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Areas of Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

- Accident Prevention
- Aquatic Safety
- Day and Family Camp Programs
- Emergency Planning
- Employee Workplace Safety Programs
- Facility Management
- Policy Development
- Resident Camp Programs
- Risk Management
- Shooting Sports Safety
- Special Event Management
- Training Presentations, Workshops, Online Programs and Learning Management Systems
- Transportation Safety
- Youth Program Management
- Youth Protection and Child Abuse Prevention

Professional Experience:

Safe-Wise Consulting, LLC, Bar Harbor, ME – Consulting partnership providing safety and risk management services to organizations throughout the US

Senior Consultant/Managing Partner – May 2007 to present

- Leader of a small consulting practice serving over 300 clients nationwide
- Provide insightful consulting services and support to client organizations
- Coordinate and develop industry leading online resource library
- Conduct highly-rated training programs for staff, workshops, national conferences and Webinars

YMCA Services Corporation – YMCA of the USA, Chicago, IL

Director of Risk Management Services

- Provided direction for highly-rated services to 200–490 associations of the YMCA Insurance Program
- Lead and direct over 30 full and part-time risk management support staff and consultants
- Effectively consulted with associations ranging in budget-size from under \$1 million to \$120+ million

Mount Desert Island YMCA, Bar Harbor, ME - YMCA serving an area of 10,000 residents

Executive Director/CEO

Morris Center YMCA, Cedar Knolls, NJ

Senior Program Director, Youth & Child Care Programs Director

Camp Speers-Eljabar, Dingman's Ferry, PA

Summer Camp Program Director, Conference & Outdoor Education Staff, Adventure Trip Leader

Education:

- Montclair State University, Upper Montclair, NJ - Bachelor of Arts in Music Education 1984

Certifications & Training:

- AICPCU - Associate of Risk Management (ARM)
- American Red Cross – Lifeguard, Advanced First Aid, CPR for the Professional Rescuer
- Boy Scouts of America - Wood Badge Training, Enterprise Risk Management, Shooting Sports Instructor, National Health & Safety Team, Youth Protection Trainer, Outdoor Skills Trainer
- Federal Emergency Management Agency – National Incident Management System, Incident Command System
- Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife – Hunter Safety Instructor
- National Rifle Association – Firearms Instructor, Range Safety Officer
- SOLO – Wilderness First Aid
- YMCA of the USA - Senior Director, Executive Development Program, Day Camp Director, Child Abuse Prevention Trainer

Publications:

Perspective - Journal of YMCA Professionals

- Playing it Safe with Youth Sports (*January 2006*)
- Lead the Way in Preventing Child Abuse (*December 2006*)
- More than a Risk: A New Focus on Abuse Prevention (*March 2008*)
- Who's in the Pool? (*August 2008*)
- The Right Combination for Inclusion (*March 2009*)
- Managing Risks at the Hometown YMCA (*January 2010*)

Safety & Risk Notes – YMCA Risk Management Monthly Newsletter, YMCA of the USA

- Editor and contributing author 2000 - 2007

Risky Business – Electronic Newsletter, Y-Mutual Insurance, Ltd

- Associate Editor and contributing author 2005 - 2007

Safety Insights – Semi-Monthly Electronic Newsletter, Safe-Wise Consulting, Philadelphia Insurance, SECURA Insurance

- Editor and contributing author 2007 – 2017, Contributing author 2017 – present

Aquatic Safety Webinar Series – YMCA of the USA presented by Safe-Wise Consulting

- Aquatic Risk Management 101 (*February 2009*)
- Peer Assessments (*April 2009*)
- Camp Aquatic Safety (*May 2009*)

OSHA is Not a Four Letter Word – Facility Dude Management Webinar by Safe-Wise Consulting, August 2014

Riskmanager.net Online Training System – training module content author, voice contributor and associate designer

- Back Injury Prevention, 2015
- Introduction to Blood Borne Pathogens, 2009
- Preventing Child Abuse: Protecting You, Youth and the Organization, 2009 & 2015 update
- Prevention of Slips & Falls, 2015
- Responding to and Reporting Child Abuse, 2009 & 2015 update
- Understanding and Preventing Child Abuse, 2009 & 2015 update
- Understanding the Hazard Communication Standard and Program, 2009 & 2013 update