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Psychologist advocates health care partnerships

Edward A. Wise, PhD

Title: Clinical psychologist and executive director, Mental Health Resources

RESUME

Company: Mental Health Resources, a multidisciplinary private practice group, is the only local mental health program to have published treatment outcomes and client satisfaction data in peer-reviewed journals.

Date of birth: Aug. 30, 1953

Hometown: Los Angeles

Education: B.A., Washington University in St. Louis, 1975, (cum laude); PhD, University of Wyoming, 1980; Internship, University of Tennessee Health Science Center, 1980.

Personal: Single

Civic involvement: Forensic examiner for indigent criminal defendants referred by Shelby County Criminal Courts; member, Memphis Area Psychological Association;; member, Tennessee Psychological Assoc; consulting editor, Journal of Personality Assessment

The details

First job: clinical psychologist, Frayser Millington Mental Health Center

Career highlights: Recently elected a fellow of the Society for Personality Assessment. Founded Mental Health Resources in 1987. Has produced more than 25 peer-reviewed publications focusing on psychotherapy outcomes and personality assessment. Nominated for 2005 American Psychological Association Award for Distinguished Contribution to Independent Practice in the Private Sector.

Most satisfying career moment: It is always satisfying to help clients identify and overcome their self-imposed obstacles and maximize their possibilities for life-altering change. Securing our first managed



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care contract to provide a private practice-based Intensive Outpatient Program to acutely distressed Memphians was definitely a most satisfying business accomplishment.

Career advice: Follow your passions and be respectful of others.

Person I most admire: My mother, who showed me, by becoming an entry-level secretary and rising to become owner and V.P. of an

international company, that with dedication, hard work and respect for others, anything is possible.

Hobbies: Traveling, fishing, reading and writing.

Change I would like to see: Increased collaboration and partnerships between managed care, providers, facilities and consumers to bring synergistic solutions to health care delivery problems.