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EDUCATION

*Massachusetts Institute of Technology*  
Cambridge, MA  
Certificate of Completion, 1992.  
Department of Urban Studies and Planning - Community Fellows Program  
A one-year graduate program focusing on youth and community development.  
Concentration: Youth and Family Policy and Program Development within  
Community Development

*Harvard University*  
Cambridge, MA  
John F. Kennedy School of Government, 1991-1992  
A Series of Seminars and a Course in Social Welfare Policy

*Northeastern University*  
Boston, MA  
Bachelor of Science in Education with Honors, 1980.  
Major: Elementary Education  
Minor: Special Education and Reading

Certifications: Teacher of Elementary Education; Consulting Teacher of Reading (K-grade 12)

Honors: Ford Foundation Research Fellow (1991-1992); Dean's List (1977-1980);  
Kappa Delta Pi (Honors Society in Education)

EXPERIENCE  
1991-present

*Consultant*  
D.A. Flynn & Associates  
Boston, MA

*Evaluation of the Healthy Boston Initiative Proposal Application*  
Coordinated proposal application of \$90,000. Collaborated on the development, writing, and production of proposal. Identified resources and consultants. Facilitated consultant selection process.

*Action for Boston Community Development, Inc. / Head Start*  
Boston, MA  
Developed and adapted methods to assess and identify developmental needs of young children from communities of color, particularly non-English speakers. Researched, developed, and implemented a demonstration model (The Language Stimulation Pilot Program) to foster inclusion and to better meet the multi-cultural needs of children and staff. Provided training to teaching staff on co-teaching and curriculum development in the context of a child's development, culture, and community. Collaborated on the monitoring and evaluation of the pilot program's progress and outcomes. Presented *The Language Stimulation Pilot Program: Meeting the Diverse Needs of Our Changing Population* in *Proceedings of the Conference on Building Partnerships for Boston's Children*.  
Boston, MA. June, 1993.

*Choate Health Systems, Inc.*  
Woburn, MA

*The Annie E. Casey Project*  
Facilitated in the development, planning, and production of A Proposal to the Annie E. Casey Foundation: A Comprehensive Community Mental Health Initiative for Inner City Children and Adolescents of Boston, Massachusetts, an awarded \$150,000 one-year planning grant proposal with a potential for an additional 4-year implementation grant for the state's Department of Mental Health. Participated as a principal member of the proposal planning team. Researched, compiled, and analyzed data. Developed strategies to gain community participation on proposal development and planning. Collaborated on the development, planning, writing, and production of the proposal.

*Commonwealth of Massachusetts*  
Boston, MA

*Executive Office of Health & Human Services / Department of Mental Health*  
*The Metro Boston Area - Interagency Demonstration Project Study*  
(The Department of Mental Health's Ventura Project)

Purpose of Study: to design a model to enhance interagency coordination of services at the state, city, and community levels for at-risk children and adolescents, and to develop a plan for a Metro Boston pilot program. Participated as a principal member of the project planning team. Facilitated in the planning and administration of the study. Researched, compiled, and analyzed data. Collaborated on the development of the pilot program model. Developed strategies to successfully involve community providers and consumers on project planning. Coordinated and convened meetings with identified community and government representatives. Collaborated on

the development, planning, writing, and production of A Report to the Legislature: Interagency Services for Children and Adolescents in Metro Boston, April 15, 1992

- 1990-91 *Boston Association for the Education of Young Children (BAEYC)* Boston, MA  
Co-Director for the BAEYC Advocacy Training Project  
 Project purpose: to provide political empowerment skills on a local level (Boston communities) to parents, early childhood professionals, and individuals interested in advocating for the well-being of young children. Initiated and wrote project proposal. Sought for and secured project funding. Researched and developed project's training curriculum model. Planned, organized, coordinated, and monitored efforts for project outreach and implementation.
- 1987-90 *Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Office For Children (OFC)*  
 Boston, MA Child Welfare Specialist / Advocate  
 Served as an advocate for children and families with children residing in Boston and Chelsea. Assessed and investigated client needs and complaints; developed action plans to address client concerns. Ensured proper services for the welfare of children and families. Provided temporary case management and crisis intervention services. Identified and recommended expenditure of state funds and/or alternative resources for emergency services. Intervened and negotiated with human service agencies and local educational authorities when barriers exist in the provision of services for individual children and families. Represented clients at educational and human service administrative hearings and appeal proceedings. Chaired and coordinated the state's Local Area Interagency Children's Team conferences; prepared and presented unresolved cases; negotiated and mediated interagency disputes and coordination among state agencies, educational authorities, and private service providers. Analyzed, monitored, and implemented legislation, regulation, and policies affecting services to children and families; provided technical assistance and training on state and federal laws, regulation and policies to the OFC's Councils For Children, the general public, professionals, and community groups. Collected, analyzed, and interpreted statistical data to detect trends and issues for policy, programmatic, and systemic changes and development.
- 1981-87 *Action for Boston Community Development, Inc. / Head Start* Boston, MA  
Special Education Supervisor  
 Served as a resource consultant and case manager for 30-40 preschool children with suspected or diagnosed special needs within a federally funded, non-profit, urban, multi-cultural, early childhood, mainstream program serving Boston's most indigent population. Supervised 17 teaching teams covering 300-350 children. Provided training to staff and parents on child development and curriculum planning particular to special needs and educational advocacy. Identified and assessed children's needs. Conducted home visits. Developed and monitored the implementation of children's Individual Educational Plans. Provided ongoing support and advocacy to parents for their children regarding educational and social service delivery. Ensured compliance with federal, state, and Head Start regulations. Initiated advocacy for and facilitated in the development and establishment of the first Bilingual Chinese/English Early Childhood Special Needs Program in the Boston Public Schools.
- 1984-85 *The Cultural Education Collaborative and The Boston Community Access Programming* Boston, MA  
Consultant  
 Co-produced, developed, and directed "A Package to Hong Kong," a televised bilingual Chinese/English videotaped program for the Massachusetts Department of Education. The purpose of the project was to provide instruction for teaching English-as-a-Second Language to Chinese adults.
- 1980-81 *South Cove Community Health Center* Boston, MA  
Intake Administrator  
 Served as a liaison between two clinics (pediatric medical and adolescent mental health) within a comprehensive community health center in Boston's Chinatown serving the Greater Boston's Asian population. Screened client needs. Managed providers' schedules and coordinated client services.
- 1977-80 *Student Teacher*  
 Responsible for planning and teaching various lessons. Schools include:  
 Josiah Quincy Community School, Grade Two Boston, MA  
 Daniel Elementary School, LD/ED Resource Room Malden, MA  
 Pierce Elementary School, Kindergarten & LD Learning Center Brookline, MA

*Exhibit Center Guide*, Children's Museum, Boston, MA  
*Clinical Tutor*, Northeastern University Reading Clinic, Boston, MA

RELATED  
ACTIVITIES

*Boston Child Care Alliance*  
Steering Committee Member (1993-present)

*Quincy School Community Council*, Boston, MA  
Board Member (1993-present)

*Boston Association for the Education of Young Children (BAEYC)*

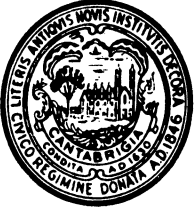
- Elected member of the Governing Board (1987-1990)
- Treasurer: Managed the organization's sponsorship of the Regional New England AEYC Conference budget of \$100,000. (1988-1989)
- BAEYC Public Policy Committee: Founder and First Chair (1987-1990); Committee Member (1990-present)

*Massachusetts Alliance for Better Child Care*  
Steering Committee Member (1988-1990)

*Massachusetts Governor's Advisory Council on Refugee Resettlement*  
Child Care Subcommittee: Council Member (1985-1987)

PUBLICATION Nancy Keefe, Rick Schwartz, Wendy Wagner Robeson, and Mary Wong. Lobbying for Excellent Child Care: A Non-Frightening Guide to the Legislative Process. Boston, MA: New England Association for the Education of Young Children and Boston Association for the Education of Young Children, October, 1992.

LANGUAGE Bilingual in Chinese (Cantonese and Toisanese dialects).



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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
ROBERT W. HEALY  
City Manager

RICHARD C. ROSSI  
Deputy City Manager

February 28, 1994

To The Honorable, The City Council:

This is to advise you that I have appointed Ms. Mary Wong as the Executive Director of the Kid's Council.

Attached is Ms. Wong's resume.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy  
City Manager

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attachment

Consent Agenda #14

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Transmitting communication from R.W. Healy  
re: the appointment of Ms. Mary Wong  
as the Executive Director of the Kids'  
Council.

In City Council February 28, 1994

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