

Curriculum Vitae
Donna Benton, Ph.D.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2016- Associate Research Professor
2013- Co-Director USC FCSC
2000-2013 Director of Los Angeles Caregiver Resource Center
1997-2000 Co-Director, Internship Program, University of Southern California
1994-2016 Research Assistant Professor of Gerontology,
University of Southern California
1986-2002 Clinical Psychologist, Private Practitioner, California
1989-1990 Director, Gerontologist/Administrator/Therapist
Center for Aging Resources, The Psychological Center
Pasadena, California
1988-1994 Health Science Researcher
Geriatric Research, Education and Clinical Center
Veterans Administration Sepulveda, California
1986-1993 Geriatric Research, Education and Clinical Center (11E)
Veterans Affairs Medical Center
Sepulveda, California

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

2013-present Chair: Caregiving & Elder Abuse subcommittee: Elder Justice Coalition
2013-2015 Co-Chair Long term care coordination council: caregiver workgroup
2012-2014 Chair: Long-term care council Technology committee
2002-2004 Board Secretary of Association of Caregiver Resource Centers-resigned
2004-2006 Board Secretary of St. Barnabus Senior Center-resigned
2004-2006 President CA Association of Caregiver Resource Centers-resigned
2010-present Board Member-Southern California Presbyterian Homes
2004-present Member: EDD Paid Family Leave Task Force
2006-2010 Reviewer: NIH Innovative Grants Committee
2011-present Commissioner: CA Commission on Aging , Chair: Legislative Sub-committee member Executive Committee
2010-present Advisory member: AARP Multicultural Advisory Board
2016-2019 Member of CA taskforce on Caregiving

PROGRAM GRANTS

2000-2004 California Community Foundation
Developing Retreats For Older Adults
Develop and implement retreats for older adults caring for someone with brain impairment. Evaluation of program for

replication. Target groups are minority, low-income and older adults

Alzheimer Disease Research Center-USC 1999-2000

Dementia and Financial Abuse: Assessment

Design and pilot test a battery for executive functioning in early stage AD patients.

Area Agency on Aging Training and Education for Caregivers 2002-2013

Develop training and education programs for caregivers in Los Angeles County. Evaluate effectiveness of program.

Dept..of Health Care –USC Family Caregiver Support Center/LA CRC
1994-2018

Provide comprehensive services to caregivers in LA county caring for persons with brain impairing conditions.

Community and Senior Services-Area Agency on Aging

National Family Caregiver Support Program 2006-2018

California department of Public Health 2016-2019

Pilot test and Evaluation of Online Multi-component Support Program for Caregivers of Adults with ADRD