

Curriculum Vitae

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Education:

Undergraduate: Texas Woman's University, Denton, Texas.
May 1984: Bachelor of Science, Nursing, with minors in Biology and Sociology.
Graduate: University of Miami, Coral Gables, Florida.
May 1990: Master's degree in Nursing with specialty in Nurse Midwifery
Clinical training: University of Miami Jackson Memorial Hospital, Jackson North
Maternity Center, Miami, FL; Women's Center of Martin County, Stuart, FL;
Doctors and Midwives Group, Key West, FL
July 2002: Certified Legal Nurse Consultant, Medical Legal Consulting Institute,
Houston, Texas

Awards:

1988: U.S. Public Health Service Traineeship Grant.
March 2000: American College of Nurse Midwives/Maternal Child Health Bureau
Provider's Partnership Fellowship, Washington, DC
May 2000: ACNM Excellence in Teaching Award, University of Miami adjunct faculty
member.
June 2003: Davis Productivity Award, Nurse Midwifery Maternity Program, Martin
County Health Department.

Professional Organizations:

Member: American College of Nurse Midwives.
Clinical preceptor: 1991 to present: CNEP (Community Based Nurse Midwifery
Education Project), Frontier School of Nursing and Midwifery, with clinical training for
CNM students, in Key West, Pahokee, and Stuart, FL.

Clinical preceptor: 1991-1994, University of Miami, Family Medicine department.

Adjunct Clinical Faculty, Intrapartum Nurse Midwifery, Fall semesters 1998, 1999, 2000:
University of Miami, Nurse Midwifery Program

Research:

Patient Satisfaction at the Daystar Health Center: A Descriptive Evaluation Research
Study. Unpublished Master's thesis, University of Miami, May 1990
Advanced Practice Nursing and the Caring Component of Client Satisfaction.
Unpublished, University of Miami, May 1990

Licensure:

Active: Florida RN-ARNP (CNM)
American College of Nurse Midwives
NACLS certified.
Florida Medicaid provider.
Inactive: Virginia RN license
Texas RN license
Arkansas RN license

Related Work Experience

October 2000 to present:

Staff CNM, Nurse Midwifery Service, Martin County Health Department, Stuart and Indiantown, FL. OB census: 500+ deliveries per year.

April 2002 to present:

Nurse practitioner, women's health services, Treasure Coast Chapter Planned Parenthood; Stuart, West Palm Beach, Lake Worth, and Vero Beach, FL.

August 1998 to October 2000:

Staff CNM, Nurse Midwifery Service, Martin Memorial Health System, Stuart and Indiantown, FL. Serve a diverse patient population, including a large population of Guatemalan Mayan Indians and Mexican migrant farm workers. Ante partum and intrapartum CNM practice including
Co-management of high risk obstetrics, OB census for CNM service, average 400+ deliveries per year, approximately 30% of total OB volume in Martin County, FL. CNM service closed due to budget constraints, October 2000.

Adjunct clinical faculty, part time, Nurse Midwifery Program, University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL. Fall semesters 1998, 1999, 2000.

April 1999 to July 2000:

Part time CNM, Women's Center, affiliate of Martin Memorial Health Systems, Stuart, FL
Well woman gynecology

1998 to present:

Practice consultant for site specific, full scope midwifery protocols for collaborative MD/CNM services throughout the country. Protocols have been created for practices in New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Maryland, North Carolina, West Virginia, Florida, South Carolina and California.
Legal nurse consultant services to several law firms providing chart review and research for medical malpractice cases. Training; Medical Legal Consulting Institute, Houston, Texas

April 1997 to August 1998:

Full scope nurse midwifery in western Palm Beach County in association with Robert L. Hatton, M.D., Everglades Regional Medical Center, including management of high risk obstetrics, obstetric sonography and first assistant for C-sections
OB census; 800 births per year. Hospital closed in March 1998.

Robert L. Hatton, M.D.
Everglades Regional Medical Center
Pahokee, FL 33467

January to March 1997:

Practice consultant, with The CNM Group, Baltimore, Maryland, providing interim, permanent and consultant nurse midwifery services for MD/CNM collaborative practice.

Barbara Fitchett, CNM, MSN
The CNM Group
Baltimore, MD

January 1994 to January 1997:

Associate in joint CNM/MD private practice, Doctors and Midwives Group. Full scope CNM practice, including co-management of high risk obstetrics, with offices in Key West, Marathon and Islamorada, Florida Hospital privileges for obstetrics at Lower Florida Keys Health Systems and establishment of birth center practice at Babies by the Sea; a Birth Center.

Annual OB census 300 births per year.

Doctors and Midwives Group
Frank Ferrin, MD and Edmund Boulting, MD
Helen Swallow, CNM, MSN
Key West, FL 33040

June 1990 to January 1994:

Associate in joint CNM/MD private practice, Doctors and Midwives Group. Full scope CNM practice with offices in Key West, Marathon and Islamorada, Florida. Hospital privileges for obstetrics at Lower Florida Keys Health Systems (formerly Florida Keys Memorial Hospital).

Doctors and Midwives Group
Willard J. Morse, Jr., MD
Helen Swallow, CNM, MSN
Key West, FL 33040

December 1986 to September 1988:

Obstetrics and gynecology office RN for a collaborative MD/CNM private practice with W.J. Morse, Jr., MD and Helen Swallow, CNM. Maintained per diem status as a labor and delivery nurse at Florida Keys Memorial Hospital, Key West, Florida.

December 1985 to July 1990:

Staff RN in Obstetrics department at Florida Keys Memorial Hospital. This is the only obstetrics facility in the Florida Keys with an obstetrical census of approximately 800 births per year.

1986: Spring, Summer and Fall Semesters

Adjunct faculty at Florida Keys Community College in the Associate degree program in Nursing as clinical preceptor.

May 1984 to December 1985:

Staff RN II at the University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston, Texas. Worked in the Obstetrics department in the Rooming-In postpartum unit. UTMB is a regional tertiary referral center for the State of Texas with an obstetrical census of 10,000 births per year.

University of Texas Medical Branch Hospitals
Galveston, TX 77550

August 1981 to March 1984:

Worked in partnership as a licensed midwife in private practice in the North Texas area, with the support and backup cooperation of J.M. Rampoldi, MD and B. Schenck, DO. Over the years, I have attended approximately 250 births as a primary attendant and many more as an assistant in a home birth setting.

Midwife Associates
Roxanne Struve, LM, Betsy Schenck, DO
Denton, TX 76201

April 1978 to December 1980:

Worked as a licensed midwife in private practice in the greater Houston area with the support and backup cooperation of Dr. Stogre, MD and Dr. Kondejewski, MD, Family practice.

Rosemary Stogre, MD and Richard Kondejewski, MD
Family Practice Associates
Texas City, TX 77590

January 1978:

Completed requirements to become a Licensed Midwife in Texas through the Houston Association for Midwife Education, in conjunction with the Public Health Department.

January 1976 to April 1977:

Studied and worked under the supervision of Dr. Harold Graves, MD, at a medical mission on the Mexican-Guatemalan border. Responsibilities included both classroom and clinical experiences in prenatal, intrapartum, postpartum, and newborn care.

Dr. Harold Graves, MD
Clinica Valparaiso
La Mesilla, Huehuetenango, Guatemala,
Central America

December 1975 to December 1976:

Served and studied as a lay medical worker, and emergency relief worker, during the Guatemalan earthquake of February 1976.

Instituto Naturista Adventista
Lon Cummings, director
Casilla 228
Antigua, Guatemala

Special Skills:

- Full scope nurse midwifery practice, including freestanding birth center and home birth experience, gynecology and hospital experience with co-management of high risk obstetrics.
- More than 3000 + deliveries as a CNM.
- First assistant for C-sections.
- Basic obstetrical ultrasonography. Course work completed through the University of Arizona, 1993.
- December 2005, Gulfcoast Ultrasound Institute, OB and Gyn basic ultrasound training.
- Computer literacy
- Experience as a consultant for MD/CNM collaborative practice in Florida and Virginia: The CNM Group, Baltimore, MD.
- Fluent in both conversational and written Spanish. I have spent a total of 20 years living in South and Central America.
- Legal Nurse Consultant