

Joyce Simard

Curriculum Vitae

Personal Information



Current Positions

- 2009-Present Adjunct Associate Professor, School of Nursing and Midwifery, College of Health and Sciences, Western Sydney University, Australia.
- 2007-2018 National Namaste Care Champion, Consultant, and speaker for Seasons Hospice & Palliative Care
- 2001-present Geriatric consultant, Land O Lakes FL.

Education:

- 1983 M.S.W., University of Minnesota, Minnesota
- 1982 Internship, Hertfordshire Social Service, Hatfield, England
- 1978 B.A. Sociology/Social Work, Ithaca College, Ithaca, New York, Summa Cum Laude

Awards:

American Journal of Nursing

2013 3rd Place-Book of the Year Award for Palliative Care “*The End-of-Life Namaste Care Program for People with Dementia*”.

Provider Magazines Award 2013

“20 to Watch” for exceptional leadership and commitment to improve the quality of care in long-term care.

Hope for Home

Installed as a Patron for **Hope for Home** a volunteer organization in the UK.

Namaste Care International

Honorary Chair

Achievements:

- Employed in the long-term-care industry for over 37 years
- Developed unique programs for people with mild, moderate and advanced dementia
- Author of three books related to dementia and numerous articles and book chapters
- Nationally and internationally acclaimed speaker
- Alzheimer’s expert for on-line caregiver service
- Initiated a children’s program to teach elementary school children about aging and memory loss
- Wrote and implemented The Memory Enhancement Program for Assisted Living Communities throughout the United States

- Developed Namaste Care™ a special program for people with advanced dementia
- Assisted in the implementation of Namaste Care™ in aged care facilities in Australia and the UK
- Involved in Namaste Care research projects for the School of Nursing and Midwifery, Sydney Australia
- Involved in a research project for St. Christopher's Hospice in London, England
- Involved in Namaste Care research projects in the Netherlands, the University of Lancaster (UK), Worcester University (UK) and Canada

Career History:

- 2003-Present Geriatric Consultant, speaker
- 2007-2018 Consultant/speaker Seasons Hospice and Palliative Care
- 2003-2014 Alzheimer's Consultant EPOCH Senior Living, Waltham, MA.
- 2002-2003 Queen of Life Enrichment Morningside Management, Leesburg, VA.
- 1997-2001 Vice President, Alzheimer's and Resident Services CareMatrix Corporation, Needham, Massachusetts
- 1994-1997 National Director of Alzheimer's and Special programs, Marriott International, Senior Living Services, Washington, D.C.
- 1993-1994 National Director, Alzheimer's Services Manor HealthCare Corporation, Silver Spring, Maryland
- 1990-1993 Regional Special Program Consultant, The Hillhaven Corporation, Lexington, Massachusetts

- 1986-1989 Corporate Director of Social Services and Activity Programs, ARA Living Centers, Houston, Texas
- 1979-1986 Assistant Coordinator, Resident Activity and Social Services, Beverly Enterprises, Heritage Division, Rockville, Maryland
- 1979-1983 Director of Social Services, Westwood Nursing Home, St. Louis Park, Minnesota
- 1978-1979 Social Worker, Reconstruction Home, Ithaca, NY.

MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

Stackpole M, Hockley J, Thompsell A, Simard J, Volicer L. *Implementing the Namaste Care Program for residents with advanced dementia: exploring the perceptions of families and staff in UK care homes*, Annals of Palliative Medicine, Vol 6, No 4 327-339 October 2017.

Hunter P, Kaasalainen S, Froggatt K, Ploeg J, Dolovich L, Simard J, Salsali M. *Using the ecological framework to identify barriers and enablers to implement Namaste Care in Canada's long-term care system*, Annals of Palliative Medicine, Vol 6, No 4 340-353 October 2017.

Simard J. *Help Me, help me* Annals of Palliative Medicine, Vol 6, No 4 405-407 October 2017.

Simard J. *Helping People Live, Not Just Exist with Alzheimer's Disease; It's What We Do*, Austin J Clin Neuro 2015 2 (3):1030

Stackpole M, Hockley J, Thompsell A, Simard J, Volicer L. *The Namaste Care programme can reduce behavioural symptoms in care home residents with advanced dementia*, International Journal Geriatric Psychiatry 2015: 30 702-709

- Volicer L, Simard J. *Palliative care and quality of life for people with dementia: medical and psychosocial interventions*. Int Psychogeriatr. 27 (10): 1623-34, 2015.
- Stacpoole, M. Hockley J, Thompsell A, Simard J, Volicer L. *Namaste Care programme can reduce behavioural symptoms in care home residents with advanced dementia*. Int J Geriatr Psychiatry 30 (7): 702-9, 2015
- Simard, J., *Dementia, Alzheimer's and Confusion, in Palliative Care within Mental Health - principles and philosophy*, edited by David B Cooper, Jo Cooper, Radcliff Health, London, UK. August, 2014.
- Simard, J., *Two Days*, Journal of Gerontological Nursing, June, 54-56, 2014.
- Simard, J., *At Last I've Found You*, Journal of Gerontological Nursing, December 55-56, 2013.
- Simard, J., *The End-Of-Life Namaste Care Program for People with Dementia*, Second Edition, Baltimore, MD: Health Professions Press, 2013.
- Simard, J. *Namaste Care: a program in palliative care for people with advanced dementia*, ehospice.com, October, 17, 2012.
- Simard, J. *Three Simple Words*, Australian Journal of Dementia Care, September 21, 2012.
- Simard, J., *One Small Miracle*, Journal of Gerontological Nursing, September 52-56, 2012.
- Simard, J., *Breaking New Ground On End Of Life Dementia Care*, Care Management Matters, July 23-25, 2012.
- Simard, J., *Prague Musings: The Adventures & Misadventures of an American Living In Prague*, 2010.

Simard, J., Cormac-Burt J., *Loving Touch Makes a Difference*, Provider May 2010.

Simard, J., Volicer L., *Effects of Namaste Care on Residents Who Do Not Benefit From Usual Activities*. *The Journal of Alzheimer's Disease & Other Dementias*, 25 (1): 45-50, 2010.

Simard, J., Volicer L., *Namaste care and dying in institutional settings*, in *Supportive Care for the Person with Dementia*, edited by J.C. Hughes, M. Lloyd-Williams & G Sachs, Oxford University Press, New York, 2010, pp. 291-299.

Simard, J., (*babika Joyce*), *Kouzelný magnetofon píbh o tom, jak rosteme*: The Czech Alzheimer's Society, 2009.

Volicer L, Simard J: *Management of advanced dementia*. In: *Textbook of Alzheimer Disease and Other Dementias*, edited by M.F. Weiner and A.M. Lipton, The American Psychiatric Publishing, Arlington, VA, 2009, pp. 333-349.

Simard, J., *Silent and Invisible; Nursing Home Residents with Advanced Dementia*, *The Journal of Nutrition, Health & Aging*, 6, p.484-488, 2007.

Simard, J., *The End-Of-Life Namaste Care Program for People with Dementia*, Baltimore MD.: Health Professions Press, 2007.

Simard, J., (*Grandma Joyce*), *The Magic Tape Recorder (A Story about Growing up and Growing Down)*, USA: Joyce Simard Publishing & the Czech Alzheimer's Society, 2007.

Volicer, L., and J. Simard, *Effects of Continuous Activities Programming on Behavioral Symptoms of Dementia*, *J Am Med Dir Assoc*, 7: 426-431, 2006.

Volicer, L., Simard, J., J.H., Medrek, and Riordan, M.E.: *Effects of continuous activity programming on behavioral symptoms of dementia*. *J Am Med Dir Assoc* 7, 426-431, 2006.

Simard J., Volicer L., *Application of SOC Model to Care for Residents with Advanced Dementia*, Geropsychological Interventions In Long Term Care edited by Hyer & Intrieri, Springer Publishing Company Inc., 2006.

Simard J., Namaste, *Giving Life to the End Of Life*, Alzheimer's Care Quarterly, January/March, Vol. 6 p. 14,19. 2005.

Simard J., *The Memory Enhancement Program*, Alzheimer's Care Quarterly, Fall 2001, Vol. 2: Aspen Publishers.

Simard J., *The Memory Enhancement Program: A New Approach To Increasing The Quality Of Life For People With Mild Memory Loss, Assessing Quality Of Life In Alzheimer's Disease*, Springer Publishing New York; Chapter 10, pages 153-162, May 2000.

Simard J., *The Memory Enhancement Program: A New Approach To Memory Loss: Assisted Living Today*, May 2000.

Simard J., *Making a Positive Difference in the Lives of Nursing Home Residents with Alzheimer's Disease: The Lifestyle Approach*, in Alzheimer's Disease & Associated Disorders AN INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL; Lippincott Williams & Wilkins, Vol. 13, Suppl. 1, Philadelphia 1999.

Simard J., *The Lifestyle Approach, Enhancing The Quality of Life in Advanced Dementia*, edited by Volicer-Bloom-Charette; Taylor & Francis, Philadelphia 1999.

Simard J., and Volicer l., *Barriers to Providing Hospice Care for Dementia Patients. In: Hospice Care for Patients with Advanced Progressive Dementia*, edited by L. Volicer and A. Hurley. New York: Springer Publishing Company, 1998, p. 231-2466.

Volicer, L. and Simard, J.: *Establishing a dementia special-care unit*. Nurs. Home Econ. 3 (1), 12-19, 1996

SELECTED MAJOR PRESENTATIONS

- 2018 *“Living Not Existing With Advanced Dementia”*, Geriatric Conference Reykjavik, Iceland.
- 2018 *“Namaste Care Helps People Live Not Just Exist”* 3rd International Nursing and Primary Healthcare Conference, Dubai, UAE.
- 2018 *“Namaste Care Helps People with Advanced Dementia Live Not Just Exist”* 2nd International Conference on Nursing Science & Practice, Hounslow, England.
- 2018 *“Namaste Care”* 11th Annual Caring Coalition Conference, The Jewish Hospice & Chaplaincy Network, Detroit, MI.
- 2018 *“Namaste Care for People With Advanced Dementia”* Video Conference Speaker Innovative Ageing Conference, Avanti Care, Kent Town, South Australia.
- 2017 *“Living Not Just Existing: All Stages of Alzheimer’s Disease”*, NTUC Health Silver Circle, Singapore.
- 2017 *“Honoring the Spirit Within”*, Workshop Assisi Hospice, Singapore.
- 2017 *“Programmes in Action: The Club and Namaste Care”* Workshop, Ren Ci Hospital Bukit Batok, Singapore.

- 2017 *“Non-pharmacological Management of Behavioral Symptoms of Dementia”* Chang Gung University, School of Nursing.
- 2017 *“Quality of Life At the End of Life”* Taipei Chang Gung Hospital, Taipei, Taiwan. 2017
- 2017 *“Relationship And Activities In Care for People With Dementia; Club and Namaste Care”*, Continuing Education program for Czech Alzheimer’s Society. Brno, CZ.
- 2017 *“Enhancing the Quality of Live for People with Memory Loss: Living Not Existing”* Spring Seminar, CATRD’s, Hartford, CT.
- 2016 *“Unraveling the Mysteries of Alzheimer’s Disease”* Kickoff for Winona, MN Dementia Friendly City initiative. Winona, MN.
- 2016 *“Living Not Just Existing With Alzheimer’s Disease”* Winona Health Care Hospice community presentation, Winona, MN.
- 2016 *“Helping People Live Not Just Exist With Moderate Memory Loss”* Minnesota Activity Professionals Annual Meeting, St. Cloud, MN.
- 2016 *“Living Not Just Existing With Advanced Dementia: Namaste Care”* Care Home Presentations, Amsterdam the Netherlands.
- 2016 *“Implementing Namaste Care In An Inpatient Setting”* St. Christopher’s Hospice, London, UK
- 2016 *“Namaste Care”* Division of Geriatric Medicine, GERAS Center, Toronto, Canada.
- 2016 *“Healthy Aging: Focus on Helping People with Advanced Dementia”* Southeast Community College Continuing Education/Aging Partners, Lincoln, Nebraska.
- 2016 *“ Namaste Care for people with advanced dementia”* Dementia at the end of life, 26th Annual Hospice and Palliative Education Conference, Ottawa, Canada.

- 2016 *“The Club: Programming for Residents with Moderate Memory Loss” and “Namaste Care: Programming for Residents with Advanced Dementia”*, Big Things to Accomplish 2016, NAAP Annual Meeting, Dallas, TX.
- 2016 *“Living Not Just Existing with Alzheimer’s Disease”*, Keynote Address, Living Well With a Purpose, Alzheimer’s Services Baton Rouge, LA.
- 2016 *“Helping People Live With Memory Loss”* Keynote Address, School of Nursing, Reykjavik, Iceland.
- 2016 *“Making the Sunset as good As the Sunrise”* Keynote Address, two breakout presentations *“The Club” & Namaste Care”*, Arizona Activity Professionals Annual Meeting, Phoenix, AZ.
- 2015 *“Unraveling the Mysteries of Alzheimer’s Disease”*, Caregivers Support Group, St. Croix, VI.
- 2015 *“Helping People with Alzheimer’s Live, Not Just Exist”*, Strategies for Excellence in Dementia Care, Alzheimer’s Education Conference, Alzheimer’s Association, Roanoke, VA.
- 2015 *“Unraveling the Mysteries of Alzheimer’s Disease” and “Living Not Just Existing with Memory Loss”*, Aging In The VI: A Community Affair, Training & Retreat Conference, St Thomas, VI.
- 2015 *“Helping People Live Not Just Exist With Advanced Alzheimer’s Disease”*, and *“Continuous Activities for People with Mild to Moderate Dementia”*, Face the Challenge; Create the Magic, IHCA, ICAL Trade Show and Conference, Des Moines, IA.
- 2015 *“The Club”*, National Association of Activity Professionals, Lunch & Learn webinar.
- 2015 *“Geriatric Syndromes in Long-Term Care: Advanced Dementia”*, Exchange of Experience in Long-Term Care, Prague, Czech Republic.

- 2015 *“Meaningful Activities for Residents with Advanced Dementia; Namaste Care”*, American Medical Directors Annual Meeting, Louisville, KY.
- 2015 *“Namaste Care”*, Seasons Hospice and Palliative Care True Hope meeting, Chicago, IL.
- 2014 *“Unraveling the Mysteries of Alzheimer’s disease”*, the American Center sponsored by the American Embassy, Prague, CZ.
- 2014 *“Quality of Live For People with Advanced Dementia”*, Czech Psychiatric Congress, Spindleruv Nlyn, CZ.
- 2014 *“Living Not Just Existing with Alzheimer’s Disease”*, (breakout for caregivers), and *“Quality of Life for People with Advanced Dementia”* (breakout for professionals), Alzheimer’s Association Richmond, VA. Chapter. Research & Care Conference, Richmond, VA.
- 2014 *“End of Life Care for People with Dementia; Understanding the Namaste Approach”*, international teleconference, University Campus of Suffolk, UK.
- 2014 *“Making the Sunset As Good As the Sunrise”* Keynote, *The Namaste Care Program for People with Advanced Dementia”*, Breakout, Florida Hospice & Palliative Care Association.
- 2013 *“The Power of Loving Touch”* Keynote, Breakout, *“Implementing Namaste Care in the Nursing Home, “Implementing Namaste Care in Hospice Organizations,* Illinois State Hospice and Palliative Care Organization, Conference, Naperville, IL.
- 2013 *“Communication in Dementia”*, *“Providing quality of Life for Residents with Advanced Dementia at the End of Life: the Namaste Care Programme”*, 13th World Congress of the European Association for Palliative Care, Prague, Czech Republic.

- 2013 *"The Club, Meaningful Activities for People with Moderate Dementia"*, Celebrating Care Homes: What Works, St. Christopher's Hospice Care Home Conference, London, England.
- 2013 *"Care for Residents with Advanced Dementia"*, American College of Health Care Administrators, 2013 Convocation, Orlando, FL.
- 2012 *"The End of Life Namaste Care Programme"* workshop for Dementia Care Matters, London, England.
- 2012 *"Meeting challenges in palliative care: Lessons from around the world"*, Royal Society of Medicine, London, England.
- 2012 *"Namaste: An end-of-Life Programme for People with Dementia"*, Accord Hospice, Glasgow, Scotland.
- 2012 *"The Memory Enhancement Program"*, *"The Club"* and *"Namaste Care"*, Webinars for Ohio Assisted Living Association.
- 2011 *"A Touch for all Seasons"*, Jewish Healing Network of Chicago annual conference, Hospice Helps: Innovative Clinical Practices in End-of-Care, Skokie, IL.
- 2011 *"Namaste Care: Quality of Life at the End Of Life"*, Annual Conference Blue Ridge Hospice, Winchester, VA.
- 2011 *"The Club"*, *"Namaste Care"*, South Dakota Association of Healthcare Organizations 85th annual convention, Rapid City, SD.
- 2011 *"Honoring the Spirit Within"*, St. Christopher's Hospice, London, UK.
- 2011 *"Implementing the Namaste Care Program"*, sponsored by the Hesso Ombudsman Program, Foxboro, MA.

- 2011 *“Strategies to Improve End-of-Life Care For End Stage Dementia”*, Continuing Education Credits for presentation sponsored by Seasons Hospice, San Diego, CA., Pasadena, CA., FT. Worth, TX., Dallas, TX., Detroit, MI., Chicago, IL., Boston, MA.,
- 2011 *“Ethical Issues in Long Term Care”*, & *“Culture Change: Sharing Ideas, Challenges & Triumphs”*, AMDA Spring Conference, Tampa, FL.
- 2011 *“Namaste Care: Quality of Life at the End of Life”*, Workshop, St. Francis Healthcare System, Honolulu, HI.
- 2010 *“Managing Behaviors While Preserving Your Resident’s Quality of Life”*, Network HealthCare’s Winter Weekend Escape, Braselton, GA.
- 2009 *“Namaste: Caring for Persons with End-Stage Dementia in LTC Settings”*, *The Art & Science of Palliative Medicine*, Hospice of the Blue Grass Annual Conference, Lexington, KY.
- 2009 *“Quality of Life at the End of Life: Namaste Care”*, workshops, keynote presentations & seminars in Sydney, Adelaide and Hobart Australia
- 2009 *“Namaste Program” for People with Dementia ; Thinking Beyond the Concept of Advanced Directives*, Symposium, University Of Hong Kong, Hong Kong.
- 2009 *“End of Life Namaste Program”*, workshop & keynote *“Grandma Joyce & The Magic Tape Recorder”* Alzheimer’s Association, Maine Chapter, Annual Conference, Portland ME.
- 2009 *“A Ray of Hope for Persons with Alzheimer’s Disease and their Care Partners”*, Caregiver Expo Berkshire Alzheimer’s Partnership 5th Biennial, Pittsfield MA.

- 2009 *“Treatment of Behavioral and Complications of Dementia: a Comprehensive multi-disciplinary Care Approaches” panel presentation, “The Sky’s The Limit” AMDA Annual Symposium Charlotte NC.*
- 2009 *“The Namaste Care Approach for End-of-Life Care”* workshop and *“Grandma Joyce & The Kids”* Keynote, Alzheimer’s Association The Many Faces of Dementia 2009: Exploring The Journey, 16th Annual Spring Education, and Conference Charlotte NC.
- 2008 *“Namaste Care” & “A Ray of Hope for the Person with Dementia and their Care Partner”*, Keynote, Alzheimer’s Association, Fall Conference The Journey of Caregiving, Bloomington In & Indianapolis IN
- 2008 *“The Namaste Care Approach for End-of-Life Care”* General Session, Best practices In Dementia Care 7th Annual Alzheimer’s Education Conference, Alzheimer’s Association Central and Weston Virginia Chapter Harrisonburg VA.
- 2008 *“Quality of Life at the End of Life for People with Advanced Dementia”* Annual Fall Conference Best practices in End-of-Life Care: Focus on Dementia, Hospice of the Bluegrass Cincinnati OH.
- 2008 *“Namaste Care Program”*, The 7th Annual Seminar by the Sea”, Alzheimer’s Services of Cape Cod & the Islands, Nantucket & Martha’s Vineyard, MA.
- 2008 *“Hope For a Person with Dementia and Their Care Partner”*, St. Leonard’s CCRC Community Presentation Dayton OH
- 2008 *“Namaste Care: Quality of Life at the End of Life for People With Advanced Dementia”*, Alzheimer’s Chapter Dayton OH.
- 2008 *“Namaste Care: Quality of Life for People with Advanced Dementia”* and *“Finding Joy in Your Role as a Care Partner”* & *“Culture Change Without a Budget: Making a Silk Purse Out of an Old Nursing Home”*, Vermont Healthcare

- Association Annual Fall Conference and Trade Show,
Fairlee VT.
- 2008 *“Namaste Care Workshop” One Day Conferences,*
Alzheimer’s Services of Cape Cod & the Islands,
Nantucket, Martha’s Vineyard, MA.
- 2008 *“Lifestyle Seminars”,* Visiting Nurse Association of Somerset
Hill, Basking Ridge, NJ.
- 2008 *“A Ray of Hope: Quality of Life for People with Dementia and
Their Care Partner”,* Keynote, “I’m Still Here” Alzheimer’s
Association Dementia Care Conference, Alexandria LA.
- 2008 *“Providing Quality Medical and Psychosocial Care for
Residents with Advanced Dementia”* American Medical
Directors Annual Symposium, Salt Lake City, UT.
- 2008 *“Namaste” and “The Club” and “The Memory Enhancement
Program” and “Grandma Joyce & The Kids”,* the South
Carolina Activity Professionals Association, Columbia, SC.
- 2007 *“Making Visits Count” and “Namaste Care for People with
Advanced Dementia”,* Alzheimer’s Association Annual
conference, Miami Valley Chapter, Dayton OH.
- 2007 *“Namaste Care” and “Making Visits Count All Ages All
Stages”,* End of Life: Dimensions of Dementia Creating a
Successful Partnership Through the Journey”, the
Alzheimer’s Association Springfield MO.
- 2007 *“Stay Active with The Club: Continuous Quality Activities” and
Namaste Care a Quality of Life Program for People with
Advanced Dementia”,* Alzheimer’s Association Central Ohio
Chapter, Columbus, OH.
- 2007 *“Dementia Care: Namaste”* Gerontological Conference,
Prague Czech Republic.
- 2007 *“Holistic Programming for People With Advanced Dementia”,*

- Interdisciplinary Conference For Professionals”, Alzheimer’s Association Marlborough MA.
- 2007 *“Namaste Care Quality of Life for People with Advanced Dementia”*, Alzheimer’s Association Conference, Seattle WA.
- 2007 *“Namaste Care Quality of Life for People with Advanced Dementia”* Advancing palliative & end-of-life Hospice Institute, Louisville KY.
- 2006 *“Late Stage Dementia”*, Alzheimer’s Association Leadership Conference, Chicago IL.
- 2006 *“Grandma Joyce & The Kids”*, 9th Annual Alzheimer’s Awareness Conference, the Alzheimer’s Services of Cape Cod and the Islands, Mashpee, MA.
- 2006 *“Namaste Care”*, Building Bridges: Interdisciplinary Paths to Palliative & End of Life Care for People with Diverse Conditions, USF Tampa, FL.
- 2006 *“The Memory Enhancement Program”*, Alzheimer’s National Education meeting, Atlanta, GA.
- 2006 *“Quality of life in advanced dementia”*, symposium, Alzheimer’s National Education meeting Atlanta, GA.
- 2005 *“Namaste Holistic Care for Terminal Dementia”*, National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization’s 6th Clinical Team Conference, Atlanta, GA.
- 2005 *“Namaste: Holistic Program for Residents with Advanced Dementia”*, American Medical Directors Association 28th Annual Symposium, New Orleans, LA.
- 2004 *“The Odd Couple; Physician and Social Worker, Research To Practice”*, Massachusetts Alzheimer’s Chapter Interdisciplinary Conference, with Dr. Volicer M.D., PhD. Marlborough, MA.

- 2004 *“Improving Dementia Care In LTC Facilities”*, American Medical Directors Association, Phoenix, AZ.
- 2003 *“The Club”*, Carl Vinson Veterans Hospital, Dublin, GA.
- 2003 *The Odd Couple; Research To Practice The Club*, with Dr. Volicer M.D. PhD., National Alzheimer’s Education Meeting, Chicago, IL.
- 2003 *“Decreased Use of Psychotropic Medications by continuous Activity Programming: The Club”*, Annual Meeting Michigan AMDA, Michigan City, MI
- 2003 *“Decreased Use of Psychotropic Medications by continuous Activity Programming: The Club”*, American Medical Directors Association Annual Symposium, Orlando, FL.
- 2002 *“The Club”*, 8th International Congress on Alzheimer’s disease, Stockholm Sweden
- 2002 *“The Club”*, American Geriatrics Society Annual Scientific Meeting, Washington, D.C.
- 2002 *“Concerned About Memory Loss”*, 2002 Governor’s Prevention Conference, Killington, VT.
- 2002 *“The Club” and “Making Visits Count”*, workshops, Annual Connecticut Education Conference, Cromwell, CT.
- 2002 *“Alzheimer’s Disease: The Challenge of Working with the Family”*, Nebraska Assisted Living Association, Grand Island, NE.
- 2002 *“Living With Grief: Loss In Later Life”*, videoconference panelist Hospice Foundation of America, Potomac, MD.
- 2002 *“Sharing A Vision”*, Keynote, Annual Statewide Conference of Alzheimer’s Disease for Healthcare Professionals, Princeton, NJ.

- 2002 *“The Club: An Interdisciplinary Approach To Activity Programming”*, National Association of Activity Professionals Annual Meeting, Kansas City, MO.
- 2001 *“A Ray of Hope”*, Keynote, Alzheimer’s Association Maine Chapter, Portland Maine.
- 2001 *“A Ray of Hope For People With Alzheimer’s Disease: Using Current Research to Create Meaningful Programs”*, One day workshop for the Connecticut Association for the Therapeutic Recreation Directors. Inc.
- 2001 *“Families as Decision-Makers about the Intensity of Care of Elderly Patients: The Patient, the Family the Professionals Making the Collaborative Decision*, American Geriatrics Society Annual Scientific Meeting, Chicago, IL.
- 2001 *“Making Visits Count, All Ages, All Stages Of Alzheimer’s Disease”*, National Association of Activity Professionals Annual Meeting, Burlington, VT.
- 2000 *“A Ray of Hope for People With Memory Loss”*, Gerontological Society of Utah,