Jennifer Meixner, BSW, RSW
Member Representative

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Region: Interlake-Eastern

Biography

Jennifer Meixner is a registered Social Worker with the MCSW. She is a lifelong learner who has completed a Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Conflict Resolution Studies, a Bachelor of Social Work, and a Master of Arts in Indigenous Governance. Jen is committed to social justice and is particularly passionate about Indigenous Justice. As a Metis woman with ancestral ties to Treaty 1 and 2 territories, she continues to engage with Indigenous knowledge and community. Jen's early career began with Manitoba Justice where she held a number of positions in the Community Corrections division, such as, Community Corrections Worker, Probation Officer, Intensive Rehabilitative Custody Sentence (IRCS) Coordinator, Sentencing Conference Coordinator, and YCJA Provincial Court Report Writer. These roles offered significant opportunities to conduct comprehensive case management, assessment and recommendations, as well as operational experience for service delivery. After over 10 years with Manitoba Justice, Jen went on to be an Advocacy Officer at the Manitoba Advocate for Children and Youth. At MACY, she expanded her knowledge of Provincial service delivery and systemic advocacy. In 2021, Jen answered the call to serve the community; she went on to work with First Nations in the area of self-governance and Indigenous rights. Most recently, she launched a private practice where she does clinical work, as well as consulting, capacity & program development with Indigenous-led community-based initiatives and programs. In July 2022, Jennifer joined Booth University College as an Assistant Professor in the Social Work department, where she was previously a sessional instructor since 2019. She has also been teaching in the Indigenous Studies department at the University of Winnipeg as a sessional instructor since 2016. Her most beloved role however, is being a Mom to her two young sons and their many pets.