

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE/BIOSKETCH

Name (Last, First): **Komarek, Paul**

Project Role: **Project Consultant, Curriculum Developer**

POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION/TRAINING/FELLOWSHIPS

INSTITUTION AND LOCATION	DEGREE <i>(if applicable)</i>	DATE COMPLETED	FIELD OF STUDY
Northern KY University Chase College of Law	JD cum laude	1986	Law
American University School of International Service	BS	1977	Interdisciplinary Studies in East Asia with Honors in International Studies
Extensive continuing education, including X-LAB (Xavier University's Entrepreneurship Laboratory); Civic Engagement Intensive Workshops with Peter Block; CoreChange Appreciative Inquiry Summit with Peter Senge and David Cooperrider; Restorative Circle Process with Dominic Barter; Innovation Engineering with Doug Hall; GrassRoots Leadership Academy; Beech Acres Mediation Training; FBI Citizens Academy; Collaborative Law Institute; Criminal Justice/Mental Health Institute. Many other continuing education conferences and workshops.			

PROFESSIONAL STATEMENT

Paul Komarek is a consultant, author and educator focused on the social aspects of "biopsychosocial" problems like addiction, mental illness, violence, and suicide. His mission is to take on tough problems and help people make progress in their lives. His current work involves stopping the heroin epidemic; addressing trauma; confronting social determinants of health in Native American and African American communities; ending cycles of violence; addressing the effects of globalization. He has four decades of experience working with public systems, treatment systems, businesses, educational institutions, faith-based programs, and community groups, and has developed and led training programs for adult learners throughout his career.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

1995-present	Consultant and Principal Member, Human Intervention LLC
2009-2010	Grants Manager, Greater Cincinnati Urban League
2008	Executive Director, Recovery Resource Center
2003-2015	Adjunct Instructor, Cincinnati State Technical and Community College
1996-2000	Older Adult Resource Developer, Catholic Social Services of SW Ohio
1986-1995	Practice of Law
1978-1985	Claims Representative/Trainer, Social Security Administration

Honors

1977 Fletcher Scholar Award, American University

HONORS/ AFFILIATIONS (MEMBERSHIP OR LEADERSHIP POSITIONS)

NAMI OHIO, NAMI HAMILTON COUNTY. State board of directors, President of local affiliate.
 WEST END HEALTH CENTER (Cincinnati FQHC) ; Board member, quality improvement committee chair
 HAMILTON COUNTY SAMI LEADERSHIP TEAM; Leadership Team Member on multisector system reform initiative

SELECTED NON-PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Realms of Peer Support: Ordinary People and the Future of Health (2016). SAMHSA BRSS-TACS funded White Paper.
 SHARP Stop Heroin and Rescue People: A Workbook for Communities. Church Basement Press, 2014.
 "Alcoholism: Effects on Families." SAGE Encyclopedia of Alcohol, Scott C. Martin, Ed. Sage Publications, 2015.
 Defying Mental Illness: Finding Recovery with Community Resources and Family Support . Church Basement Press, 2011. Revised 2012, 2013.

Articles “Patient Advocacy,” “Deinstitutionalization,” “Involuntary Treatment,” “Disability,” “Medicare and Medicaid,” and “Social Security” in Cultural Sociology of Mental Illness (Sage Publications, 2014).
 Redesigning Mental Illness (blog) <http://www.redesigningmentalillness.net> 2012 -present
 Schizophrenia: A Blueprint for Recovery by Milt Greek (editorial and design work). Published 2011, revised 2012.
 Delusions, Meaning and Transformation by Milt Greek (editorial and design work). 2014.
 You Are Not Alone: NAMI Ohio Family and Consumer Resource Guide. NAMI Ohio 2004.
 Guardianship Initiative Toolkit. NAMI Ohio 2003.
 “The Olmstead Decision and Ohio’s Community Mental Health Crisis.” NAMI Ohio News Briefs, Winter 2002.
 “Focus on Caregiving,” Family Information Services, January 2001.
 “Handicap Discrimination Law” (chapter) in P. Tobias Litigating Wrongful Discharge Claims, 1986.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

SOLUTIONS TO HEROIN, Midwest Forum on Hospitals, Healthcare Systems and Population Health, Chicago; Kentucky and Missouri State Peer Support Network conferences (2017).
 “Creating a Personal Recovery Strategy” and “Designing Fundable Programs” Kentucky State Peer Support Conference 2015.
 “From Heroin to Health.” Northern KY University 2014.
 Supporting Success, 12-hour state certified training for Targeted Case Manager services (2015)

CURRENT/COMPLETED PROJECTS

INSTITUTION AND LOCATION	RESPONSIBILITIES	DATES
Longest Walk 5 – A series of three Walks Across America led by Dennis Banks, Founder of the American Indian Movement	National Event Director; Technical consultant on addiction, suicide, trauma and social determinants of health.	2016 -
Kentucky Criminal Justice Forum A series of public forums bringing together Kentucky legislators, criminal justice professionals, people who experienced incarceration, re-entry workers, healthcare professionals, constituents, and people affected by the justice system	Leadership Team member, organizing committee member	2019 -
Northern Kentucky Heroin Impact Response Team	Consultant to Dr. Jeremy Engel	2013 -
PEER SUPPORT SAMHSA BRSS-TACS	Consultant; Draft Project White Paper	2016
Hamilton County SAMI Leadership Team – County-wide multisystem effort to implement IDDT model “no wrong door” system in Hamilton County, Ohio.	Leadership Team member	2000-2004
Cincinnati Mediation Project Ohio State Bar Foundation-funded effort to bring volunteer-delivered community-based mediation services to Hamilton County, Ohio	Project Director	2010
Working with People with Mental Illnesses in the Criminal Justice System. NAMI Ohio, Ohio Supreme Court and Ohio Department of Mental Health training for courts and jails	Project developer, curriculum author, trainer. Curriculum was adopted by State of Kentucky and deployed in all jails across the state.	2000-2002

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Successful accreditation and licensing projects include four behavioral health treatment programs; a licensed preschool program for a charter school; and a Small Business Development Center.