

EDUCATION

LCSW 2011, Licensed Clinical Social Worker, California
 Ph.D. 2010, University of Southern California, School of Social Work
 MSW 2001, University of California, Los Angeles, School of Social Welfare
 BA 1999, California State University, Long Beach, Psychology

PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS

Coping, End of life care, Disparities, Distress, Health Care Decision-making, Socio-Cultural Issues, Trauma, and Vulnerable Populations, Latino/Hispanics, Homeless

ACADEMIC

Fall 2014 - present **Associate Professor**, New Mexico State University, School of Social Work
 Courses in: MSW 524 Generalist Practice with Individuals; MSW 560 Social Work Research Methods 1, and MSW 560 Online Summer Bridge Course in Research
Principal Investigator, Examining Providers Attitudes, Knowledge, and Practices for Advance Care Planning: A Provider Survey on Documenting Advance Directives among Seriously-Ill Older Patients in Southern New Mexico and Southern Texas

2015 - present **Associate Research Scientist**, Veterans Affairs Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System

2010 – 2014 **Research Scientist**, previous Postdoctoral Research Fellow (2010-2014), Veterans Affairs Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System, HSR&D Center of Excellence for the Study of Healthcare Provider Behavior; Geriatric Research, Education, and Clinical Center (GRECC); Psychosocial Care in Palliative Oncology for Older Veterans
Hartford VA Faculty Scholars Program, Geriatric Social Work Initiative, Principal Investigator, Managing Distress In Elderly Cancer Patient Near The End Of Life

2012 – 2014 **Adjunct Lecturer** - University of Southern California, School of Social Work
 Taught courses in: 1) SOWK 562 Research Methods
 2) SOWK 641 Clinical Practice with Military Families & Veterans,
 3) SOWK 624 Evaluation of Evidence Based Research: Mental Health

2013 – 2014 **Investigator** – Veterans Affairs, Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) study, Improving Healthcare Outcomes through Advocacy (PI – Bruce Jansson)

2007 – 2010 **Research Assistant**, Center for Religion and Civic Culture, University of Southern California, study of Transmission of Religion across Generations, (PI - Vern Bengtson)

2006 – 2010 **Principal Investigator**, USC School of Social Work Hamovitch Research Center, American Cancer Society Doctoral Training Grant. Oncology Social Work. (Co-Investigators: Kathleen Ell and Lawrence Palinkas); 1) Coping with Advanced Cancer among Low-Income Latinos; and 2) Exploring Patient-Provider End-of-Life Communication with Low-Income Latino Cancer Patients

2004- 2010 **Research Assistant**, USC School of Social Work Hamovitch Research Center, Projects: (1) Alleviating Depression among Patients with Cancer (ADAPt-C); (2) Improving Patient Access and Adherence to Cancer Treatment, (PI - Kathleen Ell, DSW)

2003 **Assistant Administrator**, University of California, Los Angeles, Center for the Study of Organizational and Group Dynamics, GREX - Conference: "Leading from Anywhere: An experiential exploration of leadership and authorization in organizational life"

2003 – 2004 **Research Assistant**, Veterans Affairs Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System
Division of General Internal Medicine, Project: The Influence of Culture on
Communication Preferences at the End-of-Life, William H. Shrank, MD

CLINICAL POSITIONS

2005 – 2013 **Licensed Clinical Social Worker-per diem**, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center,(Los Angeles, CA)

2000 – 2004 **Medical, Surgical, & Oncology Social Worker**, Veterans Affairs Greater Los Angeles
Healthcare System, (Los Angeles, CA)

TEACHING

INTERESTS Advocacy, Clinical Practice; Health; Mental Health; Military & Veterans; Research

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2014 -Present **Associate Professor** - New Mexico State University, School of Social Work.
Graduate Courses: **MSW 524** Generalist Practice with Individuals, integrating theory &
practice, advancing skills in selecting, applying, and evaluating practice interventions in a
culturally sensitive manner; **MSW 560** Social Work Research I, Introduction to analytical skills:
problem formulation, research designs, measurement, instrumentation, data collection and
analysis, human subjects, and application of research knowledge to social work practice.

2012 – 2014 **Adjunct Lecturer** - University of Southern California, School of Social Work
Graduate Courses: (SOWK 562) **Introduction to research methods**, conceptualizing research
problems, literature review, design, sampling, measurement, data collection & analysis;
(SOWK 625) **Evaluation of Evidence Based Research: Mental Health**: evaluation of research
reports and their application to social work practice; (SOWK 640) **Clinical Practice with
Military Families and Veterans**: Understanding and engaging evidence-based practice
interventions for mental health practice for PTSD, trauma, anxiety, coping and adjustment

Spring 2008 Co-instructor, School of social work, University of Southern California,
School of Social Work in (SOWK 770) **Introduction to qualitative and mixed research methods**

Spring 2007 Co-instructor, School of social work, University of Southern California, Leonard Davis School of
Gerontology in (GERO 437) **Social and Psychological Aspects of Death and Dying**

Spring 2006 Guest Lecturer, Whittier College on Death and Dying, Advance Directives, and Social Work
Practice

FUNDING & HONORS

2015 – 2016 Clinical Translational Research Infrastructure Network, Pilot Grant (NIH), *Improving Advance Care
Planning for Older Latinos with Advanced Serious Cancers*, Intervention study (\$65,000)

2015 March Geographical Management of Cancer Health Disparities (GMaP) *Early Career Cancer Health
Disparities Scholarship*. Conference support to attend the Association of Oncology Social Work
(\$1000)

2015 February National Cancer Institute (Training Participant, NCI funded), Massachusetts General Hospital
(MGH) Workshop on Research Methods in Supportive Oncology. Project – Improving Advance
Care Planning for Older Latinos with Advanced Serious Illnesses (\$500 Travel).

- 2012-2014 Hartford VA Social Work Faculty Scholars Program. Project: Managing Distress in Older Veterans with Cancer Near the End of Life, (PI, Nedjat-Haiem) (\$100,000, 2 year Salary Support)
- 2012 National Institute on Aging (Training Participant, NIA Funded), Grants Technical Workshop on Aging Research – Grant writing to advance pilot study to improve distress management and decision-making among palliative cancer patients and their families (Funding for Travel)
- 2011-2012 Institute on Aging & Social Work - (Training Participant) in St. Scholastica’s Institute in Duluth, MN, Funded transportation, housing, & materials, Project: Mediating factors of caregiver stress/distress in caregivers of patients with lung and colorectal cancers (Funding for Travel)
- 2011-2012 ExCEL in Social Work – Excellence in Cancer Education & Leadership, Training Award with the City of Hope & Association of Oncology Social Work, Exploring oncology social workers’ experiences with National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) guidelines for distress screening.
- 2010 Advocating for Clinical Excellence (ACE Project), Merit for Excellence in Palliative Care \$500
- 2009 – 2010 American Cancer Society, Doctoral Training Grant in Oncology Social Work – competitive renewal. Exploring Patient-Provider End-of-Life Communication. (\$40,000, Principal Investigator)
- 2007 – 2008 American Academy of Hospice & Palliative Medicine, College of Palliative Care, Year-long Mentorship Program, Mentor: Betty Ferrell, PhD, FAAN, \$3000
- 2007 Association of Oncology Social Work, Regional Conference Scholarship \$400
- 2007 Advocating for Clinical Excellence (ACE Project), Transdisciplinary Palliative Care Education – Training Course \$300
- 2006 – 2008 American Cancer Society, Doctoral Training Grant in Oncology Social Work. Coping with Advanced Cancer among Low-Income Latinos. (\$40,000, Principal Investigator)
- 2002 – 2003 Veterans Affairs Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System, Special Contribution Award - Mentorship Social Work Training Program \$600
- 2000 – 2001 Veterans Affairs Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System, Special Contribution Award - Palliative Care Resource Guide \$300
- 2000 – 2001 Veterans Affairs Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System, Hartford/Archstone Geriatric Social Work Leadership Internship (GSWEC), Clinical social worker, Los Angeles, CA \$6000

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R., Carrion, I.V., & Wingate Lewinson, T., (2015). Navigating Psychosocial Distress and Vulnerability of an Older, African American Male Veteran with End Stage Cancer: A Case Study. *The Qualitative Report*. (In press).

Albright, D.L., Weiss, E. L., & **Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.** (2015). Aging Military Veterans. Special Issues in the Journal of Gerontological Social Work, (In press).

BrintzenhofeSzoc, K., Davis, C., Kayser, K., Lee, H. Y., **Nedjat-Haiem, F.**, Oktay, J. S., ... & Zebrack, B. J. (2014). Screening for Psychosocial Distress: A National Survey of Oncology Social Workers. *Journal of psychosocial oncology*, (In press).

Nedjat-Haiem, F. R., & Carrion, I. V. (2014). Assessing Challenges in End-of-Life Conversations With Patients Utilizing a Public Safety-Net Health Care System. *American Journal of Hospice and Palliative Medicine*, 1049909114530550.

Barsuglia, J. P., **Nedjat-Haiem, F. R.,** Shapira, J. S., Velasco, C., Jimenez, E. E., Mather, M. J., & Mendez, M. F. (2014). Observational themes of social behavioral disturbances in frontotemporal dementia. *International Psychogeriatrics /IPA*, 1-7.

Arriaza, P., **Nedjat-Haiem, F.,** Lee, H. Y., & Martin, S. S. (2014). Guidelines for Conducting Rigorous Health Care Psychosocial Cross-Cultural/Language Qualitative Research. *Social work in Public Health*, (in press), 1-13.

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R., Carrion, I. V., Cribbs, K., & Lorenz, K.A. (2013). Advocacy at the End of Life: Meeting the Needs of Vulnerable Latino Patients. *Social Work in Health Care*, 52(6), 558-577.

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R., Carrion, I.V., Lorenz, K. A., Ell, K., & Palinkas, L.A., (2013). Psychosocial Concerns among Latinas with Life-Limiting Advanced Cancers. *OMEGA: Journal of Death and Dying*, 67(1), 167-174.

Carrion, I.V., **Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.,** & Xavier Marquez, D., (2013). Examining Cultural Factors that Influence Treatment Decisions: A Pilot Study of Latino Men with Cancer. *Journal of Cancer Education*. 1-9

Carrion, I.V., **Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.,** Martinez-Tyson, D., & Castaneda, H. (2013) Advance Care Planning among Colombian, Mexican, & Puerto Rican Women with a Cancer Diagnosis. *Journal of Supportive Care in Cancer*, 1-7.

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R., Carrion, I. V., Ell, K., & Palinkas, L.A. (2012). Navigating the Advanced Cancer Experience with Underserved Latinas. *Journal of Supportive Care in Cancer*, 20(12), 3095-104

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R., Lorenz, K. A., Ell, K., Hamilton, A., & Palinkas, L.A., (2012). Experiences with Advanced Cancers among Latinas in a Public Healthcare System. *Journal of Pain and Symptom Management*, 43(6), 1013-24

Oktay, J.S., **Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.,** Davis, C., & Kern, K. E. (2012) Distress screening: Experiences of oncology social workers. *Journal of Psychosocial Oncology*, 30(6), 652-66.

Carrion, I.V., & **Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.** (2012). Caregiving for Older Latinos at End of Life: Perspectives from Paid and Family (unpaid) Caregivers. *American Journal of Hospice and Palliative Medicine*, 30(2), 183-191.

Ell, K., Xie, B., Vourlekis, B., **Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.,** Lee, P.-J., Muderspach, L., Russell, C., & Palinkas, L. (2009) .Cancer Treatment Adherence among Low-Income Women with Breast or Gynecologic Cancer: A Randomized Controlled Trial of Patient Navigation. *Cancer*, 115(19), 4606-4615.

Ell, K., Xie, B., Wells, A., **Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.,** Lee, P. J., & Vourlekis, B. (2008). Economic stress among low-income women with cancer: effects on quality of life. *Cancer*, 112(3), 616-625.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS - Under Review

Carrion, I.V., **Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.,** & Macip-Billbe, M., (2014) Coping Strategies of Latino Men and Women with a Cancer Diagnosis Living in the U.S..

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R., Carrion, I.V. & Hahn, T. (2015). Advance Care Planning for Seriously Ill Older Veterans and their Providers.

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R., Carrion, I.V., & Ell, K. (2015). Healthcare Providers' Roles and Responsibilities for Initiating End of Life Care Communication.

SUBMITTED PRESENTATIONS IN PREPARATION

Nedjat-Haiem , F., Carrion, I.V., and Gonzalez, K. (2015, October) Social Workers' Roles for Psychosocial Care with Seriously Ill Patients. **Submitted paper (Oral Presentation – awaiting acceptance)** for *Council of Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (CSWE)*, Denver, Colorado.

Nedjat-Haiem, F. (2015). Addressing Psychosocial Distress among Older Veterans with Advanced Cancers. **Submitted paper (Oral Presentation – awaiting acceptance)** for *The Gerontological Society of America's (GSA) 68th Annual Scientific Meeting*, Orlando, FL

Carrion, I.V., and **Nedjat-Haiem, F.**, (2015) "I can't support my family like I used to": Implications of Role Changes among Immigrant Latino Men with Cancer. **Submitted paper (Oral Presentation – awaiting acceptance)** for *The Gerontological Society of America's (GSA) 68th Annual Scientific Meeting*, Orlando, FL

Nedjat-Haiem , F., Carrion, I.V., and Gonzalez, K. (2015, August) Providers' Roles for Advancing End of Life Care Discussions: An Emphasis on Support Staff. **Accepted Oral Presentation** for *The World Congress of Psycho-Oncology Scientific Program Committee*, Washington, DC

Carrion, I.V. and **Nedjat-Haiem, F.**, (2015). The Journey of Psychosocial Care in Oncology among Older Hispanic Men Living in the USA. **Accepted Poster Presentation** for *The World Congress of Psycho-Oncology Scientific Program Committee*, Washington, DC

REPORTS & BOOK CHAPTERS

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R. (2014). Addressing the Health and Behavioral Health Care Needs of Women Veterans. *Association of VA Social Workers (AVASW)*. Article for the Summer 2014 Newsletter. <http://vasocialworkers.org/Documents/AVASW%20News/AVASW%20Newsletter%20Summer%202014.pdf>

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R. (2013). Distress Screening Membership Survey Results. Association of Oncology Social Work. http://www.aosw.org/cms/wp-content/uploads/2013/02/Distress_Screening_Social_work_members_of_the_AOSW_5.6.13.pdf

Putney, N. M., Lam, J. Y., **Nedjat-Haiem, F.**, Ninh, T. H., Oyama, P. S., & Harris, S. C. (2013). The Transmission of Religion across Generations. *Kinship and Cohort in an Aging Society: From Generation to Generation*, 209.

Putney, N.M., Lam, J.Y., **Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.**, Ninh, T.H., Oyama, P., Harris, S.C., & Bengtson, V.L. (2012). The transmission of religion across generations: How ethnicity matters. *Solidarity and Beyond: Continuity and Discontinuity between Generations in an Aging Society*. In M. Silverstein & R. Giarrusso (Eds). Baltimore, MD: John Hopkins University Press.

Oktay, J. S., **Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.**, Davis, C., & Kern, K. (2011). *Distress screening: Results of focus groups with oncology social workers*. Association of Oncology Social Workers Newsletter

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R. Contributed a clinical vignette (page 203) in Jansson, B. S. (2011). *Improving Healthcare Through Advocacy: A Guide for the Health and Helping Professions*. Hoboken, NJ: John Wiley and Sons.

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R. Long, F., Valente, S. (2003). Advance directive quality assurance improvement project. *Veterans Administration – Greater Los Angeles Health Care System, In-house document*.

Valente, S. & **Nedjat-Haiem, F.** (2003). Evidenced-based fact sheet to improve care: advance planning for end of life. *Veterans Administration – Greater Los Angeles Health Care System, Nursing Research Council*, 3(4), 1-2.

PRESENTATIONS

- Nedjat-Haiem, F., & Lee, J.** (2015, May) Oral presentation, Starting the Conversation with Patients. Presented at the New Mexico State University, 2015 Dean's Health Symposium.
- Nedjat-Haiem, F.** (2015, May) Oral presentation, How to Talk with a Terminally Ill Person about the Elephant in The Room. Presented at the New Mexico State University, 2015 Dean's Health Symposium.
- Nedjat-Haiem, F.,** (2015, March). Motivational Interviewing Intervention for Advance Care Planning. Oral presentation Brown Bag Lecture Series. New Mexico State University, College of Health & Social Services. Las Cruces, New Mexico.
- Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.** and Carrion, I.V. (2014, October). Using Qualitative Methods to Teach Cultural Competency and Promote Social Justice. Roundtable paper (Oral Presentation) at *Council of Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (CSWE)*, Tampa, FL.
- Carrion, I.V. & **Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.** (2014, October). Utilizing Social Work Practice to Inform Health Disparities Research Among Latinos. **Workshop presentation** (Oral Presentation) at Latino Social Work Organization (LSWO) Meeting, Chicago, IL.
- Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.,**(2014, November). Title: Managing Distress in Elderly Cancer Patients near the End of Life. **Conference Paper** (Accepted for presentation) at *The Gerontological Society of America's (GSA) 67th Annual Scientific Meeting*, Washington, DC.
- Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.** (2014, November). Title: Palliative Care and Pain: Policy, Interventions and Environments. **Pre-Conference Paper** (Accepted for presentation) at *The Gerontological Society of America's (GSA) 67th Annual Scientific Meeting*, Washington, DC.
- Nedjat-Haiem, F.R., & Carrion, I.V.** (2014, November). Title: Designing Qualitative Research to Capture the Biological & Social Factors that Impact the Health & Well-Being of Underrepresented & Underserved Older Adults. **Pre-Conference Paper** (Accepted for presentation) at *The Gerontological Society of America's (GSA) 67th Annual Scientific Meeting*, Washington, DC.
- Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.,** Carrions, I.V., & Ell, K. (2014, May). Healthcare Providers Roles and Responsibilities for Advancing Conversations about Dying. *The 4th International Conference on Sociology and Social Work: Shaping a Science of Social Work and Encountering Grand Challenges of Our Times and Beyond*. University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA.
- Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.,** Carrions, I.V., Ramos, A., & Lyons, S. (2014, March). Concerns of Homeless Veterans Facing the End of Life. Oral presentation at the *Social Work Hospice & Palliative Network Conference*, San Diego, CA.
- Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.,** Carrions, I.V., & Ell, K. (2014, March). Healthcare Providers Roles and Responsibilities for Initiated End of Life Care Communication. Poster presentation at the *Social Work Hospice & Palliative Network Conference*, San Diego, CA.
- Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.,** Carrion, I.V., Ko, E.J., & Kwak, J. (2014, January). Understanding Gaps In End Of Life Care With Latinos: Experiences Of Providers Working In A Public Healthcare System. Poster Presentation at *The Society for Social Work Research (SSWR) 18th Annual Conference*, San Antonio, TX.
- Nedjat-Haiem, F.R. & Carrion, I.V.,** (2014, January). Emotional Factors Among Latinos Facing The End Of Life: Talking About Dying Makes The Illness Worse. Poster Presentation at *The Society for Social Work Research (SSWR) 18th Annual Conference*, San Antonio, TX.

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R., & Carrion, I.V. (2013, November). Using data to inform policies that impact screening for psychosocial distress in cancer care. *Symposium Paper* at *The Gerontological Society of America's (GSA) 66th Annual Scientific Meeting*, New Orleans, LA.

Carrion, I.V., **Nedjat-Haiem, F.R., & Macip-Billbe, M.** (2013, November). Resilience and Coping among Older Latino Men and Women with a Cancer Diagnosis. *Symposium Paper* at *The Gerontological Society of America's (GSA) 66th Annual Scientific Meeting*, New Orleans, LA.

Carrion, I., **Nedjat-Haiem, F., & Macip-Billbe, M.** (2013, November). Coping Strategies Among Latino Men and Women With a Cancer Diagnosis Living in the US. In *Psycho-Oncology* (Vol. 22, pp. 43-44).

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R., (2013) Perceptions of Patient Advocacy for Managing Distress in End-of-Life Care with Vulnerable Populations. Poster Presentation at the USC, Pathways to Client-Centered Care, Research to Practice: Completing the Circle, Los Angeles, CA.

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R., Velasco, C., Jimenez, E., Sim, J., Mather, M., Shapira, J., Roper, J., & Mendez, M. (2013). Divergent Social Behavior in Frontotemporal Dementia versus Alzheimer's Disease. Poster presentation at the Annual UCLA Research Conference on Aging, Los Angeles, CA.

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R., BrintzenhofeSzoc, K.M, & Davis, C.L., (2013, June). Where is Oncology Social Work with Distress Screening? A National Survey. Paper Presentation at the Association of Oncology Social Work 29th Annual Conference, San Diego, CA.

Oktay, J S, **Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.,** Davis, C.L., (2013, June). Evidence-Based Practice in Oncology Social Work: Making It Work. Paper Presentation at the Association of Oncology Social Work 29th Annual Conference, San Diego, CA.

Feil, D., Takahashi, N. Y., & **Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.** (2013, March). (Poster) Psychosocial Barriers to Individualized Diabetes Care in Frail Elderly Veterans at *American Association for Geriatric Psychiatry*, Los Angeles, CA.

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R. & Carrion, I.V. (2013, January). Professionalism, Advocacy, and Providing End-of-Life Care in a Public Healthcare System. Paper presentation at *The Society for Social Work Research (SSWR) 17th Annual Conference*, San Diego, CA.

Probst, B., **Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.** & Chanmugam, A. (2013, January). First Steps In Becoming a Qualitative Researcher: Mapping the Terrain. Paper presentation at *The Society for Social Work Research (SSWR) 17th Annual Conference*, San Diego, CA.

Carrion, I.V., & **Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.** (2012, November). Overcoming Qualitative Methods Challenges with Minority Older Men: Social Work Research Education Implications. Paper at *Council of Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (CSWE)*, Washington, D.C.

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R. & Carrion, I.V. (2012, November). A Case Study engaging a Latino Immigrant Man in Conversation about Colorectal Cancer. Paper at *Council of Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (CSWE)*, Washington, D.C.

Carrion, I.V., **Nedjat-Haiem, F.R., & Marquez, D.X.** (2012, November). Older Latino Men with Cancer: A Study of their Treatment Decisions. Paper presentation at *The Gerontological Society of America's (GSA) 65rd Annual Scientific Meeting*, San Diego, CA.

Carrion, I.V., **Nedjat-Haiem, F.R., & Marquez, D.X.** (2012, November). Understanding Disparities in End-of-Life and Treatment Decision Making Among Diverse Race Groups. Paper at *The Gerontological Society of America's (GSA) 65rd Annual Scientific Meeting*, San Diego, CA.

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R. & Carrion, I.V. (2012, November). A Case Study: An Older Latino Immigrant's Experience with Colorectal Cancer Paper accepted at *The Gerontological Society of America's (GSA) 65rd Annual Scientific Meeting*, San Diego, CA.

Oktay, J S, **Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.**, Davis, & Kern, (2012, May) Distress screening: Experiences of Oncology Social Workers. Paper Presentation at the Association of Oncology Social Work 28th Annual Conference, Boston, MA

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R., Carrion, I. V., Cribbs, K., & Lorenz, K.A. (2012, January). *Perceptions of Patient Advocacy In End-of-Life Care with Vulnerable Populations*. Poster presentation, Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR) 16th Annual Conference, Washington, DC

Carrion, I.V., & **Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.**, (2011, November) *Qualitative Research on Risk and Resilience of Older Latina Women Diagnosed with Cancer*. Paper presentation at the Gerontological Society of America 64th Annual Scientific Meeting, Boston, MA

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R., (2011, May). *Clinical Practice Implications and Advocacy Roles for Social Work in End-of-Life Care*. Paper Presentation at the Association of Oncology Social Work 27th Annual Conference, St. Louis, MN

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R. (2011, April). *Patient Advocacy in End-of-Life Care with Vulnerable Populations*. Work in progress paper presentation, Veterans Affairs HSR&D Center of Excellence, VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System.

Padgett, D.K., Arriaza, P., Martin, S., **Nedjat-Haiem, F.**, Lee, H.Y., & Shibusawa, T., (2011, January). *Ethical & Methodological Challenges of Cross-Cultural Qualitative Research*. Roundtable discussion at the Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR) 15th Annual Conference, Tampa, FL.

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R. (2011, January). *Healthcare Interactions of Low Income Latinas with Advanced Cancers*. Poster presentation at the Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR) 15th Annual Conference, Tampa, FL.

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R., Martin, S., Pablo A., Hee Y. L., Tazuko S., & Padgett, D.K.. (2010, January), *Lost in Translation? Conducting Qualitative Research in Diverse Cultural Contexts*. Roundtable discussion at the Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR) 14th Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA

Padgett, D.K., Petr, C.G., Gilgun, J.F., Sands, R.G., Littell, J., Soydan, H., Tempel, L., **Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.**, & Stein, E. (2009, January). *A frank (and friendly) dialogue about evidence based practice*. Roundtable discussion at the Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR) 13th Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA

Putney, N.M., Lam, J.Y., Harris, S.C., **Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.**, Ninh, T.H., & Oyama, P. (October, 2009) Marriage and the Intergenerational Transmission of Religion. Society for the Scientific Study of Religion annual meeting, Louisville, KY.

Putney, N.M., Oyama, P., Lam, J.Y., **Nedjat-Haiem, F.R.**, Ninh, T-H., Harris, S.C., & Bengtson, V.L. (October, 2009). The Transmission of Religion across Generations: Patterns in Religious and Nonreligious Families. Symposium. Society for the Scientific Study of Religion annual meeting, Louisville, KY.

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R. & Ell, K. (November, 2008). *Enhancing Methodological Rigor for Conducting Qualitative Research in a Second Language*. Oral paper presentation at the Gerontological Society of America 61st Annual Scientific Meeting, National Harbor, Maryland.

Putney, Oyama, Lam, **Nedjat-Haiem**, Ninh, Harris, & Bengtson. (2008, November). *Ethnicity and the Transmission of Religion Across Generations*, Oral paper presentation at the Gerontological Society of America 61st Annual Scientific Meeting, National Harbor, Maryland.

Harris, **Nedjat-Haiem**, Putney. (November, 2008). *The "TRAG" Project: A Multidisciplinary Team-Based Approach to Integrating Qualitative Methods and Longitudinal Survey Research*. Oral paper presentation at the Gerontological Society of America 61st Annual Scientific Meeting, National Harbor, Maryland.

Brekke, J., Palinkas, L., Ell, K., Flanzer, J., Parker, K., & **Nedjat-Haiem**, F.R, (2008, January). *Effective practice in real world settings: The need to expand social work translational research*. Round Table Discussion at the Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR) 12th Annual Conference, Washington, DC

Lam, J., **Nedjat-Haiem**, F.R., Ninh, H., Oyama, P.S., Harris, S.C., Putney, N.M., & Bengtson, V.L. (2007, November). *Religious continuity, change, and complexity in multigenerational families*. Oral paper presentation at the Gerontological Society of America 61th Annual Scientific Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R. & Chi, I., (2007, January). *Chronic health conditions, disability and length of survivorship on self-perceived health status among older cancer survivors in California*. Oral paper presented at the Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR) 11th Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R., & Ell, K., (2006, December). *Cultural perceptions of cancer and terminal illness among Latinos*. Oral paper presentation at the 5th International Conference on Social Work in Health and Mental Health, Hong Kong, China.

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R., & Chi, I., (2006, November). *Self-perceived health status among older cancer survivors in California*. Poster presentation at the Gerontological Society of America 59th Annual Scientific Meeting, Dallas, TX

Nedjat-Haiem, F. (2006, February). *An exploration of end-of-life in the United States and Korea*. Poster presentation at the Council on Social Work Education, Gero-Ed Center, Chicago, IL

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R. (2005, November). *Social workers and advance directives: improving communication with hospitalized patients*. Poster presentation at the Gerontological Society of America 58th Annual Scientific Meeting, Orlando, FL

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R. (2005, September). *An integrative approach to palliative care: A comparison of United States and Korea*. Oral paper presentation at the 18th Asia-Pacific Social Work Conference, Seoul, Korea.

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R. (2005, April). *Towards a good death*. Oral paper presentation at the Hamovitch Research Center Colloquium, Los Angeles, CA

Nedjat-Haiem, F.R. (2003, March). *End-of-life care: Meeting practical & emotional needs*. Poster presentation at the 6th Annual Research Conference on Aging, University of California, Los Angeles

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COMMUNITY SERVICE

2013 – 2014 Member, USC Telehealth Committee – MSW Professional Standards & Program Evaluation
2008 – 2010 Doctoral Student Association, USC School of Social Work, Hamovitch Research Center
2005 – 2006 Co-Chair Doctoral Student Association, USC School of Social Work
1999 – 2000 Chair, Gero-Caucus, University of California, Los Angeles, Department of Social Welfare

Professional/Academic

2014 - Co-Editor, Special Issue on Older Military Veterans for Journal of Gerontological Social Work
2011 - Reviewer, Supportive Care in Cancer

2011 - Reviewer, Journal of the Society for Social Work and Research
2010 - Reviewer, Journal of Pain and Symptom Management
2009 - Reviewer, The International Journal of Social Work
2008 - Reviewer, Cancer

Community

2014 - Program Unit Chair, Southern New Mexico National Association of Social Work
2014 - Committee Member, VA Hospice & Palliative Care Social Workers Group (VA-HPSW).
2014 - Committee Member, VA Social Work Business Plan Workgroup, Central Office
2012 - Adhoc Member, National VA Evidence Based Practice in Social Work Committee
2011 - Ethics Advisory Committee Member, Veterans Affairs, Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System
2011 - Member, West Los Angeles, POLST Coalition
2011 - Member, Counsel on Social Work Education (CSWE)
2010 - Conference Planning Committee Member, American Oncology Social Work (AOSW)
2008 - Member, American Oncology Social Work (AOSW)
2008 - Member, Gerontological Society of American (GSA)
2006 - Member, Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR)

OTHER SKILLS

- Research consultant for qualitative and mixed methods research
- Fluent in Farsi, conversational Spanish
- Computer applications: Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Atlas.Ti, SPSS, Teleconferencing
- Expertise in qualitative research involving development and analysis of focus groups, in-depth interviews, observational studies, and survey methodology that support building a mixed methods approach (survey development and confirmation of quantitative findings)