

Kendra J. Wells

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EDUCATION

Master of Social Work (M.S.W.)

Wayne State University

Innovations in Community, Policy, & Leadership

Declared Concentration: Policy

Detroit, Michigan – 2018

Bachelor of Social Work (B.S.W.)

Wayne State University

Generalist Social Work Practice

Detroit, Michigan – 2017

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Licensed Macro Social Worker, State of Michigan

- Credential: 6801114637
- Issued: April 2022
- Expiration: May 2025

Evaluation 101 Certificate, The American Evaluation Association

- Issued: October 2021, No expiration

Human Service Management Certificate, The Network for Social Work Management

- The Human Services Management Competencies define characteristics associated with quality management and describe the skills needed by those working in management positions.
 - Issued: May 2018, No expiration
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PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

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Sept 2022 – Present

Manager

Wayne State University School of Social Work

Center for Social Work Research

Detroit, Michigan

- Management of work and staff within the Center for Social Work Research Lab (including resource utilization and budget management).
- Create and maintain School of Social Work metrics data dashboards in Power Bi.
- Conduct community-based evaluation projects.
- Assist with internal assessment (including routine and specialized stakeholder surveys and the presentation of formative reports).
- Content Administrator of the Center for Social Work Research website.

Oct 2018 – Sept 2022

Program/Project Assistant II

Wayne State University School of Social Work

Center for Social Work Research

Detroit, Michigan

- Acting Assistant Manager of Research Support (Oct 2018 – June 2019); Acting Manager of Research Support (June 2019 – Sept 2022). Hire, train, and supervise Student Research Assistants and Research Technicians to provide research support to faculty and community research contracts; provide research support; project management of research support for multiple on- going projects; maintenance of project management and resource utilization systems; fiscal database tracking; assist with School of Social Work internal assessment; Content Administrator of the Center website; Business Administrative Assistant for Center staff.

May 2018 – Oct 2018

Non-rep Professional Temp (Research Technician)

Wayne State University School of Social Work

Center for Social Work Research

Detroit, Michigan

- Provided research support services to university faculty and external clients. Responsibilities included but not limited to qualitative and quantitative data entry, data analysis, and data visualization and reporting for the purposes of evaluation and assessment. Primary projects included: evaluation of a campus-wide suicide prevention initiative; training of current research assistant graduate student intern, data entry for a state-wide jail diversion program, and improving efficiency of internal operations.
 - Proficiency in Google applications, Microsoft Office 365+, Qualtrics, Remark, SPSS, TimeCamp, Trello, and various literature databases.
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PUBLICATIONS

O'Donnell, L., Keys, F., Thomas, S., Love-Schropshire, N., **Wells, K.**, Patterson, D. (2022).

Social determinants of education and mental health wellness among social work students within an urban setting. Manuscript submitted for publication.

Comartin, E. B., **Wells, K.**, Zacharias, A., & Kubiak, S. (2020). The Use of the Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Model for Corrections Officers: Reducing Incidents within a County Jail. *The Prison Journal*, 100(5), 581–602. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0032885520956334>

Wells, K. (2019, February/March). Social work and medical marijuana are perfect intersection. *National Association of Social Workers, Social Work Advocates*, 8—9.

RECENT RESEARCH CONTRACTS

Wells, K. “Growth Works Community Needs Assessment”. Growth Works, Inc. October 2022 – March 2023. \$1,500. Role Principal Investigator.

Nahan, N. & **Wells, K.** “Michigan Developmental Disabilities Institute Needs Assessment”. Michigan Developmental Disabilities Institute (MI-DDI). January 2021 – December 2021. \$20,000. Role Co-Principal Investigator.

RECENT TECHNICAL REPORTS

Nahan, N., **Wells, K.**, Boraggina-Ballard, L., Smith, R., & Yett, A. (2023). Community Information Exchange Report on Client Interviews. Final report submitted to the United Way for Southeastern Michigan.

Ernst, J., Hopp, F., Nahan, N., & **Wells, K.** (2023). DayBreak Process Evaluation Final Report. Final report submitted to the Hannan Center.

Nahan, N., **Wells, K.**, Brown, S., Panisch, L., & Burlaka, V. (2023). Vista Maria Wings Program Evaluation. Final report submitted to Vista Maria.

Nahan, N., **Wells, K.**, & Wright, K. (2022). MI-DDI Statewide Needs Assessment. Final report submitted to the Michigan Developmental Disabilities Institute.

AWARDS

School of Social Work Service of the Year, April 2022

Michigan Association for Evaluation Poster Contest Winner, May 2018

COMMUNITY & UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Community

Be Well with Brialle Black Women's Health Fund (2021). *Technical survey assistance with scholarship applications*. Detroit, MI

National Association of Social Workers, Social Work Advocates (June/July 2021). *Interview with Alison Laurio for article titled, "Drug Decriminalization: Laws Advance Social Work's Advocacy for Treatment Over Punishment"*.

University

University Assessment Council (2023 – Present)

Wayne State University School of Social Work Awards Committee (2023).