

ANDREW F PISKO-LMHC MS

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SKILLS

- Proficient in Spanish
- National Board of Forensic Evaluators- Certified #276
- Certified Child Custody Evaluator
- Have Medicaid Billing Number
- CPR and First Aide Certified
- Certified Family Clinical Trauma
- Infant Toddler Development Certificate via Early Steps
- ART- Accelerated Resolution Therapy Certified Practitioner
- Special needs appropriate practice training through DCF
- Proficient in ABA principals
- DIR Floortime Certified-Play Therapy
- Registered Mental Health Intern-Florida
- Expert in CBT and REBT Therapy
- Expertise in family crisis intervention and resolution/mediation
- Trauma Based CBT Certified
- Formerly trained via University of Florida in Autism Interventions and Recognition
- ABA Training
- PCIT Basic Training
- SASSI- 4 Training
- Millon 1V Training -Web Training
- Dr. Amy Baker and Dr. Craig Childress Readings and Webinars

WORK HISTORY

Andrew F Pisko LMHC Owner, 01/2021 to Current

www.thechildandfamilyinstitute.com - Trinity, Florida

- Provide intervention and counseling for families and children.
- Diagnosing and developing treatment plans using DSM-V
- Utilize CBT, Play Therapy, and Behavior Modification as primary intervention methodologies.
- Coordinate with School Social Workers, the Court System, and other Professionals with Strong knowledge of ethics and HIPPA laws and regulations.
- Expert Trauma Therapy
- Research the latest evidence-based treatment methods.
- Expert-level knowledge of youth and adolescent intervention
- Developed intervention for children to aid in the reduction of phobia.
- Published workbook for children ages 5-11 to promote communication skills.
- Accredited Aetna, Cigna, Humana, United
- Expert in working with the LGBTQA community.
- Parent Alienation Training
- Reunification expertise
- Court-appointed expert witness on Parent Alienation
- Advanced training in Personality Disorders
- Advanced training in CBT and DBT
- Trained in Forensic Mental Health and Psychological Evaluations
- Divorce and Family Therapy provider.
- Expert level Autism Specialist
- Work with suicidal and depressed teenagers using CBT and DBT
- Administer Psychometric Tests.
- Managed day-to-day business operations.
- Developed and maintained strong relationships with clients, resulting in repeat business and referrals.
- Oversaw daily operations, ensuring all tasks were completed accurately and efficiently by team members.
- Increased customer satisfaction by implementing efficient business processes and providing exceptional service.

Therapist, 06/2016 to 03/2020

Phoenix Consulting Associates - Palm Harbor

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H.E.A.D.S- Pinellas-Pasco, 06/2016 to 03/2020**H.E.A.D.S - Pasco County Florida**

- Provide intervention and counseling for families and children.
- Diagnosing and developing treatment plans using DSM-V
- Utilize CBT, Play Therapy, and Behavior Modification as primary intervention methodologies.
- Coordinate with Psychiatrists and other Counselors to ensure the best treatment protocols for clients.
- Strong knowledge of ethics and HIPPA laws and regulations
- I have excellent rapport-building skills.
- Research the latest evidence-based treatment methods.
- Expert-level knowledge of youth and adolescent intervention.

Life Focus Group- Dr. Gina Midyett, 08/2017 to 04/2019**Dr Gina Midyett LMHC - Tampa, Florida**

- Provide intervention and counseling for children, adults, and groups.
- Diagnosing and developing treatment plans using DSM-V
- Conduct group therapy.
- Utilize integrated methodology consisting of CBT, Person-Centered, and Psychodynamic Theory
- Provide crisis intervention for suicidal and severely depressed patients.
- Fostered a collaborative environment for participants, promoting open communication and honest feedback.
- Assisted clients in identifying key topics to be explored in focus groups, ensuring alignment with project objectives.
- Provided comprehensive debriefs following each session to inform client strategy decisions based on collected data.
- Boosted client satisfaction by providing timely, detailed reports on focus group findings and actionable insights.
- Established rapport with diverse groups of individuals, fostering trust and openness among participants.

Educare Pre School of Palm Harbor – Countryside, 04/2003 to 02/2018**Self-employed - Palm Harbor**

- CEO and Counselor
- Owner and Developer of Pre-School in Palm Harbor, Florida
- Utilize background and degree in Mental Health to counsel parents and children on a daily basis.
- Experience working with at-risk children in a one-on-one setting.
- Develop treatment plans for children birth to six that include both educational and behavioral modification.
- Worked with families and teachers to ensure that at-risk children are progressing both at home and in school.
- Very experienced in the use of assessing tools such as Ages and Stages (ASQ) and LAP in an effort to recognize potential early Cognitive, Behavioral, Speech, and Physical developmental delays.
- Develop behavior modification programs for children who do not respond to conventional schooling or are disruptive at home.
- Work together with family and school to find alternative solutions to behavioral issues utilizing modern trends in Mental Health Treatment Protocol
- Provide families and teachers with strategies on how to implement developmentally appropriate activities into their everyday routines.
- Trained childcare providers to implement developmental screenings in the classroom.
- Made appropriate referrals for children with speech, hearing, vision, dental, developmental, behavior, and/or medical concerns.
- Administered positive school-wide changes based on company needs and superior childcare principles standards.
- Provide early intervention services to children and their families as needed based on IFSPs and IEPs

- Work with children with sensory disorders, behavior disorders, speech and language delays, cognitive delays, ASD, as well as other developmental disorders.
- Provide families and teachers with strategies on how to implement developmentally appropriate activities into their everyday routines.
- Provide therapeutic intervention services to children at risk children aged 5 years.
- Provided social, emotional, developmental & academic counseling to clients aged from birth to 5 years and their families.
- Assess children from birth to 5 years of age with developmental delays and various disabilities, participate in team meetings, interview parents, and conduct home visits.
- Plan and implement activities in a specialized education setting, assist and lead teachers.
- Implement activities for children aged from birth to five with severe emotional and behavior disorders.
- Proven ability to learn quickly and adapt to new situations.

Early Intervention Therapist, 06/2013 to 04/2017

Therapy Playhouse- St. Petersburg, FL - St. Petersburg, Florida

- Provide intervention and counseling for families and children.
- Work with children from ages 1-3 who have Developmental Delays or Disability
- One of only two Behavior Experts as a consultant to Early Steps
- Utilize DIR FLOORTIME and ABA principles.
- Write custom treatment plans and coach families on strategies and interventions for their child.
- Utilize CBT, Play Therapy, and Behavior Modification as primary intervention methodologies.
- Coordinate with Occupational Therapists and other Counselors to ensure the best treatment protocols for clients.
- Strong knowledge of ethics and HIPPA laws and regulations
- I have excellent rapport-building skills.
- Experience working with DCF on matters of Dependency, Parent Alienation, Abuse
- Provide expert testimony on Family and Child matters.
- Provide reunification therapy using a combination of evidence-based practices.
- (Structural Based Family, CBT, Trauma)
- Well-versed in Parent Alienation Syndrome.

EDUCATION

Some College (No Degree): Applied Behavioral Analysis
University North Dakota - North Dakota

Master of Science: Counseling Psychology, 01/2011
Capella University - California

Bachelor of Science: Accounting, 04/1994
St. John's University - Queens, NY

Ph.D.: Psychology, Expected in 07/2026
Cal. Southern University - California

AFFILIATIONS

APA-2022

PUBLICATIONS AND TRAININGS

- Multiple Webinars- Dr. Amy Baker
- Parental Alienation as Child Abuse (Childress, 2010)
- Reconceptualizing Parental Alienation – Parental Personality Disorder and the Trans-generational Transmission of Attachment Trauma (Childress, 2013)
- The Attachment System in Parental Alienation (Childress, 2012)
- The Trauma Reenactment Narrative (Childress, 2010)
- Adult Children of Parent Alienation Syndrome by Dr Amy Baker(Toronto, 2009)
- Assessment of Attachment-Based Pathology Surrounding Divorce(Childress, 2009)
- Diagnosis of Parent Alienation.(Childress, 2015)
- Assessment of Attachment-Based Pathology Surrounding Divorce(Childress, 2009)
- Intervention Between Two Homes- 2024
- Divorce Poison(Warshak, 2010)
- Treating Parent Alienation. (Childress,2014)

CERTIFICATIONS

Licensed in Florida, Connecticut, South and North Carolina
 Certified Forensic Evaluator 2022- NBF #276
 Certified Child Custody Evaluator 2022- NBF
 STARR Certified Child and Family Trauma- 2021-
 STARR Child Trauma 2021-
 Nationally Certified Clinical Autism Evaluator 2023
 Nationally Certified ADHD 2022-
 Nationally Certified Attachment and Family Trauma
 2024
 Nationally Certified DBT Therapy
 Advanced Certificate Cognitive Behavior Therapy 2021-
 Accelerated Resolution Therapy 2021-
 DIR Floortime Certified 2019-
 Qualified Supervisor LMHC 2024
 Child Attachment and Alienation Training- Certificate #1000 -2025
 Nationally Certified Child and Adolescent Trauma
 Certified Autism Provider

EXPERT WITNESS AND REUNIFICATION

I have testified as an expert witness in over twenty cases over the last two years. I have provided expert testimony for both the respondent and petitioner (50% each). I have been deposed forty times since 2017. Additionally, my practice has grown to produce 30-40% revenue derived from Family Law.

I have provided court-ordered attachment-based reunification therapy . I am currently involved in five high conflict Family Law cases and have provided services to over 40 families since 2021.