

Stacy Ward

EDUCATION

University of Nevada, Reno
B.A. in Criminal Justice **December 2007**
Graduate with High Distinction

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Chief's Certificate of Commendation, Reno Police Department **2009**

 - General Undergraduate Research Award, University of Nevada, Reno **2007-2008**

 - Presidential Scholarship, University of Nevada, Reno **2004-2007**
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WORK EXPERIENCE

CNA

Subject Matter Expert, Smart Policing Initiative **2016-Present**
Consulted as a subject matter expert (SME) for the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Smart Policing Initiative. Assigned to a grantee site as a practitioner SME to provide assistance with: project design and implementation, action plan, research and evaluation plan, logistical issues, and other areas as needed. Focus areas include opioid and other prescription drug abuse, police-community collaboration, and solving non-traditional police problems.

Nevada State Board of Pharmacy

Project Analyst, Prescription Monitoring Program **2016-2018** Assisted with the administration of the Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) for the State of Nevada, including processing user registrations and monitoring pharmacy compliance. Managed a project to audit data input to determine accuracy of PMP data and address reporting errors to improve the integrity of the database.

Reno Police Department, Reno, NV

Drug Abuse Prevention Coordinator **2014-Present**
Oversaw and implemented all drug abuse prevention and education programs for the Reno Police Department. Served as the liaison with various outside agencies, managed projects, completed community and professional education programs, responded to requests for data regarding substance abuse, and completed grant applications for the Reno Police Department.

Smart Policing Initiative Program Coordinator **2010-2014** Created and implemented the Reno Police Department's Smart Policing Initiative targeting prescription drug abuse. Primary person responsible for execution of the program, outside agency coordination, research partner data collection/evaluation, and progress reporting to the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA).

COPS Methamphetamine Initiative Program Coordinator **2008-2010** Maintained a successful program with an effective prevention/education component. Greatly expanded knowledge of substance abuse prevention principles and practices. Formed valuable relationships with partnering agencies and community members. Managed a federal grant program and reported progress, assisting with data collection and evaluation.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA Overview of the Reno Police Department Smart Policing Initiative targeting prescription drug diversion and abuse, including: program design, implementation, research findings, and sustainability of the program.

February 2014

Problem Oriented Policing National Conference, Miami, FL

Overview of the Reno Police Department Smart Policing Initiative targeting prescription drug diversion and abuse, including: program design, implementation, research plan and findings to date.

October 2011

Autumn in the Sierra Nursing Conference, Reno, NV

Drug abuse trends among youth, risk factors for drug use, prevention tools, and overview of commonly abused street drugs including signs/symptoms of use, methods of ingestion and effects.

October 2010

PUBLICATIONS AND PAPERS

- Barthe, E., Venzon, B. & Ward, S. (September 2014) Final Report on the Reno Police Department's Smart Policing Initiative to Reduce Prescription Drug Abuse. Submitted to the Bureau of Justice Assistance.
- Ward, S. (January 2014) Prescription Drug Abuse: Joining the Fight to Save Lives. Guest article in the Washoe County Medical Society County Communicator newsletter.
- Ward, S. (December 2013) Treating Pain Amid an Epidemic of Addiction. Guest article in the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners newsletter.
- Miller, M.K., Lindsey, S.D., & Shamblin, S. (2009, March). How a prisoner's religious conversion affects release decisions of actual and mock parole board members. Presented at the American Psychology-Law Society Conference, San Antonio, TX.
- Shamblin, S.L. & Miller, M.K. (2008, April). The effect of a religious conversion on parole board members' decisions whether to parole a murderer. Presented at the Western Social Science Association conference, Denver, CO.

MEMBERSHIPS

- Quest Counseling and Consulting, Inc. – Board of Directors (March 2011 – Present)
 - Join Together Northern Nevada Prevention Committee – Chairperson (January 2009 – July 2014) and Member (June 2008 – Present)
 - Northern Nevada Faith-Based Coalition for Healthy Families – Member (2012 – Present)
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