

BRIEF BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

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A licensed professional counselor, licensed marriage and family therapist, and certified secondary education teacher with years of experience in schools and addictions treatment, Penny has taught grades K-12, directed treatment programs for women and families both inside and outside the criminal justice system, and has had a private practice in Williamsburg, Virginia. Penny currently offers training, program management, supervision, and consultation as the co-director of the CENTER FOR THERAPEUTIC JUSTICE. Treating the criminal justice system from a *systems approach* as an Educational Specialist, she develops program materials, provides groups, briefings, and conferences working with deputies, correctional officers, probation officers, substance abuse counselors, lawyers and judges, incarcerated men and women, families of those serving time, victims, and community agencies. Her work includes supervision of candidates for licensure as LPC's and for certification as CSAC's. She is certified as a clinical forensic counselor with a specialty in criminal offender counseling and domestic violence counseling, and she is an experienced anger management facilitator. Penny is a national expert on social model recovery programs in correctional settings. She has produced an extensive "Recovery Plan" booklet for offender preparation for re-entry.