

I was born Jolynn Kae Pearl in York, Pennsylvania. I grew up in that area and my father and I lived with my grandparents for several years. When people ask me why I work in senior care, I usually tell them that it was because of my grandparents. They gave me a great appreciation for the elderly and from high school on, I knew that I wanted to be an administrator in long-term care and dedicate my career to seniors.

I graduated from York Catholic High School and went on to Marywood College in Scranton, Pennsylvania. There I worked towards my Bachelor of Arts degree in Health Services Administration, with a minor in Sociology. I graduated Summa Cum Laude and began the search for a graduate school.

As I furthered my education, life took me to Baltimore, Maryland. I decided to attend Johns Hopkins University to obtain a Master's degree in Health Finance and Management. During my second year at Hopkins, I also took part in a 12-month internship at Levindale Hebrew Geriatric Center and Hospital. This allowed me to complete the State of Maryland's Administrator in Training (AIT) program as well during that time frame. In 1998, I received both my Master's degree and my Maryland Nursing Home Administrator's License.

Over the next seven years, I held positions as Assistant Administrator, Administrator, and Executive Director in both skilled nursing and assisted living communities in the Baltimore area. In March of 2005, I joined Life Care Services and Vantage House in Columbia, Maryland, as Health Center Administrator. I was promoted to Associate Executive Director at Vantage House in 2007 and then to Executive Director at Sandhill Cove in Palm City, Florida in December of 2008. I remained at Sandhill Cove until moving to Keene in February 2018 to become the Executive Director at Hillside Village Keene.

On a personal note, I have been married for 14 years to Bill, who is working very hard writing his third novel. We live here in Keene with our charming dog, Parker. Our favorite pastime is traveling, both locally and around the globe.

I am both honored and delighted to be serving you as Hillside Village's Executive Director. Thank you all for supporting the project and making it a reality. I am very proud to be a part of it!