Healthy Start, Certificate of Appreciation 1997

Native American Advocacy Project -Film documentary "Ti Ekiye; Finding the Way Home, Mental Illness in Indian Country1997

Crow Creek Head Start 1988-1990

Outstanding Volunteer/Certificate of Appreciation St. Mary's Hospital, Welcome Baby Program 1988-1889 Volunteer/Certificate of Appreciation

# **Affiliations:**

Tribal membership: Lower Brule Sioux Tribe

References furnished upon request