# DR. MATTHEW L. SCHWARTZ, DSW, LCSW, MBA, CFSW

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University at Buffalo, Buffalo, NY Doctor of Social Work in Social Welfare	Awarded June 1, 2023
<b>University at Buffalo</b> , Buffalo, NY Master of Social Work	Awarded June 2018
<b>University of Phoenix</b> , <i>Phoenix</i> , <i>AZ</i> Master of Business Administration Delta Mu Delta International Honor Society in Business	Awarded February 2014
<b>University at Buffalo</b> , Buffalo, NY Bachelor of Arts (With Distinction) Concentration in Applied Linguistics	Awarded February 2008
LICENSES & CERTIFICATIONS Licensed Clinical Social Worker	Licensed January 3, 2022
New York State Education Department	Renewal Date: 12/31/2024 License #092606
Additional Licenses:	
New Mexico Licensed Clinical Social Worker	Licensed: 5/14/2024
New Mexico Registration & Licensing Department Board of Social Work Examiners	Renewal Date: 7/1/2025 License #SWB-2024-0420
Florida Out of State Telehealth Provider LCSW	Licensed: January 9, 2023 License #TPSW2451
<b>Certified Financial Social Worker</b> Center for Financial Social Work North Carolina	Certified September 21, 2020 Renewal Date: 5/15/2027 Certificate #22704
<b>Certified AWBW Facilitator</b> A Window Between Worlds Los Angeles, California	Certified November 3, 2023 Lifetime Certification

# RELEVANT SOCIAL WORK EXPERIENCE

Horizon Health Services, Inc. Getzville, NY Horizon Therapy Associates

Advanced Practice Clinician

- Conduct screenings, triage, and assessments.
- Provide individual and couples therapy within a private/group practice model.

April 2024 – Present

- Provide clinical training as needed.
- Provide clinical supervision as needed for the Financial Social Work program.

Clinical Trainer (Per Diem)

- Provide clinical training as needed.
- Provide clinical supervision as needed for the Financial Social Work program.

Senior Counselor II

- Conducted screenings, triage, and assessments.
- Provided individual and group counseling.
- Trained patients and family members in Narcan/Naloxone.
- Worked with federal and state parolees and parole officers, provided regular status reports, and engaged all parties involved to coordinate care.
- Utilized collaborative documentation to keep case notes up to date in real-time.
- Provided urgent care and crisis coverage (both scheduled and as needed).
- Participated in weekly case presentations and case disposition meetings.
- Managed my individual clinical schedule, caseload, and client scheduling.
- Collaborated and consulted with colleagues and sought out supervision & feedback.
- Collected urine samples for toxicology testing and analysis to enhance patient care.
- Provided training on Solution Focused Brief Therapy, Veteran Populations, Financial Social Work

# The Listening Post of New York, LCSW, PLLC Buffalo, NY

February 2022 – April 2024

Executive Director

- Provide therapy to individuals and couples using Solution Focused Brief Therapy, Financial Social Work, Mindfulness, and Cognitive Behavioral Therapy.
- Provide forensic assessments for state entities and attorneys working at the state and federal levels.

# Child & Family Services Buffalo, NY

Domestic Violence Residential Counselor at Haven House

- First male domestic violence counselor hired in Erie County, New York
- Provided coverage for the crisis telephone hotline.
- Provided individual counseling services to shelter residents and conducted crisis interventions.
- Met the primary needs (food, supplies, bus tokens, and clothing) of the residents.
- Maintained up-to-date case files, progress notes, and documentation.
- Conducted group sessions (i.e., house meetings, support groups, conflict resolution sessions, etc.).
- Co-led the Art Empowerment Group and led the Crocheting Mindfully & Journaling Groups.
- Promoted empowerment, non-violence, and independent decision-making at all times through a strengths-based, solution-focused framework and perspective.

February 2022 – April 2024

June 2018 – February 2022

August 2017 – June 2018

# Jewish Family Service of Buffalo & Erie County Buffalo, NY

Care Coordinator: Health Home & Jewish Community Services Jewish Communal Services Coordinator

Volunteer Case Manager WNY Center for Survivors of Torture

January 2016 – June 2017 August 2015 – January 2016 March 2015 – July 2015

- Served as the Jewish Community Case Manager & Front Door for all members of the Jewish Community in Buffalo & Erie County who require social services, including survivors and child survivors of the Holocaust. Worked with survivors and child survivors of the Holocaust to ensure compensation by various international bodies and funds.
- Worked with the Deaf Refugee program to coordinate medical care and social services.
- Enrolled Health Home members and coordinated their medical care and social services under the auspices of the Greater Buffalo United Accountable Healthcare Network & Medicaid.
- Worked closely with health home members, including immigrant populations and seniors, as well as medical providers, social service providers, and other patient services and agencies to improve patient care and outcomes and facilitate cultural and linguistic access.

## Bureau of Jewish Education Getzville, NY

September 2014 – December 2015

Director of Yad B'Yad/Hand in Hand

- Directed a 501 (c) 3 not-for-profit under the auspices of the Bureau of Jewish Education that provides education, outreach, training, advocacy, programming, and program support to assist people with disabilities in achieving full and meaningful inclusion in Western New York.
- Created and implemented Yad B'Yad's Disability Safe Zone Training program and protocol to educate and train individuals on how to work respectfully with those who have disabilities.
- Created and implemented joint programming with the Autism Center at Women's and Children's Hospital and The Parent Network of WNY in order to provide services for teens with Autism who are transitioning from High School to vocational programs, academic programs, or the workforce.

# RELEVANT TEACHING & TRAINING EXPERIENCE

# University at Buffalo School of Social Work

Part-Time Faculty

June 2023 – August 2024

- SW150 Undergraduate Pathways: Social Media in Social Change (Fall & Spring)
- SW500 History of Social Welfare (Fall & Spring)
- SW505 Theories of Human Behavior (Fall)
- SW506 Theories of Organizational Behavior & Development (Spring & Summer)
- SW730 Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (Spring & Summer)

Graduate Teaching Assistant Courses Taught:

- SW150 Undergraduate Pathways: Social Media in Social Change (Fall & Spring)
  - o Students in the Spring 2022 Semester won the UB Excellence in Research, Scholarship and Creativity Award under my instruction.
- SW998 Special Topics (MSW Program): Social Media in Social Change (Summer)

## TEXTBOOKS, PUBLICATIONS & JOURNAL ARTICLES

Wolfsohn, R., & Schwartz, M. L. (2025) (Completed, In Production). Financial Social Work: Micro, Mezzo, and Macro Practice. Cognella.

- Wolfsohn, R., & Schwartz, M. L. (2021). Social work and money: We need to talk about It. Social Work Today Magazine, 21(4), 18.
- Schwartz, M. L. (2021). Book review of "Jump Now! Lead solution focused collaboration to accelerate sustainable results." *Journal of Solution Focused Practices*, 5(1), 16.
- Schwartz, M. L. (2020). Book Review of "Policy and Program Planning for Older Adults and People with Disabilities." *Journal of Gerontological Social Work*, 1-4. doi:10.1080/01634372.2020.1742262

#### SOCIAL WORK AWARDS/HONORS University at Buffalo School of Social Work Buffalo, NY 2019 Nominee to the Grinnell Prize

**University at Buffalo School of Social Work** Buffalo, NY 2017 Recipient of the School of Social Work Alumni Association Award

# PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS & WORKSHOPS

Solution Focused Brief Therapy AssociationNovember 12, 2021Invited Speaker, Research Day "Bridging the Divide: Practitioners as Researchers and<br/>Researchers as Practitioners."

Solution Focused Brief Therapy Association November 13, 2020 Pre-Conference Workshop Presenter "Solution Focused Brief Therapy (SFBT) & Telehealth: Best Practices and Lessons Learned in the Age of COVID-19"

**University at Buffalo School of Social Work Office of Continuing Education** August 19, 2020 Continuing Education Workshop Facilitator "Solution Focused Brief Therapy (SFBT) Interventions for Self-Care: Helping the Helper and Client Navigate Trying Times" (1.25CEUs)

## TEDxBuffalo | Buffalo, NY

Presented my work on the volunteer mobile food pantry (Food Gnomes) that I co-founded and directed in front of roughly 500 people as part of TEDxBuffalo; the officially licensed TED talk platform in Western New York.

2019

May 18, 2017

October 26, 2017

## MILITARY SERVICE

## Israel Defense Forces

Enlistment: August 20, 2008 | Discharge: September 18, 2011 (Honorable) | 5606802 . Rank: Non-Commissioned Officer/Staff Sergeant

Promotions: Corporal (5/20/2009); Sergeant (5/2/2010); Staff Sergeant (3/24/2011)

#### POSITIONS

## Battalion Commanders Course, Overseas Training Division

Instruction Non-Commissioned Officer 6/20/2011 - 9/18/2011

- Translated all course and training materials from Hebrew into English.
- Functioned as linguistic support for overseas trainees.
- Functioned as an interlocutor between fellow command staff and overseas cadets.

## Foreign Relations Branch, IDF Ground Forces Command

Non-Commissioned Officer, Overseas Office 3/8/2010 – 6/19/2011 Non-Commissioned Officer, Office of the Commander 2/21/2010 – 3/7/2010 Assistant to the Commander 11/26/2008 – 1/7/2010

- Developed the ESL program for the IDF Ground Forces Command.
- Provided 1:1 English as a Second Language Instruction for officers going abroad.
- Managed cooperative missions around the world.

#### **COURSES & SEMINARS**

#### Non-Commissioned Officer Course for Information Security

Non-Commissioned Officer/Information Security Specialist IDF Intelligence Corps Awarded: June 3, 2010

## Non-Commissioned Officer Course for Foreign Relations

Non-Commissioned Officer/Foreign Relations Specialist IDF Strategic Division Awarded: February 18, 2010

#### AWARDS & COMMENDATIONS

#### **Certificate of Excellence**

Presented by the IDF Ground Forces Chief of Staff, BG. Yoav Har-Even for the development of the IDF Ground Forces English as a Second Language Program Awarded July 16, 2009

#### LANGUAGES

#### Professional & Working Languages

English – Mother Tongue Hebrew – Professional Fluency American Sign Language – Novice-Intermediate