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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Sciences, Clinical & Community Dietetics, University of Florida, 1981

LICENSURE/CERTIFICATION

Registered Dietitian, American Dietetic Association R604536

Licensed Dietitian, State of Montana #295

Applied Food Service Sanitation, National Institute for the Food Service Industry

ServSAFE Trainer Certification, National Restaurant Association, January 2000

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- ✓ Principal Investigator, School Nutrition Assistance Program Grant, Montana State University, Department of Health & Human Development – 1999 to present.
- ✓ Principal Investigator & Project Coordinator, Team Nutrition Training Grants I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, Montana State University, Department of Health & Human Development
- ✓ Principal Investigator & Project Coordinator, Beef Council Grants I, II, III, IV, V, VI, Department of Health & Human Development

MAJOR ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES

- School Nutrition Assistance Training Programs: state coordinator, program planning, maintains resource center, and coordinates in-service training for school food service training/nutrition education to K-12 grade level school staff in Montana (interagency agreement with Office of Public Instruction – SNAP - 2002-03).
- Team Nutrition Training (TNT I-VII): principal investigator, project coordinator for this grant geared to implement USDA's Healthy School Meals/Team Nutrition Initiative throughout schools in Montana (from Office of Public Instruction, Helena Montana – 2001-2005).
- Montana Social Norms Project to Increase Healthful Beverage Consumption in Youth: Co-Principal Investigator for this grant designed to support baseline research and instrument pilot testing for the development of a social norms marketing approach to promoting healthful beverage intake in middle school youth in Montana schools. (Nov 2001-June 2002).
- Coordinator, Montana Nutrition Education and Training Program, Office of Public Instruction: Coordinate and implement school nutrition and nutrition education plan. (May 1993-August 1999).

HONORS AND DISTINCTIONS

1998 Ruth C. Bowling Award for Nutrition Education, Western Dairy Council

1997 Recognized Young Dietitian of the Year Award, Montana Dietetic Association

2003 MDA Recognized Dietitian of the Year Award

2003 Montana Association of Health, P.E. Recreation and Dance Service Award

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIPS

Montana Dietetic Association, and American Dietetic Association, Member, Registered Dietitian

Montana School Food Service Association, and American School Food Service Association, member

SELECTED SERVICE

Coordinate MSU School Food Service Cooking Institute, Health and Human Development, August 1999-2003

Co-Chairperson for MDA Annual Meeting, May 2000 and May 2001; MDA Newsletter Editor 2000-01;

Member of MDA Public Policy Committee- May 2001-present