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Please type or print clearly

Name of Board/Committee Planning and Zoning Commission

Check one: [X] Full Member Position [] Alternate Member Position

Name Gabriel Bussell (Your name must be listed as it appears on your voter registration card)

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS REQUIRED FOR COUNTY RECORDS AND BECOMES PUBLIC RECORD UPON SUBMITTING THIS APPLICATION. IF YOU BELIEVE THAT YOU QUALIFY FOR AN EXEMPTION TO THE RELEASE OF THIS INFORMATION, PURSUANT TO F.S. 119.07, PLEASE STATE THE BASIS OF YOUR EXEMPTION. YOUR FAILURE TO ANSWER FULLY AND TRUTHFULLY ALL QUESTIONS COULD RESULT IN YOUR APPLICATION BEING DENIED OR YOUR SUBSEQUENT REMOVAL FROM ANY BOARD/COMMITTEE IF APPOINTED.

Address 420 Hartford Heights St

City Spring Hill Zip 34609

Telephone 507-884-9359 (home) (business)

E-mail address gabebussell@hotmail.com

Are you a resident of Hernando County? yes

Voter Registration Number 121499760

Education MA in Counseling & Psychological Services from Saint Mary's University of MN, MBA from University of South FL, Licensed Mental Health Counselor (MH19311)

Employment History 8/2021-present: EAP Consultant at Beacon Health Options/Elevance Health; 4/2014-present: Admissions Counselor at Windmoor Healthcare

Licenses or Certificates Held Licensed Mental Health Counselor (MH19311)

Have you ever previously applied for a position on any County Board/Committee? no

If yes, please state the Board(s)/Committee(s) you applied for, when you applied, and whether you were appointed.

Have you ever been convicted, plead guilty or no contest, or entered into PTI for a felony or 1st/ 2nd degree misdemeanor? no

Answering yes does not automatically disqualify you for consideration.

If yes, what charges?

Are you currently involved as a defendant in a criminal case? no

If yes, what charges?

Have you ever been named as a defendant in a civil action suit? no

If yes, when and describe action.

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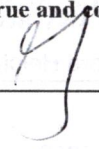
Please state your reasons for applying to this Board/Committee I want to get involved in local government/
committees to learn more about how to help the local community.

Please list three character references of persons NOT related to, NOT an employer, NOT an employee of you or your company, and whom you have known at least one (1) year. Please include addresses and phone numbers.

1. James Scannell McCormick, 851 30th Ave. SE, Memorial Hall 331, Rochester, MN 55904; 507-202-3070
2. Dario Saric, 1573 Huntington Ln, Clearwater, FL 33755; 727-400-0384
3. Ciara Hawkins, 12244 Legacy Bright St, Riverview, FL 33578; 504-810-9612

I hereby request consideration as a committee/board appointee. It is my intention to familiarize myself to the duties and responsibilities of the office to which I may be appointed, and to fulfill the appointment to the best of my ability, exercising good judgement, fairness, impartiality, and faithful attendance. By my signature below, I hereby authorize Hernando County to check my references and my background, including, without limitation, obtaining a criminal history check. I also agree to file a Financial Disclosure form as required by State law, if applicable, and abide by provisions of the State Sunshine Law.

I hereby swear and affirm, under Penalty of Perjury, that the above information is true and correct.

Applicant's signature 

(Please direct all inquiries to the County Administrator's Office at 754-4002.)

Completed applications may be submitted to the County Administrator's office, 15470 Flight Path Drive, Brooksville, Florida 34604, or faxed to 352-754-4025 Attention: Jessica Wright.



Hernando County Background Consent / Release Form

As a volunteer applicant, I understand and acknowledge that an investigative report may be compiled on me. This report may include information regarding any criminal records, and from various public and private sources including law enforcement agencies at the Federal, State or County level, courts record repositories, sexual offender registries and any other source required to verify information that I have voluntarily provided.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Legal Name: Gabriel Bussell

Date of Birth: 6/12/84

Other Names Used: Gabriel T Gutierrez

(Legal Name) First M.I. Last

Dates Used (from/to): 6/12/84-10/2003

Home Phone #: _____

Cell Phone #: 507-884-9359

E-mail Address: gabebussell@hotmail.com

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes No

GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

Current Address: 420 Hartford Heights St

City, State, Zip : Spring Hill, FL 34609

Time at this address: 1 Years 1 Month

Previous Address: 8461 Jacaranda Ave

City, State, Zip : Seminole, FL 33777

Time at this address 3 Years 3 Month

By signing below, you hereby authorize, empower and release from all liability, without reservation, any agency contacted by Hernando County to furnish the above-mentioned information. You further authorize ongoing procurement of the above-mentioned information at any time during your relationship with Hernando County. You agree that a fax or photocopy of this authorization is to be considered and accepted with the same authority as the original.

Applicant's Signature

11/1/22
Date

Education:

University of South Florida – Tampa, FL
Graduated: August 2018

Masters in Business Administration
Concentration in Healthcare Mgmt

St. Mary's University of Minnesota – Rochester, MN
Masters in Counseling & Psychological Services

Attended: Fall 2010-Fall 2012
Graduated: November 2012

Work Experience:

8/2021-present: **EAP Consultant II**, *Beacon Health Options/Anthem/Elevance Health*

- Respond to initial customer requests for services
- Receive client request, assess situation, determine appropriate recommendation(s)
- Provide telephone and/or on-site support for crisis intervention & assessment
- Provide short-term problem resolution & referral to appropriate provider(s)
- Manage Critical Incident Stress Debriefing requests
- Assess members & assist in accessing behavioral healthcare benefits available through health plan

- Apply specialized knowledge in substance abuse, domestic abuse, grief counseling, workplace problems, and management consultation
- Provide employer consultation to supervisors, managers, and HR of the EAP contracted organization.
- Manage shared mailbox used by clients & external vendor to forward information to be reviewed & placed in documentation system

12/2019-present: **Utilization Review Coordinator**, *Windmoor Healthcare/UHS*

- Complete reviews daily for inpatient authorizations
- Timely completion of appeals & follow up until final decision is determined
- Facilitate collaboration between treatment team & managed care organizations to ensure quality care
- Justify extended length-of-stay by submitting clinical documentation for additional inpatient days

- Work with treatment team to estimate appropriate length-of-stay
- Collaborate with referring professionals for continuity of care
- Clinical documentation reviews & quality audits
- Communicate aftercare plans with managed care organizations

3/2015-present: **Admissions Specialist**, *Windmoor Healthcare/UHS*

- Complete insurance pre-certifications on new admits
- Complete triage assessment within 10 minutes for arriving patients
- Assess client safety in Admissions area
- Gather info re: demographics, current behaviors/symptoms, referral sources, background, & financial/insurance info
- Clinical documentation reviews & quality audits

- Present cases to Administration to determine appropriateness of admission & get approval/denial
- Explain, review, & authenticate admission documentation, ensuring accuracy throughout
- Distribute paperwork to appropriate units, departments, & staff
- Track daily admissions, transfers, & discharges
- Complete facility census reports

4/2014-5/2019: **Lead Therapist/Therapist**, *Windmoor Healthcare/UHS*

- Designated Social Services supervisor in the absence of the director
- In charge of training new employees
- Assist in screening and interviewing potential employees
- Complete administrative reports for patient records
- Liaison between Nursing & Social Services
- Conduct daily hospital-wide patient chart audits for accuracy
- Assist administration with successful completion of surveys by regulatory agencies
- Clinical documentation reviews & quality audits

- Complete & audit biopsychosocial assessments & treatment plans facility-wide
- Assess therapeutic needs of patient & family
- Develop & evaluate appropriate treatment objectives & weekly treatment summaries
- In charge of organizing daily group schedule
- Provide counseling sessions for families, individuals, and groups
- Compile & distribute community resource list
- Liaison with outside agencies & patients re: developing & coordinating discharge

12/2017-10/2018: **Jail Biopsychosocial Assessor**, *Solutions Behavioral Healthcare Consultants*

- Conduct psychosocial assessments on jail inmates
- Make recommendations for appropriate treatment
- Complete reports to send to drug court & attorneys

- Reduced completion time for outstanding assessments by 50%

8/2013-1/2014: **Residential Primary Counselor**, *Zumbro Valley Health Center*

- Conduct functional assessments, LOCUS, individual abuse prevention plans, treatment plans, & discharge summaries/plans
- Facilitate Integrated Dual Disorder Treatment & Dialectical Behavior Therapy groups
- Conduct assessments to measure extent of client's substance use

- Schedule/coordinate professional appointments & team meetings for clients
- Find aftercare community resources/providers
- Provide 1:1 counseling for residents
- Respond to resident crises
- Educate residents about mental health issues/symptoms, medications, & coping skills

4/2013-8/2013: **Residential & Community Mental Health Practitioner**, *Zumbro Valley Health Center*

- Assess the mental health of residents
- Complete group therapy sessions & notes
- Complete general progress, daily progress, & rehabilitation notes
- Assist residents with independent living skills

- Monitor & accurately document changes in resident habits, appearance, mental status
- Monitor resident medications, report side effects
- Respond to resident crises
- Determine necessity & range of social services

12/2011-9/2012: **Therapist Intern**, *Safety Center, Inc.*

- Provide individual, group, & family therapy to sex offenders
- Schedule community outings for clients
- Prepare clients for re-entry into their communities
- Provide feedback on homework assignments

- Help individuals recognize triggers, & how to utilize stoppers
- Help clients & families process emotional trauma & stressors in a healthy manner

10/2010-8/2012: **Certified Pharmacy Technician**, *Wal-Mart*

- Retrieve prescription orders
- Count, pour, measure & weigh medications
- Mix medications

- Prepare insurance claim forms
- Process insurance overrides/appeals
- Take inventory of medications

Winona State University (WSU)

1/2010-5/2010: Student Senate College of Business
8/2009-1/2010: Student Senate At-Large Senator
8/2009-5/2010: Student Affairs Committee member

8/2009-5/2010: Academic Affairs Committee member
8/2008-5/2010: Psychology Club member
Summer 2007, Spring 2009: Dean's List

Extracurricular Activities:

12/2019: created recycling program at Windmoor Healthcare
3/2011: created event where participants pick up one piece of litter for the day
5/2010: Salvation Army & Channel One clothing/food drive organizer

1/2009-5/2010: WSU Student Senate food drive & highway cleanup volunteer coordinator
1/2009-5/2010: WSU research assistant
11/2006-6/2007: RCTC Echo newspaper staff
9/2003-6/2004: Salvation Army volunteer
1/2003-6/2004: City of St. Charles volunteer

Conferences Attended:

UHS Leadership Development teleconference – July 2020

Professional Publications:

Holden, J.M., Fitzgerald, M., Bussell, G., and Ehlers, V. (2011). Triadimefon supports conditioned cue preference. *Behavioural Brain Research*, 221, 307-10.

Research Experience:

1/2009-5/2010: worked with rats to determine the effects of triadimefon
1/2009-5/2009: worked with rats on reinforcement, extinction, & shaping
1/2009-5/2009: worked with various strands of mice to determine whether autism was present
2010: dissected sheep brains to identify areas of the brain

Skills:

Gabriel Bussell, MA, MBA, LMHC
420 Hartford Heights St, Spring Hill, FL 34609
507-884-9359 gabeussell@hotmail.com

- public speaking & communication skills
 - excellent customer/patient service skills
 - ability to take direction & delegate duties
 - excellent teambuilding skills
 - excellent work ethic & drive to be successful
 - work well in a team & independently
 - trained in Crisis Prevention Intervention (CPI)
 - experience with IRB & HIPAA guidelines
 - InterQual experience
 - research lab experience
 - research paper experience
 - DSM & ICD manual proficiency
 - knowledge/use of SAS, JMP, SPSS & DataPro
 - Microsoft Office proficiency
 - electronic medical record proficiency
 - networking
 - clinical quality chart audit experience
 - Salesforce experience
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Licenses/Certifications:

- Licensed Mental Health Counselor (MH19311), exp. 3/31/23
 - CPI: Crisis Prevention Institute; exp. 11/2022
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Professional Affiliations:

- 2011-present: American Psychological Association
 - 2012-present: American Counseling Association
 - 2018-present: FL Alcohol & Drug Abuse Association
 - 2018-present: FL Behavioral Health Association
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Professional References: available upon request