

## **Jennifer Weaver-Breitenbecher MA, CAGS, LMHC**

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I am an independently licensed psychotherapist and owner of a private practice specializing in human behavior, criminogenic theory, and forensic psychology. My time spent in private practice is split between wellness consulting for multiple businesses and institutions and working individually with patients who are currently (or have been) involved in the criminal justice system. My passions lie with sharing my knowledge and experience of forensic study and the criminal mind with others.

### Licensure:

**Licensed Mental Health Counselor, Rhode Island (MHC00673)**

### Education:

**Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies (CAGS), Mental Health**

Salve Regina University, Newport, Rhode Island

**Master of Arts, Disability Counseling & Rehabilitation Studies**

Salve Regina University, Newport, Rhode Island

**Bachelor of Arts, Psychology**

Providence College, Providence, Rhode Island

Concentration in Abnormal Psychology

### Career History:

**Owner & Psychotherapist, Polaris Counseling & Consulting LLC (2014-current)**

- Successfully run a small private practice with a staff of 10 and a caseload of 40 patients per week.
- Providing assessment, diagnoses, and treatment to varying individuals.
- Specializing in court-involved individuals or those who have recently been released from incarceration.
- Providing mental health and substance abuse assessments for pre-trial services and RI Probation & Parole
- Providing in-depth and on-site wellness assessments & trainings throughout the country.

**Therapist/Supervisor Parent Aide, RIDOC Comprehensive Community Action Program (2009-2015)**

- Provided mental health treatment for incarcerated men & women on-site at RIDOC.
- Provided parenting psychoeducation for incarcerated individuals.

- Ran a successful parenting visitation program at RIDOC for children to visit their incarcerated parents.

**Substance Abuse Therapist, The Providence Center (2012-2015)**

- Provided substance therapy in an individual setting to incarcerated men at RIDOC.
- Ran multiple substance groups daily at RIDOC with caseload of 35+ individuals.

**Milleu Therapist, Bradley Hospital (2003-2009)**

- Provided in-home behavior therapy to young children diagnosed along the Autism Spectrum.
- Provided psycho-education to the parents of children enrolled in this program.

Speaking Engagements:

Cape Cod Symposium on Addictive Disorders

Rhode Island Department of Corrections

Massachusetts Department of Corrections

Varying Fire & Police Departments in RI and MA (first responder and substance use trainings)

Alpha Gamma Delta & Associated Fraternities & Sororities

City Year

EAP All One Health – Wellness Expert & Presenter

Professional References: Available Upon Request