## **BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**

NAME	POSITION TITLE
Ortiz, Carmen	Executive Director
eRA COMMONS USER NAME (credential, e.g., agency login)	

EDUCATION/TRAINING (Begin with baccalaureate or other initial professional education, such as nursing, include postdoctoral training and residency training if applicable.)

INSTITUTION AND LOCATION	DEGREE (if applicable)	MM/YY	FIELD OF STUDY
San Jose University, San Jose, CA	B.A.	6/73	Psychology
California School of Professional Psychology, Berkeley, CA	M.A	6/85	Psychology
California School of Professional Psychology, Berkeley, CA	Ph.D.	6/88	Psychology
University of California, San Francisco, Dept of Epidemiology and Biostatistics	Fellow	09/01	Clinical Research
University of California, San Francisco, Dept of Epidemiology and Biostatistics	Fellow	09/01	Responsible Conduct of Research
Collaborative Institutional Training Institute, Human Subjects Protection Training	Certificate	9/10	Social Behavioral Studies

### A. Positions and Honors

# **Positions and Employment**

1989-1995	Psychotherapist, La Clínica de la Raza
1995-1998	Program Coordinator, Cancer Support Community
1998-	Executive Director, Círculo de Vida Cancer Support & Resource Center

### **Consultant Work**

1996-2002	Project Manager, Latina Breast Cancer Agency
1997-2004	Project Manager, Breast Cancer Action
1998-2000	Project Trainer, Northern California Cancer Center
2002-2005	Project Manager, Latina Breast Cancer Agency

## **Seminars/Presentations**

Oct 1996	Meeting the Psychosocial and Information Needs of Latinas Diagnosed with Cancer
	Northern California Cancer Center Conference
Nov 1996	Barriers to Health Care Affecting Latina Breast Cancer Patients
	San Francisco Breast Cancer Summit
May 1997	Breast Cancer – A Personal Experience
	Women's Building Seminar
May 1998	Latina Cancer Patients: Cultural Foundations and a Model of Psychosocial Support

	Association of Oncology Social Work 14th Annual Conference
Aug 2001	Spanish-language Support Groups for Latina Cancer Patients
	National Association of Community Health Center, Inc 32 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference
Feb 2002	The Effects of Breast Cancer on Latinas and Their Families
	California State Senate Health and Human Services Committee Hearing
Apr 2005	Culturally Competent Support Services
	Women of Color Conference: San Francisco State University
Sept 2006	Cultural Influences on Medical Decision Making
	Northern California Cancer Center, Strategies for Health Care Professionals
June 2008	Latinas: The Social and Economic Impact of a Cancer Diagnosis
	Susan G. Komen for the Cure Conference
July 2008	Latinos: The Economic Impact of a Cancer Diagnosis
	The Latino Cancer Summit, San Francisco
Sept 2010	Psychosocial Health Promotion for Latinas
	California Breast Cancer Research Program Symposium

## **Trainings**

2001	Effective Hospital Navigation, Marin Women's Commission, Marin, CA
2002	Developing Spanish-Language Support Groups, Northern California Cancer Center, Union City, CA
2007	In-Home Support Counseling, San Francisco General Hospital
2008	Una Mano Amiga, Spanish-Language Support Groups, San Mateo, CA
2008	One-to-One Peer Support Counseling, Women's Cancer Resource Center, Berkeley, CA
2009	Breast Cancer & its Treatment, Latinas Contra Cáncer. San Jose, CA
2009	Breast Cancer & its Treatment, Latinas Contra Cáncer, Turlock, CA
2010	A Peer Support Intervention for African-American and Asian-American Women, San
	Francisco State University

## **Honors & Recognitions**

1996	Certificate of Recognition from the late State Senator Milton Marks
	Designated October 7 as "Dr. Carmen Ortiz day"
2005	The Susan Claymon Award – Breast Cancer Action
2005	Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition – Nancy Pelosi
2005	Certificate of Recognition – State Board of Equalization – Betty T. Yee
2005	Spirit of Activision Award – Breast Cancer Action
2006	Certificate of Recognition – California Legislature – Mark Leno
2006	You Can Make a Difference Award – Susan G. Komen for the Cure
2006	Global Leadership Award – Spark, San Francisco
2006	Award of Courage – Universal Share, San Francisco
2006	Jefferson Award, American Institute for Public Service
2008	Profile of Excellence, KGO Channel 7, San Francisco
2009	Certificate of Appreciation – The American Cancer Society – San Francisco

# **Authorships**

2002	A Guide to Developing and Sustaining Spanish-Speaking Support Groups for
	Latinas who have Breast Cancer
2009	A Peer Support Program for Latinas with Breast Cancer: Las Angelitas Model

### **B. Selected Peer-reviewed Publications**

1. Nápoles-Springer AM, Ortiz C, O'Brien H, Diaz-Mendez M, Pérez-Stable EJ. Use of cancer support groups among Latina breast cancer survivors. Journal of Cancer Survivorship, 2007; 1:193-204.

- 2. Nápoles-Springer AM, Ortiz C, O'Brien H, Diaz-Mendez M. Developing a culturally competent peer support intervention for Spanish-speaking Latinas with breast cancer. Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health, 2009; 11(4):268-280.
- 3. Nápoles AM, Ortiz C, O'Brien H, Sereno A, Kaplan C. Coping Resources and Self-Rated Health among Latina Breast Cancer Survivors, Oncology Nursing Forum. In press.

### C. Research Support

### **Ongoing Research Support**

15BB-1300 Napoles (PI)

07/01/09-06/30/2012

California Breast Cancer Research Program

Nuevo Amanecer: Promoting the Psychosocial Health of Latinas

This grant is for a CBPR project to culturally adapt and test in a randomized trial a psychosocial health

intervention for Latinas newly diagnosed with breast cancer.

Role: Co-Investigator

#### **Abstracts**

Nápoles-Springer A, O'Brien H, Kaplan C, Ortiz C. Coping resources and health status among Latina breast cancer survivors. Psycho-Oncology, 2007;16 (Suppl):S62.

Ortiz C. Nápoles A, O'Brien H, Diaz-Mendez M, Pérez-Stable EJ. Use of support groups among Latina breast cancer survivors. Psycho-Oncology, 2007;16 (Suppl):S16-S62.

Nápoles-Springer A, Ortiz C, O'Brien H, Diaz-Mendez M. Developing a peer support intervention for Latinas with breast cancer. Psycho-Oncology, 2008:17 (Suppl 1):S257.

#### D. Committee Membership

2005-2007 Una Mano Amiga Latina Breast Cancer Support Services, Advisory Board Member

2007-Present Women's Cancer Network