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EDUCATION

1999 Ph.D. New York University
 School of Social Work
1981 M.S. Columbia University
 School of Social Work
1979 B.A. University of Rochester – cum laude
 Psychology – high distinctions

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

1994 – **Private Psychotherapy Practice**
Present Montclair and Springfield, New Jersey
 Areas of specialty: schema therapy, cognitive therapy, oncology and
 medical illness with adults.

1999 – **Psychotherapist/Consultant – Making Headway Foundation**
Present Provide support services to families of children with brain and spinal cord
 tumors. Services include individual, family, and group counseling, and
 educational programs

2008-Present **Certified Supervisor – International Training Program in
Schema Therapy**
 Supervision of clinicians working toward certification in
 Schema Therapy
 Advanced clinical supervision of Schema Therapists

1994 – **SAINT BARNABAS MEDICAL CENTER**
2000 Livingston, NJ

Director of Cancer Program Management
 Responsible for new program development, public relations initiatives,
 community outreach, coordination of Cancer Committee, Quality
 improvement projects, patient satisfaction efforts, and adherence to
 regulatory standards

Director of Psychosocial Support Programs - Cancer Center

Developed a comprehensive psychosocial program to meet the needs of cancer patients and their families. Created and implemented programs. Trained and supervised professional staff. Facilitated support groups. Provided individual psychotherapy and family counseling for cancer patients

1994 – **Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center**
1998 **Postgraduate Institute in Psychosocial Oncology**
New York, NY
Faculty Member

1981 – **MEMORIAL SLOAN-KETTERING CANCER CENTER**
1994 New York, NY

Assistant Director, Department of Social Work

Directed Postgraduate Institute in Psychosocial Oncology. Designed and coordinated departmental staff development program. Supervised clinical social workers. Co-supervised Oncology Patient-to- Patient Volunteer Program. Provided psychosocial services to Medical Oncology patients. Supervised masters and doctoral students in Social Work and Art Therapy.

Administrative Director –**Memorial Hospital Post Treatment Resource Program.**

A multidisciplinary program to meet the psychosocial needs of cancer survivors. Supervised program coordinator. Participated in program development. Led workshops and discussion groups for cancer survivors. Provided psychotherapy to cancer survivors.

CERTIFICATIONS

Certified Oncology Social Worker
Certified Advanced Practice Schema Therapist

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

National Association of Social Workers
Academy of Certified Social Workers
Association of Oncology Social Workers
International Society of Schema Therapists

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Co-Editor “The Schema Therapy Bulletin” The Official Publication of the International Society of Schema Therapists
Co-Chair, New Jersey Commission on Cancer Research: Joint Psychosocial/Nursing Advisory Group (1994-2010)
Rutgers University School of Social Work: Continuing Education and Professional Development: Post Master’s Advisory Council (2006-2008)

PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE

Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) – New Jersey

PUBLICATIONS

Parsonnet, Lissa, & Weinstein, Lois. "A Volunteer Program for Families in a Critical Care Unit." *Journal of Health and Social Work*. Winter 1986

Hardy, M. Appel, G., Kreman, J., Kutsch~r, A.H., Orr, M.L., Smith-Torres, C., Parsonnet, L., (Eds) Positive Approaches to Living with End Stage Renal Disease: Psychosocial and Thanatological Aspects. Praeger, New York, 1986

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Parsonnet, L. "Schema Therapy With Oncology Patients and Families" in Christ, G, Messner, C and Behar, L (Eds) (2015) Handbook of Oncology Social Work New York, NY: Oxford University Press

Parsonnet, L "Using the Schema Therapy Model to Help Patients Cope with a Cancer Diagnosis". Schematherapy Bulletin: Internaational Society of Schema Therapy September 2015.