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Education:

Ph.D., Counselor Education (2012)

Counseling and Higher Education, University of North Texas, Denton, TX. (CACREP-Accredited)

Major: Counselor Education

Research interests: Play Therapy, Adlerian Play Therapy, and Multiple Birth Children and Families. Chair: Dr. Dee Ray.

M.Ed., Counseling (2007)

Counseling, University of North Texas, Denton, TX. (CACREP-Accredited)

Areas of Concentration: Play Therapy.

B.A., Psychology (2005)

Psychology, University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA.

Credentials and Certifications:

Licensed Professional Counselor- Supervisor # 65427, Texas State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors

Registered Play Therapist-Supervisor # T1888, Association for Play Therapy

Clinical Experience:

2018-Present

Emily Van Pelt, Ph.D., PLLC

President/Owner

Dallas, TX

Emily Van Pelt, Ph.D., PLLC is a private practice counseling firm that was established in 2018 to provide counseling services to children and their families. As President and Owner, Dr. Van Pelt's duties primarily consist of individual counseling sessions, family and reunification counseling sessions, and public speaking.

2011-2017

Beckloff Pediatric Behavioral Center

Director of Clinical Services

Dallas, TX

Beckloff Pediatric Behavioral Center is a private practice establishment that provides counseling services and psycho-educational assessments to children and their families in the community. Duties primarily included individual counseling sessions, family and reunification counseling sessions, supervision of other clinicians, and public speaking.

2009-2011

University of North Texas, Dallas Clinic

Assistant Clinic Director

University of North Texas

Dallas, TX

Aided professors and masters' level students, duties included conducting orientations, intakes, scheduling, and individual, triadic, and group supervision. (CACREP- Accredited)

Teaching Experience:

- Fall 2008** Coun 3600: *Therapeutic Play*, University of North Texas, Denton, TX. Discussion leader.
- Summer 2009** Coun 5680: *Basic Skills in Counseling*, University of North Texas at Dallas, TX. Teaching Assistant.
- Fall 2009** Coun 5660: *Advanced Skills in Counseling*, University of North Texas at Dallas, TX. Teaching Assistant.
- Spring 2010** Coun 5640: *Group Play Therapy*, University of North Texas at Dallas, TX. Guest lecturer.
- Summer 2010** Coun 5730: *Appraisal in Adult Counseling*, University of North Texas at Dallas, TX. Guest lecturer.
- Fall 2010** Coun 3600: *Therapeutic Play*, University of North Texas, Denton, TX. Teaching Assistant.
- Summer 2011** Coun 5700: *Introduction to Play Therapy*, University of North Texas, Denton, TX. Co-Teaching.
- Summer 2012** Coun 5690: *Practicum in Counseling*, University of North Texas, Dallas, TX. Adjunct Faculty Professor.
- Fall 2012** Coun 5690: *Practicum in Counseling*, University of North Texas, Dallas, TX. Adjunct Faculty Professor.
- Spring 2013** Coun 5690: *Practicum in Counseling*, University of North Texas, Dallas, TX. Adjunct Faculty Professor.
- Summer 2013** Coun 5690: *Practicum in Counseling*, University of North Texas, Dallas, TX. Adjunct Faculty Professor.

Supervision Experience:

2012-2017 **Supervisor: *Beckloff Pediatric Behavioral Center***, BPBC, Dallas, TX.
Responsible for the clinical supervision of counselors holding the LPC-
internship status, practicum students, and field work students.

Most Current Professional Presentations:

Children in the Middle (Fall 2015), Co-presented at Beckloff Pediatric Behavioral Center
Dallas, TX.

Executive Functioning in the Schools (Fall 2015), Co-presented at All Saints Catholic
Schools Dallas, TX.

Children in the Middle (Spring 2016), Co-presented at Beckloff Pediatric Behavioral
Center Dallas, TX.

Children in the Middle (Fall 2016), Co-presented at Beckloff Pediatric Behavioral Center
Dallas, TX.

Raising Confident Kids! (Fall 2016), Co-presented at Good Shepherd Episcopal Church.

Children in the Middle (Spring 2017), Co-presented at Beckloff Pediatric Behavioral
Center. Dallas, TX.

Play Therapy in the Courtroom (Spring 2017), University of North Texas. Denton, TX.

Raising Strong Willed Children (Spring 2017), Co-presented at Coppell Early Childhood
Group.

Raising Strong Willed Children (Spring 2018), Co-presented at Lamplighter School.
Dallas, TX.

Raising Strong Willed Children (Fall 2018), Coppell Early Childhood Group.

Interviewing Children (Fall 2018), Co-presented at 13th Symposium on Child Custody
Evaluations for Association of Family and Conciliation Courts. Denver, CO.

Ethical Procedures, Pitfalls and Preparation-in responses to forensic issues, (Fall 2018),
Co-presented at Christian Association of Psychological Studies-DFW Chapter. Plano, TX.

Professional Development and Specialized Training:

Continuing Education:

The Expert, Expert Witness; Texas Association of Family and Conciliation Courts 2019 Annual Conference. The Woodlands, TX Spring 2019.

The Changing Faces of Our Social Landscape. Licensing and Legal Issues: what every therapist needs to know; North Texas Families in Transition. McKinney, TX Spring 2019.

Association of Family and Conciliation Courts 13th Symposium; Denver, CO Fall 2018.

How to Defend Your License Before the Board: Complaint Process; Life Tree Counseling Center, INC. Addison, TX, Fall 2018.

HIPAA & TMRPA Compliance is Important. Noncompliance is Expensive; Duffee and Eitzen. Dallas, TX, Fall 2018.

Wait, What?! I don't do court cases! Ethical implications, best clinical practices, and therapeutic approaches for therapists who find themselves unwillingly dealing with family law matters; Gomez Counseling. Plano, TX Spring 2018.

Top 5 Things You Need to Know About Testifying in Court; Divorce Mediation Centers of America. Plano, TX Spring 2018.

Intervention Between Two Homes; Children in the Middle. Denton, TX, Spring 2015.

Play Therapy in the Courtroom; Association for Play Therapy. Spring 2015.

Collaborative Law Interdisciplinary Training; The Collaborative Law Institute of Texas. San Antonio, TX, Summer 2014.

Family Mediation Training Course; Dr. Nancy K. Ferrell. Conflict Happens. Dallas, TX, Fall 2014.

New Ways for Families; William A. Eddy. Georgetown, TX, Summer 2013.

Basic Mediation Training; Dr. Nancy K. Ferrell. Conflict Happens. Dallas, TX, Spring 2013.

Honors and Awards:

Local:

DFWChild, Mom Approved Therapist (2017)

DFWChild, Mom Approved Therapist (2016)

DFWChild, Mom Approved Therapist (2014)

Affiliations:

National/International:

Member, Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (2018-Present)

Member, Association for Play Therapy (2008-present)

Local:

Member, North Texas Association for Play Therapy (2018-Present)

Member, Texas Counseling Association (2008-2015)

Member, Texas Association for Play Therapy (2008-present)