

**BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH****Name:** SMYER, Patricia M.**Title:** Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, School of Nursing, UNLV**Education:**

Institution and Location	Degree	Year Conferred	Field of Study
University of Arkansas Medical Center	BSN/NP Cert.	1977	Nursing
University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)	MS	1990	Mental Health
University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)	DNSc	1994	Nursing
Certified Nurse Educator (NLN Exam)	CNE	2007	Education

**Professional Experience:**

Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, Associate Professor, SON, UNLV	7/07-Present
Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs, Associate Professor, SON, UNLV	7/06-7/07
Associate Professor, Coordinator RN Upward Mobility Program SDSU	1/00- 6/06
Assistant, Undergraduate Nursing Department SDSU	1/00- 6/06
Member, Graduate Faculty SDSU	8/98- 6/06
Assistant Professor, College of Nursing Montana State University	8/96– 8/98
Graduate Adjunct Faculty, Graduate Studies University of Great Falls	1/95 – 6/98
Adjunct Assistant Professor, College of Nursing Montana State University	11/94 - 5/96
Lead Instructor, School of Nursing, College of the Desert, Palm Desert, CA	8/92 - 6/93
Nursing Practice, Cardiac and Mental Health Experience	6/77 - 8/90

**Publications (2003 to 2007)**

- Smyer, T. & Stenvig, T. (2007). Health Care for American Indian Elders: An Overview of Cultural Influences and Policy Issues. *Home Health Care Management and Practice*. 20 (27), 27-33.
- Smyer, T. & Gragert, M. (2006). Strategies for Meeting Health Care Needs of the Aging Offender. In Burbank, P. (Ed) *Vulnerable Older Adults*. New York: Springer.
- Smyer, T. & Gragert, M. (2006). The Aging Offender. In Burbank, P. (Ed) *Vulnerable Older Adults*. New York: Springer.
- Smyer, T. & Graham, M. (2003). Mental Health Problems. In Uphold, C. & Graham, M. (Eds). *Clinical Guidelines in Child Health*. Gainesville, Florida: Barmarrae Books.
- Smyer, T. & Graham, M. (2003). Mental Health Problems. In Uphold, C. & Graham, M. (Eds). *Clinical Guidelines in Adult Health*. Gainesville, Florida: Barmarrae Books.
- Smyer, T. & Graham, M. (2003). Mental Health. In Uphold, C. & Graham, M. (Eds). *Clinical Guidelines in Family Practice*. Gainesville, Florida: Barmarrae Books.
- Bassett, S. & Smyer, T. (2003). Health screening practices in rural long term care facilities. *Journal of Gerontological Nursing*, 29 (4), 42-49.

**Most Recent Professional Activities:**

1. *Basic Disaster Life Support (BDLS) Instructor certified* (2008, April), American Medical Association, Offered by Institute of Security Studies and School of Nursing, Las Vegas, NV
2. *Recognizing and Responding to Terrorism Events: Biological, Chemical, Radiological* (1/08). The Solutions Group
3. *Fall Semi-Annual Meeting*, American Association of Colleges of Nursing (Fall 2007). Washington, D.C
4. *Choosing to Lead with Passion and Purpose* (2008, October). Nevada Organization of Nurse Leaders Annual Conference, Las Vegas, NV.
5. *Multicultural Conference: Nurse to Nurse* (2007, September). Minority Nurses Association, Nevada Nurses Association, UNLV, Las Vegas, NV. Planning Committee Member
6. *Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education*, On-site Evaluator 1999-present

**Most Recent Grant Activity**

*Professional Nurse Traineeship Grant*, Department of Health and Human Services (AENT). Smyer FUNDED 2009-2019 \$59,031.00 Role: Project Director

*Collaborative Approach to Expanding RN to BSN Education*, Department of Health and Human Services, HRSA, Nurse Education, Practice and Retention (NEPR). FUNDED \$723,862 (over three years) 2008-2011 Role: Project Director

*Professional Nurse Traineeship Grant*, Department of Health and Human Services (AENT). Smyer FUNDED 2008-2009 \$46,405.00 Role: Project Director

*New PhD Nursing Program*, Department of Health and Human Services, HRSA, Advanced Education Nurse Practice grant (AENP). Team leader writer FUNDED \$697,798 (over three years) 2005-2006 Role: Project Manager-2006

*Healthcare Career Lattice*, T. Smyer and R. Olson, Department of Labor through Good Samaritan Society, \$320,000 funded August 2004-2006 2 years. (Co PI)

*Professional Nurse Traineeship Grant*, Department of Health and Human Services (AENT). Smyer FUNDED 2005-2006 \$37,626 Role: Project Director

*Federal Nurse Loan Program*, Department of Health and Human Services, HRSA, FNLPSmyer (funded). 2005/2006 \$27,000 Role: Project Director

*The Wokunze Project*, Indian Health Service Grant, PD Tom Stenvig, Program Manager, T. Smyer - South Dakota State University Funded August 2003-2008 \$1,500,000. (Co- writer)

*Professional Nurse Traineeship Grant*, Department of Health and Human Services. South Dakota State University. (2004-2005). (AENTP) Powers & Smyer Funded \$36,549.

*Native American/Rural Nursing Grant*, HRSA, Project Director (12-2001-present), Program Director and Curriculum Specialist (2000-12/2001) South Dakota State University. Funded 9/2000 renewed funding 2001 and 2002 and 2003. \$615,000. (Co writer)

**Honors and Awards:**

Appointment, Nevada State Board of Nursing (2009). Four year term.  
Multicultural Aging Awards for Excellence: Best Practices for Serving Elders of

Color (2006). Joint Conference of the National Council on Aging and the American Society on Aging. *Native American Elder Series*.  
MERLOT International Classics Award, 2005. Native American Elder Series ONLINE  
Craig, Foland, Smyer  
American Association of Colleges of Nursing, Leadership for Academic Nursing Programs, Fuld Fellow (Helene Fuld Health Trust), Fellow, 2002.  
Award for Innovative Excellence in Teaching, Learning and Technology, South Dakota State University, 2002.  
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