



Environmental Modification Entrepreneur: 1999-present

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Why OT Consulting Practice?

- MPA research, Case Study, Oldest Adult Day Health Program in Northern Virginia.
- Northern Virginia Training Ctr., Director, Rehabilitation Dept.
- OT Consultant, VA Health Dept., Fairfax County Dept. of Health, four district offices.

OT Consulting Practice (cont.)

- Research Asst., Fairfax County, Elder Needs Assessment Survey.
- AOTA Geriatric Program Manager. 1988-1999
- Ed.D. research ('95), Howard County. 'Listening to older adult learners: On the experience of using AT in task performance & environmental modification.

Useful Informal Resources..

- Volunteer with Rebuilding Together, Inc. , 1990 – present.
- Participate in SUNY Buffalo, Home Modification + Visitability Listserves
 - <http://list.serve.buffalo.edu/archives/homemodifications-list.html>
- Select conference sessions related to Environmental Mods, ADA, etc.
- Ongoing review of evidence-based EM research in relevant journals.

Useful Formal Resources...

- Externship with architectural firm, Universal Designers & Consultants, Takoma Pk., MD.
- As Chair of ASA's Network On Environments, Services & Technologies, interdisciplinary panels provided environmental modification sessions.

Consultation amplifies impact of OT Environmental Mods....

- Kings Park Residential Site, OT collaborating w/ six person Design-Build Team
- Arlington County Dept. of Human Services provided OT for 12 Divisions
- Fairfax County Health Dept. providing OT for clients @ four district offices

Consultation (cont.)....

- EHLS, Chicago, IL, SBIR grant team piloted CASPAR assessment tool; and produced education video, 'Measure What Matters'.
- VCU, Geriatric Education Ctr., 'Tools for Independent Living' Video Content Editor.
- NISH Office Relocation in NoVa OT recommended changes to enable office to regain ADA site compliance.

Environmental Modification Resources

- www.rebuildingtogether.org/
- [SAFER-HOME - www.vha.ca](http://www.vha.ca)
- CASPAR-