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PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION:

Certificate in Nurse-Midwifery 1993
Yale University School of Nursing, New Haven, Ct.

Masters in Science and Nursing 1993
Yale University School of Nursing, New Haven, Ct.

Bachelors in Nursing 1984
Thomas Jefferson University, Phila. PA

TEACHING AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE:

**September 2005-
Present** **University of Massachusetts Amherst School of Nursing**
Clinical faculty, Director of the Expanding the Boundaries of Women's Health program. This involves creation, administration of a women's health nurse practitioner educational program, recruitment of diverse student body, creation of a comprehensive outreach and recruitment program that includes web site development, budgetary responsibilities, and documentation of the project.

Specific Activities as Faculty at the University of Massachusetts Amherst School of Nursing
2005-present Maternal Newborn Clinical: Clinical course of 8 nursing students
Spring 2006 Primary Care for Adults: Selected lectures on women's health care for nurse practitioner students.

**January 2004-
Present** **Proyecto ADAMES**
Founder, President of the Board, and Executive Director of this 501(c)3 that focuses on decreasing maternal and infant mortality and morbidity in the Dominican Republic through teaching a core midwifery curriculum, empowerment, leadership, and conflict resolution. My responsibilities include, administration of the organization, budget, future planning, networking, fund raising, curriculum development, coordination of educational conferences, professional interchange, and hospital improvement programs.

**July 2003-
October 2004** **Midwifery Triage Program**
Baystate Medical Center
Springfield, MA 09911
Preceptor of medical students and first year OB/GYN and ER residents in the triage and initial management of pregnant and non-pregnant women.

- July 2001 – 2003** **Nurse Midwifery Education Program**
University of Puerto Rico, San Juan, PR
Academic Rank: Instructor
Responsibilities included: Course coordination and teaching, clinical preceptorship of midwifery students, mentorship of junior faculty in classroom and clinical settings, chair of curriculum committee, clinical site development for student/faculty practice. Wrote clinical guidelines for nurse-midwifery practices. Implemented data collection and analysis of CNM practice using EPIinfo. Grant writing.
- Specific Activities as Faculty at University of Puerto Rico**
- 2003 Normal Obstetrics On-Line Course: Coordinator, developer of this online course that includes on-line teaching, discussion, class work, and 2 on site week-long seminars.
- 2001-2003 Normal Obstetrics Course: coordinator, update objectives, developed Normal OB Workbook, wrote exams, teach the didactic material
- 2001-2003 Problems and Complications in Obstetrics Course: Co-coordinator, updated objectives, developed Problems and Complications in Obstetrics Workbook, wrote exams, co-taught or taught didactic material.
- 2001-2003 Clinical Practice and Management Course: Coordinator and primary instructor for this course which includes development, coordination and planning of clinical sites and weekly seminars.
- Aug. 2001-present Boards Review Course: Co-coordination and teaching of review classes to prepare graduates to take ACC Boards. Creation of practice exams.
- Aug. 2001-2003 Tutoring Activities: Provided ongoing tutoring sessions on normal and complicated OB and GYN.
- Dec. 2001-2003 In-service Educational Activities: Offered biweekly continuing education courses to nurses in various hospitals throughout Puerto Rico.
- April 2003 Infant Massage and Early Stimulation: Coordinated and co-taught infant massage and early stimulation. (Offered two occasions)
- 2002-2003 Evaluator of Maternal Child Serices: Investigated high maternal mortality rates at the regional hospital in San Francisco de Macoris, Dominican Republic.
- Jan. 2002 Nuevos Enfoques del Cuidado a la Mujer de Edad Reproductiva y al Infante: Presenter and organizer of conference for nurses and doctors at the Catholic University and Centro Universitario Regional de Noroeste, Dominican Republic.
- October 2002 Asemblea para Enfermeras Obstetricas: Presenter at the Puerto Rican conference on maternal infant health for obstetric nurses.

2001-2002 Nuevos Enfoques del Cuidado a la Mujer de Edad Reproductiva y al Infante, Presenter at conference held at the University Autonoma de Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic (offered 2 times at this site)

Jan.- March 2002 Childbirth Education Instruction: Precepted 4 students to become certified childbirth educators by ICEA.

Jan.-March 2002 Clinical Preceptorship: Prenatal, Intrapartum, Postpartum areas.

Jan. 2002 Preceptor Workshop: Developed and taught preceptor workshop for faculty of the Nurse-Midwifery Education Program.

**March 2000-
June 2001** **Clinical Instructor: Tufts University**
 Baystate Medical Center
 Springfield, MA
 Responsibilities included: Classroom and clinical teaching of nurse-midwifery students, classroom teaching of physician's assistants, and clinical preceptor for first year OB residents.

Specific Activities as Clinical Instructor at Tufts University
 2000-present Intrapartum Emergencies Class Nurse-Midwifery Ed. Program
 Baystate Medical Center
 Springfield MA

1997-2001 Preceptor for student nurse midwives AP, IP, PP, GYN, and FP Baystate Medical Center
 Springfield, MA

2001 Health Assessment of the Healthy Woman Class
 Physician's Assistant Ed. Program
 Baystate Medical Center
 Springfield MA

2000 Preceptor for 1st year OB residents (Intrapartum) Baystate Medical Center
 Springfield, MA

1996-1997 Primary Preceptor of Student Nurse-Midwife: Community Based Nurse-Midwifery Education Program
 Berkshire Medical Center
 Pittsfield, MA
 Primary Preceptor and educator of CNEP nurse-midwifery student.

1996-1997 Preceptor of Medical Students: University of Massachusetts
 Berkshire Medical Center
 Pittsfield, MA
 Preceptor of 3rd year medical students in the intrapartum area

1992 **Trainer/Preceptor of Student Childbirth Educator : International Childbirth Education Assoc.**

Providence Hospital

Holyoke, MA

Trainer and preceptor of childbirth education student seeking certification.

PROFESSIONAL and CLINICAL EXPERIENCE:

- 2006-present Riverbend Medical Group: staff nurse-midwife providing full scope midwifery care.
- 2004-2005 Women's Health Associates: staff nurse-midwife providing full scope midwifery care.
- 2003-2004 Nurse-Midwifery Triage Program, Baystate Medical Center
Provide direct patient care in OB and GYN triage department.
- 2001-2003 Nurse-Midwifery Education Program, University of Puerto Rico
Provide direct patient care in GYN, AP, IP, and PP areas.
- 1997 - 2001 Midwifery Care Associates, Holyoke, MA
Staff Nurse-Midwife: Provided full scope OB/GYN care for predominantly Puerto Rican indigent population. Coordinated care for high-risk caseload, compiled and analyzed statistics for practice and the hospital's Division of Midwifery, coordinated community outreach and educational programs, and coordinated patient education programs.
Hospital Committees: Journal Club and Protocol Committee
- 1996 - 1997 Berkshire Physicians and Surgeons, Pittsfield MA
Staff Nurse-Midwife: Provided full scope OB/GYN care, instituted quality assurance program, and compiled statistics for the practice
- 1995- 1996 Hilltown Health Systems, Worthington, MA
Community Educator: Wrote grants, organized and executed community education programs on preconception, pregnancy, birth, parenting, and breastfeeding.
- 1993 – 1995 Midwifery Care Associates, Holyoke MA
Staff Nurse-Midwife: Provided full scope OB/GYN care, patient education programs, community outreach and education.
- 1988 – 1991 Providence Hospital, Holyoke, MA
Staff Nurse: provided intrapartum, postpartum, and newborn nursing care.
Childbirth Educator: Instructed Childbirth education classes.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND INVITED LECTURES

2005-present	Monthly seminars on women's health topics for students at Smith College and the surrounding 5 college area.	
2006	IP Emergencies: 3 hour class on IP emergencies for midwifery students at the Baystate Medical Center Midwifery Education Program.	
2005	Grand Rounds: Improving Maternal Child Care in the Dominican Republic	Baystate Medical Center Springfield MA
2003	Guest speaker on GYN and OB topics	Ramon Powers High School San Juan, PR
2001-2003	Various Health Fairs (tables and presentation of various health topics)	Throughout PR
2001-2002	Co-ordination of primary care and women's health classes.	Centro Sor Isolina Ferre Caimito, PR
2001	Organization of health fair, including provision of complete GYN exams	Centro Sor Isolina Ferre Caimito, PR
2000	Understanding Your Body	ENLACE Holyoke MA
2000	La Menopausia (series of 2)	The Spirit of Women Springfield, MA
1999	All About Puberty	Healthy Teens Program Holyoke MA
1999	The Parenting Process (series of 6 lectures)	CARE Center Holyoke MA
1999	Teen Pregnancy and Options Counseling	Western Mass. Women's Fund Northampton, MA
1999	Sexually Transmitted Diseases (series of 3)	Mass. Dept. of Social Services Springfield MA
1998	The Importance of Prenatal Care	Centro de Educacion y Desarrollo Holyoke MA
1998	Nutrition	Centro de Educacion y Desarrollo Holyoke, MA
1998	Female and Male Anatomy	Healthy Teens Program Holyoke MA

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

1993 – present	American College of Nurse-Midwives
1998 - 2000	Chapter Chair, Region I, Chapter 13, Mass.
2001 – 2003	Founder & Chapter Chair, Region II, Chapter 13, Puerto Rico
2003-present	ACNM Accreditation Site Visitor
1987 – present	International Childbirth Education Association

PROFESSIONAL AND CERTIFICATES:

ACNM Certification	#6594	
ACNM CCA Cycle	#9903	exp. 9/07
CNM License Massachusetts	#188095NM	exp. 10/07
RN License Puerto Rico	# 27831	
Enfermera Especialista Partera Puerto Rico	# 918	
International Childbirth Education Association	# IM 13923	
CITI Course in The Protection of Human Subjects Research	#390134	

RESEARCH and PUBLICATIONS:

2006	“Maternal Body Mass Index, Delivery Route, and Induction of Labor in a Midwifery Caseload.” JMWH, vol. 5, 254-259, (July 2006).
2006	“Decision Making by Auxiliary Nurses to Assess Postpartum Bleeding in a Dominican Republic Maternity Ward.” JOGNN. Accepted for publication.
2005	“Midwifery Curriculum for Auxiliary Maternity Nurses: A Case Study in the Dominican Republic.” JMWH, vol.50, e45-e48, (July/August 2005).
2000	Factors Associated with the Duration of Breastfeeding (co-author, unpublished)
1993	Master’s Thesis: Factors Associated with Childbearing in Puerto Rican Adolescents (unpublished)

AWARDS:

- 2006 Best Poster: Research Award given at the ACNM annual meeting.
“Evaluation of Postpartum Bleeding by Maternity Nurses in the Dominican Republic.”
- 2003 Excellent Chapter Chair: ACNM
- 2002 Excellence in Teaching, ACNM Foundation
- 1993 Milton and Ann Sidney Prize for excellence in research at Yale University

INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE:

- 2003-present Proyecto ADAMES: please see above description
- 1999 Ixmucane Birth Center, Guatemala
Nurse-Midwife Volunteer: Provided full scope OB/GYN care
- 1985- 1988 Peace Corps, Ecuador and the Dominican Republic
Health Volunteer, Ecuador: Provided primary care, immunization campaigns, health education programs, latrine construction, rainwater collection projects, and fisheries/farming/chicken projects.
Health Volunteer, Dominican Republic: Created physical assessment tool for nurse’s aides in childcare organization.

- OTHER SKILLS:** Fluent in Spanish, computer skills, music, and art