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## **Education**

Dr.P.H. University of Texas-Houston Health Science Center  
School of Public Health, 1994  
Major area: Health Promotion and Health Education.

Doctoral Dissertation: *Correlates of Prenatal Care Initiation Among Low-Income Hispanic Women*

M.P.H. University of California at Los Angeles School of Public Health, 1986  
Major area: Behavioral Sciences and Health Education

B.S.N. University of Arizona at Tucson, 1978  
Major area: Public Health Nursing

## **Work Experience**

- 9/02-present      *Associate Professor of Health Promotion and Behavioral Sciences,*  
University of Texas-Houston School of Public Health, El Paso Regional  
Campus.  
Research focus on cancer prevention and early detection, working with  
Hispanic communities, US-Mexico border health issues, maternal and  
child health.
- 2/04-present      *Adjunct Associate Professor of Research*  
Texas Tech Medical School Regional El Paso Campus  
Assisting with research on diabetes, focusing on behavioral change and  
glycemic control.
- 3/94-8/02      *Assistant Professor of Behavioral Sciences and Health Education,*  
University of Texas-Houston School of Public Health, El Paso Regional  
Campus.  
Activities include: Teaching Behavioral Sciences and Health  
Promotion/Health Education to masters and doctoral level students, and  
advising students. Research interests include community development  
methods of health promotion, especially in the area of maternal and child  
health. Particularly interested in border health and communicable disease  
issues, cancer prevention and prenatal care and breastfeeding. Also  
investigator, Center For Health Promotion and Prevention Research.
- 9/02-present      *Adjunct Associate Professor,* UTEP College of Health Sciences

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Activities include: Serving on masters and doctoral committees and assisting with practica and preceptorship of nursing students. Working with faculty on research projects.

8/95-9/02

*Adjunct Assistant Professor, UTEP College of Health Sciences*

8/94-97

*Adjunct Assistant Professor, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, New Mexico.*

Activities included: teaching introduction to health promotion theory upon request, as well as working with masters students on theses.

8/90-3/94

*Project Director/Research Associate, Southwest Center For Prevention Research, Center for Health Promotion Research and Development, University of Texas Health Sciences Center, School of Public Health. Houston, Texas.*

Activities included: Directing a project aimed at transferring theory-driven health promotion techniques to eight state health departments. Consultation with state and local health departments, planning of conferences, and coordination of consultations with research faculty.

7/87-7/90

*Coordinator of Public Health Activities, (3 year term) Project Verdad, El Paso, TX and Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico.*

(A binational project of the Presbyterian Church of Mexico and the Presbyterian Church U.S.A.)

Served seven outlying neighborhoods (*colonias*) in Mexico and one in the U.S.A., as well as the El Paso inner city area. Activities included: (1) development of a training program for community health promoters, (2) coordination of seven primary care clinics, (3) formation of a network of community agencies, (4) development of a child-to-child program which taught older siblings to serve as health promoters and provided health education to youth, (5) coordination of community health fairs in Ciudad Juarez and El Paso for three summers, (6) consultation with nursing faculty at UTEP in planning and holding community meetings which led to a large community health grant funded by the Kellogg Foundation, and (7) development and distribution of a directory of social services in Ciudad Juarez, in coordination with the University of Juarez School of Social Work and DIF (Mexican health and social service agency).

9/86-6/87

*Health Educator, American Cancer Society, San Fernando Valley Unit, Van Nuys, CA.*

Recruited and trained health education volunteers. Responsible for Public Education and Nursing Committees. Developed and implemented health education projects in coordination with Cancer Society volunteers. Member of the Ethnic Coordinating Council.

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9/84-7/86                    *Research Assistant*, UCLA School of Public Health, Los Angeles, CA.  
Assisted with data collection and evaluation of an international survey of health professionals for development of indicators of health promoting behavior for a WHO-UCLA project.

7/79-9/84                    *Public Health Nurse*, Pima County Health Department, Tucson, AZ.  
Worked as a district nurse conducting home visits to provide health education and advocacy to primarily Hispanic clients, particularly pregnant teenagers. Also responsible for well child clinics and screening of hearing and vision at a local parochial school. Member of the Teenaged Pregnancy Task Force that developed an education program for teenaged pregnancy prevention. Chair of the In-service Education Committee.

10/78-7/79                    *Staff Nurse*, Tucson General Hospital, Tucson, AZ.  
Worked obstetrics, labor and delivery and emergency room.

### **Honors and Awards**

Member Eta Sigma Gamma (Health Education Honorary Society, since 2000)

“Outstanding Teacher of the Year” award by students of UTSPH, 1998

“Special Initiatives in Cancer Control” award by the El Paso ACS, 1996

Dorothy Huskey Excellence in Health Education Practice Award, 1994

Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities, 1991

Member Sigma Theta Tau (Nursing Honorary Society, since 1980)

### **Major Teaching Responsibilities at UTHSC-Houston SPH**

**PHW1110 Social and Behavioral Aspects of Community Health (online).** Core course in the behavioral sciences for non-majors.

**PH 1112 Health Promotion Theory and Methods II:** Promoting change at the community, organizational and government level. This class focuses on community organization and development, as well as Diffusion of Innovations Theory, organizational change, and Media Advocacy for political change. Taught via ITV.

**PHEP 1498 Classic Readings in Public Health:** A seminar course based on historic and modern readings in all five areas of public health.

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**PHEP 7498 Health Promotion Planning: PRECEDE/PROCEED:** A course focusing on the use of one planning method (PRECEDE/PROCEED) to assess communities and help them develop health promotion activities. This course uses both lecture and actual field experience.

**PHEP 1111 Health Promotion Theory and Methods I.** Promoting change at the individual level. Co-teaching with faculty in Brownsville and Houston via ITV.

### **Other Teaching Activities**

2005-2006	Program Evaluation workshop (taught 4 times) for health department staff (El Paso), TxPHA (Dallas), TDH region in Harlingen, and Texas Cancer Council (Austin).
2004	Nursing practicum in community environmental health, course required for community health nurses at UTEP.
2003	Guest Lecturer, UTHSC, SPH at El Paso, "Ethics in Research" and "Scale Development"
2001-2002	Guest Lecturer, UTEP Nursing Program, "Risk Communication".
2001	Guest Lecturer, UTEP/UT Austin Cooperative Pharmacy Program, "Health Issues on the US-Mexico Border".
2001	Guest Lecturer, UTEP College of Health Sciences, "Health Issues on the US-Mexico Border".
1996-2001	Guest Lecturer, Texas Tech Medical School, El Paso Regional Campus, "Community Oriented Primary Health Care—Community Assessment".
1995-2001	Guest Lecturer, UTEP School of Nursing, "Health Promotion Theories".
1994-2001	Guest Lecturer, University of Texas School of Public Health, in PH7115. "The Health Belief Model in Practice".
February, 1994	Co-teacher, course on health promotion intervention at the community level, University of Texas School of Public Health. Responsible for unit on community development and community organizing.
July, 1993	Guest Lecturer, Texas Woman's University School of Nursing, Senior Nursing Class. "The Health Belief Model In Practice" and "Community Development Methods in Health Education".

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- 1990-1993 Guest Lecturer, School of Public Health, University of Texas Health Sciences Center at Houston, Health Promotion Intervention at the Community Level. "Community Development Methods in Health Education".
- April 1992 Guest Lecturer, Texas State Health Department, Training for Regional Managers. "Using Community Development Methods in Health Departments".
- 1985 Guest Lecturer, School of Nursing, University of Southern California, Senior Nursing Class. "Cross-cultural Community Health Nursing".

### **Grant and Research Activities**

- 10/06-09/09 Co Principal Investigator, NIH/NHGRI "Interactive CD-ROM on Cancer Genetics for Hispanics" 20% time (\$1,315,196 total direct cost). The goals of this project are to develop an interactive CD-ROM to educate Hispanic women about cancer risk and genetic testing, and to conduct a randomized, controlled evaluation that compares the efficacy of the CD-ROM program when used alone vs. when used with a *promotora*-assisted approach.
- 10/05-09/06 PI, "Understanding system variables in colorectal cancer screening" Texas Tech Medical School EXPORT grant pilot project, (\$15,000).
- 10/04-09/06 Co Principal Investigator, ASPH/CDC "Promotoras de Salud Contra Hipertension" 10% time. (\$124,899).
- 10/04-09/07 Co-Investigator, CDC "Community Interventions in Non-medical Settings to Increase Informed Decision Making (IDM) for Prostate Cancer Screening" 20% time. (\$1,877,577)
- 3/04-9/04 Principal Investigator, Texas Tech Medical School (sub-contract) "Understanding Research in Public Schools" 20% time. (\$20,000).
- 9/03-9/08 Co-investigator, NIH "Hispanic Health Disparities Research Center" 10% time. (\$4,089,920).
- 9/02-9/07 Co-investigator, CDC "LINCC: Latinos in a Network for Cancer Control". 5% time (\$260,657).
- 3/01-3/02 Principal Investigator, CDC/TDH "The Border Youth Health Survey" 15% time. (Sub-contract, \$23,000).

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- 10/99-9/02 Principal Investigator, ASPH/CDC "Increasing Cervical Cancer Screening in Hispanic Women" 25% time. (\$357,000).
- 9/00-8/02 Principal Investigator, PDNHF "Collegiate Project Assistance Initiative" 3% time. (\$29,800).
- 11/1/98-10/31/99 Co-Principal investigator, UTEP/TxDOT. "An Intervention to increase use of seatbelts by children and adults on the US-Mexico border" 18% time. (Sub-contract, \$12,195).
- 3/1/98-12/31/99 Principal Investigator, Paso del Norte Health Foundation/UTEP. "When Water Works for Health" 5% time. (\$54,610).
- 1996-2000 Co-investigator. Centers for Disease Control "Minority Women's Attitudes Toward Hysterectomy" 5% time. (Janet Groff, Principal Investigator, \$120,681).
- 1996-1998 Co-Principal Investigator, Environmental Protection Agency/UTEP/CERM "Community Partnership Program for Environmental Justice" 5% time. (\$270,000).
- 1996-1998 Principal Investigator, Texas Educational Coordinating Board "Ethnicity, Acculturation, and Birth Outcomes among Mexican-Americans, Mexican Immigrants, and Anglos". Sub contract with the Population Research Center, UT Austin 9% time (\$9,000).
- 1996-1998 Co-Investigator, Texas Department of Transportation. "Increasing seat belt use in a border community" 10% time (Lawrence Cohn, PI, \$7,000).
- 1996-1998 Co-Principal Investigator, University of Arizona Rural Health Office. "Evaluating the Border Vision Fronteriza Project" 5% time. (\$10,000).
- 1993-1996 Co-Investigator. Centers for Disease Control, "Development of New Interventions for Smoking Cessation, Maintenance and Environmental Tobacco Smoke Protection of Low Income Women and Their Partners" 5% time. (Patricia Dolan Mullen, P.I. \$114,571. A project of the Southwest Center for Prevention Research, P.I.: Guy Parcel, Darwin Labarthe, \$6,000,000).
- 1994-1995 Co-investigator. Environmental Protection Agency, "An Outreach Program to Provide Environmental Education to Community Health Workers on the US Mexico Border" 7% time. (Irina Cech, P.I. \$69,594).

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- 1994-1995 Co-Principal Investigator. UTEP and Center for Environmental Resource Management, "Development of Risk Assessment and Risk Communication Methods along the US Mexico Border" 20% time. (Jim Vanderslice, P.I. \$72,090).
- 1994-1996 Co-Investigator. The John D. and Catherine T. Macarthur Foundation "Women and Reproductive Health on the US Mexico Border" 20% time donated.
- 1991-1992 Principal Investigator. March of Dimes, "Attitudes and Beliefs toward Prenatal Care among Low-Income Hispanic Women" 20% time donated. (\$2,000).
- 1991 Grant Proposal Coordinator. Centers for Disease Control, HIV Prevention in the Schools.
- 1991 Co-author. Public Welfare Foundation, Funding for Health Coordinator of Comunidades Unidas Pro-Salud (CUPS).

#### **Publications in Peer Reviewed Journals**

**Byrd TL**, Chavez R, Wilson KM. Barriers and Facilitators of Pap Test Screening in Hispanic Women. *Ethnicity and Disease*. (in press).

Tortolero-Luna G, **Byrd TL**, Groff JY, Linares AC, Mullen, PD, Cantor SB. Relationship Between English Language Use and Preferences for Involvement in Medical Care Among Hispanic Women. *Journal of Women's Health* (in press).

Saller J, Reyes P, Maldonado PA, Gibas SG, **Byrd TL**. Children's Exposure to Pesticides Used in Homes and Farms. *Journal of Environmental Health*, (in press).

Leyva M, **Byrd TL**, Tarwater P. (2006) Attitudes Toward Cervical Cancer Screening: A study of beliefs among women in Mexico. *Californian Journal of Health Promotion* 4(2): 13-24.

Cantor SB, **Byrd TL** Grof, JY, Mullen PD, Tortolero G, Reyes Y. (2005) The translation process in survey research: A cost analysis. *Hispanic Journal of Behavioral Sciences* 27: 364-370.

Reeve K, **Byrd TL**, Quill BE. (2004) Health promotion attitudes and practices of Texas Nurse Practitioners. *Journal of the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners* 16(3), 125-133.

**Byrd TL**, Peterson SK, Chavez R, Heckert A. (2004) Cervical Cancer Screening Beliefs Among Young Hispanic Women. *Preventive Medicine* 38(2), 192-197.

Potter JE, Moore AM, **Byrd TL**. (2003) Cross-Border Procurement of Contraception:

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Estimates from a Postpartum Survey in El Paso, Texas. *Contraception* 64(4), 281-287.

McKinnon S, O'Rourke K, **Byrd TL**. (2003) Increased Risk of Alcohol Abuse among College Students Living on the US/Mexico Border: Implications for Prevention. *Journal of American College Health* 51 (4): 163-167.

Goff HW, Shelton AJ, **Byrd TL**, Parcel GS. (2003) Preparedness of Health Care Practitioners to Screen Women for Domestic Violence in a Border Community. *Health Care for Women International* 24: 135-148.

Cherrington A, Lewis CE, McCreath HE, Herman CJ, Richter DL, and **Byrd TL**. (2003) Association of complementary and alternative medicine use demographic factors, and perimenopausal symptoms in a multiethnic sample of women: the ENDOW study. *Family and Community Health* 26(1):74-83.

Cohn L, Hernandez D, **Byrd TL**, Cortes M. (2002) A program to increase seat belt use along the Texas Mexico border. *American Journal of Public Health* 92: 1918-1920.

**Byrd TL**, Kelly M, Colwell B. (2002). Perceptions about Comprehensive School Health Education from adults living in Texas near the Mexico border. *Journal of Border Health* Vol VI (2):38-43.

Green D, Vanderslice J, **Byrd TL**, Cardenas V. (2002). Use of local BRFSS data in the development of health promotion programs. *Journal of Health Promotion Practice* 3(4):457-462.

Hoke M, **Byrd TL**, Kelly M, Brandon J, Lang P. (2002) The Clinic HELP Initiative: Promoting health education in primary care clinics. *Journal of Health Promotion Practice* 3(4):477-484.

Richter D, Greaney ML, McKeown R, Cornell CE, Littleton MA, Pulley L, Groff J, **Byrd TL**, Herman CJ. (2001). Developing a video intervention to model effective patient-physician communication and health-related decision-making skills for a multiethnic audience. *Journal of the American Women's Medical Association* 56:174-176.

**Byrd TL**, Cardenas V, Pauli A. (2001). Self-reported use of cervical cancer screening among Hispanic women of two US-Mexico border counties. *Journal of Women's Cancer* 3(2):49-55.

Parchman M and **Byrd TL**. (2001). Access to health care on the US-Mexico border. *Health Care for the Poor and Underserved* 12(4): 404-14.

**Byrd TL**, VanDerslice J, Peterson SK. (2001). Attitudes and beliefs about environmental hazards in three diverse communities living on the US-Mexico border. *Pan American Journal of Public Health* 9(3):154-160.

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Goff H, **Byrd TL**, Shelton A, Parcel GS. (2001). Health care professionals' skills, beliefs, and expectations about screening for domestic violence in a border community. *Family and Community Health* 24(1):39-54.

**Byrd TL**, Balcazar H, Hummer RA. (2001). Acculturation and breastfeeding intention and practice in Hispanic women on the US-Mexico border. *Ethnicity and Disease* 11(1):72-9.

Howard CA, Andrade SJ, **Byrd TL**. (2001). The ethical dimensions of cultural competence in border health care settings. *Family and Community Health* 23(4):36-49.

Parada M, Cohn L, Gonzalez E, **Byrd TL**, Cortes, M. (2001). The validity of self-reported seatbelt use: Hispanic and non-Hispanic drivers. *Accident Analysis and Prevention* 33:139-143.

Groff J, Mullen PD, **Byrd TL**, Shelton AJ, Lees E, Goode J. (2000). Decision-making, beliefs, and attitudes toward hysterectomy: A focus group study with medically underserved women in Texas. *Journal of Women's Health and Gender Based Medicine* 9(2) Supplement 2: 39-50.

**Byrd TL**, Cohn L, Gonzalez E, Parada M, Cortez M. (1999). Seatbelt use and belief in destiny among Hispanic and non-Hispanic drivers. *Accident Analysis and Prevention* 31(1-2):63-5.

**Byrd TL**, VanDerslice J, Peterson SK. (1997). Variation in environmental risk perceptions and information sources among three communities in El Paso, Texas. *RISK: Health Safety and the Environment* Vol. 8(4):355-372.

**Byrd T L**, Mullen PD, Selwyn B, Lorimor R. (1996). Initiation of prenatal care by low-income Hispanic women in Houston. *Public Health Reports* 111:70-74.

Gorman T, **Byrd TL**, Vanderslice J. (1995). Breastfeeding practices, attitudes, and beliefs among Hispanic women and men in a border community. *Family and Community Health* 18(2): 17-27.

**Byrd TL**. (1992). Project Verdad--a community development approach to health. *HYGIE* XI/4:15-19.

### **Papers under Review**

Witt K and **Byrd TL**. West Nile Virus: The use of Personal Protective Barriers among the Elderly.

**Byrd TL**, Hoke M, Gottlieb N. Integrating Health Education into Clinical Settings.

Hoke MM, **Byrd TL**, Gottlieb NH. Transitioning Health Educators to Clinical Settings.

## Books and Book Chapters

**Byrd TL** (2003). Cross-Border Environmental Issues (US-Mexico). In: West B, Lewis MJ, Greenberg MR, Sachsman DB, Rogers RM Eds. *The Reporter's Environmental Handbook* (Third Edition). New Brunswick, New Jersey: Rutgers University Press.

VanDerslice J, Liebman A, **Byrd TL**. (1999). Community-university partnerships addressing environmental issues along the US-Mexico border. In: Loustaunau MO, Sanchez-Bane M. Eds. *Life, Death and In-Between on the US-Mexico Border: Asi es La Vida*. Westport, Connecticut: Bergin and Garvey.

Power JG, **Byrd TL**. Eds. (1998). *U.S.-Mexico Border Health: Issues for Regional and Migrant Populations*. Thousand Oaks, California: Sage Publications.

**Byrd TL**. (1998). Notes on community health from research and practice. In: Power JG, **Byrd TL**. Eds. *U.S.-Mexico Border Health: Issues for Regional and Migrant Populations*. Thousand Oaks, California: Sage Publications.

Parietti EM, Ferreira-Pinto J, **Byrd TL**. (1998). Easy access to contraceptives among female adolescents in a U.S.-Mexico border city. In: Power JG, **Byrd TL**. Eds. *U.S.-Mexico Border Health: Issues for Regional and Migrant Populations*. Thousand Oaks, California: Sage Publications.

## Other Publications

Saller, J., Reyes, P., Maldonado, P.A., Gibbs, S.G., and **Byrd, T.** (2006) Pesticides Used in Homes and Farms in El Paso, Texas. "Letter to the Editor". *Southern Medical Journal*, 99(4): 404-405.

**Byrd, TL.** (2005). Avoiding Outrage in Risk Communication. *On Tap* 5(1): 28-30.

**Byrd TL.** (2002). Book Review: Needs Assessment in Public Health: A Practical Guide for Students and Professionals. By Donna J. Petersen and Greg R. Alexander. *Health Education Research Theory and Practice* 17(2), 272.

**Byrd TL.** (2000). Book Review: Women Crossing Boundaries: A Psychology of Immigration and Transformation of Sexuality. By Olivia Espin. *Journal of Immigrant Health* 2(4): 231-232.

VanDerslice J, Mroz R, **Byrd TL**. (1996). Survey of health and environmental conditions in selected colonias of El Paso County, Texas: Final report. Office of Border Health, Texas Department of Health, Austin, Texas.

**Byrd TL**, VanDerslice J. (1996). Perception of environmental risk in three El Paso communities. Proceedings of the 1996 WERK Conference, Albuquerque, NM.

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Mullen PD and **Byrd TL**. (1995). Prenatal Care. In *Babies and You: A Prenatal Health Promotion Program*. White Plains; March Of Dimes.

Claudet R, Serrano B, **Byrd TL**. (1994). A bit of botulin toxin. *The El Paso Physician* 17(10):8-9.

Orpinas P, Lewis J, **Byrd TL**. Eds. (1992). *Assessment of Needs for Violence Prevention* (unpublished report for Houston Independent School District). Houston, TX: University of Texas, School of Public Health.

### **Presentations and Abstracts**

Evelyn Chan, MD, MS<sup>1</sup>, L. Kay Bartholomew, EdD, MPH<sup>2</sup>, Patricia Mullen, DrPH<sup>2</sup>, **Theresa Byrd, DrPH, RN**<sup>3</sup>, Stephanie McFall, PhD<sup>4</sup>, Maria E. Fernandez, PhD<sup>2</sup>, John Ureda, DrPH<sup>5</sup>, Heather M. Brandt, PhD, CHES<sup>6</sup>, Robert Volk, PhD<sup>7</sup>, Maria L. Jibaja-Weiss, EdD<sup>7</sup>, Pat Morales<sup>8</sup>, Deloris G. Williams, RN, MSN, PhD<sup>9</sup>, Dolores B. Scott, MEd<sup>10</sup>, Ruth Martin, MPH<sup>11</sup>, Jessica A. Calderon, MPH, CHES<sup>3</sup>, Adriana Valdes<sup>8</sup>, and Myriam Leyva, MPH, CHES<sup>2</sup> : Informed Decision Making about Prostate Cancer Screening: Process Issues in Community-Based Participatory Research with African Americans and Hispanics, UICC World Cancer Congress 2006, Washington, DC, July 8-12, 2006

Haltiwanger, Emily and **Byrd TL**. Improvement in adherence behaviors of type 2 diabetes mellitus in Mexican-American elderly by a culturally-appropriate support group mentoring system, World Federation of Occupational Therapy, Sydney, Australia, July 2006.

“Women and Smoking” **Byrd, TL**. Legacy Foundation Conference on Smoking and Health, Las Cruces, NM, January 12, 2005.

“Project AMIGAS” **Byrd TL** and Chavez R. Making Connections/Conexiones: An Interdisciplinary Conference to Address Disparities in Health Status in the American Southwest. Las Cruces, New Mexico, October, 2003.

“Project Amigas: Using Theory to Develop Health Promotion Interventions” **Byrd TL**, Chavez R. SOPHE Mid-Year Conference, Las Cruces, New Mexico, June 2003.

“Risk Communication for Nurses, Parts I and II” **Theresa Byrd**. Texas Nursing Leadership Conference, Austin, Texas, February, 2003.

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“Risk Communication for Nurses” **Theresa Byrd**. Texas Nursing Leadership Conference, El Paso, Texas, February, 2002.

“Results of the El Paso/Juarez Youth Risk Behavior Survey” **Theresa Byrd**, Daniel Green, Juan Zeballos, Border Health Care Conference, El Paso, TX, April, 2002

“Increasing Cervical cancer Screening in Hispanic Women” **Theresa Byrd**, Andrea Heckert and Raf Chavez, Conference on Health Communications, El Paso, TX, June 2002.

“Increasing Cervical cancer Screening in Hispanic Women” **Theresa Byrd**, CHPPR continuing education workshop, Santa Fe, NM, May 2002.

“Barriers to the use of cervical cancer screening among Hispanic women aged 18-25” **Theresa Byrd**, Andrea Heckert and Jeannie Concha, APHA Conference, Atlanta, Georgia, October, 2001.

“The association between coping strategies, social support, diabetes health care utilization and type 2 diabetes management among individuals residing along the US-Mexico border” Jeannie Concha, **Theresa Byrd**, Melchor Ortiz, Tamis Bright, APHA Conference, Atlanta, Georgia, October, 2001.

“The clinic HELP initiative: Promoting health education in ambulatory care sites” Mary Hoke, **Theresa Byrd**, APHA Conference, Atlanta, Georgia, October, 2001.

“Assessment of Alcohol Related behaviors among university students on the US/Mexico Border” Sarah McKinnon, Kathleen O’Rourke, and **Theresa Byrd**, and Melchor Ortiz, APHA Conference, Atlanta, Georgia, October, 2001.

“Cervical Cancer Screening on the US-Mexico Border: What do we know, and what needs to be done?” **Theresa Byrd**, US-Mexico Border Health Meeting of the UT System Border Health Office, South Padre, Texas, November, 2000.

“Cervical Cancer Screening in the Paso del Norte Region”. **Theresa Byrd**, Victor Cardenas, and Ann Pauli. American Public Health Association Convention, Chicago, November, 1999.

“Access to Health Care on the US-Mexico Border” Michael Parchman, MD and **Theresa Byrd, RN, Dr.P.H.** American Public Health Association Convention, Chicago, November, 1999.

“Cervical Cancer Screening in the Paso del Norte Region”. **Theresa Byrd**, Victor Cardenas, and Ann Pauli. US-Mexico Border Health Association Conference, San Antonio, June, 1999.

“Access to Health Care on the US-Mexico Border” Michael Parchman, MD and **Theresa Byrd, RN, Dr.P.H.** US-Mexico Border Health Association Conference, San Antonio, June, 1999.

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“Breastfeeding practices, attitudes and Beliefs among Hispanic women on the US Mexico border”. **Theresa Byrd**, Tracy Gorman, Jim VanDerslice. American Public Health Association, November, 1998.

“The Translation Process in Survey Research: A Cost Analysis” Scott B. Cantor, Ph.D., **Theresa Byrd, Dr.P.H** , Janet Y. Groff, M.D., Ph.D., Yesenia Reyes, M.P.H.,Patricia Dolan Mullen, Dr.P.H., Society for Medical Decision Making, October, 1998.

“The Border Vision Fronteriza Project” **Theresa Byrd, Dr.P.H.** and Jim VanDerslice, Ph.D. US Mexico Border Health Conference, Phoenix, AZ, June 3, 1997.

“The Challenge of Teen Pregnancy” **Theresa Byrd, Dr.P.H.** and Leticia Flores, MPH. UTEP Nursing Border Health Conference, El Paso, TX, May 30,1997.

“Perceptions of Risk in Three El Paso Communities” **Theresa Byrd, Dr.P.H.** and Jim VanDerslice, Ph.D. HSRC/WERC Joint Conference on the Environment, Albuquerque, NM, May 21-23, 1996.

"Correlates of Prenatal Care Initiation Among Low-Income Hispanic Women" **Theresa Byrd, Dr.P.H.**, Patricia Dolan Mullen, Dr.P.H., Bebe Selwyn, Sc.D., and Ron Lorimor, Ph.D. National Society for Public Health Education Mid-year Conference, Little Rock, AR, June, 1995.

### **Invited Talks, Presentations, and Workshops**

“Community Assessment”, April 2004, Universidad Autonoma de Cd. Juarez, workshop for faculty and students of the College of Health Sciences.

“The Transtheoretical Model in Practice”, May 2004, Universidad Autonoma de Cd. Juarez, workshop for faculty and students of the College of Health Sciences.

“Risk Communication” May 2002, UTMB Nursing School, short workshop for nursing students.

“Risk Communication” a workshop presented at the US-Mexico Border Health Association Meeting, May 29, 2001.

“Smoking and Health” presented at the NOEP conference in El Paso, Texas March 9, 2001.

“Risk Communication” a workshop presented to the Texas Department of Health, November 28, 2000.

“Theoretically speaking about school health nursing” Texas School Health Association, El Paso, Texas, February 6, 1999.

“Working in Community” The Access Project Conference. El Paso, TX, September, 1998.

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“Risk communication”. Border Toxicology Conference. El Paso, TX , May 1, 1998.

“Breastfeeding practices, attitudes and beliefs among Hispanic women on the US Mexico border”. US Mexico Border Conference on Children’s Health: The Effects of Poverty on Children’s Health. El Paso, TX, October 22-24, 1997.

“Recruiting Hispanic Populations into Cancer Clinical Trials Using Community Development Methods” UT MD Anderson Conference on Recruiting Minority Populations into Cancer Clinical Trials, Houston, TX June 7, 1997.

"Current Trends in Health Education." Texas Public Health Association annual meeting in Corpus Christi, TX, March, 1994.

"Train the Trainer--Especially for Health Departments." Workshop held at the National Society for Public Health Education (SOPHE) annual meeting, Austin, TX, June, 1992.

"Community Development as a Health Promotion Method." Texas Society for Public Health Education (TSOPHE) annual meeting, Beaumont, TX. March, 1992.

"Tabaco: Cómo Afecta a la Salud" (Tobacco: How it Affects Health), segment of *La Hora Presbiteriana* television program, broadcast on a Spanish-language television station in El Paso, TX, 1990.

### **Consultant and Volunteer Positions**

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| 2005-present | <i>Consultant</i> for a Battelle/CDC project evaluating the AMIGAS program for increasing cervical cancer screening in Hispanic women.   |
| 2003-2005    | <i>Member</i> Center for Border Health Promotion Advisory board and chair of the community assessment committee. Planning community assessments for three communities, training center board and staff in qualitative research and community based participatory research. |
| 2001-2002    | <i>Mentor</i> to a McNair scholar at the University of Texas at El Paso.   |
| 2000-2002    | <i>Consultant</i> to the hand washing and hygiene project of the Paso del Norte Health Foundation.   |
| 2000-2001    | <i>Advisor</i> to the Arizona Rural Health Office Evaluation Toolkit Project.  |
| 1999-2001    | <i>Volunteer consultant</i> to La Mujer Obrera, a women worker’s organization. Assisted in the development of a health survey, training of interviewers, data entry and analysis.  |

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- 1999-present *Advisor* to the El Paso Diabetes Association. Helping them to develop evaluation materials and consider options for intervention.
- 1998-2001 *Advisor* to the Border Vision Fronteriza continuation Project.
- 1989-1999 *Volunteer consultant* to the San Vicente Clinic, assisting in the evaluation of their Paso a Paso Diabetes Education Program.
- 1/98-present *Consultant* to the Clinic HELP Initiative of the Paso del Norte Health Foundation. As part of the Technical Assistance Team, work with health educators in community clinics to improve their skills.
- 1997-present *Volunteer consultant* Manhattan Presbyterian Church as they develop parish nursing and community health outreach programs.
- 1997-present *Volunteer consultant* to the Paso del Norte Health Foundation, assisting them in development of future plans.
- 1/94-3/94 *Consultant* to the "All Kids Count" project, Houston Texas. Ran focus groups in the Hispanic community around the issue of immunization and barriers to immunization services. Results were used to improve service delivery in the Houston area.
- 1/91-1/97 *Consultant, Comunidades Unidas Pro Salud/Communities United for Health (CUPS)*.  
Activities included: Consultation regarding community development and health projects in several small farming communities in Mexico, near the Texas border. Assisted in writing a grant proposal to the Public Welfare Foundation to fund a health coordinator.
- 1991, 1994 *Consultant, March of Dimes*.  
Assisted in the development of a curriculum for women in the workplace who are considering becoming pregnant. Babies and You (at the Workplace) Program.
- 1987-1990 Trainer, American Cancer Society, El Paso Unit, El Paso, TX.  
"Teaching Breast Self-Exam".
- 1987 Smoking Cessation Instructor, American Cancer Society, San Fernando Valley Unit, Van Nuys, California.
- 1/85-7/86 *Volunteer RN/Health Educator, Venice Family Clinic, Venice, CA*.  
Assisted with health care in both the pediatric and women's clinics,

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serving primarily Hispanic clients. Conducted a needs assessment for the clinic regarding the availability of prenatal care for Hispanic women in the community.

10/85-11/85      *Consultant* to the Western Consortium for the Health Professions. Planned and coordinated a 3-day symposium on indicators of health promotive behavior at UCLA.

8/80-9/84      *Volunteer Childbirth Educator*, Dar a Luz Free Clinic for Spanish speaking women, Tucson, AZ.

### **Journal Editorial Boards**

*Family and Community Health* (Member editorial board, 1996-present)

### **Journal Reviewer**

*American Journal of Community Psychology, Pan American Journal of Public Health, Family and Community Health, Social Science and Medicine, AIDS Care, Ethnicity and Disease, Journal of Health Promotion Practice, Science Communication, Journal of Perinatology.*

### **Advisory Committees**

Center for Border Health Promotion Advisory Board (2003-2004).

CDC/NIH/ACS Annual Cancer Conference, planning committee (2000-2001).

Advisory Panel for US Representative Silvestre Reyes, member (1997-2001).

Awards for Excellence in School Health, Judge (1991-2001).

United Way, Physical Health Problem Solving Group (6/92-93).

UTEP College of Nursing, Advisory board for the Nurse Practitioner Program

### **Boards**

Committee for the Protection of Human Subjects (IRB), UTHSC-Houston (2000-present)

Board of Directors, American Cancer Society (Chair, 1999-2001) El Paso Unit

Board of Directors, American Cancer Society Texas Division (1998-2004)

Advisory Board, Center for Border Health Research (1998-2003; Chair 2001-2003)

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Executive Board, Cancer Consortium of El Paso (1996-1997)

Institutional Review Board, Providence Memorial Hospital (1996-2000)

Board of Directors, Project Vida (1994-1996)

Board of Directors, Comunidades Unidas pro-Salud (1993-1996)

### **Memberships and Affiliations**

American Public Health Association (PHEHP Section: Resolutions Committee Chair, 1994-1996; Governing Counselor, 1996-98; Section Counselor 1999-2001; Chair Nominations Committee, 2001-2002, incoming Section Chair, 2003, Section Chair, 2004-2005)

Texas Society for Public Health Education (President, 1992-1994)

Paso del Norte Society for Public Health Education (President 2002)

Society for Public Health Education (National Conference Planning Committee, 1992; Board of Trustees member at large, 2001-2003, Chair, mid-year conference planning committee, 2002-2003)

Scientific Advisory Committee, Texas Division, American Cancer Society (1996-2005)

Volunteer and Diversity Committee, Texas Division, American Cancer Society (1996-2005)

Comprehensive School Health Committee, Texas Division, American Cancer Society (1996-2005)

American Association of University Women

### **Licenses**

Texas RN 539296

Arizona RN (inactive)

California RN (inactive)

### **Special Skills**

Spanish, written and oral