

**THOMAS STIERS, M.A., C.R.C.**

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**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

- 2008 *Master of Arts and Letters, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Illinois*
- 1982 - 1983 *Graduate Program in Education Administration  
Northern Illinois University, Dekalb, Illinois*
- 1970 - 1974 *Bachelor of Arts Degree, Western Illinois University, Macomb, Illinois*

**CERTIFICATION**

- Certified Rehabilitation Counselor by the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC)*
- Illinois High School (6-12) Teaching Certificate*

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- 1987 - Present **E.P.S. REHABILITATION, INC.**, Springfield, Illinois  
*Supervisor, Central Illinois Region*
- 1983 - Present **E.P.S. REHABILITATION INC.**, Tinley Park, Illinois  
*Rehabilitation Counselor/Case Manager/Supervisor*
- 1975 - 1983 **CALUMET SCHOOL DISTRICT 132.** Calumet City, Illinois  
*Educator*
- *Taught Multi-Subject Curriculum in Contained Classroom Environment*
  - *Student Council Advisor*
  - *Boys Basketball Coach*
  - *Intramural Athletics Supervisor*

**MEMBERSHIPS**

- 1994 *Chairperson, Americans with Disability Act, Compliance Committee, Mokena Community Library*
- 1992 - Present *Vice President, Mokena Community Library Board*
- 1986 *Consultant to Rehabilitation Association for the University of Iowa*
- 1984 - Present *Illinois Rehabilitation Association*
- 1983 - Present *National Rehabilitation Counseling Association*

**LECTURES**

**E.P.S. REHABILITATION, INC.**

- March, 1993 *Champaign-Urbana Personnel Association, Presentation on "Recent Trends in Ergonomics" and "Case Management of Repetitive Trauma in the Work Place"*

**LECTURES (Cont'd)**

July, 1987            *Program Sponsor, Cost versus Benefit, Evaluation in Workers Compensation, "Cost Effective Rehabilitation, a Case-By-Case Approach"*

March, 1986           *Speaker at Program, "Facilitating Rehabilitation in the Work Place"*

**State of Illinois, Department of Mental Health**

May, 1987            *Workers Compensation Training Program, "How to Purchase and Oversee Rehabilitation Services"*

**State of Illinois, Division of Risk Management**

May, 1990            *"Utilizing Rehabilitation Services, How They Can Work"*

July, 1985            *"Rehabilitation as a Cost Management Tool"*

**University of Iowa**

March, 1986           *"Rehabilitation in the Private Sector," Presented to Graduate Students in Rehabilitation Counseling*