**Jennie Brightup, MS., is a Licensed Clinical Marriage and Family Therapist** in Wichita, KS. She is the Director of Marriage and Family Services at Pregnancy Crisis Center, working specifically with women and men reporting trauma following an abortion experience since 2003. Mrs. Brightup has had the privilege of walking with hundreds of clients through both healing recovery retreats and therapy. She has co-created a post abortion trauma recovery curriculum, was on 2013-2014 APA Division 48 Presidential Task Force co-authoring an article concerning Women, Violence, and Abortion, and has been a local, state and national speaker on the topic of post abortion recovery.

Mrs. Brightup was honored to be chosen by AACC to present at the annual conference for 2011, 2012, and 2013. These opportunities allowed Mrs. Brightup to help educate the Christian community concerning the prevalence of trauma following abortion and the ways to accomplish healing through therapy or recovery. Mrs. Brightup has a passion for seeing to the education and training of mental health professionals when it comes to this topic, both in the secular world and in the Christian realm. Mrs. Brightup is pleased for the opportunity to supervise Marriage and Family Therapy interns in her work, affording opportunities to train the next generation of therapists on what to look for, and best practice of addressing the post abortion topic in therapy.

Mrs. Brightup has had a wide variety of experience working with presenting issues such as sexual abuse, eating disorders, self-harm, depression and anxiety, post- traumatic stress disorder, sexual dysfunction, relational conflict and self-worth issues, and family and relational issues. She has also had experience creating procedure and policy for the ever growing organization. In addition to her work at Pregnancy Crisis Center, Mrs. Brightup has maintained a private practice since 2003. She is also pleased to be an Adjunct Professor at Friends University in the College of Adult Professional Studies, teaching on topics such as grief and loss; individuals and families in society, and grant writing skills.

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