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EDUCATION

2019 – Verified Course Sequence on Applied Behavior Analysis (BCBA Program) - Ilia State University

2013 – A course on The Foundations of Grant Writing (The Academy of Ministry of Finance)

2007-2009 Tbilisi State University- Master’s program - Social, Political and Cultural Psychology

2002-2006 Tbilisi State University, Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, Bachelor’s program - Developmental and Educational Psychology

WORK EXPERIENCE

2019 – Behavior therapist at Children of Georgia Autism Clinic

2017-2019 – Children of Georgia Project Coordinator/trainer – “Enhancing specialized foster care system for children with disabilities in Georgia”

2016 – Children of Georgia - Project Coordinator/Trainer – “Special foster family care, for deinstitutionalization of children with disabilities in Georgia”

2016 – Welfare and Development Center of Gori, Trainer – Supporting of Professional Education and Employment of Youth with Disabilities.

2016 – Children of Georgia -Project Coordinator, Trainer – Empowering Parents of Children with Disabilities in Advocacy.

2015- 2017 – Georgian Coalition for Children and Youth Welfare – Executive Secretary

2015 - Children of Georgia - Trainer – Trainings on Professional support of Caregivers and Social workers of small group homes

2015 – Present - Children of Georgia - Trainer – Supporting Groups for Parents of Children with Disabilities

2014 – 2016 – Children of Georgia – Coordinator of Education and Youth Affairs

2013-2105 – Georgian Coalition for Children and Youth Welfare – Mentor for Coalition Youth Committee;

2013-2015 Children of Georgia Project Coordinator – “A Stronger Coalition for Children and Youth in Georgia”

2011- 13 Children of Georgia – Psychologist working in small group homes and foster families, Supporting Deinstitutionalization in Georgia

2011 Children of Georgia – Researcher, Needs Assessment of the Alternative Child Care Services

2010-11 Bemoni Public Union, ““Stand up for Human Rights in the context of HIV/AIDS” – Web Administrator-Consultant (www.aidsrights.ge)

2010 -11 Bemoni Public Union, “Georgia HIV Prevention Project” – Drug & HIV Hot Line Consultant, Trainer-Psychologist

2009 International organization for migration (IOM) – Project “Mental Health and Psychosocial Support to Conflict-Affected Populations” - Psychologist-Trainer, Consultant for IDP communities

TRAININGS

2016 - Challenging violations of children’s rights through legal advocacy in Georgia, CRIN
2015 - Advocacy – A process of Making Changes, UNICEF
2015 - Inclusion of youth with special needs in EVS project – Open Space Foundation, Veliki Preslav, Bulgaria
2015 - Contact Seminar – on Alternatives of Leisure Time for Youth - Open Space Foundation, Sofia, Bulgaria
2014 - A study visit on Volunteering as a key to the development of civic society (FERSO), Lodz, Poland
2014 – A training course on Introducing New Erasmus + program (EVS SoHo) (European Commission) Dilbeek, Belgium
2013 - A training course on Social Media for NGO’s. (Open Society Georgia Foundation)
2011 – A training course on HIV and Human Rights. (Bemoni Public Union)
2010 – A training course on Psycho-Social Support in the Structure of Crisis Services. (Bemoni Public Union)
2009 – A training course on About Forum Theatre Method. (IOM)
2009 – A training course on Resilience, Adversity Activated Resources and the Narrative Approach Applied to Traumatized Communities. (IOM)

LANGUAGES AND COMPUTER SKILLS

Georgian – Native

English – Fluent

Russian – Good

Windows / Internet/Microsoft Office Programs /Google Documents/ SPSS

