

# Susan M. Brefach, Ed.D.

## Curriculum Vitae

### EDUCATION:

- 1978-1986 Boston University, Boston, Mass.  
School of Education, Department of Counseling Psychology  
Ed.D. in Counseling Psychology
- 1977-1978 Suffolk University, Boston, Mass.  
M.S. in Counselor Education
- 1973-1975 Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md.  
Sc.M. in Human Genetics
- 1969-1973 Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N.Y.  
B.S. in Biology

### PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS:

- 1988 Licensed as Psychologist in Massachusetts  
1989 Certified as School Psychologist in Massachusetts  
1991 Licensed as Provider in Psychology in Massachusetts

Member, American Psychological Association  
Member, Massachusetts Psychological Association  
Member, National Association of School Psychologists

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

8/03 Psychologist  
to Psychological Care Associates, p.c.  
date Arlington, Mass

Consulting neuropsychologist in interdisciplinary private group practice providing evaluations of children and adults.

4/92 Clinical Director  
to Neurodevelopment Associates, Inc.  
date Lexington, Mass

Senior level staff position involving administrative, supervisory, managerial and clinical responsibilities in a professional clinic specializing in children with Learning Disabilities, Attention Deficit Disorder and emotional issues.

Direct services include neuropsychological evaluations of children ages 4- 22 for the diagnosis of neurologically-based learning disabilities (including cognitive, neuropsychological, academic and emotional areas); educational and psychological evaluations of children and adults; program evaluation, consultation, and advocacy for children needing specific academic programs or services

4/89 Assistant Director  
to Weaver Clinic  
12/96 Weston, Mass

Senior level consulting position involving primarily clinical responsibilities in a professional clinic specializing in children with learning disabilities and ADD/ADHD. Neuropsychological and educational evaluations; family, adult and child psychotherapy; expert witness testimony for litigation; short-term and ongoing school consultation; staff supervision; involvement in training program.

4/88 Director of Operations  
to Medical Educational Evaluation Center  
4/89 North Shore Children's Hospital, Salem, Mass.

Combined clinical and administrative position with overall responsibility for mechanics of clinic functioning: clinician contracts and payment; scheduling clients; routing referrals; interfacing with parents, insurers and schools re: services and fees, or resolving conflicts; ordering materials, etc. Involved in budget development and implementation; interface with A/P and other departments of parent corporation. One to two full diagnostic evaluations per week, including full projectives and follow-up liaison. Limited case supervision of other staff.

1/83 Psychoeducational Diagnostician  
to North Shore Children's Hospital  
3/88 Medical Educational Evaluation Center, Salem, Mass.

Psychological and educational testing, including full projective evaluations, of inpatients and outpatients, primarily children between ages 3-19. Consultations with parents, schools and other agencies to discuss the evaluation and recommendations.

10/86 School Psychologist/Counselor  
to Marsh Elementary School  
6/87 311 Pelham Street, Methuen, Mass. 01844

Clinical and administrative responsibilities including psychological testing of learning disabled, language impaired, and developmentally delayed children; individual, group and family psychotherapy; crisis intervention; daily consultations with teachers and parents; coordination of overall diagnostic and counseling program; serving as co-chairperson of SAT and CORE meetings; and functioning as liaison with social service and other agencies providing services to students and their families.

9/80 Psychological Associate  
to Psychology Department  
8/85 Kennedy Memorial Hospital, Brighton, Mass.  
Supervisor: Dr. Norine Johnson, Ph.D., Chief Psychologist

Out-patient psychotherapy and diagnostics: Child, adolescent, and adult psychotherapy in several modalities: individual, group, and family. Consultation with schools, other agencies, etc.

Out-patient and in-patient diagnostic evaluations (two per week)

During 1981-82, taught a comprehensive diagnostic seminar for practicum students and provided limited case supervision.

4/81 Psychological Consultant  
to Charles River Hospital  
6/83 Wellesley, Mass.

Psychological and psychoeducational evaluations of adolescents, ages 14-20 (1-2 per week).

Short-term, intensive psychotherapy (2-3 hours per week), with adolescent inpatients and their families, including outpatient follow-up as needed and extensive milieu coordination as part of therapy.

#### **AREAS OF EXPERTISE:**

Neuropsychological, educational, and personality assessments of individuals ages 2 and up, with combinations of cognitive, emotional, behavioral and/or learning difficulties; use of EEG biofeedback for diagnosis and remediation of ADD/ADHD; individual psychotherapy with children and adults utilizing psychodynamic interpretive, play therapy, or structural approaches; designing management programs for children with learning disabilities and/or ADD/ADHD; family support group therapy; family therapy; expert witness testimony for litigation; clinical organization, administration, and supervision.

References available upon request.