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EDUCATION AND TRAINING

April, 1992	Post-Doctoral Fellowship , National Cancer Institute
December, 1989	Ph.D. , Psychology, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
August, 1986	M.A. , Psychology, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
May, 1979	B.A. , (Suma Cum Laudae) Psychology, Loyola University, New Orleans, LA

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

September, 2004	Associate Professor of Behavioral Sciences (Tenured) . Division of Behavioral Sciences and Health Promotion, University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston School of Public Health.
September, 1995 - August, 2004	Assistant Professor of Behavioral Sciences (Tenure-Track) . Center for Health Promotion and Prevention Research, University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston School of Public Health.
May, 1992 - August, 1995	Assistant Professor of Behavioral Sciences (Non-Tenure Track) . Center for Health Promotion Research and Development, University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston School of Public Health.
May, 1991 - April, 1992	Post-Doctoral Research Fellow . Center for Health Promotion. Research and Development, University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston School of Public Health.
March 1990 - March, 1991	Research Specialist . Department of Psychology, University of Arizona.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Fall, 1994 - Present	Multicultural Populations and Public Health Research – PH1350/4498.	Primary Instructor.
Fall, 1996-1997, 2006	Social and Behavioral Aspects of Community Health – PH1110.	Co-Instructor.
Spring, 2000-2002	Social and Behavioral Aspects of International Health Promotion: Case Studies - PH1498.	Co-Instructor.
Fall, 1998	Diversity and the Modern Organization - PH3998	Co-Instructor.
Spring, 1994 - 1996	Advanced Theories of Health Promotion - PH7498	Co-Instructor.
Fall, 1992 - 1995	Health Promotion Theories & Methods - PH7115	Co-Instructor.

HONORS AND AWARDS

2005 - 2006	The Rockefeller Foundation Resident Fellowship in the Social Sciences and Humanities. Awarded at the Regional Center for Multidisciplinary Research, National Autonomous University of Mexico.
1999, 2001, 2004	UTSPH Excellence in Scholarship Incentive Award
1996 - 2006	UTSPH Excellence in Research Incentive Award
1990.	Workshop on HIV Infection and AIDS. Invited Participant. National Institute of Mental Health. Fairfax, VA,
1990	Outstanding Dissertation Award. Board of Ethnic Minority Affairs, American Psychological Association
1979	<i>Suma Cum Laude</i> , Loyola University. Psi Chi. Psychology Honors Society

GRANTS

A. In progress.

November, 2006 -
October, 2007

Principal Investigator. The Health Risks of Foreign Born Latino Men. (\$25,000). Grant funded by St. Luke's Episcopal Health Charities (3% FTE)

December, 2005 -
September, 2007

Secondary Mentor. (David W. Wetter PhD, Primary Mentor). Ecological Momentary Assessment of Smoking Cessation in Spanish-Speaking Smokers. Carlos A. Mazas PhD, M.D. Anderson Cancer Prevention Postdoctoral Fellow and Principal Investigator. National Cancer Institute Cancer Prevention Fellowship (R25) grant.

b. Completed.

January , 2003 -
December, 2005

Co-Investigator. "Formative Research to Develop Behavioral Surveillance for STD Transmission Among High Risk Heterosexual Populations." (\$419,919) Michael Ross, Principal Investigator. Grant funded by the Texas Department of Health (Y1: 20% FTE, Y2-3: 5% FTE)

August, 2004 -
December, 2005

Co-Investigator. "Non-Gay Identifying Men Who Have Sex with Men" Michael Ross, Principal Investigator. Grant funded by the Association of Schools of Public Health (5% FTE).

October, 2002 -
September, 2004

Co-Investigator. "Texas LINCC: Latinos in a Network for Cancer Control." (\$433,584), Maria Fernandez PhD, Principal Investigator. Special Interest Project grant from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. (3% FTE)

August, 1999 -
July, 2003

Co-Investigator."HIV Prevention Among Alternative School Youths" (\$484,470). Susan Tortolero PhD, Principal Investigator. Grant (R01) from the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development. (5% FTE)

April , 1996 -
March, 2002

Principal Investigator. "Community Outreach for High Risk Mexican American Women." (\$531,300). Grant (R29) from the National Cancer Institute. (25%FTE)

September, 1999 -
September, 2002

Co-Investigator. "Increasing Cervical Cancer Screening in Hispanic Women." (\$93,601) Theresa Byrd PhD, Principal Investigator. Special Interest Project grant from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Association of Schools of Public Health.(5% FTE)

- July, 2000 – August, 2001 **Co-Investigator** . “The Hispanic Paradox: An inquiry into social cohesion and health” (\$321,152) Luisa Franzini PhD, Principal Investigator. Texas Innovation grant from the Texas Department of Health. (10% FTE)
- November, 1998 – October, 2001 **Co-Investigator**. “Collaborative Faculty Development. Substance Abuse Prevention.” (\$156, 394). Marianne Marcus, EdD, RN, FAAN Principal Investigator. Faculty Development Program grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration. (10% FTE)
- July, 1995 - March, 1997 **Co-Investigator**. “STD/HIV Prevention Training Center - Behavior Training Unit” (\$1,300,000). Michael Ross PhD, Principal Investigator. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. (10% FTE).
- September, 1995- May, 1998 **Co-Investigator**. “Syphilis Prevention in Houston Texas”. (\$256,925) Michael Ross PhD, Principal Investigator. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. (5% FTE).
- October, 1992 - September, 1995 **Principal Investigator**. Subcontract to “EN ACCION: National Hispanic Leadership Initiative on Cancer” (\$18,000/yr), University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. Amelie Ramirez, DrPH, Principal Investigator. Grant (R01) funded by the National Cancer Institute (20% FTE).
- May, 1992 - July, 1995 **Minority Investigator Research Supplemental Award** (\$238,126). Alfred McAlister, Principal Investigator of the parent grant “A Su Salud: Mexican American Participation in Cancer Prevention”. Grant (R01) National Cancer Institute, National Institutes of Health (75% FTE).

PUBLICATIONS

a. Peer Reviewed Publications.

1. Franzini, L. and **Fernandez-Esquer, M.E.** (2006) The influence of subjective social status on health in low income Mexican-origin individuals in Texas. Social Science & Medicine, 63, 788-804.
2. Essien, E.J., Ross, M.W., **Fernández-Esquer, M.E.** and Williams, M.L. (2005) Reported condom use and condom use difficulties in street outreach samples of men of four racial and ethnic backgrounds. International Journal of STD and AIDS, 16 .
3. Franzini, L. Caughy, M. Spears, W. and **Fernandez-Esquer M.E.** (2005) Neighborhood economic conditions, social processes and self-rated health: A multilevel latent variables model. Social Science & Medicine, 61 (6), 1135-1150.

4. **Fernandez-Esquer, M.E.**, Atkinson, J., Diamond, P. M. Useche, B., and Mendiola, R. (2004) Condom use self-efficacy among U.S. and Foreign-Born Latinos in Texas. Journal of Sex Research, 41 (4), 390-399.
5. Essien, E.J., Ross, M.W., Williams, M.L, Meshack, A.F., **Fernandez-Esquer, M.E.**, Peters, R.J. and Ogungbade, G.O. (2004) Primary source of income is associated with differences in HIV risk behaviors in street recruited samples. International Journal for Equity in Health, 3(5), 1-7.
6. Franzini, L. and **Fernández-Esquer, M.E.** (2004) Socioeconomic, cultural and personal influences on health outcomes of Mexican origin individuals in Texas. Social Science & Medicine, 59 (8), 1629-1646.
7. **Fernandez-Esquer, M.E.** Cardenas-Turranzas, M.G. (2004) Preventing cervical cancer among recently immigrated Latinas. Preventive Medicine, 38, 529-535.
8. **Fernández-Esquer, M.E.** (2003) Drinking for Wages: Obligatory Alcohol Use Among Cantineras. Journal of Studies on Alcohol, 64 (2), 160-166.
9. **Fernández Esquer, M.E.**, Espinoza, P., Torres, I. Ramirez, A.G. & McAlister, A.L. (2003) *A Su Salud*: A Quasi-Experimental Study Among Mexican American Women. American Journal of Health Behavior, 27 (5), 536-545.
10. Ross, M.W., Essien, E.J., Williams, M.L. and **Fernández-Esquer, M.E.** (2003) Concordance between sexual behavior and sexual identity in street outreach samples of four racial/ethnic groups. Sexually Transmitted Diseases, 30(2), 110-113.
11. **Fernández Esquer, M.E.**, Ramirez, A. G., Espinoza, P. McAlister, A.L. (2003) Repeated Pap Smear Screening among Mexican American Women. Health Education Research, 18 (4), 1-11.
12. Peters R., Tortolero S., Addy R., Markham C., Yachoubian G., Escobar-Chaves S., **Fernandez -Esquer M.** (2003) The Relationship Between Sexual Abuse and Drug Use: Findings from the Houston's Safer Choices 2 Program. Journal of Drug Education, 33(1), 49-59.
13. **Fernández Esquer, M.E.**, Ross, M.W. and Torres, I. (2000) The Importance of Psychosocial Factors in the Prevention of HPV Infection and Cervical Cancer. International Journal of STD & AIDS, 11(2), 701-713.
14. **Fernández Esquer, M.E.** and McCloskey, L.A. (1999) Coping with spousal violence: The role of ethnicity and socioeconomic status among Mexican American and Anglo American battered women. Violence and Victims, 14 (3), 293-310.
15. Chakraborty, B., **Fernández-Esquer, M.E.** and Chakraborty, R. (1999). Is Being Hispanic a Risk Factor for Non-insulin Dependent Diabetes Mellitus (NIDDM)?. Ethnicity and Disease,

9(2), 278-283.

16. **Fernández Esquer, M.E.**, Krepcho, M.A., Freeman, A.C. Magee, E. and Ross, M.W. (1997) Predictors of condom use among low-income African American males. Journal of Applied Social Psychology, 27 (1), 58-74.
17. Kaplan, R.M., Navarro, A.M., Castro, F.G., Elder, J.P., Mishra, S.I., Hubbel, A., Chvrala, C., Flores, E., Ramirez, A.G., **Fernández Esquer, M.E.**, Ruiz, E. (1996) Increased use of mammography among Hispanic women: Results from the NCI cooperative group on cancer prevention in Hispanic communities. American Journal of Preventive Medicine, 12 (6), 467-71.
18. Locke, C.J., Southwick K., McCloskey, L.A., **Fernández Esquer, M.E** (1996) Psychological and Medical Assessment of Central American Refugee Children. Archives of Pediatric and Adolescent Medicine, 150, 822-828.
19. Seibt, A.C., Ross, M.W., Freeman, A., Krepcho, M., Hedrich, a., McAlister, A. and **Fernández Esquer, M.E** (1995). Relationship between safe sex and acculturation into the gay subculture. AIDS Care, 7, S85-S88.
20. McCloskey, L.A., Southwick, K. **Fernández Esquer, M.E.** and Locke, C. J. (1995) The psychological effects of political and domestic violence on Central American and Mexican immigrant mothers and children. Journal of Community Psychology, 23, 95-116.
21. Krepcho, M.A., **Fernández Esquer, M.E.**, Freeman, A.C., Magee, E. and McAlister, A.L. (1993). Predictors of bleach use among current African American injecting drug users: A community study. Journal of Psychoactive Drugs, 25 (2), 135-141.
22. Kay, M., Tobias, C., Ide, B., Guernsey de Zapien, J., Monk, J.L, Bluenstein, M. and **Fernández Esquer, M.E.** (1988). The health and symptom care of widows. Journal of Cross-Cultural Psychology, (3), 197-208.

b. **Invited or Solicited Peer Reviewed Papers.**

23. Ross, M.W. and **Fernandez-Esquer, M.E.** (2005) Ethnicity in sexually transmitted infections and sexual behaviour research. Commentary. The Lancet, 365 (9466), 1209-1210.
24. Ross, M.W., **Fernández Esquer, M.E** and Seibt, A. (1995) Understanding across the Sexual Orientation Gap: Sexuality as Culture. For Landis, D. and Bhagat, eds. Handbook of Intercultural Training. Beverly Hills: Sage, 414-430.
25. McAlister, A. L., **Fernández Esquer, M.E**, Ramirez, A.G., Gallion, K.J., Trevino, F., Villarreal, R. Pulley, L.V. (1995). Community Level Cancer Control in a Texas Barrio: Baseline and Preliminary Outcome Findings. Journal of the National Cancer Institute Monographs, No. 18, 123-126.

26. Flores, E., Castro, F.G., **Fernández Esquer, M.E.** Social theory, social action and intervention research: Implications for cancer prevention among Latinos (1995). Journal of the National Cancer Institute Monographs, No. 18, 101-108.

c. **Papers in Review**

1. **Fernandez-Esquer, M.E.**, Diamond, P. M. & Atkinson, J. A. *Ties that Bind: The Influence of Normative Gender Beliefs on the Sexual Risk Behaviors of Latino Men and Women. Sex Roles. A Journal of Research.*
2. Essien, E.J. , Ogunbade, G.O., Ward, D., **Fernandez-Esquer, M.E.**, Smith C.R. , Holmes, L, Jr. Injection drug use is associated with HIV risk perception among Mexican Americans in the Rio Grande Valley. Hispanic Journal of Behavioral Sciences.
3. **Fernandez-Esquer, M.E** Creencias Normativas de Roles de Género y Violencia de Pareja: La Experiencia de Latinas Recién Llegadas a los Estados Unidos (*Normative gender beliefs and partner violence : The experience of Latinas recently immigrated to the United States.*) Peer reviewed chapter to be published jointly by the Rockefeller Foundation and the Regional Center for Multidisciplinary Research, National Autonomous University of Mexico. (Book title: TBA)

d. **Technical Reports.**

- 1 **Fernández Esquer, M.E** (2003) Behavioral Rapid Needs Assessment: HIV Survey among Latinos in Houston. Bureau of HIV/STD, City of Houston Department of Health and Human Services.
- 2 **Fernández Esquer, M.E** (2003) Demonstrated Effectiveness and Behavioral Science Justification of HIV Prevention Interventions Prioritized by the HHPCPG. Bureau of HIV/STD, City of Houston Department of Health and Human Services.
- 3 **Fernández Esquer, M.E** (2001) Demonstrated Effectiveness and Behavioral Science Justification of HIV Prevention Interventions Prioritized by the HHPCPG. Bureau of HIV/STD, City of Houston Department of Health and Human Services.
- 4 **Fernández Esquer, M.E** (1999) Description of Intervention Effectiveness and Behavioral Science Justification of Selected HIV Interventions. Bureau of HIV/STD City of Houston Department of Health and Human Services.
- 5 **Fernández Esquer, M.E** (1997) Behavioral Science Justification for HIV Interventions. Bureau of HIV/STD City of Houston Department of Health and Human Services.

6 **Fernández Esquer, M.E** Sociocultural factors influencing Tuberculosis Screening. (1995). HIV/TB Co-infected Mexican Americans in the City of Houston. Ethnographic report submitted to LTG Associates/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

7 **Fernández Esquer, M.E** (1991) Prenatal substance abuse campaign in the Lower Rio Grande Valley Area: Person-to-Person Intervention Campaign Final Report. Southwest Texas Health Research Center, University of Texas at San Antonio.

e. **Government Publications**

1 **Fernández Esquer, M.E.** (1994). Cultural Issues in Smoking Cessation: The Hispanic Community. President's Cancer Panel, National Cancer Institute, Bethesda, MD.

f. **Conference Proceedings**

1. **Fernández Esquer, M.E.,** Ramirez, A. G. and Villarreal, R. (1998). Prevention of cervical cancer among Latinas. Proceedings of the U.S.-Mexico Border Conference. Salud Sin Fronteras-Health Without Boundaries. 271- 274.

g. **Monographs and Abstracts**

1. **Fernández Esquer, M.E.** (1990) Cultural issues relevant to instrument development and administration for Mexican American widows. In The Efficacy of Support Groups for Mexican American Widows. Southwest Institute for Research On Women. Working Paper No. 25, 37-44.

2. **Fernandez Esquer, M. E.** (1990) The influence of acculturation on the perception of risk for AIDS among Mexican-Americans. Dissertation Abstracts International. Vol 50 (12-B, Pt 1), Jun 1990, 5925.

SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

1. Franzini, L and Fernandez-Esquer, M.E. "Determinants of subjective social status in Mexican-Americans vary by acculturation". American Public Health Association. Boston, MA, November 4-8, 2006.

2. Franzini, L. and Fernandez-Esquer, M.E. "Subjective social status, objective social status, and health in low income Mexicam-Americans". American Public Health Association. Boston, MA, November 4-8, 2006.

3. **Fernandez-Esquer M.E,** Cardenas-Turranzas, M. and Diamond, P. Drinking for wages: Alcohol use among Latina immigrants. American Public Health Association, Philadelphia, PA, December, 2005.

4. **Fernandez-Esquer M.E** Drinking and sex: Risk behaviors of Latinas working in cantinas. (2005) American Public Health Association, Philadelphia, PA, December, 2005.
5. Cardenas-Turranzas, M. and **Fernandez-Esquer M.E** Where do recently immigrated Latina women get health care and how do they pay for it? American Public Health Association, Philadelphia, PA, December, 2005.
6. Franzini L. and **Fernandez-Esquer M.E.** Self-rated health in Mexican-origin individuals: The role of nativity and acculturation (2005) American Public Health Association, Philadelphia, PA, December, 2005.
7. **Fernandez-Esquer M.E.** The influence of social context on reported unprotected sex among Latina women who work in bars or *cantinas*. (2005) International Society for Sexually Transmitted Diseases Research (ISSTD), Amsterdam, the Netherlands.
8. Franzini, L., Cahey, M. Spears, W. & **Fernandez-Esquer M.E.** Do differences in neighborhood SES, physical and social characteristics explain self-rated health? (2004) American Public Health Association, Washington, D. C.
9. Franzini, L., Cahey, M. Spears, W. & Fernandez-Esquer. Neighborhood economic conditions, social processes and self-rated health : A multilevel structural equation model . (2004) American Public Health Association, Washington, D.C..
10. Franzini L., **Fernandez-Esquer M.E.**, Montoya M., Perez N., Caughy, M., Rible, J. Risser, J. and Spears W. Health, income, education social support and religiosity: A comparison of U.S.-born and Mexico-born Mexican Americans in Texas. (2002) American Public Health Association, Philadelphia, PA.
11. Franzini, L., J Ribble, N Perez, B Amick, M Caughy, M E **Fernández-Esquer**, A Keddie, J Risser, W Spears (2001) Social cohesion and health in Hispanic communities: A qualitative analysis. American Public Health Association, Atlanta, Georgia.
12. Ross, M.W., **Fernández Esquer, M.E.** and Torres, I. (1999). Behavioral aspects of HPV infection. Prevention of Genital HPV Infection and Sequelae. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, External Consultants Meeting. Atlanta, GA.
13. Tortolero-Luna G, Basen-Engquist K, Mitchell MF, Koehly , Jones LA, Vernon S, **Fernández-Esquer ME.** (1998) Predictors of intention to participate in chemoprevention trials for cervical neoplasia among minority and underserved women attending colposcopy clinics. Presented at the Participation of Women and Minorities in Clinical Cancer Research, Maryland.
14. **Fernández Esquer, M.E** “Understanding Latina sexuality: An exploratory study with a high-risk sample”. Presented at the the 126th Annual Meeting of the American Public Health Association. Washington, D.C., November 18, 1998.

15. **Fernández Esquer, M.E.** “Patterns of alcohol abuse among immigrant Latina women”. Paper presented at the 125th Annual Meeting of the American Public Health Association. Indiannapolis, IN, November 9-13, 1997.
16. **Fernández Esquer, M.E.** “Preventing cervical cancer among cantineras: A community intervention study among Latinas with multiple partners.” Paper presented at the 125th Annual Meeting of the American Public Health Association. Indiannapolis, IN, November 9-13, 1997.
17. **Fernández Esquer, M.E.** “Primary prevention of cervical cancer among Latina women”. Paper presented at the 125th Annual Meeting of the American Public Health Association. Indiannapolis, IN, November 9-13, 1997.
18. **Fernández Esquer, M.E.** “Preventing Cervical Cancer among Cantineras: A community intervention study among Latinas with multiple sexual partners”. Poster presented at the 125th Annual Meeting of the American Public Health Association. Indiannapolis, IN, November 9-13, 1997.
19. **Fernández Esquer, M.E.,** Ramirez, A., Villarreal, R. “Sexual risk behaviors among Latinos: A community based study across eight cities in the United States”. Poster presented at the XI International Conference on AIDS. Vancouver, Canada, July 7-12, 1996.
20. **Fernández Esquer, M.E.** “Community intervention with Latina sex workers: Results of a pilot study. Paper presented at the II Women’s Health Conference of the American Psychological Association. Washington, D.C., September 19-21, 1996.
21. **Fernández Esquer, M.E.** “Who gets health care: The role of acculturation in tuberculosis screening among Mexican Americans”. Paper presented at the annual conference of the American Anthropological Association. San Francisco, CA, November 20-24, 1996.
22. **Fernández Esquer, M.E.,** Ramirez, A., Villarreal, R. "Prevention of cervical cancer among Latinas in the United States". Poster presentation. U.S.-Mexico Border Conference on Women's Health. South Padre Island, Texas, September 26-28, 1995.
24. **Fernández Esquer, M.E.,** Ramirez, A., McAlister, A.L. "Cultural orientation, cancer attitudes and pap smear screening among Mexican American women". Paper presented at the American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. Washington, D.C., October 30 – November 3, 1994
25. **Fernández Esquer, M.E.,** Ramirez, A., McAlister, A.L. "Preventing breast cancer among Mexican American women". Paper presented at the Psychosocial and Behavioral Factors in Women's Health. Conference sponsored by the American Psychological Association. Washington, D.C., May 11-14, 1994.
26. **Fernández Esquer, M.E.,** Krepcho, M.A., and Freeman, A.C. Perception of Risk for HIV and Condom use among ethnic minorities. Poster presented at the Society of Behavioral Medicine

Fourteenth Annual Scientific Sessions. San Francisco, CA, March 10-13, 1993.

27. **Fernández Esquer, M.E.**, Ramirez, A., Gallion, K. Perceived risk for HIV infection among Mexican American women. Paper presented at the 100th Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association. Washington, D.C., August 14-18, 1992.
28. **Fernández Esquer, M.E.** and Laura McCloskey Mexican American and Anglo battered women coping strategies. Paper presented at the 100th Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association. Washington, D.C., August 14-18, 1992.
29. **Fernández Esquer, M.E.**, Krepcho, M., Freeman, A. Differences in perceived risk for AIDS among African Americans and Mexican Americans. Poster paper presented at the VIII International Conference of AIDS/III STD World Congress. July 19 - 24, 1992, Amsterdam, the Netherlands.
30. **Fernández Esquer, M.E.**, Ramirez, A., Gallion, K. Prenatal substance abuse prevention among Mexican American women. Paper presented at the Society of Public Health Education (SOPHE) Mid-annual Conference. June 18 20, 1992, Austin, TX.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Memberships

Society of Public Health Education	Member (October, 2004 – Present)
American Psychological Association	Member (1989 – Present)
American Public Health Association	Member (1991- Present)
American Psychological Society	Member (1990 – 1995)
Society of Behavioral Medicine	Member (1994 – 1995)

Service

a. Multinational, Federal and State Committees & Working Groups

April, 2006	Associations of Schools of Public Health. Reviewed curriculum proposed by the Diversity and Cultural Proficiency Workgroup.
April, 2000 - 2004	Dallas Behavioral Intervention Training Center. Advisory board member. National Network of STD/HIV Training Centers.

- September, 1999 - August, 2002 **National HPV/Cervical Cancer Prevention Project Advisory Committee.** Current member. American Social Health Association.
- April, 1999 **Prevention of Genital HPV Infection and Sequelae.** Invited external consultant. Workgroup sponsored by the Divisions of STD Prevention and Cancer Control. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, GA, April 13-14, 1999.
- September, 1992 - September, 1997 **Hispanic Cancer Research Network,** Special Populations Studies Branch Division of Cancer Prevention and Control Cancer Prevention and Control, National Cancer Institute, Bethesda, MD
- June, 1996 **U.S.-Mexico Border Health Association.** Training and Technical Assistance Project. National support team to advice on HIV prevention planning.
- June- December 1996 **HIV Services, Harris County Health Department.** Agency's advisor on Hispanics and HIV-related issues.
- June, 1995 **Pharmaceutical Partners for Better Health (PPBH).** Multinational work group advising industry on disease prevention and health promotion issues. Montreal, Canada.
- September - December, 1995 **HIV Regional Planning Coalition,** Texas Department of Health Region 7.

b. Service to Professional Associations

- March –November, 2005 **Society of Public Health Education (SOPHE)** 56th Conference. Global Health Promotion: Bridging New Worlds and New Cultures. Annual Meeting Conference Planning Committee, December, 2005, Philadelphia, PA
- July, 1995 - July, 1999 **American Psychological Association.** Committee on Women and Health, Division 38 - Health Psychology.
- September, 1995 - September , 1997 **North American Union Against Sexually Transmitted Diseases.** (UNACETS). Board of Directors', HIV Technical Expert.
- December, 1994 - September, 1996 **American Psychological Association.** Women's Programs Office. Women's Health Conference, planning committee member.
- July, 1994 - July, 1996 **American Psychological Association.** Division 35, Task Force on Women and HIV and Committee on Psychology and AIDS (COPA) council.

c. **Editorial Boards:**

January, 2005 - December, 2008 Member of the editorial board of **Health Education & Behavior** . Official journal of the Society for Public Health Education.

d. **Journal Reviewer (ad hoc):**

Regular contributions:

2003 - Present *Cancer Epidemiology, Biomarkers & Prevention*
2003 - Present *Health Education and Behavior*
2003- Present *Health Psychology*
1997- Present *American Journal of Preventive Medicine*
1994- 2003 *AIDS Care*
1994- 2000 *AIDS Education and Prevention*

Occasional contributions:

2006 *Applied Research in Quality of Life*
2005 *Social Science & Medicine*
2002 *Violence and Victims*
Family and Community Health
1999, 2001 *Psychology of Women Quarterly*
1998 *Social Science Quarterly*
Sex Roles. A Journal of Research
1997 *Women's Health: Research on Gender, Behavior and Policy*
1996 *Annals of Epidemiology*

e. **Journal and Book Referee**

December, 2001 - March, 2002 Latina Reader. Comprehensive Overview of Latina Health Issues.
Latina health issues national panel member.

1997 - 1999 Gender, Power and Women's Relationships: Implications Present for HIV. Sex Roles. A Journal of Research. Associate editor for special issue.

f. **Grant Referee**

March, 2006 **University of Houston**. Grants to Enhance and Advance Research (GEAR). Grant reviewer.

March, 2006 **National Cancer Institute**. Small Grants in Behavioral Research for Cancer Control. Grant reviewer.

October, 2002 - **Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health**. Behavioral

- November, 2005 and Social Science Approaches to Preventing HIV/AIDS (formerly called AIDS-Related Research Special Emphasis Panel -AARR-7) Review panel member.
- June, 2004 **Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health.** Biostatistical Methods and Research Design Study Section (BMRD). Special Emphasis Panel for Methodological Innovation for the Behavioral and Social Sciences.
- March , 2003 **Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health.** Small Business Innovative Research Special Emphasis Panel - AARR8(10). Review panel member.
- February, 2001, October, 2001, **Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health.** AIDS and AIDS-Related Research Special Emphasis Panel (ZRG1 AARR-8). Review panel member.
- September, 2001 **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention , Divisions of STD Prevention and Cancer Control.** “Formative research to inform the development of educational messages for women with high risk human papillomavirus infection and their partners”. Grant reviewer for special emphasis panel.
- August, 2000 **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention , Divisions of STD Prevention and Cancer Control .** “Optimizing Strategies to Provide STD Partner Services”. Grant reviewer for special emphasis panel.
- August, 1999 **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for HIV, STD and TB Prevention.** “Strategies for Prevention of Genital Herpes: Building a National Prevention Program”. Grant reviewer for special emphasis panel.
- g. **Conference Referee**
- February, 2002 **Society of Behavioral Medicine.** Annual conference abstract reviewer.
- January, 1997 **Society for the Psychological Study of Ethnic Minority Issues.** (American Psychological Association Division 45). Annual conference abstract reviewer.
- January - September, 1996 **Psychological and Behavioral Factors in Women’s Health: Research, Prevention, Treatment and Service Delivery in Clinical and Community Settings”.** American Psychological Association Women’s Health Conference abstract reviewer.

h. **Service to the Local Community**

- August, 2005 **Katrina Volunteer.** Worked with *AARMARK* at the Astrodome and at the George R. Brown Convention Center providing assistance to Katrina Hurricane evacuees.
- October, 2004 – Present **Latinas on the Rise.** Academic mentor to undergraduate Latinas students attending Rice University who are interested in pursuing graduate education.
- January, 2003 - Present **The Women's Fund for Health Education and Research.** Research advisory committee member.
- May, 2002 - May, 2003 **R.A.R.E. (Rapid Assessment Research and Evaluation) Project.** HIV prevention priority needs for local African American community. Advisory committee member.
- January – August, 2001 **Hispanic AIDS Task Force.** City of Houston Health Department, Bureau of HIV/STD.
- September, 1999 August, 2000 **Equity Initiatives in Science and Mathematics.** Rice University. Outreach program for minority girls in middle and high school programs in the Houston area. Mentor.
- January, 1997 - September, 2001 **Houston Area Women's Center.** Member of Research Advisory Board
- January 1995 - June, 1997 **Amigos Volunteers in AIDS Education and Services (AVES).** Agency advisor on HIV prevention for Latinos.
- 1991 - 1992 **INFORME SIDA,** Austin, TX. Agency advisor on HIV prevention for Latinos.
- 1991- 1992 **Child Abuse Prevention Network,** Houston, TX. Agency advisor.

i. **Service to the University**

UT- Houston Health Science Center Committees

1. Association of Women Faculty, UTSPH Representative to the Board. (Sept., 2005 – Present)
2. MD Anderson Cancer Center Evaluation Committee. Evaluated candidacy of Dr. Jennifer Vidrine to tenure-track faculty position. (July, 2006)
3. UTHSC Research Faculty Forum. Forum participant. (December, 2004)

4. MD Anderson Cancer Center, Dept.of Behavioral Sciences. Search participant. (February, 2001)
5. Lorne Bain Distinguished Professorship Search Committee member. (1998-1999)
6. UTHSC Sexual Harassment Board member. (1997 –1999)
7. College of Nursing. Associate Dean of Nursing. Search participant (1996)

UT– Houston School of Public Health Committees

1. Health Disparities Working Group (April, 2005 – Present)
2. Demography Search Committee (July - December, 2005)
3. CHPPR Admissions Committee (September, 2004 – Present)
4. Student Financial Aid Committee, Chair (2000-2002)
5. Annual Faculty Peer Review Committee (October, 2001- February, 2002)
6. Quantitative Methodologist Search Committee (Sept., 2001- August, 2002)
7. Qualitative Methods Faculty Search Committee (July, 2000 – April, 2001)
8. Nutrition Faculty Search Committee (July – August, 2001)
9. Student Financial Aid Committee. Member (1996 – 2000)
10. Health Education & Health Promotion, Convener (Jan, 1998- Aug., 1999)
11. Academic Affairs Committee (Jan., 1998 – August, 1999)
12. Annual Faculty Peer Review Committee (January – February, 1998)
13. Faculty in Public Health Practice Committee (1997 – 1999)
14. Minority Action Council Member (1994 – 2000)
15. UTSPH Ad hoc Committee on Qualitative Measures (1997)
16. Annual Faculty Research Symposium (1995, 1996, 1997, 1998)
17. Center for Health Promotion Faculty Retreat Coordinator (1997)

- 18. CHPRD Diversity Management and Effectiveness Workshop (1997)
- 19. Public Health Administration and Practice Search Committee (1995)
- 20. National Cancer Institute Post-Doctoral Fellowship. Recruitment Coordinator. (1994)

j **Public Testimony**

- January, 1998 **UT Office of Women’s Health**, Women’s Health Conference. The influence of ethnicity in the interpretation of risk factors among women.
- September, 1994 **President's Cancer Panel**, National Cancer Institute. "Cultural issues in smoking cessation: The Hispanic community".

Consultations

- August, 1996 - December, 2004 **Houston HIV Prevention Community Planning Group**. Behavioral science consultant to the City of Houston Health Department, Bureau of HIV/STD.
- October 15, 2002 - January, 2003 **Behavioral Rapid Needs Assessment among Latinos in Houston**. City of Houston Health Department, Bureau of HIV/STD.
- December, 1997 **Independent Living Research Utilization**. Provided advice on research issues affecting HIV+ Hispanics living along the border.
- July, 1997 **SUMA Associates**. HIV prevention research among Hispanics and their application to social marketing.
- January - February, 1997 **American Institute of Biological Sciences (AIBS)**. Consultant to the Breast Cancer Research Project Monitoring Review.
- April - November, 1995 **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**. Subcontract to LTG Associates. “Qualitative Research Analysis of Sociocultural Factors that Influence Tuberculosis Screening, Prevention and Treatment among HIV- Positive Individuals”. Karen Ito, Ph.D. Principal Investigator. Site research coordinator for Latino population.
- February, 1995 **Center for AIDS Prevention Studies** .University of California, San Francisco. Review of Family of AIDS Behavioral Surveys. (FABS)
- October - December, 1994 **Texas Department of Health**. HIV/STD Health Resources Division. Consultant to the HIV Regional Planning evaluation committee.
- September, 1993 **Office of HIV/AIDS, Centers for Disease Control**. HIV Prevention Marketing Program. Washington, D.C.

October, 1991 -
August, 1993

AIDS Community Demonstration Project. Dallas, TX.
Data analysis, instrument development.