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## **HIGHER EDUCATION:**

2015 Master of Public Health

University of Massachusetts-Amherst

Amherst, MA

2008 Doctor of Philosophy, Nursing

Villanova University

Villanova, PA

1996 Master of Science, Nursing

Villanova University

Villanova, PA

1982 Bachelor of Science, Nursing

Wilkes University (formerly Wilkes College)

Wilkes-Barre, PA

**Professional Licensure and Certification:** 

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Registered Nurse

American Heart Association CPR Healthcare Provider

### **EXPERIENCE:**

2014-present Associate Professor, College of Nursing

Director, Center of Global & Public Health

Villanova University

Villanova, PA

2008-2014 Assistant Professor, College of Nursing

Villanova University

Villanova, PA

2002-2008 Nursing Instructor, College of Nursing

Oman Nursing Student Undergraduate Advisor

Villanova University

Villanova, PA

2002 – 2004	Per Diem Staff Nurse Jefferson Home Care Network Bryn Mawr, PA
2002-2003	Clinical Nursing Instructor, School of Nursing Gwynedd-Mercy University Gwynedd Valley, PA
2001- 2002	Adverse Events Specialist, Global Safety Surveillance and Epidemiology (GSSE), Wyeth Pharmaceuticals Radnor, PA
1998 - 2001	Per Diem Staff Nurse Jefferson Home Care Network Bryn Mawr, PA
1996 - 2001	Clinical Nursing Instructor, College of Nursing Villanova University Villanova, PA
1996 – 1997	Adjunct Faculty, School of Nursing LaSalle University Philadelphia, PA
1991 – 1997	Per Diem Nurse and Weekend On-call Supervisor Home Nurse Devon, PA
1993- 1996	Per Diem Staff Nurse Skilled Nursing Incorporated Home Care Flourtown, PA
1993 -1994	Clinical Nursing Instructor, Nursing Department Montgomery County Community College Blue Bell, PA
1989 -1992	Nursing Instructor, School of Practical Nursing Presbyterian Medical Center of Philadelphia Philadelphia, PA
1988 – 1990	Per Diem Staff Nurse, Arrhythmia Monitoring Unit Bryn Mawr Hospital Bryn Mawr, PA

1987 – 1989	Nursing Supervisor Home Health Corporation of America Bryn Mawr, PA
1986-1987	Staff Nurse, Home Care Home Health Corporation of America Bryn Mawr, PA
1985 – 1986	Cardiac Rehab Educator Bryn Mawr Hospital Bryn Mawr, PA
1983 – 1986	Staff Nurse, Arrhythmia Monitoring Unit Bryn Mawr Hospital Bryn Mawr, PA
1982 -1983	Staff Nurse, Neuro-Medicine and Neuro-Rehab Boston University Medical Center

Courses taught:

# **Teaching Activities (recent):**

# Villanova University

2017-2018 NUR 3122 fall semester Imperatives for Global and Public Health

NUR 7081 fall semester International Health

NUR 7084 spring semester Principles of Epidemiology

Consultant for Alliance of Nurses for Healthy Environments Kresge

Foundation Grant- spring semester

Boston, MA

NUR 8900 summer session Issues in Health and Delivery Systems

Academic Advisor: 15 undergraduate students

Global Health Minor Advisor: 50 undergraduate students

Faculty Mentor: 1 undergraduate student, independent research: Barriers & supports to Influenza Vaccination in Philadelphia's Arab Immigrant Community.

Faculty Mentor: 2 PhD students dissertation committee; 1 PhD

student chair

Spring semester, Consultant for Alliance of Nurses for Healthy

**Environments: Climate Change Outreach Coordinator** 

2016-2017 NUR 3122 fall semester Imperatives for Global and Public Health

NUR 7081 fall semester International Health

NUR 3122 spring semester Imperatives for Global and Public

Health

NUR 7084 spring semester Principles of Epidemiology

NUR 8900 summer session Issues in Health and Delivery Systems

Guest lecturer NUR 4114 Nursing and Health Policy

Academic Advisor: 20 undergraduate students

Global Health Minor Advisor: 50 undergraduate students

Faculty Mentor: 2 Global Health Minor students independent study (Biology Major: Examination of qualitative public health methods; Political Science major: Examination of global health through an INGO)

Faculty Mentor: 1 PhD student dissertation committee

2015-2016 NUR 3122 fall semester Imperatives for Global and Public Health

NUR 7081 fall semester International Health

NUR 3122 spring semester Imperatives for Global and Public Health

NUR 7084 spring semester Principles of Epidemiology

NUR 3122 summer session Imperatives for Global and Public

Health – on-line

NUR 8900 summer session Issues in Health and Delivery Systems

Academic Advisor: 22 undergraduate students

Global Health Minor Advisor: 30 undergraduate students

Faculty Mentor: 2 Honors NUR 3122 undergraduate students.

Faculty Mentor: 1 PhD student dissertation committee Faculty Mentor: 2 Peace Corp Coverdell Fellows project

2014-2015 NUR 3122 fall semester Imperatives for Global and Public Health

NUR 7081 fall semester International Health

NUR 3122 spring semester Imperatives for Global and Public

Health

NUR 4113 spring semester Practicum in Health Promotion & Home

Health

Academic Advisor: 25 undergraduate students

Global Health Minor Advisor: 15 undergraduate students Faculty Mentor: 1 student undergraduate research program

2013-2014 NUR 3122 fall semester Imperatives for Global and Public Health

NUR 7081 fall semester International Health

NUR 3122 spring semester Imperatives for Global and Public

Health

NUR 4902 spring semester International Technology &

Sustainability- Panama

NUR 4107 spring semester Practicum Nursing & Health Promotion

Academic Advisor: 25 undergraduate students

Faculty Mentor: 1 student undergraduate research program

Faculty Mentor for fieldwork in interdisciplinary course in Panama

2012-2013 NUR 7081 fall semester International Health

NUR 3113 Practicum in Nursing Care of Adults

NUR 4102 spring semester Nursing & Health Promotion

NUR 4107 spring semester Practicum Nursing & Health Promotion

NUR 4107 summer session Practicum Nursing & Health Promotion

Academic Advisor: 25 undergraduate students

2011-2012 Fall 2011 – sabbatical

NUR 4102 spring semester Nursing & Health Promotion

NUR 4107 spring semester Practicum Nursing & Health Promotion

NUR 4102 summer session Nursing & Health Promotion

NUR 4107 summer session Practicum Nursing & Health Promotion

Academic Advisor: 20 undergraduate BSN completion students

from Oman

Faculty Mentor for undergraduate nursing students traveling to the

Sultanate of Oman

2010-2011 NUR 4902 fall semester Practicum in US Healthcare Systems

NUR 3005 fall semester Practicum in Nursing & Health

NUR 4102 spring semester Nursing & Health Promotion

NUR 4107 spring semester Practicum Nursing & Health Promotion

NUR 4902 spring semester Practicum in US Healthcare Systems

NUR 4102 summer session Nursing & Health Promotion

NUR 4107 summer session Practicum Nursing & Health Promotion

Academic Advisor: 20 undergraduate BSN completion students

from Oman

2009-2010 NUR 3112 fall semester Nursing Care of Adults

NUR 4902 fall semester Practicum in US Healthcare Systems

NUR 4102 spring semester Nursing & Health Promotion

NUR 4107 spring semester Practicum Nursing & Health Promotion

NUR 4102 summer session Nursing & Health Promotion

NUR 4107 summer session Practicum Nursing & Health Promotion

Academic Advisor: 20 undergraduate BSN completion students

from Oman

2008-2009 NUR 3112 fall semester Nursing Care of Adults

NUR 4902 fall semester Practicum in Health Promotion

NUR 4102 spring semester Nursing & Health Promotion

NUR 4107 spring semester Practicum Nursing & Health Promotion

NUR 4102 summer session Nursing & Health Promotion

NUR 4107 summer session Practicum Nursing & Health Promotion

Academic Advisor: 20 undergraduate BSN completion students

from Oman

2007-2008 NUR 3112 fall semester Nursing Care of Adults

NUR 3113 fall semester Practicum Nursing Care of Adults

NUR 3005 fall semester Practicum in Nursing & Health NUR 4902 spring semester Management & Leadership

NUR 4902 spring semester Practicum in Health Promotion

NUR 4902 spring semester Practicum in US Healthcare Systems

NUR 4102 spring semester Nursing & Health Promotion

NUR 4902 spring semester Practicum in Adult Health Nursing

NUR 4102 summer session Nursing & Health Promotion

NUR 4107 summer session Practicum Nursing & Health Promotion Academic Advisor: 20 undergraduate BSN completion students from Oman

2006-2007

NUR 3112 fall semester Nursing Care of Adults

NUR 4902 fall semester Practicum Nursing Care of Adults NUR 4102 spring semester Nursing & Health Promotion

NUR 4107 spring semester Practicum Nursing & Health Promotion

NUR 4902 spring semester Practicum in Health Promotion

NUR 4107 summer session Practicum Nursing & Health Promotion Academic Advisor: 20 undergraduate BSN completion students

from Oman

Faculty Mentor for nursing students traveling to Waslala, Nicaragua

# **ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL HONORS:**

# **Professional Activities:**

1995-present Sigma Theta Tau International

Dual Membership in Alpha Nu and Zeta Psi

1996-1999 Awards and Scholarship Chair, Alpha Nu

1996-present American Public Health Association

Public Health Nursing Section

Abstract reviewer annual meeting: 2009, 2014

Local arrangement committee: 2009

Environmental Health Section International Health Section Community Health Worker Group

Caucus on Refugee and Immigrant Health

Abstract reviewer annual meeting: 2010, 2011

2017-present Consortium of Universities for Global Health

Coalition for Responsible Short-Term Experiences in

Global Health (CorSTEG) founding member.

1996-2000 Home Healthcare Nurses Association

2007- present Pennsylvania State Nurses Association

Environmental Health Committee Committee Co-Chair 2009-2012 Member 2007-2014, 2107-present

2007-2010 Health Care Without Harm

Nurses' Workgroup

Minigrant Reviewer 2009 Drug Disposal Workgroup

2009-present Alliance of Nurses for Healthy Environments (ANHE)

Steering Committee 2011-present

**Education Workgroup** 

Co-chairperson, 2011-present

Core Competency Committee White Paper

Committee Fracking Workgroup

Global Climate Change Workgroup

2009- 2015 American Nurses' Association

2011-2013 Environmental Health Task Force

2012 House of Delegates Resolution, "Nurses' Role in

Recognizing, Educating and Advocating for

Healthy Energy Choices", Kaktins, McDermott-Levy, Sattler

2009- present Association of Community Health Nurse Educators (ACHNE)

Research committee

# **Awards and Honors:**

2017 American Journal of Nursing Book of the Year –

Environmental Health Section for: Leffers, J., Smith, C., Huffling, K., **McDermott-Levy, R**., & Sattler, B. (Eds).

(2016) Environmental Health in Nursing. Alliance of Nurses

for Healthy Environments. Retrieved from

https://envirn.org/e-textbook/

2011 Nurse as a Global Citizen, Pennsylvania State Nurses

Association

2009 Nurse Luminary, Health Care Without Harm

2007 Phi Kappa Phi, Honor Society

2002 Global Safety Surveillance and Epidemiology, Special

Recognition Award

1996 Award for Distinguished Achievement in Academics and

Service, Villanova University, College of Nursing.

1995 Sigma Theta Tau, International, Alpha Nu Chapter

# **Scholarship**

Books

Leffers, J., Smith, C., Huffling, K., **McDermott-Levy, R.**, & Sattler, B. (Eds). (2016) Environmental Health in Nursing. Alliance of Nurses for Healthy Environments. Retrieved from <a href="http://envirn.org/pg/file/read/87387/environmental-health-in-nursing">http://envirn.org/pg/file/read/87387/environmental-health-in-nursing</a>

### **Book Chapters**

**McDermott-Levy, R.** & Estopinan, M.A. (2014). Intraprofessional partnerships with a telehealth project in Waslala, Nicaragua. In Upvall, M. & Leffers, J. Global Health Nursing: Building and Sustaining Partnerships. New York: Springer Publishing.

Peer Reviewed Publications

- **McDermott-Levy, R.,** Leffers, J. & Mayaka, J. (in review). Ethical principles for global health nursing practice: A Delphi study.
- **McDermott-Levy, R.**, Murphy, K., Jordan, L., & Leffers, J. (2018 Epub in advance of publication). Integrating Climate Change into Nursing Curricula. *Nurse Educator*.
- Leffers, J., **McDermott-Levy**, **R**., Nicholas, P., & Sweeney, C. (2017). Mandate for the nursing profession to address climate change through nursing education. *Journal of Nursing Scholarship*, *49* (6), 679-687. doi: 10.1111/jnu.12331
- **McDermott-Levy, R.** & Garcia, V. (2016). Health Concerns of Northeastern Pennsylvania Residents Living in an Unconventional Oil and Gas Development County. *Public Health Nursing*. *33*(6), 502-510. doi: 10.1111/phn.12265
- **McDermott-Levy, R.** & N. Al Balushi (2015). Philadelphia Arab immigrant health needs assessment. *Research & Reviews: Journal of Nursing and Health Sciences*, 1 (3), 4-13.
- Leffers, J., Smith, C., McDermott-Levy, R., Resick, L., Hanson, M., Jordan, L.,

- Murphy, K., Sattler, B., & Huffling, K. (2015). Developing Curriculum Recommendations for Environmental Health in Nursing. *Nurse Educator*, 40, 3, 139-43. doi: 10.1097/NNE.000000000000133.
- **McDermott-Levy, R.**, Cantrell, M.A., & Reynolds, K. (2014). Promoting cultural understanding through pediatric clinical dyads: An education research project. *Nurse Education Today.* 10.1016/j.nedt.2014.03.012
- Leffers, J., **McDermott-Levy**, R., Smith, C.,& Sattler., B. (2014). Nursing Education's Response to the 1995 Institute of Medicine Report: Nursing, Health and the Environment. *Nursing Forum*. doi: 10.1111/nuf.12072.
- **McDermott-Levy, R.**, Leffers, J., & Huffling, K. (2014). Global earth caring through the Millennium Development Goals and beyond. *International Journal of Human Caring, 18* (2), 9-17.
- Singh, P., **McDermott-Levy**, **R**. ,Keech, K., Mariani, B., Klingler, J., & Moncada, M.V. (2013). Challenges and successes in making health care more accessible to rural communities in Waslala, Nicaragua using low-cost telecommunications. *IEEE 2013 Global Humanitarian Technology* Conference. dio: 10.1109/GHTC.2013.67.3172
- **McDermott-Levy, R**. (2013). Female Arab-Muslim nursing students' reentry transitions. *International Journal of Nursing Education Scholarship, 10* (1), 1-8. dio: 10.1515/ijnes-2012-0042.
- **McDermott-Levy, R.**, Kaktins, N. & Sattler, B. (2013) Fracking, the environment and health: An examination of energy practices and policies that threaten patients. *American Journal of Nursing, 113* (6), 52-57.
- **McDermott-Levy**, **R** & Weatherbie, K. (2013). Health promotores' perceptions of their communities' health needs, knowledge, and resource needs in rural Nicaragua. *Public Health Nursing*, *30* (2), 94-105. doi: 10.1111/j.1525-1446.2012.01047.x
- **McDermott-Levy, R**. & Kaktins, N. (2012). Preserving health in the Marcellus region. (a CE offering). Pennsylvania Nurse, 67(3), 4-12.
- Singh, P., Kulkarni, S., Keech, E., **McDermott-Levy, R.**, & Kligler, J. (2011). Making Health Care More Accessible To Rural Communities in Waslala, Nicaragua Using Low-Cost Telecommunications. *NCIIA, Catalyzing Innovation,* March, 1-7. Retrieved from *nciia.org/sites/default/files/u7/Singh\_1.pdf*
- **McDermott-Levy**, **R**. (2011). Going Alone: The lived experience of Arab Muslim nurses studying in the U.S. *Nursing Outlook*, *59* (5), 266-277.

**McDermott-Levy**, R. & Fazzini, C. (2010). Identifying key personnel in a nurse-initiated hospital waste reduction program. *Nursing Administration Quarterly*, *34*(4), 306-10.

**McDermott-Levy, R.** (2009). Acculturation: A concept analysis for immigrant health. *Holistic Nursing Practice*, 23 (4), 1-7.

Other Publications

**McDermott-Levy**, **R.** (2011). Nurses' role on green teams: An environmental health opportunity. *Pennsylvania Nurse*, *66* (1),19-23.

**McDermott-Levy, R.** (2009). Education: Nurses' tool for advocacy in environmental health. *Pennsylvania Nurse, 64* (2), 10-13.

**McDermott-Levy**, R. (2008). Green meetings: Hosting environmentally friendly events. *The Journal of Continuing Education in Nursing*, *39* (9), 388-389.

Research: Funded

2016 Principal Investigator

Screening and Health Access for Immigrants in Philadelphia:

Impact Evaluation Project.

American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN)/Center for

Disease Control (CDC): Public Health Project. (\$5,000.00)

2016 Principal Investigator

Environmental health education resources for residents of

Northeastern Pennsylvania.

Villanova University, Summer research grant.

(\$999.00 plus summer salary)

2015 Co-Investigator, McDermott-Levy & Leffers

Ethical Principles for Global Health Nursing Practice: A Delphi

Study

Association of Community Health Nurse Educators

(\$1419.90)

2014 Principal Investigator

Perceived health risks and learning needs of NEPA fracking

communities.

Center for Nursing Research, College of Nursing, Villanova

University

(\$2,844.00)

2013 Co-investigator Mariani, B., McDermott-Levy, R, & Keech, E.

Testing Simulation as an Educational Strategy for Health Promoter Learning in Rural Nicaragua College of Nursing, Center for Nursing Research (\$3,000.00)

2010 Principal Investigator

Philadelphia Arab and Arab-American Household Health Needs Assessment.

Center for Nursing Research, College of Nursing, Villanova University (\$2,843.45)

2006 Principal Investigator

The Lived Experience of Arab-Muslim Nursing Students Studying in the United States Sigma Theta Tau international, Alpha Nu Chapter (\$500.00)

Grants: Funded

Grannas, A., McDermott-Levy, R., Klingler, J. & Lorenz, W. Sustainability Across the Curriculum Workshop Villanova Institute for Teaching and Learning (VITAL) (\$7,500)

Arvanites, D., Galgano, F., Falcone, F., & McDermott-Levy, R.
Improved Student Learning Through Interdisciplinary Project-Based
Learning Experiences- Panama
President's Grant Program for the Development and
Implementation of Interdisciplinary Course
(\$20,000)

2011-2012 Susan G. Komen in collaboration with the Philadelphia Arab American Development Corporation. "Lilshifa'a" (for the cure). Training Female Arab Community Heath Workers to educate Arab immigrant women about breast health. (\$7,885.00)

National Collegiate Inventors and Innovators Alliance Sustainable Vision. "Improved Rural Health Care Through Low-cost Telecommunication in Waslala, Nicaragua" (#6877-09). Singh, P., Kulkari, S., Keech, E., McDermott-Levy, R., & Klinger, J. (\$44,625.00).

Health Care Without Harm Minigrant. "Integrating Environmental Health into Community Health Nursing Education" a program for nursing faculty. (\$2,000.00)

2006 Pennsylvania Higher Education, Graduate Nurse Education Grant Program, scholarship for doctoral studies in Nursing Education.

2005 Independence Blue Cross scholarship for doctoral studies in

Nursing Education.

1996 Professional Nurse Traineeship, U.S. Department of Health and

Human Services: to support work toward the MSN, Villanova

University, College of Nursing.

#### Grants submitted and revising:

2017 Shakya, K. & McDermott-Levy, R.

Influence of targeted indoor air quality interventions on respiratory

health in Philadelphia's high-risk asthma neighborhoods.

National Institute of Health.

#### Grants submitted but not received:

2016 Principal Investigator

Promoting a Global Perspective through Immigrant Health

Screening and Health Access.

Pennsylvania Higher Education Nursing Schools Association

(PHENSA).

2014 **McDermott-Levy, R**, Singh, P., Keech, E., Klingler, J. & Mariani, B.

Tele-Health System for Improving Access to Health Care in Rural

Nicaragua

**USAID** 

2013 Mariani, B., McDermott-Levy, R, & Keech, E.

Simulation as an Educational Strategy for Health Promoter

Learning in Rural Nicaragua

Sigma Theta Tau International (STTI) Global Nursing Research

2010 Keech, E., McDermott-Levy, R, Singh, P, Klingler, J, Kulkarni, S.,

& Connolly, K.

Improving Rural Healthcare Through Low-Cost

Telecommunications.

Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation

2010 McDermott-Levy, R, Keech, E., Kulkarni, S., Singh, P, Klingler, J.

& Connolly, K.

Supporting Front-line Health Workers in Inaccessible Nicaragua

Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation

#### Conference Presentations:

#### Oral presentations (Refereed)

**McDermott-Levy, R.**, Anderko, L., Schenk, E., & Curtis, K. Alliance of Nurses for Healthy Environments: Responding to our Changing Climate. American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA, November 1, 2017.

**McDermott-Levy, R.**, Murphy, K., Jordan, L., & Leffers, J. Integrating Climate Change into Nursing Curricula. American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA, November 1, 2017.

**McDermott-Levy, R.,** Leffers, J. & Mayaka, J. (2017, June). Ethical Principles for Global Health Nursing Practice: Findings. Association of Community Health Nurse Educators Annual Institute. Baltimore, MD. June 8-10, 2007.

Leffers, J. & **McDermott-Levy**, **R.** (2017, June). Ethical Principles for Global Health Nursing Practice: A Delphi Study to Develop Ethical Principles for Global Health Nursing Practice. Association of Community Health Nurse Educators Annual Institute. Baltimore, MD. June 8-10, 2007.

**McDermott-Levy, R.** (2016, October). Evaluation of Environmental Health Education Resources for Residents of Unconventional Oil and Gas Development Communities in Pennsylvania. Round table discussion. American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. Denver, CO, Oct. 29-Noveber 1, 2016.

**McDermott-Levy, R.** (2105, January). Regulating for Environmental Injustice: Fracking in Pennsylvania. Villanova University, Freedom School for Martin Luther King Celebration. January 22, 2015.

**McDermott-Levy, R.** & Fitzpatrick, T.R. (2014, November). Mobile Phone Impacts and Utility for Nicaraguan Community Health Workers." American Public Health Association 142st Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA. November 19, 2014.

**McDermott-Levy, R.** & McKeever, A. (2013, November). An innovative strategy to measure Arab-Muslim immigrant women's knowledge with consideration of cultural learning style. American Public Health Association 141<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting, Boston, MA. November 4, 2013.

**McDermott-Levy, R.,** Miller, S., Edwards, K., Pashigian, M., & Magenheim. E. (2011, October). Public Health Educational Opportunities in a Five Institution Public Health Consortium: Stretching boundaries through partnerships. American Public Health Association 139<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C. October 31, 2011.

**McDermott-Levy, R.**, Keech, E., Signh, P., Kulkarni, S., Klingler, J. & LaMarca, R., BSN '11. (June, 2011). An Interdisciplinary Program to Influence Health Outcomes in Rural Nicaragua. Friends Association on Higher Education Annual Conference, Bryn Mawr College, Bryn Mawr, PA. June 17, 2011.

**McDermott-Levy**, R., Weatherbie, K., VU BSN '11 (2010, November). Self-indentified learning needs of lay health workers in rural Nicaragua." Paper Presentation. American Public Health Association 138<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, November 10, 2010.

**McDermott-Levy, R**. (2010, November). Teaching the needs of immigrant populations and cultural competence through community partnerships. American Public Health Association 138<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, November 8, 2010.

**McDermott-Levy, R**. & Keech, E. (2009, November). Nursing Faculty Development Program as a Strategy to Affect Change in Public Health. American Public Health Association 137<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, November 11, 2009.

**McDermott-Levy**, R (2009, September). Studying in America: Experience of International Nursing Students. NLN Education Summit, Philadelphia, PA, September 25, 2009.

Fitzpatrick, M.L., **McDermott-Levy, R.**, & Al-Maqbali, M. (2009, July). Designing a Learning Environment to Advance Nursing in Oman. International Council of Nurses 24th Quadrennial Congress, Durban, South Africa, July 1, 2009. Symposium.

O'Brien, J., Keech, E., Ermilio, J., & McDermott-Levy, R. (2009, April). Sustainable Water Solutions for a Rural Community in Nicaragua: An Interdisciplinary Intervention with Nursing and Engineering Students. Panel Presentation. Villanova University, Sustainability Conference, Villanova, PA, April 24, 2009.

**McDermott-Levy, R.** (2009, April). Nurses' Advocacy and Leadership in Creating Sustainable Health Care in the U.S. from 1998-2008. Villanova University, Sustainability Conference, Villanova, PA, April 24, 2009.

**McDermott-Levy, R.** (2009, April). Going Alone: The Experience of Arab-Muslim Women in the United States. Center for Arab-Islamic Studies, Villanova University, Villanova, PA, April 2, 2009.

**McDermott-Levy, R.** (2009, March). Back Home My Father Takes Care of Things for Me: The Lived Experience of Arab-Muslim Women Studying in the United States. Eastern Nurses Research Society, Boston, MA, March 20, 2009.

Keech, E., **McDermott-Levy**, **R**., McKenna, K. (2008, October). Promoting a Global and Environmental Perspective of Nursing & Engineering Students: An Interdisciplinary Intervention in Nicaragua. American Public Health Association, San Diego, CA, October, 27, 2008.

**McDermott-Levy, R**. (2008, October). The Lived Experience of Arab-Muslim Nurses Living in the United States. National American Arab Nurses Association Inaugural Convention, Detroit, MI, October 10, 2008.

#### Oral presentations (Invited)

**McDermott-Levy**, R., Leffers, J., Mayaka, J. Ethical Principles for Global Health Nursing Practice: Catholic Health Association, Global Summit, October 2017.

Anderko, L., **McDermott-Levy, R.,** Curtis, K. & Schenk, E. (2017, June). ANHE Workgroups in Addressing Climate Change. Alliance of Nurses for Health Environments Conference on Climate Change and Nursing. Washington, D.C. June 11, 2017.

**McDermott-Levy, R.** (2017, January). So now what? Advancing health policies in a changing administration. Physicians for Social Responsibility Health Policy Workshop. Thomas Jefferson University. Keynote Speaker.

**McDermott-Levy, R.** (2016, October). Some people build walls, others open doors: Health barriers and access for immigrant and refugees. International Policy Conference: Justice for All? Millersville University, Millersville, PA. October 5, 2016. Invited Speaker.

**McDermott-Levy, R.** (2016, June). Best Practices for Residents of UOGD Communities. Southwest Environmental Health Project, Medical Conference, Pittsburgh, PA June 10, 2016.

**McDermott-Levy, R.** (2016, June). Voices from the Community: Environmental Health Concerns of Residents in Northeast Pennsylvania. Southwest Environmental Health Project, Medical Conference, Pittsburgh, PA. June 10, 2016.

**McDermott-Levy, R.** (2015, January). Community & Psychosocial Effects of Oil & Gas Development: Health Concerns from the community perspective." Center for Environmental Health, February 29, 2015. A webinar: <a href="http://www.ceh.org/webinar-psychosocial-community-effects-of-unconventional-energy-extraction-development/">http://www.ceh.org/webinar-psychosocial-community-effects-of-unconventional-energy-extraction-development/</a>

**McDermott-Levy, R.** (2015, October). Living with Pennsylvania's Gas Boom: Voices from the Community. Distinguished Lectorship, Xi Chi At-Large Chapter, Sigma Theta Tau International, Millersville University, Millersville, PA. October 22, 2015.

**McDermott-Levy, R.** (2014, October). Laying the Ground Work for a Community Based Participatory Program in Pennsylvania's Marcellus Shale Region." Symposium for Fracking and Public Health. Center for Environmental Health. Washington, D.C. October 3, 2014.

**McDermott-Levy, R**. (2014, May). Fracking and Health. Maryland Nurses Association Conference, "Your World Your Health." Baltimore, Maryland, May 30, 2014.

**McDermott-Levy, R.** (2012, October). Environmental Nursing: It's part of our practice. Professional Nurse Educators Group, October 27, 2012. Philadelphia, PA.

**McDermott-Levy, R.** (January 2012). Health Needs Assessment in Philadelphia's Arab American Community. Philadelphia Arab American Development Corporation, Presented to Stakeholders in the Arab American community, January 26, 2012.

**McDermott-Levy, R.** (2011, May). Environmental Issues in Pennsylvania: Consideration for Health. Pennsylvania State Nurses Association, Legislative Day, Harrisburg, PA, 2011. May 10, 2011.

**McDermott-Levy, R.** (2011, February). Greening in Nursing: What's this all about? – Some thoughts for Nursing in Oman, University of Nizwa, College of Pharmacy and Nursing, February 23, 2011.

**McDermott-Levy**, **R.** (2010, June). Greening the Curriculum: Integrating Environmental Health Concepts into a Baccalaureate Curriculum – One School's Story. Alliance of Nurses for Healthy Environments, Conference. Baltimore, Maryland, June 7, 2010. R. McDermott-Levy.

**McDermott-Levy, R**. (2009, February). Special Needs & Considerations When Caring for Muslim Women." 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Women's Health Conference, Drexel University, Atlantic City, NJ, February 12, 2009.

Block, J.R., **McDermott-Levy, R.** & Sieber, B. (2009, February). Building Trust and Understanding When Your Clinical Practice is Diverse." Invited Speaker. Panel Presentation. 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Women's Health Conference, Drexel University, Atlantic City, NJ, February 12, 2009.

**McDermott-Levy, R.** (2008, June). Unique Needs of International Students. Drexel University Nurse Educators Institute, Atlantic City, N.J., June 27, 2008.

**McDermott-Levy, R.** (2008, January). Teaching International Students: Issues & Strategies, Regional Nurse Anesthesia Program Faculty Development, Crozer-Chester Medical Center, Upland, PA, January 19, 2008.

# Poster Presentations (Refereed)

Leffers, J. & McDermott-Levy, R. (2017, June). Planetary Health: A Unifying Concept for Public Health Nursing Practice and Education. Association of Community Health Nurse Educators Annual Institute. Baltimore, MD. June 8-10, 2007.

McDermott-Levy, R. & V. Garcia. (2016, March). Health Concerns of Northeastern Pennsylvania Residents Living in an Unconventional Oil and Gas Development County. College of Nursing Research Day, Villanova University, March 22, 2016.

McDermott-Levy, R. (2012, March) Health Needs Assessment in Philadelphia's Arab American Community. Villanova University, College of Nursing, Research Day, March 27, 2012.

Nobbie, V.C., BSN '08 & **McDermott-Levy**, **R.** (2009, February). Seeing the Health Care System through the Eyes of Muslim Women: A Collaborative Effort in Health Promotion. 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Women's Health Conference, Atlantic City, NJ, February 12, 2009.

Extramural Community October 2017	Climate Reality Leader. Certified Leader. Pittsburgh, PA. Give public presentations regarding the impacts of climate change on human health.
July 2015	Villanova University faculty delegation to explore at partnership with the University and Catholic Relief Services, Madagascar.
October 2015-2017	Pennsylvania Health Professionals for a Livable Future – founding member
January 2015- present	Board Member, Secretary. Southwest Pennsylvania Environmental Health Project, McMurry, PA
August 2014-present	Curriculum Committee, College of Nursing, Villanova University, Villanova, PA
August 2013-2016	Faculty Advisor, Nursing Without Borders
August 2012-present	Catholic Relief Services, University Advisory Committee. Villanova University, Villanova, PA

February 2011- October 2011	OSCI External Reviewer, University of Nizwa, Sultanate of Oman.		
August 2009-present	Presidents' Environmental Sustainability Committee, Villanova University, Villanova, PA		
August 2008-2016	Board Member, Center for Arab Islamic Studies, Villanova University, Villanova, PA		
March 2007	Volunteer faculty advisor, Waslala, Nicaragua.		
March 2006	Volunteer faculty advisor, Chulucanas, Peru.		
August 2006-2013	Faculty Advisor, Omani Student Association		
November 2003-present Undergraduate Open House, College of Nursing			
September 2008- 2012	Healthy work Environment Council, Community Member: Green Team Committee- Main Line Health, Bryn Mawr, PA		
March 2006-2008	Peer Reviewer, <i>Nursing Education Oman</i> : A Journal for Nursing education, Muscat, Oman.		
Select past service:			
September 2009 -2010	Class Chairperson, Annual Giving Campaign, Wilkes University, Wilkes-Barre, PA		
October 2009- June 2014	Director, Alumni Board, Wilkes University, Wilkes-Barre, PA		
August 2007-2008	Class Reunion Committee, Wilkes University, Wilkes-Barre, PA		
March 2001-2003	Religious Education Concerns Committee Philadelphia Yearly Meeting (Religious Society of Friends)		
September 2004-2012	Fellowship Committee, Clerk (2007-2009), Radnor Friends Monthly Meeting, Radnor, PA		
June 2001-2003	Religious Education Co-clerk, Radnor Friends Monthly Meeting, Radnor, PA		

September 2000-2006 First Day School Teacher, Radnor Friends Monthly

Meeting, Radnor, PA

**Recent Continuing Education** 

October 2017 American Public Health Association, Atlanta, GA

June 2017 Association of Community Health Educators, Baltimore, MD.

June 2017 Alliance of Nurses for a Healthy Environment, Washington,

DC.

December 2016 Albert Einstein Medical College Global Health Education,

Bronx, NY

November 2016 American Public Health Association Annual Meeting,

Denver, CO

October 2016 Global Nursing Caucus, Boston MA

June 2016 Natural Gas Extraction Medical Conference, Pittsburgh, PA

May 2016 Global Nursing Caucus, Boston, MA

June 2015 Association of Community Health Nurse Educators, Denver,

CO

November 2014 American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, New

Orleans, LA

February 2014 Nursing Leadership in Global Health, Vanderbilt University,

Nashville, TN