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**Education**

- 2016 PhD, Health Practice Research, University of Rochester  
2000 MSW, Roberts Wesleyan University, Rochester, NY  
2000 National Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB) Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Leadership Education in Adolescent Health Program, Social Work Trainee  
1995 BA Psychology, Nazareth College, Rochester, NY

**Licenses and Certifications**

Licensed Clinical Social Worker, New York  
Licensed Master Social Worker, New York  
Certified School Social Worker, New York  
Certified Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapist

**Practice Experience**

- 2024-present *Owner and Primary Clinician*, Brenda McQuillan, PhD, LCSW, PLLC, private practice in Rochester, NY  
2024-present *Clinical Supervisor*, TheraListen, Valley Stream, NY  
2017-2024 *Mental Health Therapist*, Justice for Children Advocacy Center, Genesee and Orleans Counties, NY  
2013-2015 *Clinical Therapist*, Orleans County Mental Health, Albion, NY  
2002-2009 *School Social Worker*, Albion Middle School, Albion, NY  
2000-2002 *Clinical Social Worker*, Child & Adolescent Psychiatry, Strong Memorial Hospital, Rochester, NY  
1998-1999 *Social Worker Intern*, Industry School Juvenile Detention Center, Rush, NY  
1996-1997 *Social Worker*, Hillside Family of Agencies, Rochester, NY

**Teaching Experience**

- 2024-present *Clinical Associate Professor of Social Work*, University at Buffalo School of Social Work, Buffalo, NY  
SW 505 Theories of Human Behavior and Development  
SW 520 Interventions I  
SW 521 Interventions II  
SW 540 Advanced Standing Seminar  
SW 566 Social Services to Children, Youth, and Families  
2022-2023 *Co-Dean, School of Education and Social Work*, Roberts Wesleyan University, Rochester, NY  
2022-2023 *Co-Chair, Department of Social Work*, Roberts Wesleyan University, Rochester, NY

- 2019-2024 *MSW Program Director*, Roberts Wesleyan University, Rochester, NY
- 2015-2024 *Professor of Social Work*, Roberts Wesleyan University, Rochester, NY (2024)  
*Associate Professor of Social Work*, Roberts Wesleyan University, Rochester, NY (2019-2024)  
*Assistant Professor of Social Work*, Roberts Wesleyan University, Rochester, NY (2015-2019)
- GSWK 5450 Advanced Standing Seminar I  
 GSWK 5500 Individual, Group, and Family Interventions  
 GSWK 6250 Child and Family Multidimensional Assessment  
 GSWK 6520 Child and Family Interventions  
 GSWK 6700 Field Seminar III  
 GSWK 6750 Field Seminar IV  
 GSWK 7050 Death and Bereavement  
 GSWK 4950 BSW Independent Study: *Racial Justice and Community Action*  
 GSWK 7950 MSW Independent Study: *Microaggressions Social Stigma, and Bullying among LGBTQ Individuals as related to Mental Health Symptoms*  
 GSWK 7950 MSW Independent Study: *Macro Social Work in Rural Settings*  
 GSWK 7950 MSW Independent Study: *Fundraising and Grant Writing for Social Work*  
 GSWK 7950 MSW Independent Study: *Treating Developmental Trauma in Children*
- 2015 *Adjunct Faculty*, The College at Brockport, SUNY, Brockport, NY  
 SWO310 Social Work Research Methods
- 2011-2013 *Teaching Assistant*, University of Rochester, Rochester, NY  
 NUR400 Research Principles for Evidence-Based Advanced Practice
- 2010 *Teaching Assistant*, University of Rochester, Rochester, NY  
 NUR301 Principles and Application of Evidence for Nursing Practice

### **Research Experience**

- 2010-2012 *Research Assistant*, University of Rochester, Rochester, NY  
 Research Associate, “Developing an Automated Device for Asthma Monitoring”, Hyekyun Rhee, PI, [5R01NR11169], 2011.  
 Research Associate, “Improving young children’s essential routines: test of an intervention”, Christina Koulouglioti, PI, 2010-2012.  
 Research Associate, “Self-determination theory and caregiver smoking bans for asthmatic children”, Susan Blaakman, PI, [F31 NR011266], 2010.
- 1997-1998 *Research Assistant*, University of Connecticut, Hartford, NY  
 Research Associate, “Children’s emotional and behavioral disorders: attributions of parental responsibility by professionals”, Harriet Johnson, PI, 1997.

### **Publications**

- Scroger, M., Draper, R., & McQuillan, B. (2024). Online sexual abuse and exploitation of children in the Philippines: An exploratory study of outcomes after reintegration into the community. *Child Abuse and Neglect*, 152, 1-12.
- CSWE (2022). Specialized practice curricular guide for infant and early childhood mental health. *Council on Social Work Education*. (Contributor as National Task Force Member)

- Rhee, H., McQuillan, B., Chen, D., & Atis, S. (2017). Perceptions about interpersonal relationships and school environment among middle school students with asthma. *Journal of Asthma*, 54 (9), 905-910.
- Koulouglioti, C., Cole, R., Moskow, M., McQuillan, B., Carno, M.A., & Grape, A. (2014). The longitudinal association of young children's everyday routines to sleep duration. *Journal of Pediatric Health Care*, 28(1), 80-87.
- Koulouglioti, C., Cole, R., McQuillan, B., Moskow, M., Kupperts, J., & Pigeon, W. (2013). Feasibility of an individualized home-based obesity prevention program for preschool age children. *Children's Health Care*, 42(2), 134-152.
- Rhee, H., McQuillan, B., & Belyea, M. J. (2012). Evaluation of a peer-led asthma self-management program for adolescents and benefits of the program for adolescent peer leaders. *Respiratory Care*, 57(12), 2082-2089.
- Johnson, H. C., Cournoyer, D. E., Fisher, G. A., Flynn, M., McQuillan, B. E., Moriarty, S., Richert, A., Stanek, E. J., & Yirigian, B. (2001). Children's emotional and behavioral disorders: attributions of parental responsibility by professionals. *American Journal of Orthopsychiatry*, 70(3), 327- 339.

### **Research Presentations**

- 2019 Workshop, Society for Social Work and Research, Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA
- 2016 Podium Presentation, International Bullying Prevention Association, Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA
- 2012 Podium Presentation, Beyond Anti-Bullying: Creating School Climates of Acceptance and Belonging, Syracuse University School of Education, Syracuse, NY
- 2012 Podium Presentation, Making Lifelong Connections Meeting, Maternal & Child Health Bureau, Orlando, FL
- 1995 Poster Presentation, Eastern Psychological Association Conference, Boston, MA

### **Invited Presentations**

- 2025 *Restorative circles: Building a restorative community*  
Hope585, Rochester, NY
- 2024 *The impact of trauma and interventions to address the symptoms*  
Miss Julie's School of Beauty, Rochester, NY
- 2023 *Restorative circles: Building a restorative community*  
Miss Julie's School of Beauty, Rochester, NY
- 2023 *The body keeps the score: Brain, mind, and body in the healing of trauma (book talk)*  
Books Sandwiched In, Richmond Memorial Library, Batavia, NY
- 2023 *Vicarious trauma and secondary traumatic stress: Identification, risk, and prevention*  
Keynote speaker, Genesee County Criminal Justice Advisory Council, Crime Victims' Rights Week, Batavia, NY
- 2023 *Facilitating difficult conversations (panel discussion member)*  
University of Rochester, School of Nursing, Rochester, NY
- 2022 *The impact of childhood trauma*  
Keynote speaker, Crime Victims Week Seminar, Genesee Community College, Batavia, NY
- 2022 *Substance misuse among youth: A guide for educators*

- Bowman Teacher Education Symposium, Roberts Wesleyan University, Rochester, NY
- 2019 *Bullying and Internet safety among teens*  
SUNY Brockport College, Brockport, New York
- 2017 *Combating the bullying epidemic*  
WXXI Radio News; Connections with Evan Dawson show
- 2017 *Ecological factors associated with middle school students' experiences of cyberbullying*  
Family Roundtable, University Committee for Interdisciplinary Studies,  
University of Rochester, Rochester, NY
- 2016 *Internet safety and cyberbullying*  
Albion Middle School, Albion, New York
- 2016 *Internet safety and cyberbullying*  
Lyndonville High School, Lyndonville, New York.
- 2016 *Internet safety*  
Medina High School, Medina, New York.
- 2016 *What is social work?*  
Genesee Community College, Albion Campus Center. Albion, New York.
- 2015 *Cyberbullying and cybersafety*  
Guest lecturer, Liberty Partnerships LIFE Program of Genesee Community College,  
Albion, NY
- 2012 *Bullying among youth: What parents can do*  
Guest lecturer and panelist, bullying forum, Medina Central Schools, Medina, NY
- 2012 *Bullying among youth: Recognizing the risks and consequences of peer cruelty*  
Guest lecturer, DASA Committee, Fairport Central Schools, Fairport, NY
- 2011 *Dignity for All Students Act: It's right and it's the law*  
Guest lecturer, NYSED Driver In-Service, Pittsford Central Schools, Department of  
Transportation, Pittsford, NY
- 2011 *Bullying among youth: The prevalence and consequences of childhood and adolescent cruelty*  
Guest lecturer, administrative team workshop, Fairport Central Schools, Fairport, NY
- 2011 *Bullying among youth: Effective interventions in addressing adolescent cruelty*  
Guest lecturer for Wellness Committee, Pittsford Central Schools, Pittsford, NY
- 2009 *Bullying among youth: Effective interventions in addressing adolescent cruelty*  
Guest lecturer, LEAH Program, University of Rochester Medical Center, Rochester, NY

### **Professional Service**

- 2024-present University at Buffalo, School of Social Work, DSW Admissions Committee
- 2024-present University at Buffalo, School of Social Work, Senior Clinical Faculty Committee
- 2023-2024 Middle States Self-Study Work Group Member, Roberts Wesleyan University
- 2023-2024 Compensation Committee AGE Representative, Roberts Wesleyan University
- 2022-2023 President's Academic Cabinet, Roberts Wesleyan University
- 2022-2024 National Association of Deans and Directors (NADD) of Social Work  
Education Member
- 2022-2024 New York State chapter of National Association of Deans and Directors Member  
(NYS-NADD) of Social Work Education
- 2021-2023 Board Member, Valera Health Academic Advisory Board

2021-2023	Dissertation Committee Member, <i>Online sexual exploitation of children (OSEC) survivors' functioning after reintegration in the Philippines</i> , PsyD student, Psychology Department, Roberts Wesleyan University
2020-2024	Rochester Regional Health partnership; Social Work Fellowship; Roberts Wesleyan University liaison
2020-2024	Field Education Committee Member, Roberts Wesleyan University
2020-2022	Senator, School of Education and Social Work; Roberts Wesleyan University Faculty Senate
2019-2022	National Task Force Steering Committee Member, <i>Specialized Curricular Guide for Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health</i> ; Council on Social Work Education
2018-2019	Dissertation Committee Member, <i>Preadolescents' responses to bullying: Can self-esteem buffer the negative effects of social ostracism?</i> PhD student, California School of Professional Psychology, Alliant International University
2017-2023	Academic Diversity Committee Member, Roberts Wesleyan University (co-chair, 2019-2021)
2015-2020	Suicide Prevention Coalition Member, Orleans County
2015-2017	Assessment Taskforce Member, Roberts Wesleyan University, MSW Program
2015-2024	MSW Workgroup Committee, Roberts Wesleyan University
2011-2013	Wellness Committee Member, Pittsford Central Schools, Pittsford, NY
2011-2013	Bullying Consultant, Fairport Central Schools, Fairport, NY

### **Community Service**

2025-present	Board Member, New York State Children's Alliance
2023-present	Clinical Supervisor, Miss Julie's School of Beauty (therapeutic cosmetology school for survivors of sex trafficking)
2020-2022	Racial Justice Advocacy Group, Steering Committee Member, Asbury First United Methodist Church, Rochester, NY
2018-2021	Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, Advisory (IDEA) Board Member, Brighton, NY
2011-2016	School Board Member, Albion Central Schools, Albion, NY
2013-2014	Board Member, Mental Health Association of Orleans County, NY

### **Trainings**

2023	Culture of Care, Certified Specialist
2023	safeTALK; Office of Mental Health, Suicide Prevention Center of NYS
2022	Eye Movement Desensitization Reprocessing (EMDR) Therapy (50 hours)
2022	Anti-Racist Curriculum Workshop, Roberts Wesleyan University
2021	Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT) for the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC)
2021	NYS Basic Title IX Training
2021	Parent-Child Interaction Therapy (PCIT)
2019-2020	Council on Social Work Education Program Directors Academy; 2020 graduate
2018	Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT); certified TF-CBT therapist

**Grants**

2021            Berry Endowment Research Grant, Roberts Wesleyan University

**Professional Memberships**

Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)

National Association of Social Work (NASW)