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(914) 699-7200 ext. 600****PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE****1974 - Present****FOUNDER AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER: MT. VERNON
NEIGHBORHOOD HEALTH CENTER**

Responsible for overall development and operation of this comprehensive health facility which provides multifaceted health services to over 52,000 registered patients and a staff of over 210. Duties include formulation of administrative policy, interfacing with local, county, state and federal officials; community organization and communication; preparation of grant applications; fiscal management, etc.

PRESIDENT: COMMUNITY CHOICE HEALTH PLAN OF WESTCHESTER

Responsible in conjunction with members of the Board of Directors for overall development and operation of CCHPW, a medicaid managed care plan operating in Westchester, Bronx and Orange Counties.

**PAST CHAIRMAN: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY HEALTH
CENTER**

Represents 1200 health center sites and 9,000,000 patients in the continental USA, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, Alaska, Hawaii, Guam, American Samoa and Trust Territories of the Pacific Islands.

1973 - 1974**ASSISTANT DIRECTOR - MT. VERNON NEIGHBORHOOD HEALTH
CENTER.**

Assisted Director in overall management of health center operation; reviewed all financial and statistical data and made recommendations based on data; negotiated with outside agencies and the public; personnel policy development.

1971- 1973**COORDINATOR OF COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES: CITY OF MOUNT
VERNON MODEL CITIES AGENCY**

Developed effective approaches to organizing Model Cities Residents; coordinated Federal Domestic Assistance Programs with the development of plans by the citizens task force prepared and presented talks before members of community; civic, health & welfare agencies, interpreting objectives of the program, prepared statistical and other reports for the CDA, City of Mt. Vernon and the WCDH.

Developed and implemented the following programs:

1. Mt. Vernon Neighborhood Health Center
2. Early Identification and Treatment of Developmental Disabilities Program.
3. Nutrition Program for Senior Citizens
4. Narcotic Treatment & Rehabilitation Program

1970 - 1971**CLINICAL INSTRUCTOR:** Mt. Vernon Hospital School of Nursing**1968 - 1970****ASSISTANT HEALTH NURSE INTENSIVE CARE UNIT:** Mt. Vernon Hospital.**1960 - 1968**

Housewife and Private Duty Nursing

1958 - 1960

Head Nurse - Surgical Unit: Cross County Hospital

EDUCATION

Graduated Registered Nurse; Mt. Vernon Hospital School of Nursing (1955-1958)

Columbia University Night School: Credit towards B.A. (1977 - 1960)

Iona College: New Rochelle- Degree Received B.A. (1975- 1977 night school)

PREVIOUS & CURRENT AFFILIATIONS

Co-founder and first President of the Community Health Care Association of NY State (CHCANYS)

Member - Mt. Vernon Lion Club

Board of Directors: American Cancer Society, Westchester;

Program Evaluation Committee, United Way of Westchester;

Board of Directors: Sub-Area Council Hudson Valley HSA;

Congressman Ottingers Health Advisory Committee

Congresswoman Lowey's Health Advisory Committee

Board of Directors: March of Dimes, Westchester Division;

Commissioner of Deeds, Mt. Vernon; 10 years.

Council of Community Services, Mt. Vernon; Westchester

Black Women's Political Caucus, Secretary

Chief of staff - Mt. Vernon Democratic Party - 20 yrs.

Member of National Association of Community Health Centers

Member of Governor Cuomo's Committee for Minority Affairs.

AWARDS

Grace Voice Humanitarian Award, 1978;

Certificate of Recognition-Westchester Health Planning Council, 1979

Community Service Award; Westchester Observer Certificate of Commendation

Virgin Islands Department of Health

(Presentations on Perinatal Mortality)

New York State Council of Black Republicans

Certificate of Appreciation

National Committee for Employers Support of the Guard and Reserve

Achievement Award - David Winfield Foundation

Commendation and Proclamation Westchester County Board of Legislators

Achievement Award Bereahith Cultural Institute

Community Leader Award - the David Winfield Foundation

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Commendation - May Ronald Blackwood
Achievement Award - Westchester Putnam Affirmative Action
Congressional Record - 102nd Congress
Achievement Award - Mt. Vernon Democratic Party

**Carole Morris
CEO**

I DEVELOPMENT OF THE OPEN ACCESS HEALTH PROGRAM FOR TEENAGERS

Parent/guardian register teenager; gives history; signs permission for the teenager to "drop-in" alone at the Center, without an appointment

• **MAJOR OBJECTIVES**

Through the "drop-in" program –

1. Establish Trust
2. Meet the teen at his own psychological / emotional / health level
3. Engage the parents
4. Provide intervention
5. Develop healthy body and spirit

II CASE STUDIES:

1 Linda: A 16-year female high school drop-out with recent history of seizures. Suicidal and depressed. After 5 "Drop In" visits Linda revealed that problem was emotional and verbal abuse from father. With teens permission, engaged both parents. Father accepted referral for mental health. Linda back in school; high achiever; open communication with both parents. No further reports of seizures.

2. Tom & John: 2 brothers age 11 and 13 registered by the aunt for routine health assessment. The aunt reported these were "bad boys"; doing poorly in school; were destructive; set fires; and stealing. Both parents were dead. Aunt did not reveal the reason. After 3 "drop-in" visits, brothers revealed their father had died of AIDS; 4 years earlier, mother had also died. Both boys convinced them were going to die of AIDS. The Aunt who was a substance abuser physically abused them.

Child protective services were notified, and boys placed in foster care. Both boys continue to "drop-in" and are also enrolled in our weekly Teen Rap Sessions.

The foster parents are actively engaged with the children. The destructive behavior has stopped. The Academic performance of both brothers is above average. Last month, the 13-year-old made the honor roll. They have dreams of going to college and becoming doctors so they can help other teenagers.

REWARDS OF OPEN ACCESS PROGRAM:

"Seeing a new light in the eyes of a teenager who has dared to begin to dream of a better way . . . A better Life Because somebody cares.