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## BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

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NAME <b>Donna Vandergraff</b>	POSITION TITLE <b>Extension Specialist</b>		
eRA COMMONS USER NAME (credential, e.g., agency login) <b>Vandergraff</b>			
EDUCATION/TRAINING <i>(Begin with baccalaureate or other initial professional education, such as nursing, include postdoctoral training and residency training if applicable.)</i>			
INSTITUTION AND LOCATION	DEGREE <i>(if applicable)</i>	MM/YY	FIELD OF STUDY
Purdue University	BS	05/78	Dietetics
Purdue University	MS	05/90	Nutrition/Health Promotion

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### A. Personal Statement

Since 2008, I have served as the Purdue Extension member to the Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute Community Health Engagement Program coordinating committee (ICTSI/CHPEP). This group exists to impact health by increasing collaborations and partnerships between academic researchers and the community. In addition, in my role with Purdue Extension, I lead an initiative focusing on building capacity for health coalitions across the state of Indiana. As part of that role, we have conducted surveys with Extension staff and conducted needs assessments. Part of that project is to train Extension staff and provide them with the resources needed. The task force includes members from Fairbanks School of Public Health and the Indiana State Department of Health. Related to this grant, I bring the connections and experience gleaned from these activities.

### B. Positions and Honors

#### Positions and Employment

2008-present	Extension Specialist, Dept of Nutrition Science, Purdue University
1994-2008	EFNEP (Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program) Coordinator; Extension Specialist, Dept. of Foods and Nutrition, Purdue University
1993-1994	Acting EFNEP Coordinator, Purdue University Have A Healthy Baby Assistant Director
1990-1993	Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program (EFNEP) Curriculum Developer and Data Analyzer Purdue University Cooperative Extension Service
July 1989-1990	Cooperative Extension Graduate Assistant
July 1988-1990	Graduate Research Assistant, Purdue University
1984-1993	Dietitian in Private Practice
1980-1984	Clinical Dietitian, Indiana Veterans' Home, Lafayette, Indiana
1979-1980	Clinical Dietitian, Logansport State Hospital, Logansport, Indiana

## **Honors**

2000	West Lafayette Community School Corporation Community Honor Roll
1998	Indiana Youth Institute Blueprint Award
1998	USDA Certificate of Appreciation
1997	PUCESA Team Award, "From Purdue to You"
1996	North Central Regional Team Award, Epsilon Sigma Phi
1990	Outstanding Masters Student, School of Consumer and Family Sciences
1989	Lute Troutt Fellowship, Indiana Dietetic Association
1988	Mary Hebenstreit Memorial Award, Indiana Dietetic Association
1987	Recognized Young Dietitian of Year, Indiana Dietetic Association

## **B. Selected Peer-reviewed Publications**

Publications are consumer and curriculum specific

## **D. Research Support**

### **Completed and Ongoing Research Support**

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Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute/NIH

The major goal of this grant is to establish a new institute that facilitates clinical and translational biomedical research across the state of Indiana. This is an institute established by the CTSA to Indiana and Purdue Universities.