

**WASHINGTON STATE CHAPTER OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE TREATMENT
OF SEXUAL ABUSERS
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
5.21.2021
LOCATION: VIRTUAL MEETING VIA GOTOMEETING
12:00-2:00 P.M.**

Attendees

Megan Reese	Dan Knoepfler	Lisa Trifiletti
Renee Newton	Shelly Larsen	Paul Douhan
Susan Gallagher	Clark Ashworth	Michael O'Connell
Jeremy Phoenix	Buck Huber	Dan Yanisch
Mandy Fenrich	Julia Newbold	Melissa Hernandez
Dawn Worthington	Rhiannon Service	Priscilla Hannon
Elaine Draper-Beard	Jay Williamson	Victoria Vasileff
Elizabeth Bain	Richard Packard	Vincent Gollogly
Sonja Hardenbrook	Antonio Soto	Minna Kokko
Rick Ackerman	Morgan Meyer	

Presentation

Topic: Working with Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities and Sexual Behavior Problems

Presenters: Krishan Hansen, MSW & Siri Gillespie, MSW, MEd

Krishan Hansen, MSW (He/Him/His)

I completed an undergraduate degree in psychology at the University of Washington in 1998. As I pursued my Masters In Social Work from the University of Washington I started out in this field working with 6 to 12 year old children with sexual behavior problems. After graduating in 2000, I began working with children, adolescents, and adults with developmentally disabilities with sexual behavior problems. I quickly learned that intellectually disabled sex offenders have their own specific needs. Work in this field is a dynamic process that is filled with many challenges and we work with a population that has a significant need for support.

I provide treatment to individuals with disabilities who have sexual behavior problems, and this includes IDSO's in DDA's Community Protection Program, IDSO's who have been civilly committed at the SCC, and IDSO's going through the state and federal court system. In 2006 I co-authored Footprints. I have presented on this subject at the ATSA conference and for local organizations. Prior to COVID, Siri and I were running a DD treatment group supporting client's in reducing their reoffense risk to graduate from DDA's Community Protection label or to attempt to end their civil commitment.

Siri Gillespie, MSW, MEd (She/they pronouns)

I have a master's degree in social work and a masters of education in clinical sex therapy. I am also a PhD candidate at Widener University studying human sexuality. I started as a social work intern at Kahn and Hansen and Associates. I have been an affiliate provider there since 2019. Prior to starting my work with people with sexual behavior problems, I spent some years supporting youth and adolescents with trauma and disabilities in a variety of roles. My experience has made me aware of the paradox of working with/in these systems to bring equity and support to people marginalized by the same systems. I bring this lens to all my work, and the importance is never clearer than at the intersection of sexual abuse and disability. I am fortunate and grateful to learn from my colleagues who have been involved in this work for many years. I hope to continue this work to transform the conditions that make our jobs necessary.

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