

Bill No 2179-05

APPOINTMENT

Approving the reappointment of Kenneth Walker to serve as a Member of the Drug and Alcohol Planning Council for a term to expire on May 8, 2008.

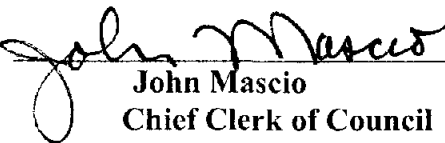
In Council December 6, 2005.

Read and approved by Motion of Council.



Rich Fitzgerald
President of Council

Attest:


John Mascio
Chief Clerk of Council



DAN ONORATO
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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2179-05

County of Allegheny

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October 27, 2005

Honorable Council President and Council Members
Allegheny County Council
119 Courthouse
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Dear Council Members:

Please find the attached resume of Mr. Kenneth Walker whom I am recommending for reappointment to the Drug and Alcohol Planning Council. Mr. Walker's term will expire May 8, 2008.

The purpose of the Council is to aid and assist the County of Allegheny, the County Executive, and the Director and staff of the Department of Human Services in the planning, development, implementation and evaluation of services for individuals with addition problems who are residents of Allegheny County.

Mr. Walker has served the Council well and we would be honored to have him continue him service to Allegheny County.

I appreciate your consideration, and ask you to act on this appointment as quickly as possible. Mr. Walker will make himself available for review before the appropriate committee if members of Council wish to speak with him.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Dan Onorato".

Dan Onorato

cc: Mr. Kenneth Walker

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Kenneth Walker

Professional Accomplishments

10/04-Present Glade Run Lutheran Services, Zelienople, PA

SCHOOL-BASED THERAPIST

- Provide therapeutic crisis management, group therapy and one social skills group to students on a daily basis.
- Provide one individual therapy session for each student per week
- Provide one to one mentoring to students on a need basis
- Provide group counseling to parents on behavior management strategies, stress reduction, and problem solving
- Support and advocate for the student's transition back into mainstream classes

09/03-Present Allegheny Psychological Service, Pittsburgh, PA

BEHAVIORAL SPECIALIST CONSULTANT

- Gather baseline data to identify behavioral goals and intervention techniques for adolescents with behavioral and mental health issues
- Design a behavioral modification plan
- Supervise the mobile therapist and the therapeutic support staff in implementation of a behavioral treatment plan that is individualized to each child
- Advocate for children and their families with mental health agencies

MOBILE THERAPIST

- Interact with child and family to assess the strengths and needs of an individual child.
- Work as a treatment team member to implement behavior modification plan
- Provide individual therapy to children with behavioral and mental health issues

10/03-03/04 Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic, Pittsburgh, PA

PSYCHIATRIC SPECIALITY COUNSELOR

- Provided individual counseling to adults and teenagers regarding mental health and substance abuse issues in middle schools and high schools.
- Conduct preventive psycho-educational groups on mental health and substance abuse issues in middle schools and high schools.

11/00-10/03 The Mental Health Association Pittsburgh, PA

SUBSTANCE ABUSE/HOMELESS ADVOCATE

- Provided case management to behavioral health consumers, homeless individuals, and consumers with substance abuse issues
- Designed and implemented Weekend Drop-in Center

- Coordinated support group for African Americans with depression
- Streamlined network of community referral sources, including behavioral health, medical services, substance abuse, housing and vocational training
- Advocated for consumers and their families on a daily basis
- Counseled individuals, and families regarding mental health and substance abuse issues
- Planned and organized the Annual Dr. Abraham Twerski Award Luncheon
- Responsible for presenting and disseminating information on mental illness and substance abuse at workshops and community forums

3/98-8/01 Allegheny East MH/MR Pittsburgh, PA
RESIDENTIAL ADVISOR

- Monitored behavioral health residents in a residential environment
- Dispensed and monitored medications
- Assessed resident to determine drug and alcohol issues
- Assisted residents with daily living skills
- Documented resident's daily progress

05/95-02/98 Sunrise House Kittanning, PA
HOUSE MANAGER

- Supervised 14 – 24 residents in Twelve-Step transitional living situation
- Managed day to day house operations
- Conducted drug and alcohol counseling sessions, individual and group
- Assisted consumers in developing treatment plans
- Documented resident progress
- Dispensed medications

Education

2001-2003 Lincoln University Philadelphia, PA
 Master of Human Services (MHS)

1999-2000

Community College of Allegheny County & Carlow University
Pittsburgh, PA

40 Credits

1997 Bidwell Training Center Pittsburgh, PA
 Medical Transcription Diploma

2002

Certification

Pennsylvania Client Placement Criteria (PCPC)

Affiliations

Allegheny County Drug and Alcohol Advisory Council, CLEAR
 Executive Board, Pennsylvania Recovery Organization Alliance (PRO-A)
 Board of Directors, Health Choices Statewide Stakeholders Committee



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Kenneth Walker
3637 Liberty Avenue, Apt. 3
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DAVE FAWCETT
AT-LARGE

Dear Mr. Walker:

RON FRANCIS, JR.
DISTRICT 1

This is to inform you that an Appointment Review Committee Meeting has been scheduled for 4:00 PM, **Wednesday, November 23, 2005** in Conference Room One, 119 County Courthouse.

JAN REA
DISTRICT 2

EDWARD J. KRESS
DISTRICT 3

Your presence has been requested to discuss your nomination for reappointment to the Drug and Alcohol Planning Council.

DOUG PRICE
DISTRICT 4

If you have any questions regarding this please contact me at 412-350-6495

VINCE GASTGEB
DISTRICT 5

JOAN CLEARY
DISTRICT 6

Sincerely,

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DISTRICT 9

John Mascio
Chief Clerk
Allegheny County Council

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December 14, 2005

Kenneth Walker
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Dear Mr. Walker,

This is to inform you that at the Regular Meeting of Allegheny County Council held on December 6, 2005, Council approved your appointment to serve as a member of the Drug and Alcohol Planning Council for a term to expire on May 8, 2008.

Congratulations on your appointment and best of luck in this undertaking. We look forward to receiving your recommendations and stand willing to assist you in any way you believe appropriate.

Sincerely,

John DeFazio
At-Large Representative

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