



April 17, 2012

To whom it may concern,

I would like to recommend Deborah Rose for the position at Children at Risk. I have known Deborah since 1999 and have taught *Visions For Tomorrow*, a curriculum for parents with children and adolescents with mental illness, with her in the Dallas area since 2000. Through our working together, Deborah has become a close friend.

During Deborah's employment at NAMI Texas as Program Director, we worked closely with rewriting and updating the *Visions For Tomorrow* curriculum. Deborah was instrumental in training volunteers to teach VFT throughout the U.S., Mexico and Jamaica. After NAMI was gifted the program, *COOL*, Deborah worked diligently to update and expand the curriculum which is now *Great Minds Think Alike*. This curriculum is for adolescents with mental illness. Deborah trained many volunteers to teach this program throughout Texas. She also edited and made available on Amazon.com several self-help books for NAMI Texas. Among those are *Partnerships* and the *Visions For Tomorrow* series. For three years, Deborah was a public voice for families dealing with mental health issues by speaking at numerous conferences and teaching thousands of professionals and parents alike. Deborah focused on issues such as education, communication and advocating for children and families alike with a passion that is admirable.

Besides her professional interests, Deborah is active in her community by serving as a child advocate in relationship to the VFT program. Deborah is definitely a woman I am glad to know both professionally and personally.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Patti Haynes".

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**DALLAS COUNTY  
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**Henry Wade Juvenile Justice Center**  
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April 11, 2012

**LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION**

I would like to recommend Deborah Rose for the position at Children at Risk. I have known her for approximately six years while working together with the children in my programs here at the Dallas County Juvenile Department. She has provided training for the many probation officers in our Department and also provides parenting classes for the parents of children with mental health disorders.

The parent classes have proven to be very popular in that they have given the parents very vital skills to be better parents to children that are very special and can be very different to parent. She also teaches them about the different mental illnesses and teaches them how to navigate the education system so they can be better advocates for their children. She also teaches them different techniques on how to parent this type of child.

I know Deborah to be an eager and always enthusiastic facilitator, always ready to put her best foot forward and give one hundred percent of her time and attention to the task ahead. She has a wonderful sense of humor and is very easy to engage with clients and children.

She has a wealth of knowledge surrounding children and parenting, especially children with mental health diagnosis. She is a parent of a child with mental illness. She has written a book about it as well. She is an excellent facilitator as well, engaging others while teaching.

I would feel privileged to have her as a part of my team.

Diane Boyd  
Supervisor/ Specialty Units  
Dallas County Juvenile Department

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*The Special Needs Community*

Council of Families For Children

April 12, 2012

To Whom it May Concern,

Please accept this letter of recommendation regarding the talent and value of Deborah Rose, an applicant for your organization. I have had the express pleasure of working with Mrs. Rose through the Council of Families for Children and NAMI Texas. I truly believe she will be an incredible asset and great benefit to your operation.

She and I co-authored the youth curriculum, Great Minds Think Alike (GMTA), and her professionalism and understanding of youth with mental illness was invaluable to the successful completion of the project. Her understanding of the intricacies of advocacy proved priceless in the train-the-trainer aspect of the curriculum delivery. Assisting others around Texas to deliver the training with excellence, compassion and understanding is a true talent for Mrs. Rose.

Mrs. Rose has dedicated herself to the benefit of others through her advocacy, training efforts and private investigation business. She has provided accomplished consultation to law enforcement, tireless advocacy to children and families and knowledgeable curriculum to trainers as well as consumers. I can honestly say I wish I was a more effective fundraiser to provide her with a salary at the Council of Families for Children. Her talent and skill has been a prime asset to the organization and I know she will quickly become the same for your organization.

If you require a telephone reference for Mrs. Rose, please contact me directly at (512) 466-7000.

Sincerely,

Sherri Gothart-Barron  
Board Chair

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Teri Wiss, M.A., O.T.R./L.  
Director

4/12/12

Ms. Jaime Hanks  
Managing Director, North Texas  
CHILDREN AT RISK  
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Dear Ms. Hanks,

I am pleased to be a personal and professional reference for Deborah Rose. I have known Deborah for almost 40 years and am fortunate to continue to be her friend.

On a personal level, I know Deborah to be passionate, dedicated, honest, open hearted and open-minded. On a professional basis, she has successfully owned her own business for over 30 years, laying the groundwork for other women in a male dominated field.

Deborah has been an active and assertive child advocate, starting when her own son was diagnosed with bipolar disorder. Her accomplishments include writing several curricula for families and teens dealing with mental illness, training thousands of parents and professionals about mental health and developing strategies to increase their empathy for the children and what they are going through. Her experience as an entrepreneur and investigator, combined with her passion for improving the lives of individuals and their families appears to be an ideal fit with your need.

Deborah is very interested in your job as a Project Coordinator (Human Trafficking) and I feel you would be remiss to not consider her as an excellent candidate for this position.

Sincerely,

Teri Wiss, M.A., O.T.R./L.  
Owner and Director



# The Cerebellum Center

Learning    Attention    Coordination

Dear Sir or Madam,

It is my pleasure to recommend Deborah Rose for your consideration for the coordinator position.

I have had the honor of knowing Deborah for over ten years and she has been a colleague, a mentor and a friend. Professionally, Deborah has always been one of the most enthusiastic and knowledgeable experts in her field. She is an incredible team player and an exceptional leader. She has a specific talent for spotting the strengths and weaknesses in others and directing and delegating the tasks appropriately so that the team is a success.

Deborah is an exceptional self starter and I am not sure there is a challenge from which she would ever shy away. She began her professional career as an entrepreneur and she has followed that with writing and publishing several books and so much more. After accomplishing remarkable professional success, she has taken on several endeavors that are far more personal and she has a great passion for creating a deeper impact for the community and those less fortunate and struggle in ways that many cannot understand.

Deborah is an exceptional force and a powerhouse that is an incredible asset to any team. The wise leader will allow Deborah to be herself and trust that she will do nothing less than make them look impressive to the board and the community in which they serve.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at the number below to discuss more of Deborah's incredible gifts and attributes that will make her a most valuable asset to your team.

Sincerely,

Sara Tweedie  
Owner

# Written Escape Clinic

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April 12, 2012

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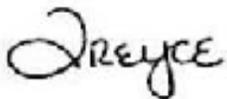
Deborah Rose is a certified handwriting therapist and the official spokesperson for our organization, Written Escape Clinics. I have had the pleasure of working with Deborah for over four years now in several capacities. Deborah has shown me to be loyal, diligent in keeping commitments, supportive, and very creative. Her commitment to others, especially to children, is unaparrelled and can be seen in her books she has written for children and families dealing with mental illness.

Deborah shows a willingness to help others achieve their goals, which shows her willingness and ability to be a great team member.

Additionally, Deborah is creative when it comes to problem solving. I would say that Deborah does not think outside the box, she just doesn't see the box, giving her unlimited ideas and possibilites. Her suggestions for social media strategies have proven to be very helpful and one of the many reasons why she is our offical "face to the public".

I am very pleased to know Deborah and to have her as part of my team.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Treyce".

Ms. Treyce Montoya, MPsyD  
CEO

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