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A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To appoint Yvonne Garces to the Commission on Health Equity.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Commission on Health Equity Yvonne Garces Appointment Resolution of 2024”.

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia appoints:

Ms. Yvonne Garces
Naylor Road, SE
Washington, D.C. 20020
(Ward 8)

as a nonvoting Ward 8 community advisory member of the Commission on Health Equity, established by section 5043(c)(1)(B) of the Commission on Health Equity Amendment Act of 2016, effective October 8, 2016 (D.C. Law 21-160; D.C. Official Code § 7-756.01(c)(1)(B)), replacing Maranda Ward, to serve at the pleasure of the Council.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this resolution, upon its adoption, to the appointee, the chairperson of the Commission, and to the Office of the Mayor.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

YVONNE GARCES

Washington, DC. 20020

SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Extensive social work experience with case expertise involving family dysfunction, mental health, social cultural adjustment and crisis intervention

AREA OF EXPERTISE

CLINICAL AND ASSESSMENT SKILLS

- Provide referral linkage to school-based support services and community resources
- Interface with school officials in determining appropriate academic placement
- Conduct home visitation for patients and families experiencing crisis
- Conduct family assessments, individual, family and group counseling to address family needs and improve family functioning
- Assist families in developing an understanding of the problems within the family unit which often relates to secrecy and abuse
- Effectively perform case management services to adolescents, families and adjudicated youth
- Mediate family conflicts during in-home visits or follow-up services

LEADERSHIP

- Skills in new program development, proposal and grant writing

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

10 /2003-Present	Children's National Center Family Services Associate	Washington, DC
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EDUCATION

Master Social Work (2002)	Howard University	Washington, DC
Bachelor Social Work (1998)	University of DC	Washington, DC

LICENSURE

Candidate for Social Work Licensure

- Collaborates with physician and other healthcare members to ensure patient receives optimal care.
- Completes computer training classes offered through Children's National Center as appropriate.
- Acts as liaison between schools, families, and community agencies.
- Participates in IEP Meetings, Special Education related teams.
- Interacts with colleagues in an ethical and professional manner.
- Grants writing for Grandparents Support Group
- Received Award for Outstanding Work with the Grandparents Support Group from Children's National Center for 2010
- Assists Family Services Supervisor with writing periodic reports to comply with grant requirements.

Community Services

Serves on the Parent Advisory Council of the Children's Health Project of DC

Serves on the Garden Club at THEARC

Serves on the Relatives as Parent Task Force

Computer Skills

Windows 98 and 2000

Microsoft Word

Excel

Outlook

E-Clinical Work

Conferences and Trainings

Essence of Adolescence, April 27, 28, 29, 2009

Seminar on Violence, December 8, 2008 Building Successful Relationships in a Child's School Life, June 6, 2007

Common Sense Parenting May 2010

The Center for Child Protection and Family Support, April 2004

Ethics in Social Work March 2007, December 2010

Skills, Knowledge, and Abilities

- Strong organizational, planning, problem- solving skills.
- Efficient in handling legal disputes arising out of health related services.
- Highly knowledgeable of Medicare regulations and guidelines.

Children's Health Project of DC

2003- Present Children's National Center, Washington DC

- Provides referral linkage to school- based support services and community resources.
- Conducts home visits for patient/ families experiencing personal, family, or school-related difficulties.
- Conducts interviews with patients and families to assess and review their situation.
- Coordinates and facilitates a Grandparent Support Group.
- Developed the Grandparent Support Group.
- Works directly with patients, answer their questions and meetings their needs.
- Organized and supervised activities for social work conference, training, and workshops.
- Provides psycho-social assessments, supportive services, emergency concrete assistance, information, and referred patients to external agencies and community resources.
- Provides follow up telephone and appointment support with parents/caregivers for on-going assistance with social issues to promote continued medical and social service follow up.
- Performed case management and telephone follow-up for appointment support.
- Participates in the development of the patient/ clinical treatment plans with members of the clinical team.
- Participates in multidisciplinary teams and meetings for example child protection, mental health, system of care, and Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services (DYRS).
- Participates attends court hearings or adjudicated services for juveniles.
- Assisted in case management and co-facilitating activities.
- Worked with children and families in making needs assessments and referrals.
- Conducts training sessions, workshops, and co-facilitated seminars on violence, ethics, teens and grandparents.
- Maintains current knowledge of and working relationships with community resources and social service providers.
- Attends interagency clinical meetings as required.
- Provides crisis intervention as needed.
- Submit statistical information and program reports to the Family Services Supervisor on a monthly basis.
- Attends staff- meetings and in-service trainings as required.
- Maintain case load as agreed to by Family Services Supervisor, to include documentation of all services provided and accurate, up-to date case notes in the appropriate format.
- Trained two social work students in affiliation with the University of the District of Columbia undergraduate social work program in 2007 and 2009.
- Conducted research
- Recommends and make decisions about the best course of action for patient and families.

- Ability to manage and prioritize the daily work effectively
- .Ability to communicate professionally, concisely, and effectively with internal and external customers/ agencies.