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I. Academic/Professional Background

Education

- PhD, 2011 - University of Kentucky - Gerontology
- MHA, 2006 - University of Kentucky - Health Administration
- LL. B (Hons.) - 1989 University of Buckingham, England - Law

University Experience

- Assistant Professor, MEZCOPH – University of Arizona
- Regional Associate Program Director, All of Us Research Program, University of Arizona - Banner Health Aug. 2017-Jun. 2019
- AT Still University - Occupational Therapy Doctoral Program, Gerontology Content/Adjunct Faculty Spring 2018; 2019
- Joint Faculty, MEZCOPH – University of Arizona 2017 - 2019
- Director, MSc CTS Program, University of Arizona Health Sciences Sept. 2016 - Aug. 2017
- Assistant Professor (Part-time), University of Kentucky, KY 2014 - 2017
- Assistant Professor (Adjunct), Nova Southeastern University, FL 2013 - 2017
- Adjunct Faculty, Harrisburg Area Community College, PA 2014 - 2017
- Assistant Professor Texas State University, TX 2013 - 2014
- Assistant Professor (Adjunct) Webster University, Louisville, KY 2012 – Present
- Assistant Professor Kentucky State University, KY 2011 - 2013

Other Professional Experience

- Cultural Competence - Advocacy, Practice and Training 2013 - Present
- Life/Work skills Coach 2013 - Present
- Consultant and Program Evaluator: 2014 - Present;
(a) HUD Moving to Work Demonstration Project 2011 - 2013
Lexington Fayette County Urban Government Housing Authority, KY.
(b) Quality Assurance - Multi-Family Service Coordinator Project 2015– Present
Grant, LHA Senior Housing, KY.
- Profoundly Gero! Training, Consultations, & Advocacy; Workforce Development 2010 - Present
- Gerontology Affiliate: 2010 - 2011
University of Kentucky Inter- Professional Clinical Geriatrics Program
for Fellows, Residents & Students (Lead: N. Stiles MD, Associate Professor).
- Administrative Fellow: 2007 – 2009
UKHealthcare Enterprise, University of Kentucky - Workforce Planning
and Development
- Program Internship Coordinator: 2006 -2007
Masters in Health Administration (MHA) Program,
Martin School of Public Administration - University of Kentucky.

Other Professional Credentials

- Graduate Certificate in College Teaching, University of Kentucky. 2011
- Graduate Certificate (Post Compulsory Education),
University of Greenwich, London – England. 1996

II. Teaching

Courses Taught/Curriculum Development:

- Aging and Diversity
- Mental Health and Aging
- Sociology of Aging for Future Leaders
- Aging Around the World
- Health Law
- Legal Aspects of Healthcare Administration
- Supervisory Management for Healthcare Managers
- Healthcare Administration History, Culture, and Language
- Cultural Competence and Healthcare Organizations
- Introduction to Program Evaluation
- Personnel Management in Long-term Health Care Facilities
- Human Resources Management
- Workforce Planning and Management in Healthcare Organizations
- Organizational Planning and Change in Healthcare
- Managing Health Organizations to Improve Population Health
- Introduction to Gerontology
- Aging and Health Promotion
- Death, Dying and Loss
- Aging - Issues and Controversies
- Minority Aging
- Aging and Environment
- Elder Abuse and Mistreatment
- Ethics and Aging
- Healthcare Ethics
- Key Concepts and Issues in Gerontology for Occupational Therapy

III. Professional Development

Continuing Education:

- Facilitator Training – Dementia and Caregiving
- Designing an Online Course and Metrics
- Using Online Discussions Effectively
- Proficiencies - Learning Platforms: Desire2Learn (D2L); Blackboard; Sakai; Moodle
- Enhancing Teaching through Instructional Technologies – Workshop
- 2013-2014 Program for Excellence in Teaching & Learning
- Online Journals – Creation and Management Training

- Building Faculty Credentials & Documentation for Promotion
- Southern Regional Education Board Institute on Teaching & Mentoring, Participant: 2009-2014

IV. Scholarly/Creative

Conference Proceedings - Refereed

- Davis, T. and Sokan, A.E. What about Aging? Perspectives from High School Teachers and Students on Integrating Aging Content into the High School Curriculum; Presented at the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education, Miami, FL 2017
- Sokan, A. E., Chat Sessions & Video-Conferencing: The Good, The Bad, and In-Between. In New Technologies for Student-Centered Teaching and Advising - New Technologies and Education Workshop, Association for Gerontology in Higher Education Annual Conference, March 2016
- McIlwain, A. and Sokan, A.E., Beyond Long-Term Care: Infusing Gerontology into Health Administration Curriculum. In Symposium: Integrating Gerontological Content Across Disciplinary Curricula
- Davis, T. and Sokan, A. E., Preparing the Pipeline: Engaging High School Students and Teachers in Aging, Association for Gerontology in Higher Education Annual Conference, March 2016
- Sokan, A.E., Hiding in Plain sight: Environmental Abuse as a New Category of Mistreatment? In Symposium: Aging in Place/Out of Place: New Theoretical Directions for Environmental Gerontology, Gerontological Society of America Annual Conference, November 2015.
- Sokan, A.E., Should We Catch Them Young? Views of the Young on Aging and Lessons Learned. In Symposium: The Importance of Gerontological Education starting Early: Framing the Educational Needs of the Future, Gerontological Society of America Annual Conference, November 2015.
- Sokan, A.E., Elder Mistreatment Awareness among Senior Center and Faith-based Elder Ministry Personnel: A Pilot Study. Gerontological Society of America Annual Conference, November 2014.
- McIlwain, A. Mileski, M., and Sokan, A. E., FROM KATRINA TO SANDY: What have we learned about nursing home disaster management? Gerontological Society of America Annual Conference, November 2014.
- Sokan, A.E., Elder Mistreatment and Physician Behavior and Practice: Connecting the Dots? In Symposium: "How to Identify Needs of Vulnerable People" - Contributions of Qualitative Research Methodology, Gerontological Society of America Annual Conference, November 2014.
- Sokan, A.E., Panelist with Lieneck, C., Esparza, S. McGowan, M and McIlwain, A., Reality "Bytes?" – Experiential Learning Opportunities with Simulation Technology. AUPHA Fishbowl Session at Association of University Programs in Health Administration (AUPHA) annual conference, June 2014.
- McIlwain, A., and Sokan, A.E., BEYOND LONG-TERM CARE: Integrating Gerontology into Health Administration Curriculum AUPHA Conference, San Antonio, June 2014
- Sokan, A.E. The Notion of Accumulation: How Risk/Protective Factors Determine Elder Mistreatment Potential. In Symposium - Explicating Inequality: Applying the Theory of Cumulative Inequality from Cell to Society. Gerontological Society of America Annual Conference, November 2010 - Symposium
- Sokan, A.E. Piercing the Veil? The Link between Individual Conception/Definition of Elder Mistreatment and Physician Behavior Gerontological Society of America Annual Conference, November 2012

- Sokan, A.E. Screening and Reporting Elder Mistreatment: An Exploration of Kentucky-based Physicians' Behavior and Practice. Gerontological Society of America, Nov. 2011
- Sokan, A. E. Within- Family Generational Differences in Attitudes toward Aging: A Preliminary Investigation. Gerontological Society of America Annual Conference, Nov. 2009
- Sokan, A.E. & Kruger, T. Revitalization of the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center Adult Volunteer Program - UK Healthcare, April 2008

Publications

Book Chapters:

Sokan, A.E. & Davis, T. (2015). Immigrant LGBT Elders. In D.A. Harley, and P.B. Teaster (Eds.), *Handbook of LGBT Elders: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Principles, Practices, and Policies*. (pages of chapter). NY: Springer

Sokan, A.E. & Teaster, P.B. (2015). An Overview of Aging and Mistreatment of LGBT Elders. In D.A. Harley, and P.B. Teaster (Eds.), *Handbook of LGBT Elders: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Principles, Practices, and Policies*. (pages of chapter). NY: Springer

Teaster, P.B. & **Sokan, A.E.** (2015). Mistreatment and Victimization of LGBT Elders. In D.A. Harley, and P.B. Teaster (Eds.), *Handbook of LGBT Elders: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Principles, Practices, and Policies*. (pages of chapter). NY: Springer

Davis, T. & **Sokan, A.E.** (2015). Healthcare, Sexual Practices, and Cultural Competence with LGBT Elders. In D.A. Harley, and P.B. Teaster (Eds.), *Handbook of LGBT Elders: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Principles, Practices, and Policies*. (pages of chapter). NY: Springer

Teaster, P.B. & **Sokan, A.E.** (2015). Ethical Standards and Practices in Human Services and Health Care for LGBT Elders. In D.A. Harley, and P.B. Teaster (Eds.), *Handbook of LGBT Elders: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Principles, Practices, and Policies*. (pages of chapter). NY: Springer

Papers:

Mileski, M., McIlwain, A. S., Scott Kruse, C., Lieneck, C., & **Sokan, A.** (2016). The Effectiveness and Need for Facility Based Nurse Aide Training Competency Evaluation Programs. *ABNF Journal*, 27(1), 16-19.

Book Review:

Teaster, P.B., & Sokan, A.E. Book Review for *Journal of Intergenerational Relationships*. Gosseries, Axel, and Meyer, Lukas, H. (2009). *Intergenerational Justice*. New York: Oxford University Press, 419 pp. ISBN-13: 978-0199282951.

Papers Presented at Professional Meetings:

- Sokan, A. E., Gilles, E.E., & Brogan, S.M. A Tale of Two Bettys: Examining Media Portrayals of Aging in a Multicultural Society - Culture, Social Trend and Identity - Southern Interdisciplinary Roundtable on African Studies, April, 2012, Kentucky State University

- Sokan, A.E. & Kruger, T. Recruiting and Retaining Baby Boomers as Volunteers: Educating Volunteer Services Managers to Optimize the Workforce through Aging Volunteers, Association of Gerontology in Higher Education Annual Conference, Reno NV, March 2010
- Sokan, A.E. Aging in Diaspora: An Exploration of the Nigerian Experience, British Society for Gerontology ERA Conference, Cardiff – Wales, May 2009

Invited Talks, Lectures, and Presentations:

- Sokan, A.E. Advancing the Health of Generations to Come: The All of Us Research Program Impact - The Power of Precision Medicine. UA Arthritis Center 2019 Living Healthy with Arthritis Conference. February 16, 2019
- Sokan, A.E. Straight Talk? Nobody can make it out here alone – Strategies to combat isolation and loneliness in later life. Senior symposium. Keynote Speaker. The Senior Advocacy Group of Ahwatukee (SAGA). October 28, 2017.
- Sokan, A.E. The All of UsSM Research Program: A Flagship of the Precision Medicine Initiative and Promise for Diabetes. October 27, 2017
- Sokan, A.E. The Cognitive Vulnerability - Elder Mistreatment Nexus: A Primer for the Healthcare Professional, Advances in Aging - Geriatric Grand Rounds (Center on Aging, UAHS). October 9, 2017
- Sokan, A.E. Precision Medicine. American Heart Association “Go Red for Women” Conference/Luncheon - Educational Breakout Sessions. September 23, 2017
- Sokan, A.E. Elder Abuse - 6th Annual Mid-America Institute on Aging (MAIA), University of Southern Indiana, Aug. 2013. Sokan, A.E. Elder Abuse and Mistreatment: Being Informed, Being Empowered! Keynote Speaker – Paducah Elder Abuse Conference, May 31, 2012, Paducah KY
- Sokan, A.E. Elder Abuse – What seniors should know and what seniors can do about it. KIPDA Radio Program “Savvy Seniors” Louisville, KY. Scheduled contributor/presenter. 2010- 2011.
- Sokan, A.E. Physicians’ Perspectives on Elder Mistreatment. Elder Justice Center for Elders and Vulnerable Adults, Kentucky. July 2011, Lexington KY.
- Sokan, A.E. Elder Mistreatment: Myths and fallacies revisited. Summer Series on Aging Annual Conference - University of Kentucky, June 2011, Lexington KY.
- Sokan, A.E. Elder Mistreatment 101: What should you know, why should you care, and what can you do about it? Kentucky Association for Gerontology, Spring Conference, April 10 -12, 2011, Florence KY.
- Sokan, A.E. & Kruger, T. Baby Boomers as Volunteers: Organizational Readiness - 2010 SE4A Annual Training Conference, September 2010.
- Sokan, A.E. Panelist – Violence and Healthcare System’s Response – St. Joseph’s Healthcare Leadership Conference, June 2010
- Teaster, P.B., & Sokan, A.E. Facing the Facts about Elder Abuse, General Internal Medicine Ground Rounds, University of Kentucky. November 2009 Schoenberg, N., & Sokan, A.E. Qualitative research and Quality Improvement, Department of Family and Community Medicine, March 2009

Consultancies:

Practical Care-giving - For family members with Dementia, 2014 - Present

Training – Home Health/Home care staff, 2010 - present

Evaluation - Lexington Fayette County Urban Government Housing Authority, Moving to Work Demonstration Project, 2011 – 2013; 2014 - present

Quality Assurance - Multifamily Service Coordinator Grant for Ballard Place (Senior Living) Lexington Housing Authority, 2012 – 2013; 2015 - present

Workshops:

- Banner LGBTQ+ Inclusive Health Care Training Sessions, 2018
- Sokan, A.E. Practical Caregiving for Loved Ones Living with Alzheimer's Disease II. Small group workshop, Lexington KY, April 2017
- Sokan, A.E. Practical Caregiving for Loved Ones Living with Alzheimer's Disease. Small group workshop, Lexington KY, April 2016
- Sokan, A.E. Is Housing Enough? Re - envisioning the Role of Public Housing Authorities as Residents Age in Place. Lexington Fayette County Urban Government Housing Authority, Board Retreat, Summer 2014.
- Sokan, A.E. "Not in My Backyard!" Elder Mistreatment: Equal Opportunity Transgression and Public Health Concern. Pre-conference Elder Mistreatment/Ethics Intensive. Kentucky Association for Gerontology, Annual Spring Conference, April 10, 2011, Florence KY.
- Sokan, A.E. Empowering Mindfulness Conference – Workshop on elder self-neglect. Bluegrass Area Agency on Aging, Clark County – June 2010
- Sokan, A.E. & Kruger, T. Hoarding – Aging with Vitality and Grace Program, Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington, May 2010

Works "in progress":

- Davis, T.E.K, and Sokan, A.E. (?). What about Aging? Perspectives from High School Teachers and Students on Integrating Aging into the High School Curricula
- Sokan, A.E. (?) . Service Learning and Community Engagement: Promoting Health and Wellbeing at a Senior Center through Student/Senior dyads
- Sokan, A.E. (?). Screening and Detecting Elder Abuse during Provider Encounters: A Three-Question Model?
- Sokan, A., McIlwain, A., and Mileski, M. (?). From Katrina to Sandy: What have we learned about nursing home disaster management?

Fellowships, Grants/Contracts Awards, Honors:

- 2014 – Funded Internal Grants and Contracts: 2014 - Research Enhancement Program (REP) Award, Texas State University.
- 2010 – SPO President's Award, Outstanding Student Paper - Association of Gerontology in Higher Education (Sokan, A.E & Kruger, T – authors)
- 2010 – Phi Kappa Phi Delta (National All-Discipline Academic Honor Society)
- 2008 – Sigma Phi Omega (Gerontology National Academic & Professional Honor Society)
- 2007 – Upsilon Phi Delta (Healthcare Administration National Academic Honor Society)
- 2008 – Southern Regional Educational Board Doctoral Scholars Fellowship
- 2007 – Hospital Administration Fellowship, UKHealthcare
- 2006 – Kentucky Hospital Association (KHA) Outstanding MHA Program Graduate
- 2005 – Department of Veteran's Affairs Certificate of Appreciation for Support of the Diversity Program at VA Medical Center, Huntington, WV.

- 2002 - Graduate Program in Health Services Administration, University of Arkansas at Little Rock Outstanding Service Award.
- 1989 - International Law Prize - University of Buckingham, England.

IV. Service

INSTITUTIONAL

- University:
University of Arizona – Facilitator, Voices of Discovery (2017 – 2018); University of Kentucky, MHA Program – Program Development Committee (2015 – 2018)
Texas State University (2013 – 2014): The Center for Children and Families; International Minds; Gerontology Consortium
Kentucky State University (KSU) (2011 – 2013): Program & Curriculum Assessment and Evaluation; Academic Program Review Panel; KSU - Engaging with Aging Service Learning Project Coordinator; Faculty Senate, Curriculum Committee
- College: UAHS LGBTQ+ Interest Group (Present); Texas State University: SOHA Graduate Admissions' Council Kentucky State University (KSU), Frankfort, KY - Developed Prototype (Curriculum, Syllabi, Marketing brochure, etc.); Applied for and received Council of Post-Secondary Education approval for MA Gerontology Program, College of Professional Studies, KSU
- Department/School: School of Health Administration Department Representative, Bobcat Days, 2013; Exhibitor, Texas Health Care Association, 2013 63rd Annual Convention & Trade show, Austin, TX; Kentucky State University, Frankfort, KY - Assessment Committee, 2011 – 2013

PROFESSIONAL

- Board member, Kentucky Association for Gerontology;
- Board member, Sigma Phi Omega (SPO) – National Academic Honor and Professional Society in Gerontology;
- Member, National Committee for the Prevention of Elder Abuse;
- Member, Kentucky Justice Center for Elders and Vulnerable Adults;
- Reviewer, Journal of Elder Abuse and Neglect;
- Reviewer, Conference abstracts/papers (SPO) – Association for Gerontology in Higher Education
- Memberships: Association of Gerontology in Higher Education (AGHE); Gerontological Society of America (GSA); American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE); Arizona Healthcare Executives; British Society of Gerontology;
- Member GSA Committees: Global Aging; Elder Abuse; Careers in Aging, Rainbow/LGBTQ+; Local Arrangements, 37th Annual Meeting, Cincinnati, 2010- 2011;

COMMUNITY

- University of Arizona LGBTQ+ Interest Group, Member 2016 - Present
- University of Kentucky, MHA Program - Member, Board of Advisors, 2018 - Present
- Board Member - Pima Council on Aging, 2018 - Present
- Duet Partners in Health & Aging – Facilitator, 2017 - Present
- Board member, National Volunteer Caregiving Network, 2014 – 2019

- Member, Advocacy and Community Engagement Committee (ACE), Pima Council on Aging, 2017 - Present
- Mayor's Senior Services Commission, 2013 – 2016
- Member - Mended Hearts, Inc.
- Advisory Board member, Faith-In-Action Senior Ministry, 2011 - 2014
- MHA Program, UK: Speed networking mentor & pre-Capstone presentation review
- Aging & Health Promotion Workshop/Service-Learning Project, in conjunction with Frankfort Senior Center, 2012 - 2013
- Elder Abuse, Neglect & Exploitation Committee, Bluegrass Area Development District Member, Local Coordinating Councils on Elder Abuse, Kentucky
- Member, Women's Club of Central Kentucky
- Organizer – Annual Lexington World Elder Abuse Awareness Day Commemoration, 2010, 2011

REFERENCES (Available on request)

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