

# SOCIAL WORK & COUNSELING CONNECTION

## newsletter

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### Clinician Conversation



**Billie Jo "BJ" Wendland, LCSW-C**  
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As a former Director of Youth Ministries, BJ was drawn to social work because it afforded her the opportunity to advocate for change on a macro level and to help people on an individual level. Fourteen years ago, BJ joined the Sheppard Pratt team working part time in the Therapeutic Preschool Autism Program.

Now the senior social worker at the The Forbush School at Glyndon for the past five years, BJ provides clinical oversight for clinicians who work with students and their families as directed by a student's Individualized Education Plan. In addition, BJ balances administrative duties related to service delivery, compliance, staffing, screening assessments, PBIS, IEP writing, and staff professional development.

BJ is proud of the dynamic services that the school provides. BJ states, "The Forbush School is a special place where every day I find opportunities for clinical and professional growth through my interactions with our diverse and talented multi-disciplinary staff. For many, Forbush is the first step on a journey toward self-awareness of their own emotional and academic needs."

Thank you, BJ, for all that you do! Here's to another successful school year!

### New Kubie Library Databases

The Kubie Library is offering a new resource to all clinicians!

If you are looking for best practices, access to journals, and other clinical information, click [here](#) to access EBSCOhost. If you are accessing the database off campus, you will be asked to create a login and password.

EBSCOhost includes the databases MEDLINE Complete, Psychology and Behavioral Sciences Collection, and SocINDEX, and has over 6,500 full text, peer reviewed journals including:

- Health & Social Work
- Social Work in Public Health
- Journal of Social Work Education
- Social Work Research
- Journal of Mental Health Counseling
- Counseling Psychology

For more information, please contact Lisa Illum, Library Coordinator/Archivist, at [L.Illum@sheppardpratt.org](mailto:L.Illum@sheppardpratt.org) or (410) 938-4595.

### Social Work Lecture Series

The Social Work Practice Committee has begun to plan for next year's Social Work Lecture Series. If you have suggestions for speakers and/or topic areas, please e-mail Caroline Cahn at [ccahn@sheppardpratt.org](mailto:ccahn@sheppardpratt.org) with your recommendations!

### Sharing Is Caring!

Do you want to share a resource, news, updates, CEU information or contribute an article? Contact Caroline Cahn at [ccahn@sheppardpratt.org](mailto:ccahn@sheppardpratt.org) or call (410) 938-3822.