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Dr. Phillips' past research focused on the impact of healthcare legislation on healthcare delivery systems and the health of communities. She was awarded an NIH grant to conduct the first major study examining the shift from U.S. hospital-based to home-based nursing care, and published extensively on this subject.

Dr. Phillips joined the International Healthcare Worker Safety Center in 2003, first as a part-time research consultant and currently as a full-time faculty member. At the Center, areas of special interest include the impact of U.S. legislative and policy mandates on healthcare worker blood exposure risk and needlestick injury rates, for which she received a research grant from NIOSH; occupational exposure risk in African healthcare settings; and the development of low-cost strategies for reducing healthcare worker risk in resource-limited countries.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Temple University (1972)

Master of Public Health in Epidemiology and Administration, Johns Hopkins University, School of Public Health (1977)

Ph.D. in Behavioral Sciences (organizational behavior), Johns Hopkins University, School of Public Health (1982)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Public Health Nurse, Philadelphia Health Department (1972)
- Staff Nurse, Peninsula General Hospital, Salisbury, Maryland (1973-74)
- Public Health Nurse, Holly Center (Regional Developmental Disabilities Center), Salisbury, MD (1974-76)
- Data Analyst, American Health Planning Association, Washington, D.C. (1979-81)
- Nurse Epidemiologist, Institute of Medicine, Washington, D.C. (1982)
- Lecturer in Nursing, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland (1982)
- Faculty, University of Virginia School of Nursing and School of Medicine, Charlottesville, VA (1982-91)
- Consultant, Department of Health Evaluation Sciences, University of Virginia Health System, Charlottesville, Virginia (2002-2004)
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