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CURRENT POSITION (since 2001)

Co-Director and Senior Research Assistant, *Institute for the Study of Adult Literacy and Goodling Institute for Research in Family Literacy, College of Education, The Pennsylvania State University.*

PRIOR ADMINISTRATIVE/LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

Assistant Director, 1994-2001. Institute for the Study of Adult Literacy.
Literacy Coordinator, 1984-85. Altoona Area Public Library, Altoona (PA).

EDUCATION

Leadership Institute	Penn State University, University Park, PA, 2000
M.Ed., Reading Education	Towson State University, Towson, MD, 1973
B.A., English	Keuka College, Keuka Park, NY, 1970

HONORS

2002 Outstanding Adult Educator. Pennsylvania Association for Adult Continuing Education

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Research and Evaluation:

Principal Investigator, 1998-2009, statewide evaluation of Pennsylvania's family literacy programs and coordination of PA Family Literacy Consortium (PA Department of Education).

Program Director, 2007-2009, ABLE Tech: data and technology support for Bureau of ABLE (PA Department of Education, Act 143 Adult and Family Literacy Act).

Co-Investigator/Faculty Associate, 2004-09, Workforce Education Research Center (WERC), building a research base and providing support for ABLE providers to build their capacity to provide work-based foundation skills training for incumbent workers (PA WIN) and potential workers (WorkABLE) (PA Department of Education, WIA Title II).

Local Evaluator, 1993-2009, Even Start Family Literacy programs, including Even Start at Tuscarora IU (1995-09); Lincoln Intermediate Unit (IU) Migrant Even Start (1996-04); Delaware County IU and City of York (1993-98); School District of Harrisburg/Tri-County OIC (1995-99); Reading Area (1996-98); Tri-County OIC (1999-00). U.S. Department of Education, Even Start Family Literacy Program.

Evaluator, 2004-07, Tuscarora Intermediate Unit 11 and Big Brothers Big Sisters after school mentoring program (U.S. Department of Education).

Principal Investigator, 2004-06, revision and pilot test of *Rosalie's Neighborhood* health education materials for limited literacy parents/caregivers, originally developed in 1997 (National Institutes of Health).

Evaluator, 2003-06, implementation of English language development intervention and use of volunteers in family literacy programs (National Center for Family Literacy; UPS Foundation).

Co-Principal Investigator, 2003-06, Intelligent Tutoring for the Structure Strategy (U.S. Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences).

Evaluator, 2002-2004, Tuscarora Intermediate Unit 11 (Lewistown, PA) oral health literacy project (Pfizer Foundation, Community Health Literacy Program).

Co-Principal Investigator, 1999-2004, Pennsylvania Workforce Improvement Network (PA WIN), a centralized system for providing workplace basic skills services to incumbent workers (PA Department of Education, WIA Title II).

Co-Principal Investigator, 1999-2003, development & infusion of work-based foundation skills into PA's ABLE system including their use in PA WIN as a tool supporting workforce development (PA Department of Education State Leadership Project).

Principal Investigator, 2000-2002, multi-faceted statewide family literacy program to research and develop indicators of program quality, develop data-based performance standards, and establish a state level family literacy consortium to support state's family literacy accountability system and local program improvement initiative (U.S.

Department of Education, Even Start Statewide Initiatives).

Evaluator, 1999-2000, Queens Borough Public Library Video-teleconferencing Program (U.S. Department of Commerce, TIAA Program).

Evaluator, 1999-2000, Literacy Volunteers of America GTE Family Learning Centers project (GTE).

Co-Principal Investigator, 1998-99, research and develop indicators of program quality for adult basic and literacy education programs (PA Department of Education).

Project Associate, 1993-99, evaluation of informational and educational materials for the Northern Appalachia Leadership Initiative on Cancer (NCI, Division of Cancer Prevention and Control, National Outreach Initiatives Branch).

Evaluator, 1997-99, A.G.E. Institute Workforce Development: An Educational Partnership (PA Department of Education).

Evaluator, 1996-98, Tri-County OIC's Career Certified Nursing Assistant Training project (PA Department of Education).

Co-Principal Investigator, 1997-98, research and develop resources and training on implementing Pennsylvania adult learner skills competencies in adult contexts (PA Department of Education 353 Special Demonstration Projects).

Co-Investigator, 1997-98, instructional module to assist SuperCupboard Program leaders to incorporate information about breast health into program with materials written for limited literacy adults (U.S. Department of Agriculture).

Co-Principal Investigator, 1995-97, *health education* materials for limited literacy parents/caregivers for *Help Me Learn, Help Me Grow* program — *Rosalie's Neighborhood* (subcontract with Institute for Educational Leadership via grant from MetLife).

Co-Principal Investigator, 1996-97, framework of adult learner skills competencies in family, work, and community contexts (PA Department of Education 353 Special Demonstration Projects).

Co-Principal Investigator, 1996-97, uses of distance learning strategies in adult basic education programs (Literacy Assistance Center via grant from the New York City Mayor's Office of Adult Literacy).

Co-Principal Investigator, 1995-96, guide for ABLE providers on purposes and effective use of standardized assessment instruments (PA Department of Education 353 Special Demonstration Projects).

Co-Investigator, 1991-96, research and development of literacy screening instrument and instructional materials for CARDES: Cardiovascular Risk Reduction Intervention for Low-Literate African-American Adults (interdisciplinary project funded by the NIH, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute).

Evaluator, 1994-95, Magee-Womens Hospital Adult Learning Program, Pittsburgh, PA.

Evaluator, 1991-92, Adult Literacy Project (Schlow Memorial Library/Centre Community Library and the U.S. Department of Education, Library Literacy Program).

Evaluator, 1990-91, Schlow Memorial Library family literacy project (American Library Association/Bell Atlantic).

Investigator, 1990-91, research and development of model community-based family literacy program (Pennsylvania Department of Education, 353 Special Demonstration Projects).

Consultation:

Best practices identification for First 5/LA *Exemplary Validation Program* (Los Angeles County Office of Education, Los Angeles, CA), 2007.

Program improvement for *Hooked on Reading! Hooked on Families!* (Gannon University, Erie, PA), 2006-2007.

Adaptation & implementation of PA WIN model (New Orleans Literacy Alliance, New Orleans, LA), 2003-2006.

Development of family literacy initiative (Miami Child Readiness Organization, Miami, FL), 2003.

Pennsylvania's academic consultant on design and development of *Madison Heights: Family Literacy* video series (INTELECOM, Pasadena, CA), 1997-2002.

Development of intervention on early detection and treatment of breast and cervical cancer for low-literate urban women in public housing. (Howard University via grant from National Cancer Institute), 1995-96.

Development of diabetes health education materials for adults with limited literacy skills for (DeLor Design, Louisville, KY and Eli Lilly Co.), 1995-96

Curriculum development and training on adult literacy education and assessment (McKeesport (PA) Even Start Family Literacy Program), 1991-94.

Curriculum development and staff training (Reading, PA Even Start Program), 1989-93.

Development of curriculum and instruction for 1) adults with high blood cholesterol and 2) parents whose children are diabetic (Nutrition Center, Penn State), 1990-91.

Synthesis paper on teaching beginning reading to adults. (Abt Associates, Washington, DC), 1997.

Curriculum and instruction. (San José Public Library, Partners in Reading, San José, CA), 1999.

Training on assessment in adult basic education programs (PA Department of Education 353 Special Demonstration Projects), 1996-97.

Training and assistance on integration of technology to library-based literacy programs (American Library Association with support from Lila Wallace - Reader's Digest Foundation), 1996-97.
Staff training on various topics for ABLE teachers and tutors via regional staff development programs (PA Department of Education 353 Special Demonstration Projects), 1992-95.

Professional Development:

Program Director, 2006-2009, National Institute for Literacy LINCS Workforce Competitiveness Resource Collections (National Institute for Literacy).
Program Co-Director, 2006-2009, National Institute for Literacy LINCS Basic Skills Resource Collections (National Institute for Literacy).
Program Director, 2006-2009, Early Reading First professional development (Lancaster-Lebanon Intermediate Unit).
Electronic Discussion Moderator, 1995-2003, workplace literacy electronic discussion list (National Institute for Literacy).
Project Coordinator, 1994-95, five-day institute training public librarians to develop library services for underserved populations (U.S. Department of Education, Library Education & Human Resource Development Program).
Trainer/Technical Assistant, 1991-93, training for STEP partners and instructional staff on strategies for workplace literacy curriculum design, instruction, and assessment (Miami-Dade Community College and Sunrise, Inc.; U.S. Department of Education, National Workplace Literacy Program).
Project Coordinator, 1992-93, Adult Basic and Literacy Education staff training for programs in a 12 county area (PA Department of Education 353 Special Demonstration Projects).
Project Director, 1991-92, public librarian training program on family literacy services for public library personnel (State Library of PA and the U.S. Department of Education, Library Literacy Program).
Trainer, 1991, staff training for workplace literacy project with Alpena (Michigan) Community College (U.S. Department of Education, National Workplace Literacy Program).
Project Coordinator, 1986-87, training for public librarians on adult literacy, including manual on library literacy services and related statewide training workshops (State Library of PA and the U.S. Department of Education, Library Literacy Program).

Materials Development:

Literacy Specialist, 1996, materials for frail elderly and their caregivers (PA Department of Aging).
Project Associate, 1990-91, materials for reaching low-literate adults with nutrition information (College of Agriculture, Penn State)
Editor, 1989, National Issues Forum Abridged Editions (Kettering Foundation).
Project Coordinator, 1987-88, revised Extended Food Nutrition Education Program's *Eating Right is Basic 2* instructional materials.

Instruction:

ABE/GED Reading Instructor, 1983-84, Community Education Center, Altoona, PA. ABE/GED classes.
Reading Instructor, 1976-82, Catonsville Community College, Baltimore, MD and Community College of Baltimore, Baltimore, MD. GED classes, disabled adults in basic skills, & developmental college reading classes.
Teacher, 1973-76, Archbishop Curley High School, Baltimore, MD. Remedial reading and English.

PUBLICATIONS

Van Horn, B., & Carman, P. (2007, Fall). Assessment of reading components in adult education programs, *Perspectives on Literacy and Language*, (33)4, 35-39.
Askov, E.N., Kassab, C., Grinder, E.L., Semali, L.M., Weirauch, D., Longoria Saenz, E., & Van Horn, B. (2007). Filling in the "black box" of family literacy: Implications of research for practice and policy. In A. Belzer (Ed.), *Toward defining and improving quality in adult basic education; issues and challenges*, Chapter 13, pp. 241-254. Mahwah, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum.
Van Horn, B. & Marvin, M. (2006). Professional resources for adult basic and literacy educators. In T. Reiff (Ed.), *Fieldnotes for ABLE Administrators 2006 Edition*. Harrisburg, PA: Bureau of Adult Basic and Literacy Education. Available at: www.able.state.pa.us/able/lib/able/fieldnotes06/fn06resources.pdf
Van Horn, B., Grumm, M., Weirauch, D., Marvin, M., & Carman, P. (2006). *Rosalie's Neighborhood* (Update of two booklets on preventive health care and facilitator's guide (Goodling Institute, University Park, PA.)
Carman, P, Van Horn, B, Toso, B, DeOnna, J. (2006, August). *Using research and effective practice to plan, develop, deliver and evaluate work-contextualized foundation skills training for incumbent workers*. A white paper for the Keystone Development Partnership, Philadelphia, PA.

- Van Horn, B. (2006). Goodling Institute for Research in Family Literacy. In T. Reiff (Ed.), *Fieldnotes for Pennsylvania ABLÉ Administrators*. Harrisburg, PA: Bureau of Adult Basic and Literacy Education.
- Van Horn, B., Kassab, C., & Weirauch, D. (2006, June). *Family literacy programs statewide evaluation 2004-2005*. University Park, PA: Institute for the Study of Adult Literacy.
- Van Horn, B., Kassab, C., & Weirauch, D. (2005, June). *Family literacy programs statewide evaluation 2003-2004*. University Park, PA: Institute for the Study of Adult Literacy.
- Van Horn, B. & Hauke, B. (2005). Professional resources for adult basic and literacy educators, revised. In T. Reiff (Ed.), *Pennsylvania ABLÉ Staff Handbook*. Harrisburg, PA: Bureau of Adult Basic and Literacy Education.
- Van Horn, B. & Forlizzi, L. (2004). Assessment of adult learners' basic skills in family literacy programs. In *Handbook on Family Literacy Programs*. Mahwah, NJ: Erlbaum Associates.
- Van Horn, B., Kassab, C., Grinder, E., & Weirauch, D. (2003, April). *Pennsylvania's family literacy programs: Results of a statewide evaluation 2000-2001*. University Park, PA: Institute for the Study of Adult Literacy.
- Van Horn, B., Kassab, C., & Grinder, E. (2002, March). *Pennsylvania's family literacy programs: Results of a statewide evaluation 1999-2000*. University Park, PA: Institute for the Study of Adult Literacy.
- Van Horn, B. (2001, Spring). Martin & Fisher, The welfare to work challenge for adult literacy instructors (Book Review). *Adult Basic Education*, 11(1), 61-63.
- Van Horn, B. (2001). Adult learner competencies. In T. Reiff & E. McDevitt (Eds.), *Pennsylvania ABLÉ Staff Handbook*. Harrisburg (p. 7). PA: Bureau of Adult Basic and Literacy Education.
- Van Horn, B. & Smith, J. (2001). Professional resources for adult basic and literacy educators. In T. Reiff & E. McDevitt (Eds.), *Pennsylvania ABLÉ Staff Handbook*. Harrisburg (p. 25). PA: Bureau of Adult Basic and Literacy Education.
- Van Horn, B., Kassab, C., & Grinder, E. (2000, November). *Pennsylvania's family literacy programs: Results of a statewide evaluation 1998-1999*. University Park, PA: Institute for the Study of Adult Literacy.
- Van Horn, B. & Smith, J. (1999). State and national resources for adult basic and literacy education. *Administrators' Guide*. Harrisburg, PA: Bureau of Adult Basic and Literacy Education.
- Van Horn, B. (1999). Evaluating Pennsylvania's family literacy programs. *Administrators' Guide*. Harrisburg, PA: Bureau of Adult Basic and Literacy Education.
- Kumanyika, S., Adams-Campbell, L., Van Horn, B., Ten Have, T., Treu, J., Askov, E., Williams, J., Achterberg, C., Zaghoul, S., Monseque-Weeks, D., Bright, M., Stoy, D., Raysor, M., Mooney, D., Deiling, S., Caulfield, J. (1999, November) Outcomes of a cardiovascular nutrition counseling program in African-Americans with elevated blood pressure or cholesterol, *Journal of American Dietetic Association*, (99)11, 1380-91.
- Van Horn, B., & Carman, P. (1998). *Rosalie's Neighborhood* (Series of three booklets on preventive health care and facilitator's guide available through the National Institute for Literacy, Washington, DC.)
- Lazar, M.K., Bean, R.M., & Van Horn, B. (1998, February). Linking the Success of a Basic Skills Program to Workplace Practices and Productivity: An Evaluation, *Journal of Adolescent and Adult Literacy*, (41)5, 352-363.
- Van Horn, B.H. (1997). *Research and development of Pennsylvania-specific adult learner competencies in family, work, and community contexts. Final report.* (ED 419 108; CE 076 372).
- Ten Have, T. R., Van Horn, B., Kumanyika, S., Askov, E.N., Matthews, Y., & Adams-Campbell, L.L. (1997). Literacy assessment in a cardiovascular nutrition education setting, *Patient Education and Counseling*, 31:139-150.
- Askov, E.N., Van Horn, B.L., & Carman, P. (1997). Assessment in adult literacy and basic education in M.A. Leahy & A. Rose (Ed.) *Issues in Assessment* (New Directions for Adult and Continuing Education Sourcebook). San Francisco, CA: Jossey-Bass.
- Van Horn, B., Carman, P.S., Askov, E.N., & Jenkins, S. (1996). *Assessment and adult learners: Getting the most from standardized and informal assessment instruments*. Harrisburg, PA: Bureau of Adult Basic and Literacy Education.
- Van Horn, B. (1995). *Magee-Womens Hospital Adult Learning Program Evaluation Report*. [Available from Magee-Womens Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA.]
- Van Horn, B., & Guaraldi, R. A. (1994). Alternative assessment: Use of portfolio assessment in a workplace literacy program. *Yearbook of the American Reading Forum*, Volume XIV (pp. 139-152). Logan, UT: American Reading Forum.
- Achterberg, C. L., Van Horn, B., Maretzki, A., Matheson, D., & Sylvester, G. (1994, December). Evaluation of dietary guideline bulletins revised for a low literate audience. *Journal of Extension* 32(4).
- Askov, E. N. & Van Horn, B. H. (1994). Technology as an instructional strategy for program transitions. In *Transitions: Building Partnerships Between Literacy Volunteer and Adult Education Programs*. Background papers from the National Conference. Washington, DC: National Alliance of Business.
- Van Horn, B. & Brown, E. J. (1993). Hurdles in evaluating adult literacy programs... a few answers. *Yearbook of the American Reading Forum*, Volume XIII (pp. 59-66). Logan, UT: American Reading Forum.
- Askov, E. N., & Van Horn, B. H. (1993, Summer). Adult educators and workplace literacy: Designing customized basic skills instruction. *Adult Basic Education: An Interdisciplinary Journal for Adult Literacy Educators*, 3 (2),

115-125.

- Van Horn, B. & Miller, C. (1993). Family literacy. In *The Pennsylvania Adult Basic and Literacy Education Handbook for Program Administrators, 1993 Edition* (pp 56-57). Lancaster, PA: New Educational Projects, Inc.
- Van Horn, B., Johnson, D. W., & Funk, E. A. (1992). *Family Literacy Services: The Library's Role Resource Guide*. University Park, PA: Institute for the Study of Adult Literacy.
- Van Horn, B., Ovaert, V., & Askov, E. N. (1991). *Development and evaluation of a model family literacy program (Final Report)*. University Park, PA: Institute for the Study of Adult Literacy.
- Askov, E. N., & Van Horn, B. (1989). *Adult literacy, computer technology, and the hearing impaired*. University Park, PA: Institute for the Study of Adult Literacy.
- Van Horn, B., Askov, E. N., & Funk, E. A. (1987). *Planning adult literacy services: Options for library involvement*. University Park, PA: Institute for the Study of Adult Literacy.

PRESENTATIONS

- Basic Skills Collection: Free on-line research based resources for basic skills instruction. (2008, March). COABE 2008 National Conference, St. Louis, MO.
- National Institute for Literacy's LINCS Basic Skills Resource Collection, Building Reading, Writing, and Math Skills. (2008, March). National Family Literacy Conference, Louisville, KY.
- Even Start—Similar Yet Different: Reflections on Research into “What Counts” in Family Literacy. (2008, March). National Family Literacy Conference, Louisville, KY.
- Parents, Children, and the Pursuit of (an) Even Start. (2007, March). COABE 2007 National Conference, Philadelphia, PA.
- Research to Practice: The Goodling Institute for Research in Family Literacy. (2007, March). National Family Literacy Conference, Orlando, FL.
- Pursuing High-Quality Adult and Family Literacy Resources: The National Institute for Literacy's New LINCS Resource Collections. (2007, March). Literacy Showcase Poster Session, National Family Literacy Conference, Orlando, FL.
- Volunteers in Family Literacy: Answering Why? Who? Where? How? (2006, March). National Family Literacy Conference, Louisville, KY.
- Research to Practice: The Goodling Institute for Research in Family Literacy. (2006, March). National Family Literacy Conference, Louisville, KY.
- Accountability and CPI in Pennsylvania Adult Basic and Family Literacy (2006, February). Invited presenter at Developmental Education Association of Maryland Winter Meeting 2006.
- Successful Models in Adult Education and Family Literacy: Providing Research-Based Educational Services for Adults in Family and Workplace Literacy Settings. (2005, May). International Reading Association, San Antonio, TX.
- Developing Oral Health Literacy Through Stories and Facilitated Discussion. (2005, May). Poster Session at 2005 National Oral Health Conference. Pittsburgh, PA.
- Language Learning Conversations for Tutors, Parents and Children. (2005, April). National Family Literacy Conference, Louisville, KY.
- Translating Research into Practice in Family Literacy Programs: Results from the Gooding Institute for Research in Family Literacy. (2005, April). National Family Literacy Conference, Louisville, KY.
- Welcome to *Rosalie's Neighborhood*: A Health Literacy Intervention for Diverse Families. (2005, April). National Family Literacy Conference, Louisville, KY.
- Pennsylvania's Interagency Approach to Improving Practices in Family Literacy Programs and Participant Outcomes. (2005, March). Invited presentation with Trish Link (Lancaster-Lebanon IU) for USDOE Migrant Education Even Start Program.
- State to State: What Indiana Can Learn From Other State Workforce Literacy Strategies (2004, April). Invited panelist, Indiana Chamber of Commerce, Indianapolis, IN.
- Goodling Institute Research Symposium. (2004, March). National Family Literacy Conference, Orlando, FL.
- Symposium on Research-Based Products for Adult Literacy Practitioners. (2003, May). International Reading Association, Orlando, FL.
- Building a Comprehensive Family Literacy Accountability System. (2003, April). Commission on Adult Basic Education (COABE), Portland, OR.
- Pennsylvania's Comprehensive Family Literacy Accountability System. (2003, March). National Family Literacy Conference, Long Beach, CA.
- Comparison of Two State Approaches to Developing a Statewide Accountability System for Family Literacy. (2002, May). Commission on Adult Basic Education (COABE), Charleston, SC.

Funding and Instructional Support for New Adult Literacy Demands. (2002, May). International Reading Association, San Francisco, CA.

Results of a Statewide Evaluation of Pennsylvania's Family Literacy Programs: Findings and Implications for Practice. (2002, April). American Educational Research Association. New Orleans, LA.

Building a Comprehensive Family Literacy Accountability System. (2002, March). National Family Literacy Conference, Albuquerque, NM.

Building Bridges to Link Statewide Evaluation Data to Local Evaluation and Program Improvement Efforts. (2002, February). PA Association for Adult Continuing Education Conference on Adult Education, Hershey, PA.

Pennsylvania's Statewide Family Literacy Evaluation: Findings and Recommendations. (2001, November). Regional Family Literacy Alliance Forum, Carlisle, PA.

Pennsylvania's Statewide Family Literacy Evaluation: Methods and Lessons Learned. (2001, October). National Conference of the American Association for Adult and Continuing Education, Baltimore, MD.

Family Literacy — Serving the Educational Needs of Diverse Families. (2001, May). International Reading Association, New Orleans, LA.

Pennsylvania's Statewide Family Literacy Evaluation: Methods and Lessons Learned. (2001, April). Commission on Adult Basic Education, Memphis, TN.

Pennsylvania's Statewide Family Literacy Evaluation: Helpful Hints, Methods, and Lessons Learned. (2001, March). National Family Literacy Conference, Dallas, TX.

Family Literacy for the New World: Diverse Models for Diverse Families. (2000, May). International Reading Association, Indianapolis, IN.

GTE/LVA Family Literacy and Technology Institute. (1999, November). Literacy Volunteers of America National Conference. Nashville, TN.

Literacy and Health Communications. (1999, June). Healthy Women 50+ Clinical Breast Cancer Program, Hershey, PA.

Who Wants to Know? Using Assessment Plans to Meet Stakeholders' Needs. (1998, May). International Reading Association, Orlando, FL.

Adult Learner Competencies: A Framework for Designing Contextualized Instruction and Linking Learning to Assessment. (1998, February). PA Association for Adult Continuing Education Conference on Adult Education, Hershey, PA.

Family Literacy/Health Literacy. (1997, May). Pre-Conference Institute on Adult Literacy. International Reading Association Conference, Atlanta, GA.

What Are We Measuring? Standardized and Alternative Assessments in Adult Basic Education (1997, February). PA Association for Adult Continuing Education Conference on Adult Education, Hershey, PA.

What Are We Measuring? Standardized and Alternative Assessments in Adult Basic Education (1996, October). National Conference of the American Association for Adult and Continuing Education, Charlotte, NC.

Developing Health Education Materials for Adults with Limited Literacy Skills (1996, October). National Conference of the American Association for Adult and Continuing Education, Charlotte, NC.

Scan of Existing Health Interventions. (1996, July). Invited Presentation, Health Illiteracy: A Costly Health Problem. What Can We Do About It? A national meeting sponsored by The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Center for Health Care Strategies, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ.

Assessment for Effective Teaching and Accountability. (1996, May). Roundtable with E. N. Askov and P.S. Jenkins at the National Conference of the Commission on Adult Basic Education (COABE), Pittsburgh, PA.

Research to Practice in Portfolio Assessment for Adults. (1996, May). National Conference of the Commission on Adult Basic Education (COABE), Pittsburgh, PA.

Assessment and Evaluation of Employee Gains in Literacy and Job Performance in a Hospital-Based Literacy Program. (1996, April). Roundtable with M. Lazar and R. Bean (U. of Pittsburgh), Conference of the American Educational Research Association, New York City, NY.

Making a Difference: Use of Portfolio Assessment in a Workplace Literacy Program. (1996, February). International Reading Association 4th North American Conference on Adolescent and Adult Literacy, Washington, DC.

Literacy Portfolios: A Participatory Approach to Assessing Growth in Literacy Skills. (1995, April). Invited presentation at the National Conference on Family Literacy, Louisville, KY.

Literacy Portfolios: A Participatory Approach to Assessing Growth in Literacy Skills. (1995, February). Invited presentation, PA Association for Adult Continuing Education Conference on Adult Education, Hershey, PA.

Cancer Control in Rural Pennsylvania. (1994, June). PA Rural Health Conference, University Park, PA.

Technology as an Instructional Strategy for Program Transitions. (1994, May). U. S. Department of Education Conference on Transitions: Building Partnerships Between Literacy Volunteer and Adult Education Programs, Washington, DC.

Alternative Assessments for Adults and Adolescents. (1994, May). Symposium with J. Alamprese and E. N. Askov. International Reading Association, Toronto, Canada.

Literacy and Health. (1994, February). PA Association for Adult Continuing Education Conference on Adult Education, Hershey, PA.

Literacy Portfolios: A Participatory Approach to Assessing Growth in Literacy Skills. (1994, February). PA Association for Adult Continuing Education Conference on Adult Education, Hershey, PA.

Literacy Portfolios: A Participatory Approach to Assessing Growth in Literacy Skills. (1994, February). International Reading Association 3rd North American Conference on Adult and Adolescent Literacy, Washington, DC.

Alternative Assessment: Use of Portfolio Assessment in a Workplace Literacy Program. (1993, December). American Reading Forum, Sanibel Island, FL.

Portfolio Assessment in Family Literacy Programs. (1993, April). National Conference on Family Literacy, Louisville, KY.

Successful Strategies for Family Literacy Programs. (1993, April). National Conference on Family Literacy, Louisville, KY.

Hurdles in Evaluating Adult Literacy Programs-A Few Answers. (1992, December). American Reading Forum, Sanibel Island, FL.

The Even Start Family Literacy Program: An Overview and Selected Models. (1992, August). Family Literacy Institute, New Cumberland, PA.

Developing Nutrition Education Materials for Low-Literate Audiences (1992, June). Invited Presentation, Annual Nutrition Education Conference, Harrisburg, PA.

Designing Cardiovascular Risk Reduction Interventions for Populations with Low Literacy Skills: Needs Assessment and Planning for Cultural Adaptations and for Dietary and Reading Level Assessments (1992). Fourth National Forum on Cardiovascular Health, Pulmonary Disorders, and Blood Resources, Washington, DC.

Technology-Based Workplace Literacy Programs Using a Functional Context Approach (1991). Invited Presentation, National Alliance of Business, Washington, DC.

Family Literacy Models (1991). PA Association of Adult Continuing Education Conference on Adult Education, Hershey, PA.

Adult Literacy and the Hearing Impaired (1990, January). Conference on Adult and Adolescent Literacy, sponsored by the International Reading Association, Washington, DC.

Adult Literacy and the Hearing Impaired (1989, October). American Association of Adult and Continuing Education National Conference, Atlantic City, NJ.

Libraries and Adult Literacy Services. (1988, 1989, November). Invited Presentation, Literacy Volunteers of America National Conference, Albuquerque, NM and Virginia Beach, VA.

Penn State Adult Literacy Courseware (1988, June). Invited Presentation, Adults with Special Learning Needs National Conference, Gallaudet University, Washington, DC.

Expanding Horizons: Libraries and Literacy (1987, October). American Association of Adult and Continuing Education National Conference, Washington, DC.

Literacy and Older Adults (1987, October). Keystone State Reading Association Conference, Seven Springs, PA.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Reviewer: Manuscripts, Funding Proposals, and Programs

Invited Participant, Migrant Education Even Start Cross-Site Study (2004). U.S. Department of Education, Office of Migrant Education.

Consulting Editor (1993–05). *Adult Basic Education: An Interdisciplinary Journal for Adult Literacy Educators*.

Member, Editorial Board (1997 -05). *Reading Online* (electronic journal of International Reading Association).

Reviewer (1998-2005). Health Literacy Program and Visiting Professors in Clear Health Communication, Pfizer Medical and Academic Partnerships.

Invited Reviewer, Massachusetts case study (2003). National Center for the Study of Adult Learning and Literacy, Harvard University.

Invited Participant, Workplace Learning Research Colloquium (2003). U.S. Department of Education, Office of Vocational and Adult Education.

Invited Member, Equipped for the Future Expert Panel on Writing (2002). National Institute for Literacy.

Ad Hoc Manuscript Reviewer (2000-02). *Journal of Adolescent and Adult Literacy*.

Member, Editorial Advisory Board (1995–00). *Journal of Adolescent and Adult Literacy*.

Reviewer (1995). National Institute for Literacy (Literacy Fellowship Program).

Consulting Editor (1991–95). *Journal of Nutrition Education*.

Reviewer (1988–96). U.S. Department of Education, Library Services and Construction Act, Title VI (Library

Literacy Program).

Reviewer (1992). ERIC Clearinghouse on Adult, Career, and Vocational Education; reviewed manuscript *Workplace literacy: A guide to the literature and resources* (1993).

Active Memberships and Affiliations

Member Policy Committee (2004-07). National Coalition for Literacy.

Member Workforce Education Special Collection Core Knowledge Group (1998-06). National Institute for Literacy.

Member, Family Literacy Committee (2002-04). International Reading Association.

Member Family Literacy Special Collection Core Knowledge Group (1998-04). National Institute for Literacy.

Chair, Standing Committees — Constitution, Resolutions, and Bylaws (2003-06), Nominating (2001-03), Adult Educator Award (2002-03), Budget, Finance and Fiscal (2000-01) and Task Force — Operations Manual.

Pennsylvania Association for Adult Continuing Education (PAACE) Board of Directors.

Member, Reading Research Work Group (2002). National Institute for Literacy.

Adult Education and Family Literacy Special Interest Group Chair and Program Committee Chair (2000-02). International Reading Association.

Board Member and Program Co-Chair (1997 - 01). Pennsylvania State Coalition for Adult Literacy.

Vice President and President (1996-2000). PAACE Board of Directors.

Co-Chair Program Committee (1996-98). International Reading Association Adult Literacy Special Interest Group.

Member, Task for on Learner Outcomes and Assessment. (1997). Literacy Volunteers of America, Inc.

Co-Chair Pre-conference Institutes Committee (1995-96). COABE '96 national conference committee.

Participant (1995). U. S. Department of Education Design Review Conference (Discretionary Grants Reengineering Team invited conference).

Geographic Region Representative (1994–96). PAACE Board of Directors.

Affiliate member (1993–96). National Work Group on Cancer and Literacy, Department of Health and Human Services, National Institutes of Health, National Cancer Institute.

Member (1993–95). Appalachian Leadership Initiative on Cancer Communications Subcommittee. (National Cancer Institute, Division of Cancer Prevention and Control, National Outreach Initiatives Branch).

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

National Even Start Association

Family Literacy Alliance

National Coalition for Literacy

Pennsylvania Association for Adult Continuing Education

Commission on Adult Basic Education

International Reading Association