

**Rick Wetzel** began his career volunteering in the substance abuse field For the Mercy Hospital Alcohol and Drug Treatment Program In 1989 as an Aftercare Coordinator. Over the Past 22 Years Rick also served 2 years with Our Primary Purpose as an Aftercare Coordinator, 1 year as a Residential Manager for The Powell III Men's Halfway House, 5 years on the Board of Directors for The Alano Society/White house of Des Moines, and volunteered 5 years at Cornerstone Recovery in Ankeny, Iowa.

In February of 2009 Rick became an employee of Children And Families of Iowa's "Cornerstone Recovery Program" as an Advocate / Youth Service worker in which he put in over 2,500 hours of practicum experience during the next 1 1/2 years working with teens who have Addictions and Mental Health issues.

In 2010 Rick graduated Des Moines Area Community College with an Associate of Science degree majoring in psychology, successfully passed the Iowa Board of Certification examination to become a Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor ( CADC) and joined United Community Services as an Outpatient Substance Abuse Counselor.

Rick lives in West Des Moines is married has 3 children and 1 grandson. Rick enjoys his free time golfing and riding his Harley Davidson motorcycle.