

Negro nurses

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Work completed at Teachers College, Columbia University for Bachelor of Science Degree in Public Health Nursing.

Total Points required for degree 120. Total points completed 120.

English Composition	6	Temple Univ.	Biology-Physiology	4	Columbia Univ.
Sociology	2	Phila. Pa.	Social Science (sociology)	2	
Ed. Psychology	4	Columbia Univ.	Trends in Nursing	2	
Public Health Nursing and Administration	8	" "	American History	3	
Preventitive Medicine	4	" "	" Drama	3	
Nutrition	2	" "	First Aid	1	
Child Hygiene (field work)	2	" "	Nursing School Ed.	4	
Principles of Teaching	2	" "	American History	3	
Communicable Diseases	2	" "	Ed. History of	3	
Mental Hygiene	1	" "	Educational Sociology	2	
Teaching in Public Health	2	" "			
Family Case Work	2	" "	Received from training school	36	
Tuberculosis Nursing (field work)	2	" "			
School Nursing (work)	2	" "			
Philosophy of Education	3	" "			
Family Case Work Advanced	2	" "			
Biology - Immunity	1	" "			
Community Hygiene	2	" "			
Supervision	2	" "			
Sociology - statistics	3	" "			
Nursing History	2	" "			
Social Case Work	4	" "			



Chronological Listing of Professional Experience

1. June 1930 graduated from Mercey Hospital School of Nursing, Philadelphia, Pa. (3 year course)
2. June 15, 1930 - September 1931; - June 1932 - May 28, 1934
Staff nurse at Phippa Institute, Philadelphia, Pa.
September 1931 - June 1932 on leave of absence to study
Public Health Nursing at Teachers College Columbia University.

Duties:

- a. Taught prevention and control of tuberculosis to tuberculous persons and their contacts.
- b. Conducted mothers club classes.
Taught home nursing and child care.
Taught value of immunization.
- c. -----Gave and interpreted mantoux.
- d. Took blood for Wassermans.
Took blood for sedimentation tests and interpreted same.
- e. Instructed affiliated students in tuberculosis nursing.
- f. Escorted visitors to homes of tuberculous families.
- g. Assisted physicians in birth control clinics held for tuberculous patients. Gave instructions to Applicants for this service.

3. June 1934 - July 1936
Deleware Community Nurse and Director of Negro Clinics
State Board of Health, Wilmington.

Duties -

Same as above; additional duties-----
Supervised midwives in New Castle County.
Consulted with others in adjoining counties.
Investigated social problems of many Negro families.
(The later was not required by State Board of Health but all agencies expected and called upon Negro Nurse for advice regarding Negro families.)

4. July 1936 resigned this work to complete studies for Bachelor of Science degree in Public Health Nursing. (Delayed four months because of death of consort.) Studies completed Aug. 1937. Degree conferred June 1, 1938 --
5. September 1937 - February 1938.
Assistant Director Social Service, Lincoln Hospital, New York City.

Duties -

- a. Assisted Director in all ways requested.
- B. Gave counsel to all members of staff and affiliated students in social case work problems.
- c. Lectured to students and interns on Medical Social work and its relation to the patient, the family, the hospital and the community.

- d. Served as a floating worker absence of any staff member.
- e. Assisted in arranging for convalescent care.
- f. Consulted with patients and family physicians and other members of hospital staff as well as community agencies to aid in preventing chronic social problems.

6. February 1938 to present.

Became employed by New Jersey Tuberculosis League as Director of Negro Health Work. Demonstrations in form of tuberculosis educational programs followed by diagnostic clinics conducted in two counties, Passaic and Bergen. Another demonstration is being organized in Union County.

See attached sheet for brief description of entire program and goal.

Lay Health Education Program----

Approach general--Tuberculosis and Venereal diseases used as illustrations and compared with other diseases to show how control may be affected.

Topics discussed

Personal and Community Hygiene -----
 Water
 Waste
 Sanitation
 Books on health
 Diseases from animals

Personal and Community Health--

Diet--

Contagious Diseases --

- Diphtheria
- Smallpox
- Tuberculosis
- Veneral diseases, etc.

Preventing future illness -----

- Mothers--Parental care
- Babies---Child hygiene care, immunization
- Marriage--Wasserman Law N.J.

Using Health Knowledge --

- Health Check-up
- What medicines offer for health.
- What physicians offer for health.
- What hospitals offer for health.
- What clinics offer for health.
- What vacations offer for health.

Relation of housing to health.

Relation of income to health.



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**Demonstration Program For
Negro Tuberculosis Control In New Jersey**

Goals: Reduce Tuberculosis ^{death rate} among Negroes To less than 50 per 100,000 population

Method of approach to goals:

1. Conferences with all health and lay leaders in community to help them see their responsibility in whole tuberculosis control movement and assume their share of responsibility. (Stimulate interest outside of Negro groups.)
2. Health Education for all groups and individuals (lectures, movies, inotype charts, etc.), to stimulate interest within Negro group.
3. Conferences with physicians to enlist their cooperation by sending in their contacts for examination and support campaign.
4. Trace all reported new cases and deaths for undiscovered cases.
5. Diagnostic clinics to be opened as part of educational program. Education and clinic to serve:

Relief clients
Industries (management, labor leaders, employees)
Private physicians
Social agencies and all who apply
Negro schools

These two services to serve as demonstrations showing the need for more concentrated efforts to be directed toward the Negro and tuberculosis, and that the service can be rendered effectively by the Negro.

Demonstration Services by Counties:

Atlantic:

Reopen recently closed clinics. Build educational and diagnostic services around this clinic, reaching community through school, church, clubs, homes and industries.

Camden, Hudson, Mercer, Burlington, Union, Somerset:
Build educational and clinic services around temporary clinics in Negro communities, also relief headquarters, individuals and schools.

Essex, Morris, Monmouth:

Assist if possible to conduct an educational and diagnostic service for relief clinics and private physicians' case, as well as low paid individuals using Negro clinics as center of activity.

For all counties trace reported cases and deaths for discovery of new cases. (If necessary find funds to pay private M. D. for helping us to find cases.)

Educational programs should precede diagnostic service at least 3 weeks then run jointly with diagnostic service.