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Dr. Clarke also worked with children, youth, and families as a therapist at Virgin Islands Behavioral Services, a private, non-profit agency. Before assuming her position as the Director of Practicum Education, Dr. Clarke was an administrator at the VI Department of Health. She has held all positions, from Secretary/Treasurer to President of the territorial board of the National Association of Social Workers, the largest membership organization of professional social workers in the world, and she was selected as Social Worker of the Year by this organization in 2012. Dr. Clarke is currently licensed in the territory as a Certified Social Worker (CSW).

**Educational Background:** Dr. Clarke is a product of the Catholic school system in St. Croix, VI. She attended St. Mary's Catholic School and St. Joseph Catholic High School. Her educational journey took her to Clark Atlanta University, where she completed a Bachelor of Social Work. Dr. Clarke completed a Master of Education with a concentration in Administration from the University of the Virgin Islands and a Master of Social Work and Doctor of Social Work at Walden University.

**Research and Academic Interests:**

- Self-Care for Helping Professionals
- Healthy Relationships
- Foster Care
- Social Work Education

**Teaching experience at UVI:**

- · Foundation Practicum in Caribbean Settings I (Graduate)
- · Foundation Practicum in Caribbean Settings II (Graduate)
- · An Introduction to Social Sciences with a Caribbean Focus (Undergraduate)
- **Publications:**
- Hendrickson, K. A., Francis, K. A., & Clarke, A. M. (2021). ["Ensuring Community Resilience Through Public Trust"] Quick Response Research Award Supported by the Natural Hazards Center at the University of Colorado Boulder with the support of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the National Science Foundation.

- Stevenson, A. P., Alexander, K. P., Thomas, K., Richardson, S., Turnage, B., Clarke, A., & Wood, Z. (2022). Shamed into Action?: The Historical Avoidance of Pursuing Anti-racist
- Educational Policies and Content in Social Work Education. *Journal of Teaching in Social Work*, 42(2/3), 247–264. <https://doi.org/10.1080/08841233.2022.2058675>