

# Michelle Maikoetter, MA, LCCA, LPC-S, NCC

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## Education

- Stephen F. Austin State University** Nacogdoches, TX  
**Master of Arts – Counseling, 1998 – graduated with honors**
- CACREP accredited graduate program
  - Completed requirements for Licensed Professional Counselor
  - Individual Counseling at SFA University Clinic
- Sam Houston State University** Huntsville, TX  
**Bachelor of Science – Psychology, 1993 – graduated with honors**
- Research Assistant
  - Psi Chi and Golden Keys member

## Certifications & Training

Licensed Professional Counselor-Supervisor – # 16068  
National Certified Counselor - #68176  
Licensed Child Care Administrator – TDPRS  
NMT (Neurosequential Model of Therapeutics) Trainer/Mentor for Dr. Bruce Perry's Child Trauma Academy  
TBRI (Trust Based Relational Interventions) Practitioner/Mentor for Texas Christian University's Institute of Child Development

## Professional Experience

### Cal Farley's Boys Ranch – Boys Ranch, TX

#### Senior Vice President for Residential Programs – 2013-present

Designs and supports the implementation of youth care programmatic objectives. Responsible for the alignment of youth programs with the Cal Farley's Model of Leadership and Service through program design and development. Responsible for ensuring all facets of childcare operations in the areas of residential programs, casework services, chapel, counseling, special programs, training, alumni and intake services, daycare and intervention services align with Cal Farley's Model of Leadership and Service, all licensing regulations, our strategic vision and our mission. Supervises and develops the Senior Leadership team. Stands in for the Executive VP/COO in his absence. Provides internal and external training on informed care – nationally and internationally.

### 33<sup>rd</sup> Judicial District Juvenile Probation Department- Burnet, TX

#### Counselor- June, 2004-February, 2007

Provided individual and group counseling for probationers; provided trauma resolution support for staff; certified as a Juvenile Probation Officer; implemented staff trainings

### Highland Lakes Boys & Girls Club – Marble Falls, TX

#### Program Director- July, 2002– June, 2004

Trained, hired, fired program staff in all areas; responsible for daily operations and care of up to 130 members in after school and summer programming

### Highland Lakes Family Crisis Center – Marble Falls, TX

#### Outreach Director, March, 2000 – August 2002

Supervised outreach staff; provided counseling and outreach services to survivors of sexual assault and domestic violence

**Buckner Children's Ranch – Buckner Children and Family Services – Burnet, TX  
Program/Clinical Director, March, 2000 – July, 2001 (facility closed)**

Responsible for daily administration of policies and procedures in accordance with the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services' (TDPRS) Minimum Standards For a Basic Child Care Facility of 24 beds, male and female. Immediate supervisor to 13 direct care and support staff.

**Elizabeth G. Lanier Wilderness Program–Hope Center Youth & Family Services –  
Groveton, TX**

**Program/Clinical Director, 1997-January, 2000**

Responsible for daily administration of policies and procedures in accordance with the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services' (TDPRS) Minimum Standards for a therapeutic wilderness program. Immediate supervisor to 25 to 30 direct care and support staff.

**Assistant Program Director, 1996-1997**

**Direct Care Staff Supervisor/Direct Care Staff, 1993-1996**

**Activities & Interests** Horseback riding, gardening, jogging, reading

**Other Work Experience**

Psychology Intern at Three Rivers Federal Correctional Institute, Three Rivers, TX  
Camp Counselor at Heart O' the Hills Youth Camp, Hunt, TX  
Research Assistant at Sam Houston State University

**Employment History**

Heart o' the Hills Camp for Girls  
Supervisor: Jane Ragsdale  
Summers of '88 and '89  
HC 2 Box 250  
Hunt, TX  
830-238 4650

Sam Houston State University  
Supervisor: Dr. Miller  
Fall/Spring of '92-'93  
1700 Sam Houston Ave.  
Huntsville, TX  
409-294-1111

References available upon request.

## **Workshop Presentations**

### **Providing Informed Care**

In looking at the brain from the bottom to the top and the inside out, we can better determine what types of interventions may be helpful. This presentation draws heavily from the work of Dr. Bruce Perry and the Neurosequential Model of Therapeutics (NMT). Other sources include the work of Dr. Karyn Purvis of the Institute of Child Development at Texas Christian University and the work of Dr. Larry K. Brendtro and Lesley du Toit.

### **The Drive to Thrive**

Discover the six biosocial drives that enable youth and adults alike to overcome adversity, learn, grow, and flourish. Grounded in traditional wisdom and using the latest research in neuroscience, positive youth development, and trauma and resilience, participants will learn to engage youth and empower them to thrive.

### **Brief Bio**

Michelle Maikoetter was trained as a clinician, but the majority of her experience has involved supervising and developing programs for over 20 years in a variety of settings such as wilderness and after school programs, domestic violence and sexual assault outreach, juvenile justice, and residential care. Ms. Maikoetter was chosen as a Child Trauma Academy fellow by Dr. Bruce Perry. She received training in Equine Assisted Psychotherapy (EAP), and Eye Movement Desensitization and Preprocessing (EMDR). Currently, she serves as the Senior Administrator for Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, Amarillo, Texas, one of the largest non-profit residential childcare facilities in the United States. She is responsible for training, crisis intervention, counseling, day to day operations, and developing the "operational guide" for professional parents in a group setting. Her current interest is in developing a holistic approach utilizing neuroscience, relational health experiences, and learning as a way to positively change each child's trajectory.