

CarolAnn Peterson

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Extensively Experienced Anti-Domestic Violence Advocate

Biography

CAROLANN PETERSON joined the adjunct faculty in 2004. She teaches courses on domestic violence, leadership, and policy and advocacy. She was recently appointed to the Los Angeles Mayor's Domestic Violence Steering Committee, which will oversee the research design of a needs assessment with funding provided by the Blue Shield of California Foundation. The committee will review the final report.

She was founder, CEO and chair of the board of directors of Peterson Professional Alliance. In this capacity, she worked to help corporations recognize domestic violence and its impact in the workplace, assisted other organizations with welfare reform, and provided training on domestic violence to private, public and nonprofit organizations. She also held trainings for the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, which is a branch of Homeland Security that prepares rural law enforcement officers and domestic violence advocates to become trainers in their own communities.

Peterson served as a consultant for the Family Violence Prevention Fund, the national organization on domestic violence now known as Futures Without Violence, providing technical assistance to counties regarding implementation of welfare programs for victims of domestic violence. She also participated in the State Joint CalWORKs Project with the California Institute for Mental Health and Children and Family Futures. The project was consisted of a six-county study and a prevalence study for California. In addition, she was the fund's representative to the Violence Against Women Act and Welfare Re-authorization Committee at the national level and has provided assistance to other state coalitions on welfare reform, legislation and training issues. She was also a member of the State Task Force in creating the California state regulations for welfare and domestic violence. For eight years, she served as a consultant for the city of Tel Aviv, Israel, and the city of Los Angeles regarding a joint project between the two cities on workplace domestic violence.

Industry Expertise

Social Services, Health and Wellness, Education/Learning, Health Care - Services

Areas of Expertise

Non-Profit Care, Domestic Violence Policy and Advocacy, Domestic Violence, Domestic Violence Prevention, Law Enforcement

Affiliations

Consultant to the Los Angeles County Domestic Violence Unit of the Department of Community and Senior Services, Team adviser and trainer for the statewide Domestic Violence/Medical/Forensic Training Team of the California Medical Training Center at the University of California, Davis, Member of the Los Angeles County Domestic Violence Death Review Team, Legislative advocate for the California Federation of Business & Professional Women, Member of the State Senate Task Force on Family Relations Court and chair of subcommittee, Member of the Los Angeles County Family Violence Task Force

Education

Sanctus Theological Institute
PhD

Loyola Marymount University
MPA

Loyola Marymount University
BA

Accomplishments

Humanitarian Award
Face Forward

Who's Who
International Executives Guild

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State of California

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