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### **Academic Background**

Additional Graduate Studies, Jackson State University, Jackson, MS  
MSW, Jackson State University, 2006, Jackson, MS  
BSW, Jackson State University, 2005, Jackson, MS

### **Professional Services**

**Jackson State University, School of Social Work, August 2012 – July 2015**

*Adjunct Instructor*

**Mississippi Counseling Center, Jackson, MS, November 2012 – 2014**

*Director, Behavioral Health Services for children and youth*

**Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church, Jackson, MS, January 2005 – 2014**

*Coordinator of elderly and community services*

**Mississippi State Hospital, Whitfield, MS, January 2008 – April 2011**

*Social worker, Medical/Surgical Hospital, Specialty Psychiatric Unit, and Oak Circle Center  
(Children and Adolescent Hospital)*

### **Courses Taught**

#### **Graduate Courses**

Human Diversity  
Family Intervention  
Intervention with Children and Youth  
Human Behavior I  
Seminar and Field Instructions  
Intervention with the Elderly  
Advanced Direct Practice with Groups

#### **Undergraduate Courses**

Human Behavior II  
Community Organization and Development  
Ethics and Values  
Professional Development

### **Research Interests**

Stigma among African Americans  
Clergy Spiritual Counseling versus Counseling for Mental Illness

## **Professional Presentations**

McKenny, B. (2014, February). Reality Therapy: Influencing healthy behaviors in children. Presenter at the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Mississippi Child Welfare Institute Conference, Jackson, MS

McKenny, B. (2014, January). Practice behavior for implementing Social Work Core Competencies in Field Instruction. Presenter, Annual Field Instructors' Training, Jackson, MS

McKenny, B. (2013, February). Partners in Growth: An informational forum on intergenerational concepts and engagements. Panelist at the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Mississippi Child Welfare Institute Conference, Jackson, MS

McKenny, B. (2012, January). Religious expressions and the public school system: Implications for child welfare. Presenter at the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Mississippi Child Welfare Institute Conference, Jackson, MS

McKenny, B. (2010, October). Epidemiology of Conduct Disorder: Effectiveness of Evidenced Based Practice. Presenter requested, Lakeside School, Whitfield, MS

McKenny, B. (2009, February). Epidemiology of Conduct Disorder: Effectiveness of Evidenced Based Practice. Presenter at the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Mississippi Child Welfare Institute Conference, Jackson, MS

McKenny, B. (2009, April). Epidemiology of Conduct Disorder: Effectiveness of Evidenced Based Practice. Presenter at the 29th Annual Department of Social Work Conference, Mississippi Valley State University, Itta Bena, MS

McKenny, B. (2007, February). Comparison: Children and families welfare systems in the United States versus Kenya. Presenter at the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Mississippi Child Welfare Institute Conference, Jackson, MS

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Jackson State University Alumni Association

National Association of Social Workers, National and Local Chapters

Jackson State University Social Work Student Association, Undergraduate

## **VOLUNTEER SERVICES**

Coordinator Phi Alpha Social Work Honor Society Induction Ceremony

Mississippi Child Welfare Institute Conference Planning Committee

Social Work Month Celebration

Mississippi Food Network, Food Pantry

Council on Social Work Education

Mississippi Chapter National Association of Black Social Workers

American Red Cross

**ACADEMIC DISTINCTIONS**

Alpha Epsilon Lambda Graduate Honor Society

Dean's Award Highest Academic Distinction Master of Social Work

Director's Certificate for Continued Academic Excellence

Cum Laude

Who's Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges

Phi Alpha Honor Society

**LICENSURE**

Licensed Master Social Worker