



Earning Capacity Evaluation
 Life Care Planning
 Medical Record Review
 Expert Testimony

The Authority in
 Vocational Damages Assessment
 & Life Care Planning

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AREAS OF EXPERTISE:

Life Care Planning/Critiques, Vocational Analysis and Loss of Earning Capacity, and Expert Witness for the Social Security Administration.

LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS:

Certified Rehabilitation Counselor #00112795 Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification	2010 – Present
Certified Life Care Planner #1258 Commission on Healthcare Certification	2013 – Present

EDUCATION:

University of Kentucky Lexington, KY	Master's Degree – May 2010 Rehabilitation Counseling
University of Kentucky Lexington, KY	Bachelor of Arts – December 2008 Communication
University of Florida Gainesville, FL	Life Care Planning – August 2013

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

<u>Vocational Diagnostics, Inc.</u> Phoenix, AZ Lexington, KY	Vocational Consultant/Life Care Planning Specialist 01/20 – Present
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Kynexia, LLC Vocational Consultant/Life Care Planner 05/2010-01/2020

Prepared Life Care Plans and Critiques, testified in depositions for both plaintiff and defense, testified in trial for federal cases, performed Life Care Plan and vocational interviews, as well as administered vocational assessments. Prepared vocational evaluations and loss of earning capacity evaluations. Interpreted results of diagnostic testing, medical records, psychiatric evaluations and educational records.

Social Security Administration Vocational Expert 07/11 – Present
Lexington, KY

Vocational Expert for the Social Security Office of Disability Adjudication and Review since July 2011. Classification of Work as defined by the Dictionary of Occupational Titles and Social Security Regulations. Provide testimony about types of jobs, # of jobs, skill level, and strength based on regional and national economies.

VA Lexington Outpatient Office Vocational Rehabilitation & Employment Counselor (Internship)
Lexington, KY 01/2010-05/2010

Provided case management. Provided adjustment, personal, and vocational counseling. Ran group orientations. Conducted comprehensive intake assessments and vocational testing. Interpreted results of diagnostic testing, medical records, and psychiatric evaluations. Developed Rehabilitation Plans (IWRP, IEEP). Assisted veterans with service-connected disabilities in education programs that would lead to employment.

Cardinal Hill Rehabilitation Office CLIMB Program, Practicum Student 08/2009-12/2009
Lexington Outpatient Office

Provided personal, adjustment, and vocational counseling to clients. Assisted brain injured consumers in resume building, mock interviews, job seeking skills, and filling out applications. Participated in family and individual staff meetings. Ran Life Skills group in CLIMB. Ran Brain Injury Alliance Support Group. Provided case management services to clients and family members.

Clean Indoor Air Partnership Air Quality Data Coordinator 08/2008-12/2009
College of Nursing, Lexington, KY

Conducted data analysis on Air Particle levels. Ran Air Quality Trainings. Participated in academic research. Wrote air quality reports and publications. Acted as liaison between community members and KCSP.

EXPERT WITNESS QUALIFICATION:

Qualified in areas of Life Care Planning by:

- Circuit Court – Fayette County, Kentucky
- Circuit Court – Hardin County, Kentucky
- Circuit Court – Taylor County, Kentucky
- United States District Court, Eastern District of Kentucky

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS (Past and Present):

- International Academy of Life Care Planners (IALCP);
- International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals in the Private Sector (IARP).

PUBLICATIONS:

- Secondhand Smoke and Smoke-Free Policy Report: June 2009 (2nd Edition): Report prepared by University of Kentucky College of Nursing, Tobacco Policy Research Program in Collaboration with Tobacco Prevention & Cessation Program and Kentucky Cabinet for Health & Family Services;
- Umeasiegbu, V., Waletich, B., Bishop, M., Whitten, L. (2013). Community-based rehabilitation service needs: Perceptions of individual with brain injury and their family. Australian Journal of Rehabilitation Counseling 19(2), 155-163.