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Retired Colonel, USA, ANC

Co-Creator of Women's Health Program at James J Peters (Bronx) VAMC. First Women's Health Primary Comprehensive Care Provider. I worked in the private sector in various areas of Women's Health starting in 1972 when I graduated from college.

Adjunct Assistant Professor, Uniformed Services University of the Health Science, Graduate School of Nursing, Post Master's Nurse Practitioner Program, Bethesda, Maryland; Adjunct at other local Colleges and Universities in NJ and NY.

Preceptor for Nurse Practitioner Students and Medical Students that rotated Women's Health from Columbia University Medical School and NP Program, Mt Sinai Medical School, College of Mt St Vincent NP Program. .

Military Positions-74th Field Hospital Head Nurse, Assistant Chief Nurse, Chief Nurse, 343rd Combat Support Hospital, Administrative Officer, 1150 USAR School LPN Program attached Delaware, Medical Officer Humanitarian Mission Panama, 11th BN/5th HS Brigade/98th Division (IT) Recruitment Officer, Director 91WM6 11th BN/5th HS Bde/98th Division (IT), Medical Liaison 91W Transition 98th Division (IT), Deputy CDR 5th HS Brigade/98th Division (IT), Director Health Affairs/Assistant Chief of Staff, Multi-National Security Transition Command-Iraq, Joint NATO, (MNSTC-I), Assistant G-4 98th Division (IT).

Director of 91WM6 Program 11th Bn/98th Division (IT) 2000-2003 Responsible for training exportable LPN Program, North East Region Main to New Jersey with 98% pass rate. Program Director M6, with a mission to train soldiers to be Practical Nurses in accordance with TRADOC, AMEDD, and Massachusetts Board of Nursing Registration Standards. Responsible for ongoing development, implementation, evaluation, and management of the LPN additional skill identifier (M6 ASI) producing school. Provided leadership, guidance, and direction to faculty in curriculum enhancement, implementation, and evaluation. Negotiated and facilitated civilian, military, regulatory and accrediting agencies for the 91WM6 Program. Develops and executes budget for resource allocation, for requirements necessary for the implementation of the Program. Coordination of Annual Training activities. Implemented and monitored a systematic outcomes-based program evaluation. Recruited and selected faculty and staff.

Deputy Commander 5th HS Brigade, Responsible for training National Guard and Reserve soldiers NCOCES, ANOC, 91W transition Program and CLC for the North East Region of US. Improved the readiness of Reserve and National Guard soldiers for deployment to Iraq and Afghanistan

Oct 2004 deployed to serve MNSTCI-Iraq (Multi-National Security Transition Command-Iraq, Joint NATO Command, Director of Health Affairs/Assistant Chief of Staff, and advisor to the Iraqi Armed Forces Surgeon General. Efforts resulted in a compendium of basic medical training materials and courses in Arabic (combat life saver, first aid course, sexual transmitted disease, CPR and first medic course). A standardized policy and procedures manual for Iraqi Army medical clinics, and a medical logistics distribution system and medical logistic course.

Validated medical clinic sites and monitored the building progress of 11 medical clinics from Mosul to Al Basrah, medical supply warehouse, development of medical platoons and purchasing equipment needed for sustainment (trauma sets, sick call sets, medic sets, ambulances, phones) for 10 Divisions. Satellite phones purchased for Iraqi Surgeon General to be able to communicate with his medical personnel. Prosthetic Clinic in Bagdad Green Zone built to provide prosthetic legs to children that had lost a limb due to the war.

Awards: Bronze Star, Army Commendation Medal with Four Oak Leaf Cluster, Army Achievement Medal with Two Oak Leaf Cluster, Joint Meritorious Unit Award, National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal with Seven Oak Leaf Cluster, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with Hourglass Device.

Professional Organizations:

American Nurses Association (ANA) American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (AANP), American Nurse Corp Association (ANCA)
American Women's Medical Association (AWMA), Integrated Black Nurses Association (IBNA), Sigma Theta Tau Tau Chi Chapter Inc of Chi Eta Phi Sorority Inc. (L), Women's Health Nurse Practitioners (WHNP)

Military Organizations

369th Veteran's Historical Society (L), 369th Veteran's Association, Inc. (L), American Legion (AL)(L), Association of Military Surgeons of the U.S. (AMUSUS) (L).
Disabled American Veterans Association (DAV) (L), Iraq Afghanistan Veterans of America (IAVA) (L), Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) (L)
Wounded Warrior Project, National Association of Black Military Women (NABMW) (L), Reserve Officers Association (L), Veteran of Foreign War Organization (VFW) (L)

Other Organizations- NAACP(L)

Civilian Awards:

Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition 68th NYS District, Woman Veteran of The New Year State Assembly Citation, City Council, Citation Certificate of Recognition NY State Senator 23rd District, Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition NYS 13th District, 369th Honor Society for outstanding achievement. Senator Ruth Hassel-Thompson, Certificate of Recognition NYS Senate 36th Senate District, NYS Assembly Citation, Ruben Diaz, Jr, Bronx Borough President. Citation of Merit, NABMW Award National Secretary 2009-2016, Unsung Hero Tau Chi Chapter, Member of the Year NYC NABM Chapter Member

Retired 2010 USA, and 2013 Department of Veterans Affairs. I continue to volunteer in communities and agencies for those in need knowing that they are not invisible. Member of Academic Excellence which I tutor children in the community.

I am married, with three grown sons , four grandsons and two granddaughters. Communication with the use of telephone is awesome that I'm able to see my family all the time. I love to travel. I joined NABMW because of women I met in Washington Gladys Carter, Lorraine West, Hattie Harris, Anetta Ware-Smith, Doris Richardson, and Ann Moore.