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Submit Date: Aug 14, 2022

Interests & Experiences

Jenny Fox

Please tell us about yourself and why you want to serve.

Why are you interested in serving on a board or commission?

I am interested in serving my community because I have a personal value of being connected to others in my community, especially from different backgrounds, and I want to grow in my awareness of our city and how I can be plugged in with others. My work right now as faculty of a distance-education midwifery college does not provide local connection, and I live in a fairly homogeneous neighborhood without many natural opportunities to build relationships with or learn from a diverse group of people.

What other interests or concerns do you have regarding the community?

I am interested in how families in our community access education and services about their health, especially for the child-bearing part of life, but also in general. I wonder how the families who arrive as refugees find the resources for their families to thrive.

What relevant experience or education do you have to this board or commission?

I have been a community midwife working at birth centers and home births for over 20 years. Building close relationships to so many kinds of families has been a gift to me, and sparked my interest in how families can be supported to flourish. Currently I'm earning a Diploma in International Maternal and Child Health and one of the books we read is called The First 1,000 Days. This book illuminates how a child's future is largely shaped by his first 1,000 days of life (conception until the 2nd birth day) and improving the conditions for a child's first 1,000 days can improve an entire community and even a whole nation. I would love to know how our social services are supporting families during these 1,000 days and beyond and explore future possibilities.

Please list any past or present community involvement e.g. City Council, Boards and Commissions, Citizen Academy, etc. in Harrisonburg or elsewhere:

I have not participated in local government before. I have volunteered at social service non profits all my life (soup kitchens, homeless shelters). Honestly, I'm not sure if I have the qualifications and experience to serve this board well, but I trust that whoever makes these decisions will evaluate that skillfully.

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Upload a Resume

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Resume for Jenny Fox

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Work History

August 2020 to Current
Mercy In Action College of Midwifery, Boise ID
(Working remotely from Harrisonburg, VA)
Role: Admissions and Student Services Coordinator

Teaching Faculty

- Supported student social, emotional and academic development.
- Contacted prospective students via email and phone calls.
- Assisted faculty and staff in duties such as teaching classes, conducting orientation programs and issuing transcripts.

June 2020 to Current

Heartland Health Clinic, Dayton, VA

Role: Midwife Assistant

- Demonstrated respect, friendliness and willingness to help wherever needed.
- Worked flexible hours; night, weekend, and holiday shifts.
- Work as a CPM, LM, monitoring vital signs, comfort levels, and emotional states of mothers during, and after labor and birth.
- Assist Primary Midwife in decision-making for mothers and babies during labor and postpartum

March 2019 to June 2020

Birth Center of Charlottesville, Charlottesville, VA

Role: Certified Professional Midwife

- Offered culturally sensitive care to families from different backgrounds
- Provided comprehensive prenatal, intrapartum, and postpartum care to mothers and babies
- Ordered labs and drew blood, obtained urine specimens as needed
- Reviewed results and advised according to results
- Reviewed ultrasound reports and advised according to the results
- Provided informed choice for families throughout the span of pregnancy and birth
- Used Maternity Neighborhood and Client Care EHRs

- Referred mothers and babies to a physician's care when needed
- Worked as a CPM, LM assisting in home births and birth center births
- Facilitated breastfeeding

September 2002 to August 2014

Professionals International NGO India

Role: Cross Cultural Worker

- Served in Indian villages in various community development projects, taught health education
- Completed cross-cultural training programs with NGO
- Worked as support staff for a clinic initiated by an affiliated NGO
- Learned Hindi language in an immersive long-term program
- Hosted short term visitors for local service projects

January 2015 to October 2018

Self-employed, Galax, VA Role: Midwife Assistant

- Worked in the role of CPM, LM assisting in home births.
- Attended the 36-week home visit in preparation for the birth
- Assisted the Primary Midwife at the birth to serve the family
- Monitored maternal and fetal well-being during and after labor.
- Facilitated breastfeeding and maternal-infant bonding

January 2012 to April 2012

Casa De Nacimiento, El Paso, TX

Role: Certified Professional Midwife

- Watched vital signs, checked for comfort levels and monitored emotional states of mothers before, during and after labor.
- Met with mothers to design individualized birth plans in terms of health concerns, birthing desires and potential problems.
- Promoted benefits of breastfeeding and offered education on proper positioning, latching and breast care.
- Provided post-partum counseling for struggling families to increase happiness and health of newborns and mothers.

Education

August 2001
 National College of Midwifery, El Paso, TX

 Associate of Science Midwifery

- 2001 Mercy in Action College of Midwifery Davao, Philippines Midwifery And Primary Health Care Diploma
- May 1998 Lee University Cleveland, TN
 Bachelor of Science Biology and Cultural Anthropology

Certifications

- Licensed Midwife in Virginia 2010-present
- Certified Professional Midwife 2001-2006, 2008- present
- Licensed Midwife in New Mexico 2001-2005
- NRP certified current
- CPR certified current

Languages

Hindi