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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2017 Chief of Geriatrics, Department of Primary Care
University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine (UNECOM)
Clinical Associate Professor of Psychiatry

2016 - present Medical Advisor
Sunrise Senior Living, LLC

2000 - present Consultant
Departments of Aging and Disabilities
Delaware, Louisiana, Massachusetts, New York, Texas and Vermont

2014 - 2017 Adjunct Clinical Associate Professor of Psychiatry
University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine

2011 - 2015 Commissioner
Department of Disabilities, Aging and Independent Living
Vermont Agency of Human Services

2003 - 2007 Health Services Director, Department of Corrections
Deputy Commissioner of Health
Vermont Agency of Human Services

1994 - 2006 Associate Professor of Psychiatry
Director, Geropsychiatric Education & Training
Director, Inpatient Psychiatry Services, Fletcher Allen Health Care
Department of Psychiatry, College of Medicine, University of
Vermont

1991 - 1994 Clinical Director, Geropsychiatric Unit Augusta Mental Health
Institute, Augusta, Maine
Director/Clinical Director, Behavioral Medicine, Community
Mental Health

EDUCATION

1975 - 1979 University of Louisville, School of Medicine, Louisville, Kentucky
Doctor of Medicine conferred May 1979

POST-GRADUATE TRAINING

2015 Being with Dying: End of Life Care Intensive at Upaya Institute
2000 Medical Ethics Fellowship, Georgetown University

1979 - 1983 Medical Internship and Residency
Tufts Residency Training in Adult Psychiatry
1982 Clinical Observer
Epilepsy, Neuropsychiatric and Psychogeriatric Units, Bethlem Royal
and Maudsley Hospitals, London, England

SOCIETIES, ORGANIZATIONS, HONORS

Delegate, White House Conference on Aging; Aging Advocate Award, Champlain Valley Area Agency on Aging; Past Board Member, Alzheimer's Association, Vermont Chapter; Governor's Citation for Outstanding Service, Department of Corrections; Paul Dana Vanas Long Term Care Award, New York State LTCOP

PUBLICATIONS

Tjia, J., J. Hunnicutt, L. Herndon, C. Blanks, K. Lapane, and S. Wehry. *Association of a Communication Training Program With Use of Antipsychotics in Nursing Homes*
JAMA Intern Med. 2017;177(6):846-853.

Wehry, S. *Oasis 2.0™*. A unique staff training curriculum based on adult learning principles designed to assist staff in dealing with the everyday needs and challenges of today's long-term care population. Currently in use in over 2000 facilities in Maine, Massachusetts, Texas and Vermont.

Wehry, S. *Mental Health Problems of the Homebound Elderly, HOME IS THE PLACE: Long-Term Home Health Care of the Frail Ages*, edited by Philip W. Brickner, et al. © 1997 Springer Publishing Company.

Wehry, S. *Mental Health Needs of the Homebound Elderly*. Journal of Long-Term Home Health Care, Vol. 14, No. 1, 5-20, Winter 1995.

Jache, A. and S. Wehry. *Geriatric Mental Health Needs/Services Assessment Project. A report prepared for the Alaska Division of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities, Department of Health and Social Services*, March 1990.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

1977 Clerkship, National Institute of Mental Health, Division of
Experimental Therapeutics, Clinical Center, Bethesda, Maryland.
1982 Research Assistant, Effects of Lecithin in Alzheimer's Dementia, The
Bethlem Royal and Maudsley Hospital, London, England.
1998 Co-Investigator, Multi-Center Depakote-ER Trial, Abbott Laboratories.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Dementia Care; Forensics issues: Assessing Competency; Mental Health and Substance Abuse;
Person-Centered Care/Culture Change and Quality; Polypharmacy; Public Policy/Aging and Disability Issues;
Workforce Development

CERTIFICATIONS

2002 Recertification American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, Inc.
1994 Vermont Board of Medical Practice