

# Dr. Sheldon A. Jacobs, PsyD., LMFT



## Degrees:

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Bachelors of Arts (BA) in Communications;  
Masters of Arts (MA) in Marital and Family  
Therapy; Doctorate of Psychology (PsyD) in  
Marital and Family Therapy

## License:

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Marriage and Family Therapy

## School:

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Undergraduate Education: The Ohio State  
University;  
Graduate Education: Alliant International  
University

## Profession:

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I am currently employed with the Clark County Department of Family Services-Family Clinical Services Division since October 10, 2016. My main role is providing clinical oversight for youth in our custody that are placed in residential treatment centers (RTC's) in different states. I also conduct mental health assessments on the parents of youth in DFS custody and make recommendations on services and treatment.

I taught at CSN as an adjunct faculty member with the Department of Human Behavior from 2012 until 2018. I was also a core faculty member with the University of Phoenix from 2014 until 2019. I taught Masters' level courses in the MSC Program (School Counseling, Marriage and Family Therapy, and Mental Health Counseling). As a core faculty member, I was also responsible for advising Marriage and Family Therapy (MFT) students on my caseload, conducting research for the university, conducting clinical trainings for students and providing clinical supervision to practicum students in the University of Phoenix Clinical Skills Center.

I am also the Clinical Director of Covenant of Love Behavioral Health Services, which is a residential treatment program for severely mentally ill adults. In this capacity, I provide group counseling and respond to crises. I also provide staff with the proper frameworks to assist the residents through their crises. work as a contracted mental health clinician and clinical director for two different behavioral health agencies, which began in 2016.

I also contract with a behavioral health agency called Hard Knox where I provide individual and family counseling. I have worked in this capacity since 2018.

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I am a media consultant for Fox 5 News and the Las Vegas Review Journal. I am usually interviewed for stories or issues pertaining to mental health, such as suicide where I provide my clinical opinion.

I have also worked as a crisis response consultant for R3 Continuum since April 2014. I provide crisis response services to employees in the corporate sector utilizing psychological first aid techniques. I utilize individual and group modalities to assist employees in processing traumatic events.

I currently serve on the State of Nevada Board of Examiners for MFT's and CPC's as well as the Vice President on the NAMI-Southern Nevada Board of Directors. I am also the chair of a committee I created that is comprised of MFT's and CPC's that addresses the shortage of minority mental health providers in Southern Nevada. Our focus is on recruitment and further career development for minorities interested in the mental health sector.

I have published several articles that have focused on various social issues such as the juvenile justice system, mental health treatment within the gang population and the importance of social responsibility. Additionally, in my free time, I am an avid public speaker. I enjoy sharing my life experiences and expertise at conferences, town halls and community events.

From 8/31/18-9/2/18, I went undercover as a homeless man for 48 hours to raise awareness for homelessness and mental health in addition to having a better understanding of the experience of being homeless. This project has turned into a memoir, which will be published sometime in 2020.