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Patricia H. Mason, Ph.D.

Educational Administrator

Over 30 years of experience in education and administration of both educational and residential programs in the public, private and institutional settings.

Strategic Qualifications

- ✓ Administrative oversight of educational, residential & clinical services to children and adults with disabilities including budgets of over 15 million dollars.
 - ✓ Experience with Massachusetts Department of Elementary & Secondary Education Coordinated program Review.
 - ✓ CARF Accreditations: South Shore Educational Collaborative Day Habilitation Program (three, 3 year accreditations).
 - ✓ Management of United States Department of Education Teacher Preparation Grant.
 - ✓ Graduate & undergraduate course instruction, including original course development & online multimedia instruction.
 - ✓ DESE Program Reviewer for Regional Graduate Teacher of the Visually Impaired Program at the University of Massachusetts Boston.
 - ✓ DESE Committee resulting in recommend revisions to the Competency Review Guidelines for educator licenses in the area of special education in Massachusetts
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Professional Experience

South Shore Educational Collaborative
Hingham, MA

Director of Student Services: All Collaborative Schools & Programs
July 2018- Present

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- Oversight of Five Specialized Schools servicing students Preschool through 12+ (transition)
- Oversight of assistive technology and therapeutic services
- Curriculum Development/mapping
- Compliance with all State & Federal laws & regulations
- Programmatic budget oversight and planning
- Professional development coordination & planning
- Supervision of Collaborative school program directors

Program Director: Community School & Former Community Adult Program

July 2002-June 2018

Key Results

- Program expansion & development focusing on increased services, job development, behavioral supports, AAC programming, literacy & numeracy curriculum and community based instruction.
- Development of home based direct services including: ABA, vision, orientation & mobility, transition programming.
- Extensive fundraising for specialized equipment.
- Onsite Children’s Hospital Communication Enhancement Clinic
- Extensive acquisition of advanced communication devices
- Expansion of Equipment & Casting Clinics
- Collaboration with Northeastern Enabling Engineers

College Instructor

Bridgewater State University; Bridgewater, MA

Adjunct Assistant Professor

Clinical Supervisor: severe & moderate
1/2003-Present

Lesley University; Cambridge, MA

Adjunct Faculty

5/2007-Present

Northeastern University; Boston, MA

Assistant Teaching Professor

Clinical Supervisor: moderate
1/2008-present

Endicott College; Beverly, MA

Institute for Behavioral Studies

Adjunct Faculty

Clinical Supervisor: moderate
3/2009-2013

Course Topics

- Teaching Strategies & Differentiated Instruction (Moderate & Severe)
- Educational Assessment including Alternative Assessment Approaches (Moderate & Severe)

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- Individualized Education Plan Development
 - Practicum Seminars
 - Special Education Introductory Courses
 - Autism (overview, behavior management, social skills, communication courses)
 - Assistive Technology & Augmentative Communication
 - Language Development
 - Administration of Deafblind Services
 - Supporting Children with Trauma Histories
 - Vision & Hearing Pathology
 - Behavior Management
 - Research Methods
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O'Donnell Learn; Stamford, Connecticut

Online special education introductory course development for Acrobatiq
6/2015-8/2015

- Assisted in review and feedback on course sections
- Developed multiple assessment sections for specific chapters
- Online national collaboration with course team members

Boston College; Chestnut Hill, MA

Coordinator, National DeafBlind Teacher Preparation Program

7/99-6/2002

Clinical Supervisor: severe, deafblind, moderate, vision, and elementary

9/1996-6/2002

Course Instructor: 7/99-6/2002

1/2015- 12/2017; 2019: Augmentative & Alternative Communication Course

Critical Responsibilities & Key Results

- Federal grant management & renewal
- Student advisement, recruitment & instruction
- Graduate & undergraduate course instruction
- Clinical supervision
- Consultation to Boston College Campus School
- Advisory Board member: New England Center for Deafblind Services

Vinfen Corporation, Behavioral Services; Cambridge, MA

Senior Residential Program Director

12/1993-12/1996

- Management of 17 community residences for teens & adults with Autism

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- Successfully managed budgets over 4.5 million
- DDS Contracting
- Written & developed successful RFPs

Walter E. Fernald Developmental Center; Waltham, MA

Program Director

3/85-12/93

Critical Responsibilities & Key results

- Developed day program services for over 100 individuals with pervasive needs
- Committee member which re-established the Howe Research Library in collaboration with Gunnar & Rosemary Dybwad
- Budget management
- ISP development & management
- Extensive program development in the area of death and dying education for persons with intensive special needs
- Implementation of original switch (AT) technology & communication systems

Related Teaching Experience

Kennedy Day School; Brighton, MA

Educational Consultant & Teacher of the Visually Impaired/Deafblind

10/1995-6/2001

Perkins School for the Blind Early Intervention; Watertown. MA

Teacher of the Visually Impaired and DeafBlind

4/1998-7/2002

Vision Associates, Carroll Center for the Blind; Newton, MA

Teacher of the Visually Impaired & Deafblind

2/1995-7/1999

New England Center for Deaf-Blind Services; Watertown, MA

Educational Consultant

2/1997-7/1999

Education

Doctor of Philosophy: Boston College; Chestnut Hill, MA
Curriculum & Instruction
Research: Augmentative & Alternative Communication

Certificate of Advanced Educational Studies: Boston College; Chestnut Hill, MA.
Curriculum & Instruction with specialization in vision and deafblind services

Master of Education: Boston College; Chestnut Hill, MA.
Special Education with specialization in deafblind services

Bachelor of Art: Emmanuel College, Boston, MA
Rehabilitation Counseling & Music Therapy
Magna Cum Laude with Distinction in the Field

Professional Activities & Awards

Massachusetts Department of Education: Program Reviewer
Reviewed University of Massachusetts, Boston; Vision Certification Program
5/2005

Massachusetts State Advisory Board: Braille Literacy
11/2005-11/2008

Donald J. White Teaching Excellence Award

**American Speech-Language-Hearing Association 2018 National Conference Boston
Presentation of Research:**

“Language Acquisition Through Motor Planning (LAMP): Impact on Language &
Communication for Students with Complex Disabilities”

Certifications

Massachusetts Teacher Licensure: Intensive Special Needs (All Levels): Professional

Massachusetts Teacher Licensure: Special Education Administrator (All Levels):
Professional

Massachusetts Teacher Licensure: Superintendent/Assistant Superintendent (All Levels):
Professional

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Massachusetts Teacher Licensure: Autism Endorsement

Massachusetts Teacher Licensure: Sheltered English Immersion Administrator
Endorsement