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### **EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

1997 - 1998            Graduate Certificate in Loss and Bereavement, McGill University

1991 - 1992            Master of Social Work, McGill University

1983 - 1986            Bachelor of Social Work, McGill University

1981 - 1983            D.E.C., Social Sciences - Women's Studies, Vanier CEGEP

1976 - 1981            High School Leaving Certificate, Western Laval High School

### **WORK HISTORY**

Feb 2017 – present    Clinical Director of Camp Erin Montreal –  
Weekend long bereavement camp for children ages 6 -17.

June 2009 – present    Westcoast Connection 360 Student Travel  
Supervisor of and support for campers and staff as they travelled throughout the Westcoast region

Jan 2008 – present    Paperman and Sons, Inc. Funeral Home  
Supervisor of Aftercare staff

Jan 1994 – present    McGill University – Faculty of Social Work  
Course Lecturer - *Introduction to Social Work Practice, Social Work Practice with Groups, Practice with Individuals and Families, and Human Development Through the Lifespan*

June 1992 – present    Clinical Social Worker in Private Practice  
Counselor for individuals, couples and groups on various psycho-social topics

July 2014 – Aug 2016    Cummings Centre for Seniors  
Interim Director of Programs (1 year maternity replacement) and Program Manager of Cummings Centre West Island

Sept 2010 – Sept 2012    Hebrew Foundation School  
Dean of Student Life/Coordinator of Student Programs - responsible for all non-academic programming and psycho-social support for students, teachers, administration and families

April 2011 – Sept 2012    Montreal Center for Anxiety & Depression  
Clinical social worker

Oct 2008 – Sept 2010    Camp B'nai Brith  
Support Services Director – conductor of financial assessments, registration, staff development and training and provider of psycho-social support throughout the summer

Aug 2001 – Oct 2008    Agence Ometz/ Jewish Family Services of the Baron de Hirsch Institute  
Supervisor - Group Work Department, School Services. Coordinator and manager of psycho-social prevention and intervention programs.

March 2001 – August 2001	<u>Batshaw Youth &amp; Family Service</u> Protection Delegate in Application des Measures West Island Team
June 1996 – March 2001	<u>Paperman &amp; Sons, Inc. Funeral Home</u> Family Service Manager - responsible for establishing Aftercare/Pre-Planning services for bereaved individuals and families, bereavement counseling, outreach, education & sensitization seminars, recruitment and staff supervision
September 1990 – May 1996	<u>YM-YWHA &amp; NHS of Montreal</u> Director of Community Services - responsible for supervising department of three people; budgeting, new program development, facilitator of support groups for interfaith couples, and direct line programming; facilitator for parenting group, widow-to-widow task force
June – August, 1990 – 1991, 2005 – 2008	<u>Camp B'nai Brith of Montreal</u> Child Resource Worker for summer camp - counselor for campers and staff
January 1990 – April 1990	<u>Federation CJA</u> Fundraising coordinator for Joint Education Capital Campaign - professional support for volunteer leadership team; organizer of fundraising activities
August 1988 – December 1989	<u>B'nai Brith Hillel Foundation</u> Program director, McGill Hillel (1989); Campaign advisor for Combined Jewish Appeal; program director, Concordia Hillel (1988) - coordinator of educational, cultural, social, and political programs and individual counseling
September 1986 – May 1988	<u>Laval YM-YWHA Jewish Community Centre</u> Program coordinator for preschool, children, and youth - organizer and implementer of all recreational and educational programs including Jewish family workshops and leadership training

### **PROFESSIONAL AND VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES**

2015	Author of: <i>Someone Died...Now What? A Personal and Professional Perspective on Coping with Grief and Loss</i> . Self-published, available on Amazon
2014 – present	Support group facilitator for Widow Support, Caregivers Support, Parkinson's Support (Cummings Centre), Healing Together (women who have experienced miscarriage), New Moms Support (West Island Women's Centre)
2003	March of The Living – Mental Health Professional
1998 – 2000	Facilitator for Child Bereavement Workshops, Mount Royal Cemetery
1993 – present	Numerous newspaper, radio and television interviews on the subject of child development and adolescence, loss and bereavement.
1993 – present	Member, Ordre professionnel des travailleurs sociaux du Québec & Professional Order of Psychotherapists (Montreal, Quebec)
1989	Certificate of Attestation (French Language Proficiency), Office de la Langue Francaise