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### EDUCATION

- 1993                      Advanced Certificate in Diversity Management,  
Boston University School of Social Work
- 1977                      M.S.W., Simmons College School of Social Work
- 1972                      B.A., University of Michigan, College Honors

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### Simmons College School of Social Work

- 2008-present            Assistant Dean for Student Affairs
- 2005-2008              Director of Field Education
- 2001-present            Associate Professor, Field Education Department.
- 1994-2001              Assistant Professor, Field Education Department

**Courses taught at Simmons SSW:** *Supervisor Seminar* for MSW supervisors. Section leader for required Year I "HBSE" course, *Organizational Context and Social Work Practice*. Integrative Seminar for students in One Year Placement Option

**Simmons College Committees (current):** Simmons College honor board; NEASC subcommittee on Student Life

#### Boston University School of Social Work

- 1993-1994              Field Faculty Advisor

#### Welcome Project, Somerville, MA.

- 1988-present            Participated in founding of this immigrant services organization and currently serve on Executive Board.

#### Somerville Mental Health Clinic

- 1977-1994              Clinic coordinator SMHC Mystic Satellite Clinic

#### Fernald State School, Waltham, MA

- 1974-1976              Coordinator of Sheltered Workshop Services
- 1973-1974              Assistant Director of FLOW Workshop. Rehabilitation Program.

## **PRESENTATIONS and TRAININGS**

- 2007 “Field Education Projects as a Component of Leadership Development” with S. Cofield  
Presentation at Annual Program meeting of CSWE. Phoenix, AZ
- 2005 "Teaching Experienced Field Instructors: A Collaborative Effort"  
Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, NY, NY
- 2004 “Job Placements Revisited...” with D. Brooks and E. Goodman  
Council on Social Work Education Program Meeting  
Anaheim, California.
- 2002 “A Curriculum Model for Incorporating Multiculturalism and Anti-racist  
Practice into Field Instructor Training”  
  
International Assn. of Schools of Social Work, Annual Meeting,  
Montpellier, France.  
  
“Field Instructor Training: A Model for Web Enhanced Learning” with  
Ellen Goodman and Gianna Gifford. Council of Social Work Education  
Annual Meeting. Nashville, Tennessee.  
  
“Tackling the Tough Stuff: Incorporating Multiculturalism and Anti-racist  
Practice in Field Instructor Training” with J. Perlstein, T. Zimmerman, and E.  
Goodman. NASW, Mass Chapter Symposium.  
  
“Field Education in the United Kingdom”  
New England Consortium of Field Directors meeting, Worcester, MA.
- 2000 “Elements of Effective Supervision”, Victim Witness Supervisors Training,  
Brookline, MA; Ellen Goodman and Suzanne Sankar, July 2000.
- 1999 “Supervisor as Educator”  
New England Consortium of Field Education (NECON)  
Judith Perlstein and Suzanne Sankar  
Somerville, MA; November 1999.  
  
“Students with Criminal Records: Implications for Field”  
Sankar, Suzanne and Brooks, Deanna  
Early Bird Round Table, Council on Social Work Education APM  
San Francisco, California; March, 1999.
- 1999 “Educator/Practitioner Collaborations in Social Work Case Management in Health”  
Brooks, Deanna, Sankar, Suzanne and Brill, Carol  
Presented at Health Care Symposium at the Council on Social Work Education APM  
San Francisco, California; March, 1999.
- 1997 “Social Work Case Management: A New Challenge for Social Work Education”  
Sankar, Suzanne and Brooks, Deanna  
Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education  
Chicago, Illinois; March 1997.
- 1997 “Introduction to Supervision”, Mass. Dept. of Social Services (DSS)

Suzanne Sankar, Framingham, Mass., March 1997.

- 1996 "Introduction to Supervision", New Worker Training, Mass. Dept. of Social Services (DSS), Suzanne Sankar, Boston, Mass.
- 1996 "Clinical Case Management: Out Future or Our Past." Deanna Brooks, and Suzanne Sankar, NASW Symposium, Mass. Chapter, April 1996.

### **PRESENTATIONS and TRAININGS *continued...***

- 1996 "Social Work Case Management: Old Skills for a New Role." Deanna Brooks and Suzanne Sankar, NASW, National Meeting, Cleveland, Ohio, November, 1996.
- 1988 "Mental Health Services in a Housing Project." Annual Meeting of the National Council of Community Health. Boston, Ma.
- 1986 "Career Opportunities in Community Mental Health." Social Work Job Conference Sponsored by NASW and area schools of social work. Boston, Ma.

### **PUBLICATIONS**

- 2009 Sankar, Suzanne " Promoting Evidence Informed Practice: Lessons from the United Kingdom" Illinois Child Welfare Journal 4(2).
- 1998 Sankar, Suzanne and Brooks, Deanna "Social Work Case Management: Challenges for Social Work Education and the Profession" Chapter 36 in (eds). Shames, G. and Lightburn, A. Humane Managed Care?, Washington, D.C.: NASW Press, p. 378-388.
- 1997 Brooks, Deanna & Sankar, Suzanne "Reflections on the focus case management series" in Case Management, a Focus Series. Boston, MA: NASW.

### **PROJECTS FUNDED**

- 2008 Whiting Foundation grant to fund travel to U.K to study innovations in promoting Evidence informed practice in Social Services. Award: \$4,445
- 2001 Whiting Foundation Grant to fund travel to U.K.to study Social Work Education Award: \$2,965
- 1998 "Students with Criminal Records: A Survey of Field Educators" Suzanne Sankar and Deanna Brooks, Simmons College Fund for Research. Award \$ 1000
- 1995 "Case Management as a New Challenge in Social Work: An Exploration of Skills and Attitudes" Deanna Brooks and Suzanne Sankar, Simmons College Fund for Research. Award:\$1000

## **OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- 2007                      Advisory board for Scattergood Program for Applied Ethics in Behavioral Health  
University of Pennsylvania, Center for Bioethics
- 2003-2004                Co-chair, Simmons College School of Social Work Centennial  
Celebration.
- 1998                      Co-Chair, Symposium Fund Raising Committee  
National Association of Social Workers, Massachusetts Chapter,  
Member Symposium Steering Committee.
- 1997                      Conference Organizer: “A New Look at Social Work Case  
Management”  
Sponsored by the National Association of Social Worker,  
Massachusetts Chapter, Waltham, MA; May 1997.
- 1996-1997                Ad hoc Committee on Case Management and Social Work,  
Committee Member.