

Katie Schlipmann

Katie is a pillar of leadership in our Family Foundations of Home Visiting funded Empowering Families of Milwaukee (EFM) Program. She has devoted the last 12 years of her career to this program, intentionally maintaining a leadership role in which she is able to also remain connected to clients served by the program. Katie provides supervision and supports reflective practice for 5 public health nurses, serving about 60 families.

Katie's trauma-informed methods include supporting PHNs to recognize the parallel process and meeting staff "where they're at" to build capacity on an individual basis. Katie participates and teaches a variety of infant mental health classes, and a few years ago, she completed the IMH Capstone Project in Madison. She is a mentor to both staff and leadership, and this work is very evidently her life's work. She exudes professionalism. She is non-judgmental, supportive, kind, and poised. Her staff look to her and look up to her, and do does MHD leadership.

Katie is a supervisor of Public Health Nurses for our home visitation program targeting infant mental health (IMH), infant mortality & maternal child health. Katie has been with the program for many years--as both a home visitor and supervisor--and demonstrates her passion for this field daily. Katie is a member of the Wisconsin Alliance for Infant Mental Health (WIAIMH) Southeastern Region Chapter, co-chair of the Growing Competent Workforce committee and a member of the Proyecto Mama Task Force that is focused on addressing the perinatal/maternal mental health needs of Latinas in Milwaukee. She always brings information, updates, considerations of practice and insight to the team around maternal child health and is an avid advocate of her staffs' professional development in this area as well. This helps them have greater and more competent impact in their work with families. Katie is exemplary in her role and molds future home visitors to share the same awareness and passion for IMH!