

RESOLUTION OF THE
NAABIK'ÍYATI' COMMITTEE OF THE
NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

23RD Navajo Nation Council - Third Year, 2017

AN ACTION

RELATING TO HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES AND
NAABIK'ÍYATI' COMMITTEES; CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF DR.
CAROLYN THOMAS MORRIS TO THE NAVAJO TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY BOARD
OF REGENTS REPRESENTING THE NORTHERN NAVAJO AGENCY, FOR A
STAGGERED TERM OF FOUR YEARS

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 401(C)(3), the Health, Education and Human Services Committee has oversight of the Navajo Nation Board of Education, and colleges within the Navajo Nation, and has the authority to review and recommend resolutions relating to education in accordance with 2 N.N.C. § 401(B)(6)(a).
- B. Pursuant to 15 N.N.C. § 1204 (B), the President of the Navajo Nation shall appoint the five members of the board who represent the five agencies of the Navajo Nation, subject to confirmation by the Naabik'íyati' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council. *See also* CJY-35-13.

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

- A. Pursuant to 15 N.N.C. § 1204 (A), the Corporation shall be governed by a board of regents composed of six members. There shall be one member of the board appointed from each of the five agencies of the Navajo Nation. These five Board members shall have experience in the fields of education, business, science or technology or any other related field, and at a minimum, a bachelor's degree. The President of the Student Senate of the Navajo Technical University shall serve as a member of the Board by virtue of his/her office and shall be a voting member of the Board. *See also* CJY-35-12.
- B. Pursuant to 15 N.N.C. § 1204 (C), Board members shall serve terms of four years each, with the exception of the President of the Student Senate, who shall serve as a board member by virtue of his/her office. The terms shall be staggered. A

Board member shall continue to serve after the formal expiration of the term until a successor has been confirmed by the Naabik'íyáti' Committee. The appointed Board members' terms of office shall begin upon their confirmation by the Naabik'íyáti' Committee. The Board shall notify the President of the Navajo Nation of an approaching vacancy and may recommend to the President of the Navajo Nation persons to fill vacancies on the board. A Board member may be re-appointed to subsequent terms of office. *Id.*

C. Dr. Carolyn Thomas-Morris is currently serving as a Navajo Technical University Board of Regent representing the Northern Navajo Agency, curriculum vita attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

D. The Navajo Nation President Russell Begaye has appointed Dr. Carolyn Thomas-Morris to continue serving as a member of the Board of Regents to represent the Northern Navajo Agency for a term of four years, letter of appointment attached hereto as **Exhibit B**.

SECTION THREE. CONFIRMING REAPPOINTMENT

The Navajo Nation hereby finds that Dr. Carolyn Thomas-Morris meets the qualifications set forth in 15 N.N.C. § 1204 (B) and confirms the reappointment of Dr. Carolyn Thomas-Morris to serve on the Navajo Technical University Board of Regents as a representative of the Northern Navajo Agency for a staggered term of four years, effective upon confirmation by the Naabik'íyáti' Committee, set forth in 15 N.N.C. § 1204 (C).

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Naabik'íyáti' Committee of the 23rd Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting in Window Rock, Navajo Nation (Arizona), at which a quorum was present and that the same was passed by a vote of in 15 favor and 0 oppose, this 9th day of March, 2017.



Honorable Lorenzo C. Bates, Chairperson
Naabik'íyáti' Committee

Motion: Honorable Benjamin Bennett
Second: Honorable Herman M. Daniels

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23rd Navajo Nation Council

Naabik'iyati' Committee

DATE: March 9, 2017

Legislation 0061-17 (Main Motion)

Motion: Benjamin Bennett

Second: Herman Daniels

ALL DELEGATES:

	Yea	Nay
BATES, LoRenzo		
BEGAY, Kee Allen Jr.		
BEGAY, Norman M.	✓	
BEGAYE, Nelson	✓	
BENNETT, Benjamin L.	✓	
BROWN, Nathaniel	✓	
CHEE, Tom T.	✓	
CROTTY, Amber K.	✓	
DAMON, Seth		
DANIELS, Herman	✓	
FILFRED, Davis		
HALE, Jonathan L.	✓	
JACK, Lee Sr.	✓	
PERRY, Jonathan	✓	
PETE, Leonard H.		
PHELPS, Walter		
SHEPHERD, Alton Joe		
SLIM, Tuchoney Jr.	✓	
SMITH, Raymond Jr.	✓	
TSO, Otto		
TSOSIE, Leonard	✓	
WITHERSPOON, Dwight	✓	
YAZZIE, Edmund		
YAZZIE, Peterson	✓	

BY COMMITTEE:

	Yea	Nay	TOTAL
BFC:			
CHEE, Tom T.			
DAMON, Seth			
JACK, Lee Sr.			
SLIM, Tuchoney Jr.			
WITHERSPOON, Dwight			
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BEGAY, Kee Allen Jr.			
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BENNETT, Benjamin L.			
FILFRED, Davis			
PERRY, Jonathan			
PETE, Leonard H.			
PHELPS, Walter			
SHEPHERD, Alton Joe			
SPEAKER:			
BATES, LoRenzo			
(Votes only in a tie)			

GRAND TOTAL

15 0

CERTIFICATION:



Honorable LoRenzo Bates
Speaker



CURRICULUM VITA
Dr. Carolyn T. Morris
Licensed Psychologist

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: Carolyn Thomas Morris
Address:

Telephone:
Email:

Enrolled Member of the Navajo Tribe,
Licensed Psychologist,

EDUCATION

- Ph.D. 1999 Combined Professional-Scientific Psychology, Utah State University, Logan.
Dissertation: *Characteristics of Internalizing Social-Emotional Behaviors of Southwestern Native American Children*. (Susan L. Crowley, Ph.D., Chairperson).
- M.S. 1986 Psychology, Utah State University, Logan.
- B.A. 1978 Sociology & Human Services, Fort Lewis College, Durango, Colorado.

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Dates: 04/2009- Present
Job Title: Various, see three descriptions below
Employer: United Health Group (UHG) and subsidiaries
Address: (800) 328-5979 (employment verification)
Supervisor: Various, see below

Dates: 06/2016 - Present
Job Title: Director of Native American Behavioral Health
Employer: United Healthcare Community Plan of NM (a UHG subsidiary)
Address: 8220 San Pedro NE, Albuquerque NM
Supervisor: Elly Rael, Vice President of Health Services

Duties and Accomplishments: Serve as primary lead on behavioral health projects and initiatives specific to Native Americans on behalf of the company; meet regularly with integrated behavioral health providers to collaborate on behavioral health care coordination activities; attend interdisciplinary care team conferences and provide clinical consultation regarding Native American members who have complex health and behavioral health needs; complete projects focused on improving care coordination and access to care for Native American members; provide clinical consultation and guidance to care coordinators and managers about specific behavioral health approaches, assist with placements, and interventions with Native American members; teach cultural competency classes for health plan employees; provide presentations on various topics to community members, Indian Health Services, and various providers; conduct periodic home visits with care coordinators to offer recommendations on ways to increase trust and communication with members

or providers; as requested participate in Native American member groups on behalf of the company; identify and link care coordinators/managers with Native American health and wellness programs; provide technical assistance to support behavioral health referrals and interventions, develop resource guide & program availability for Native American communities; create content and facilitate presentations to Native American providers and programs about Centennial Care, care coordination, Medicaid benefits/services and community additional services for behavioral health; train health plan employees on Native American cultural factors and behavioral health issues and needs; and support employees in the work they lead that touches behavioral health services; represent company at various meetings with the State, Tribes and other groups.

Dates: 09/2013 – 06/2016
Job Title: Director of Native American Affairs, Cultural Competency and Health Disparities
Employer: United Healthcare Community Plan of NM (a UHG subsidiary)
Address: 8220 San Pedro NE, Albuquerque NM
Supervisor: Chuck Milligan, CEO

Duties and Accomplishments: Provided oversight of initiatives to reduce health disparities among underserved population in NM, with primary focus on Native American communities in the state. Provided consultation to health plans in other states with Native American populations, including Arizona and Idaho. Served as single point of contact between the health plan and with 19 Pueblos and three tribes in NM, addressing issues ranging from the individual member level, to policy considerations with tribal and state leaders. Serve as primary lead on behavioral health projects and initiatives specific to Native Americans on behalf of the company; meet regularly with integrated behavioral health providers to collaborate on behavioral health access to care for Native American members; teach cultural competency classes for health plan employees; provide presentations on various topics to community members, Indian Health Services, and various providers; provide technical assistance to support behavioral health referrals and interventions; create content and facilitate presentations to Native American providers and programs about Centennial Care, Medicaid benefits/services and community additional services for behavioral health; represent company at various meetings with the State, Tribes and other groups.

Dates: 04/2009 – 09/2013
Job Title: Director, Region 6
Employer: Optum Health New Mexico (a UHG subsidiary)
Address: 2904 Rodeo Park Drive, Suite 300A, Santa Fe NM 87505
Supervisor: Elizabeth Martin, CEO

Duties and Accomplishments: OptumHealth was contracted as the statewide managed care organization administering the braided-funding behavioral health system statewide. As Regional Director I was responsible for the statewide Region 6, which included all 19 Pueblos, 3 tribes, and urban Indian communities within the state of New Mexico. I provided leadership across the OptumHealth regional team and senior professional staff, while serving as the primary point of contact for providers, consumers, and community stakeholders including tribal and Indian Health Service leadership. I facilitated collaborative partnerships to deliver the right care at the right time within local tribal communities, and provided behavioral health consultation to promote recovery and resilience among persons served.

I represented OptumHealth with key external stakeholders, including state, tribal and federal officials, local community members, and behavioral health consumers, in all matters related to Medicaid and state-funded behavioral health service delivery to Native American communities in NM. My role included successful oversight of regional clinical care coordination, provider relations, and operations staff. The Regional Director drives execution of the team's outcome-based goals, and is the subject matter expert for delivery of braided Medicaid and non-Medicaid managed care behavioral health services across the provider network.

This role required applied knowledge of managed care principles, state and federal regulations, service delivery systems, and best practices in behavioral/medical integrated care.

Dates: 11/2005 – 04/2009
Job Title: Clinical Psychologist
Employer: Navajo Nation Department of Behavioral Health Services
Address: Window Rock, Arizona
Supervisor: Theresa Galvan, Department Manager III

Duties and Accomplishments:

Clinical Psychologist, Navajo Nation Department of Behavioral Health Services, Window Rock, Arizona. Develop and provide daily clinical direction and oversight in the operation of the Navajo Regional Behavioral Health Authority (RBHA) for Navajo clients that need a higher level of care and/or services for mental health and substance abuse. Provide leadership in all aspects of the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the State of Arizona and Navajo Nation RBHA program and program staff (case managers, clinical specialists, and support staff). Provide a full range of consultation services for referred clients. Assist in integrated assessment to guide the development of individual and family service plans. Consultation with IHS and network service providers, Arizona State hospital, and other medical providers on psychological, psychiatric, psychotropic medications and medical needs of clients. Consult and collaborate with Navajo Traditional Practitioners in identifying and providing appropriate and effective traditional healing services. Exercise on-the-spot clinical judgment and decisions regarding clients' danger to self or others, and need for emergency hospitalization or public safety intervention. Consult or/and or participate in a multidisciplinary team of behavioral health providers in case staffing, case reviews, clinical services planning, and other clinical related activities. Lead and assist treatment review meetings involving providers from other agencies including health, education, residential treatment providers and day treatment programs. Report generation, data analysis, claims adjudication and payment and provider relations. Supervise staff to ensure quality and quantity of providers on network to service Navajo clients, managing within operating budgets. Collaborative effectively with shared services to achieve program goals. Provide clinical supervision through direct observation, individual and group supervision of staff. Provide consultation and general technical assistance, coordinate and collaborate with DBHS and other organizations serving Navajo Nation. Participate in various meetings for Navajo RBHA (CEO, Quality Assurance, etc. at the state level) and negotiation of the IGA. At the community and systems level, attend meetings to advocate to States of Arizona and New Mexico and Indian Health Services to address behavioral health problems identified by the community as priority concerns (e.g., methamphetamine, suicide). Participate in advocacy and planning activities at the state, regional and national levels to promote the mental health interest of Native Americans. (Supervisor, Theresa Galvin, Acting Department Manager for Behavioral Health Services).

Dates: 06/2005 – 10/2005
Job Title: Contract Psychologist
Employer: USPHS Indian Health Services, Fort Defiance Indian Hospital
Address: PO Box 649 Fort Defiance, Arizona 86504
Supervisor: Michelle Kahn-John, MSN, APRN, PMHNP, Health Systems Administrator

Duties and Accomplishments:

Provide contractual services to Fort Defiance Adolescent Care Unit in the development of inpatient psychiatric services for adolescents and their families. Represent ACU in with hospital administration, departments, and other community agencies. Responsible for program development, program structure, developing clinical protocol, forms, writing program description, and assist in the development of ACU policies and procedures. Assist Health Systems Administrator with staffing patterns and general operation.

Dates: 01/2000- 06/2005
Job Title: Clinical Director/ Psychologist
Employer: Navajo Nation Department of Behavioral Health Services
Address: Hayoolkaal Hooghan Adolescent Treatment Center, Chinle AZ
Supervisor: Herman Largo, Department Manager

Duties and Accomplishments:

Provide daily culturally appropriate clinical direction and oversight in operating a residential treatment program for adolescents and family members. Provide leadership in all respects to the multidisciplinary team and to program staff. Provide a full range of psychological services including evaluation, diagnosis, referral, group and individual psychotherapy, family therapy, crisis intervention and specialized treatment modalities for mental health and substance use disorders of adolescents and families, including tests of intelligence and achievement, personality, clinical mental health symptoms and neuropsychological screenings. Integrate assessment results to guide the development of individual and family treatment plans. Consult with Indian Health Services psychiatrists and medical providers regarding psychotropic medications and other medical needs related to clients' diagnosed mental health and substance use disorders. Consult and collaborate with Navajo Traditional Practitioners in identifying and providing appropriate and effective traditional healing services for clients with diagnosed behavioral health and related problems, and their families. Provide consultation to program clinical staff regarding clients' ongoing treatment needs. Exercise on-the-spot clinical judgment and decision regarding clients' danger to self or others, and need for emergency hospitalization or public safety intervention. Lead a multidisciplinary team of health and behavioral health providers in case staffing, case reviews, clinical services planning, and other activities. Lead treatment review meetings involving providers from other agencies including health, human services, education, corrections, and probation/parole. Provide clinical supervision through direct observation, individual and group supervision of counselors, and complete documentation of clinical supervision processes for credentialing of clinical staff. Provide consultation and general technical assistance, coordinate, and collaborate with other DBHS program and other organizations serving the Navajo Nation. At the community and systems level, provide consultation to address behavioral health problems identified by the community as priority concerns, (e.g., methamphetamine, domestic violence). Participate in advocacy and planning activities at the Regional and nations levels, to promote the mental health and interests of Native Americans.

Dates: 07/1999 – 12/2000
Job Title: Director of Research
Employer: First Nations Community Healthsource
Address: Albuquerque, New Mexico
Supervisor: Mary Ann O'Neal, Executive Director

Duties and Accomplishments:

Responsibilities include administrative, research and clinical duties at a Native American urban community health clinic. Major responsibility is overall coordination of a service system research and development project (Circles of Care), including supervision of project research staff and consultants, project design, data analysis and dissemination of findings. Responsible for representing agency in a leadership role on boards, advisory committees, and planning meetings at local community, state, tribal, and federal levels. Regularly served as agency Acting Director in absence of Executive Director. Provided training and consultation to community agencies regarding Native American treatment issues and cultural competence. Maintained small caseload of psychotherapy patients and assessment cases as other duties would permit.

Dates: 08/1998 – 08/1999

Job Title: Pre-doctoral Psychology Intern
Employer: Southwest Consortium Predoctoral Psychology Internship
Address: Psychology Service 116B, Albuquerque VA Medical Center, 1501 San Pedro SE, 87108
Supervisor: Edward W. Snyder, Ph.D., Director of Training

Duties and Accomplishments:

Fully APA-accredited predoctoral psychology internship; served four rotations as follows: (a) Indian Health Services (IHS) Acoma-Canoncito-Laguna Hospital (inpatient/outpatient): Provided a range of psychological and consultation services to children, adolescents, families and adults; (b) IHS New Sunrise Regional Treatment Center: Provided psychological and assessment services to Native American children and adolescents in a residential treatment setting; (c) Albuquerque IHS Hospital: Provided short-term therapy with adults, couples, and adolescents; and worked closely with psychiatry; (d) University of New Mexico Hospital Psychiatry Consultation/Liaison Service: Evaluation, treatment, consultation, and follow-up care for inpatient patients in a general university hospital setting (medical/surgical unit, trauma unit, burn unit, obstetrics unit).

Dates: 1997-1998
Job Title: Psychologist Assistant
Employer: Utah Division of Services for People with Disabilities
Address: Logan, Utah
Supervisor: David M. Stein, Ph.D.

Duties and Accomplishments:

Responsibilities include providing comprehensive mental health services to adults with disabilities and their families; providing training and support to agency staff; consultation with case management staff, community professionals, and psychiatrists. In providing psychological consultation, assessment and intervention with clients and/or families in this setting, services include behavioral programming, crisis intervention, home-based interventions, or short-term individual and family therapy involving a wide array of patient problems, ranging from coping with disabilities to severe and persistent mental illness.

Dates: 1996-1997
Job Title: Treatment Development Coordinator and Therapist
Employer: Benchmark Behavioral Health Systems
Address: Midvale, Utah
Supervisor: John Taylor, Ph.D.

Duties and Accomplishments:

Responsibilities included development and administration of inpatient mental health treatment program for Native American adolescents; serving as liaison between a comprehensive private psychiatric hospital and Native American communities contracting for services; providing community consultation and in-service training to American Indian health and human service agencies. Served as primary therapist responsible for individual and group therapy, case management, discharge planning, and consultation with multidisciplinary hospital staff. Served as cultural liaison to hospital staff and to professionals from other local agencies. Conducted psychodiagnostic assessments for inpatient and outpatient psychiatric services. Provided community and hospital-based geriatric crisis intervention, assessment, and brief assessment reports.

Dates: 1993-1996
Job Title: Curriculum Specialist

Employer: Navajo Early Intervention Project, Early Intervention Research Institute
Address: Utah State University, Logan UT 84322
Supervisor: Richard N. Roberts, Ph.D.

Duties and Accomplishments:

Curriculum Specialist, Navajo Early Intervention Project, Early Intervention Research Institute, Utah State University. Served as cultural consultant, liaison, and evaluator for a federally-funded project supporting the development of a system of services for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families, on the Navajo Reservation. Responsibilities included facilitating collaboration among parents, professionals, state and community agencies, and technical experts. Also assisted with grant writing and curriculum development for pre-school Navajo children, and conducted parent/child observations. Conducted a national survey of services for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families in Native American communities, including instrument development, data collection, data management, and presentation of survey findings.

Dates: 1991-1993
Job Title: Supervisory Education Specialist
Employer: Special Education Programs, Bureau of Indian Affairs
Address: Fort Defiance, Arizona
Supervisor: Bennie Hale, Agency Superintendent

Duties and Accomplishments:

Responsible for development and administration of the Fort Defiance Agency Special Education Program. Duties included compliance monitoring, staff training and development, consultation to teachers and other school personnel, and case coordination with state, federal, and tribal agencies for children identified with severe emotional, behavioral diagnosis and other disabilities. Responsible for adolescents placed in special programs such as residential and psychiatric (long-short term) placements.

Dates: 1988-1991
Job Title: School Psychologist/Educational Diagnostician (CY-1710, 5/11)
Employer: Special Education Programs, Bureau of Indian Affairs
Address: Fort Defiance, Arizona
Supervisor: Sally Wells, Ph.D.

Duties and Accomplishments:

School Psychologist, Special Education Programs, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Fort Defiance, Arizona. Responsibilities included providing psychoeducational evaluations and psychological screening for American Indian children referred for special education services. Participated as a member of multidisciplinary education/treatment team, consulted with school personnel, families, staff, and community agencies to develop individualized educational programming (IEP) for special education students.

Dates: 1987-1988
Job Title: Academic Counselor
Employer: Chuska/Tohatchi Consolidated School
Address: Tohatchi, New Mexico
Supervisor: Helen Zongolowich, PhD

Duties and Accomplishments:

Responsibilities included providing individualized achievement testing, counseling, and crisis intervention to elementary-age American Indian children; also consultation with school personnel, families, staff, and

community agencies.

Dates: 1984-1987
Job Title: Field Coordinator
Employer: Flower of Two Soils Project
Address: University of Oregon Health Sciences Center, Department of Psychiatry
Supervisor: Morton Beiser, M.D, Principal Investigator

Duties and Accomplishments:

Worked at the Navajo Reservation site of a multi-site research project involving elementary-age American Indian children and their families. Responsible for coordinating local data collection, including field testing instruments, training data collectors, assessing children and interviewing families, coding data, and collaborating with school, community, and tribal representatives.

OTHER JOB RELATED QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE:

Licensure

Licensed Psychologist, Arizona License no. 3584

Special Skills and Knowledge

Fluent speaker of the Navajo language.

Board, Committee, and Officer Service

- 2012 – Present Navajo Technical University Board of Regents – Board Member representing Northern Navajo Agency, appointed and approved by Navajo Nation Council.
Major accomplishments: Developed Performance Evaluation Summary to improve the performance of the NTU President related to 24 areas of performance and university goals; Chairperson, Subcommittee for University Development; Chairperson, Subcommittee for NTU Limited Sovereign Immunity; Assisted the University leadership team in developing policy and procedures for financial management, innovation and change, and student services; guided development of new educational programming including the nursing program; introduced data-driven processes for program improvement; guided development of support programs for student achievement and success; provided feedback to president for performance improvement; supported recruitment and retention of highly qualified employees for student success.
- 2013 – 2015 Society of Indian Psychologists (SIP) President – Served as President for two year term, elected by the members.
Major accomplishments: Assisted in the development of the Commentary on The American Psychological Association's (APA) Ethical Principles of Psychologists and Code of Conduct (2015); chaired executive committee and other regular meetings and represented SIP in meetings and negotiations with the American Psychological Association.
- 2010 – Present First Nations Behavioral Health Advisory Board – Serve as Member, advising on Native American behavioral health and research issues from a national perspective.

- 2007 – 2009 New Mexico Behavioral Health Planning Council – Council Member, appointed by New Mexico Governor Bill Richardson.
Major accomplishments: Provided advisory review to state policymakers regarding a wide range of issues and initiatives related to the NM behavioral health system. Assisted in the development of the Dine’ Local Collaborative, a local voice in the Navajo community to advocate in the transformation of the NM behavioral health system for Navajo people. Served on the Executive Subcommittee providing focused dialogue and negotiation between the Council and state leadership. Also served on the Native American Subcommittee, advising on state policy affecting Native Americans throughout NM. Resigned from the Planning Council in 2009 when I took a job that would have created a conflict of interest, but have continued active participation in the Native American Subcommittee as an interested community member.

Honors and Accomplishments:

- 2004 US Department of Health and Human Services, Secretary Tommy Thompson; Indian Health Service, Dr. Charles Grim, Director; Recognition as an exemplary program serving Navajo adolescents and their families, DBHS Chinle Adolescent Treatment Center.
- 2003 Navajo Nation Department of Behavioral Health Services. Outstanding Performance Award.
- 1997 Utah State University. President’s Diversity Award.
- 1993 National Institutes of Health, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, Bethesda, Maryland. Summer Research Fellowship.

Consultation and Other Professional Experience:

- 2006 Trainer, Suicide Prevention Resource Center (SPRC) Assessing & Managing Suicide Risk, Core Competencies for Mental Health Professionals.
- 2002 Team Member, Child Trauma Team – Intermountain West. Member of Northern Arizona team, provide training and technical assistance at CTTN National Conference.
- 2000 Case Consultant, Charter Heights Behavioral Health Systems, Albuquerque, NM. Assisted with treatment plan development and provided translation for Navajo-speaking families.
- 2000 Guest lecturer, University of New Mexico College of Education. Provided lectures on suicide and depression for course, “Native American Special Health Issues.”
- 1999 Invited presenter, University of Denver Regional Institute for Health and Environmental Leadership, Durango Summer Institute. Provided lectures on Native American perspectives for course, “Contemporary Issues in Maternal and Child Health.”
- 1999 Structured Clinical Interview for DSM-III (SCID). Trained Interviewer for the American Indian and Alaska Native Mental Health Research Center, University of Colorado Health

Sciences Center, Denver.

- 1997 Psychoeducational Evaluator, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Shiprock Agency, Shiprock, NM. Assessed cognitive, social, emotional, and behavioral functioning of students in grades three through eight, produced written assessment reports as part of the process for determining special education eligibility.
- 1997 Case Consultant, Institutionalized Handicapped Program, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Fort Defiance Agency, Fort Defiance, Arizona. Provided case coordination, psychosocial evaluation, and technical assistance in conjunction with adolescent residential treatment.
- 1997 Case Consultant, Iina Counseling Services, Northern Navajo Medical Center, Shiprock, New Mexico. Conducted ongoing assessment in adolescent patient's aftercare placement, and provided coordinated aftercare treatment, in conjunction with Indian Health Services psychiatrist and mental health workers.
- 1997 Training Consultant, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Fort Defiance Agency, Institutionalized Handicapped Program, Fort Defiance, Arizona. Provided in-service training on behavioral management principles, crisis prevention, and crisis management to staff of residential facility for developmentally disabled and severely mentally ill Navajo adults.
- 1995 National Institutes of Health, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, Bethesda, Maryland. Research Fellowship, Supervisor Marc Bornstein, Ph.D. Child and Family Research Head.
- 1995 Project consultant, K'e Project, Navajo Area Indian Health Service, Window Rock, Arizona. Consultation with IHS and Project staff on integrating Navajo traditional healers within the mental health services system. Developed a "Draft of General Guidelines for Provision of Mental Health Services by Navajo Traditional Healing Practitioners."
- 1994 Research Diagnostician, Early Intervention Research Institute, Utah State University. Administered cognitive and achievement testing with preschool-age children.

Presentations and Publications

Morris, Carolyn T. (2016, August) Bridging Behavioral Health and the Criminal Justice System. Invited workshop provided at Tribal Action Plan (TAP) Conference, Twin Arrows, AZ.

Morris, Carolyn T. (2016, July). What is Depression? Invited workshop provided for Dine' Local Behavioral Health Collaborative. Hozho Center, Gallup, New Mexico.

Morris, Carolyn T. (2015, November). Bridging Behavioral Health and the Criminal Justice System. Invited workshop provided at Navajo Nation Justice Conference, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Begay, E.H., Morris, C.H., & Morris, C.T. (2008, December). Traditional Navajo Services and Western Practices: A Comparative Study and Experiential Learning. Presentation at New Mexico Behavioral Health Collaborative Conference, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Morris, C.H., Morris, C.T., Begay, E.H., & Hunt, T. (2008, September). Medicaid Reimbursement for Tribal

Behavioral Health: Advocacy and Partnership with the State Behavioral Health System. Presentation at National Indian Health Board, Annual Consumer Conference, Temecula, California.

Horan, K., Morris, C.T., & Neilsen, D. (2008, August). Utilizing/Leveraging Block Grant Dollars to Provide Services to Tribal Constituents. Presentation at State Systems Development Program (SSDP VIII) Conference, Washington, DC.

Morris, C.H., Morris, C.T., & Hunt, T. (2007, September) Navajo Nation Behavioral Health Transformation: Progress Made, Current Challenges, and Future Opportunities. Presentation at National Indian Health Board, Annual Consumer Conference, Portland, Oregon.

Morris, C.T., & Morris, C.H. (2002, September). Responding to Navajo Children and Families Abuse, Abandonment, and Family Violence. Invited presentation for Child Trauma Treatment Network-Intermountain West, sponsored by SAMHSA and the Center for Safe and Healthy Families, Primary Children's Medical Center, Salt lake City, Utah.

Morris, C.T. & Morris, C.H. (2002), August). Treatment for Children with Co-occurring Disorders: Substance Abuse and Mental Health. Invited presentation at Navajo Division of Social Services Annual Conference, Flagstaff, Arizona.

Morris, C.T., Morris, C.H., Kescote, D., & Ottoway, W. (2002, June). Bolder than Boulder: Applying the Professional-Scientific model to development of residential treatment services on the "the Rez". Presentation at the 15th Annual Convention of American Indian Psychologist and Graduate Students, Utah State University, Logan, Utah.

Morris, C.H., Crowley, S.L., and Morris, C.T., (2000). A Measure of Traditionalism for American Indian Children and Families; Psychometric Properties and Factor Structure. American Indian and Alaska Native Mental Health Research: The Journal of the National Center, 10(3), 1-23.

Roberts, R.N., Jump, V., Gutshall, N., Morris, C.T., and Seanez, P. (1999). Nations in Harmony: Native American Early Intervention Programs. Washington, DC: Health Resources and Services Administration.

Morris, C.T., Stone, L.S., and O'Neal, M. (1999, November). Circles of Care: Service system model for Native American severely emotionally disturbed children and their families. Poster presented at annual meeting of the American Public Health Association, Chicago, IL.

Morris, C.H., Morris, C.T., and Crowley, S.L. (1999, April). A Measure of Traditionalism for Native American Children and Parents: Psychometric Properties and Factor Structure. Poster presented at the biennial meeting of The Society for Research in Child Development, Albuquerque, NM.

Morris, C.T., Morris, C.H., and Crowley, S.L. (1999, April). Prevalence Rates Of Internalizing Disorders among Rural Southwestern Native American Children. Poster presented at the biennial meeting of The Society for Research in Child Development, Albuquerque, NM.

Morris, C.T. (1998, June). Characteristics of Internalizing Social-Emotional behaviors of Southwestern Native American Children. Paper presented at the National Convention of American Indian Psychologists and Graduate Students, Logan, Utah.

Morris, C.T. (1996). Overview of Sexual Abuse: Native American Treatment Programming. Presentation to

community members, professionals, and law enforcement. Fort Duchesne, UT.

Morris, C. T. (1996). Sexual Victimization: Perpetration, Trauma and Treatment. Seminar conducted at Benchmark Behavioral Health Systems. Midvale, UT.

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Dr. Carolyn Morris-Thomas
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Dear Dr. Morris-Thomas,

Thank you for your service to the Navajo Technical University (NTU) as member of the Board of Trustees.

It is my distinct pleasure to appoint you to the University as a member of the Board of Trustees, pursuant to my authority under 15 N.N.C. § 1204(B). **You are hereby appointed to represent the Shiprock Navajo Agency as a member of the Board of Trustees for the NTU for a term of four-years.**

Your appointment to the Board of Trustees is subject to confirmation by the Naabik'iyati' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council. 15 N.N.C. § 1204 (B).

Thank you for your desire to continue to serve the NTU as the Shiprock Agency Representative for the Board of Trustees. If you have any questions relating to your appointment, please contact Karis N. Begaye, Legal Counsel, Office of the President and Vice President.

Respectfully,

THE NAVAJO NATION

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