CPD Welcomes Dr. Martin Toohill

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This spring, the CPD welcomes a new Psychological Services Coordinator to its family, Dr. Martin (Marty) Toohill. Marty fills the position recently vacated by the relocation of Dr. Robert Cook who has been the coordinator for the past seven years.

Marty is returning to Utah State University after obtaining his Ph.D. in Professional-Scientific Psychology (Clinical emphasis) and Research and Evaluation Methodology at USU in 1994. During that time, he trained two years at the Center for Persons with Disabilities under Dr. Phyllis Cole, who was then the director of Clinical Services at the CPD.

For ten years, Marty pursued his career in Virginia working in a community mental health program and opening his own private practice. He returned to Cache Valley in 2004 when his wife got a position at USU in the Special Education Department. Marty began working for the Cache County Study on Memory, Health and Aging as a neuropsychologist. In 2008, he became a primary therapist for the Adult facility at the Avalon Hills Eating Disorder Treatment Center located in Paradise, Utah.

Marty brings a wealth of experience to this position, having worked with adults and children in both private and public settings. He has treated a variety of clinical populations, including individuals with developmental delays, substance abuse, and eating disorders. He has extensive psychological testing experience, evaluating children, adults, and older adults for a range of clinical conditions, including learning disorders, ADHD, personality assessments, Alzheimers and related dementia, and forensic evaluations.

As Coordinator of the Psychological Services unit, Marty will be involved in the clinical evaluation of children and adolescents referred to the Center by school districts, parents, and other professionals. He will also supervise USU students here at the Center.

According to Marty, this is his “dream job.” He loves evaluating individuals and working to make “all of the pieces fit together” again and improving their lives.

The CPD family welcomes Marty back to the place where his passion for clinical evaluation was first kindled.