

# Finding Aid

## **Dr. Marcia Jean Carter Papers**

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### **Descriptive Summary**

*Collection Title:* **Dr. Marcia Jean Carter Papers**

*Series Title:* Other

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*Extent:* 3 manuscript boxes, 1.5 linear feet

*Abstract:* The Dr. Marcia Jean Carter Papers contains the personal papers of Recreation Therapy professor Dr. Marcia Jean Carter, CPRP, CTRS. She is an adjunct professor at the University of St. Francis and permanent faculty at Western Illinois University-Quad Cities in Moline, Illinois. Dr. Carter was instrumental in the creation of accreditation for the recreation therapy profession and has published numerous books and journal articles on the subject.

Dr. Carter has served as President of the American Association for Leisure and Recreation (AALR) and the National Therapeutic Recreation Society (NTRS); she has also been the chair of the profession's credentialing bodies: the Council on Accreditation of Parks, Recreation, Tourism, and Related Professions, the National Certification Board, and the National Council for Therapeutic Recreation Certification.

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*Provenance / Source of acquisition:* Dr. Marcia Jean Carter, 2015

## **Scope and Content Note**

*Types of material:* The Dr. Marcia Jean Carter Papers consists of material detailing the registration and credentialing developments of the recreation therapy profession. Included are speeches delivered by Dr. Carter at various conferences, such as: National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA), National Therapeutic Recreation Society (NTRS), and the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (AAHPERD).

There is information concerning the formation of the National Council for Therapeutic Recreation Certification (NCTRC), including: standards and evaluations, surveys and questionnaires, sample applications, and bylaws.

*Dates:* 1975-2010

*Important divisions:* Generally divided chronologically. Box 1 contains presentations from Dr. Marcia Jean Carter.

## **Container Listing**

### **Box 1:**

- Folder 1 – NTRS Registration Plan, Past, Present, and Future – NRPA Congress – October 28, 1979
- Folder 2 – NTRS Registration Plan, Past, Present, and Future; NRPA Congress – October 19, 1980
- Folder 3 – “Registration of Therapeutic Recreators Standards from 1965 to Present” – 1981
- Folder 4 – NTRS Institute Speech – October 26, 1981
- Folder 5 – Midwest Symposium on Therapeutic Recreation Fact Sheet – NCTRC – 1982
- Folder 6 – “Continuing Education Unit Criteria and Guidelines Definition” – 1982
- Folder 7 – ITRS Annual Workshop – September 16, 1982
- Folder 8 – NTRS Institute – NRPA Congress Louisville Speeches – October 24-27, 1982
- Folder 9 – “Therapeutic Recreation Credentialing: Its History, Issues, and Future” – 1983
- Folder 10 – TRAPS Region 5 and 6 Workshop – March 25, 1983
- Folder 11 – Therapeutic Recreation Symposium for the Southwest – April 8-9, 1983
- Folder 12 – Therapeutic Recreation Symposium for the Southwest – March 30, 1984
- Folder 13 – NRPA Congress Speech – October 3, 1983
- Folder 14 – NTRS Institute Orlando – NRPA Congress Speech – October 21, 1984
- Folder 15 – Tennessee Recreation and Park Association Conference Speech – November 12, 1984
- Folder 16 – “Can the Profession be Tested?” – NRPA Congress – October 25, 1985
- Folder 17 – “NCTRC: Its Mission and Relation to Accreditation” – EMS Institute – October 25, 1985
- Folder 18 – TRAPS Speech – February 1986

Folder 19 – NRPA Congress Speeches – October 17-20, 1986  
 Folder 20 – Unpublished presentation: “Credentialing of the Profession” – March 9, 1987  
 Folder 21 – AAHPERD Convention Speech – April 17, 1987  
 Folder 22 – NRPA Regional and Washington State Conference Speech – April 1987  
 Folder 23 – NRPA Annual Conference Speech – September 20, 1987  
 Folder 24 – “Trends and Issues in Therapeutic Recreation: A Profession in Transition” – March 3, 1988  
 Folder 25 – AAHPERD National Convention – April 7, 1988  
 Folder 26 – “Examinations: Relationship to Certification Standards” – October 7, 1988  
 Folder 27 – AAHPERD Credentialing Committee – March 29, 1990  
 Folder 28 – ATRA Higher Education Curriculum Conference Speech – April 6, 1995  
 Folder 29 – National Curriculum Study – ATRA – October 13, 1995  
 Folder 30 – “Influences Impacting Higher education Curricula” – 1995  
 Folder 31 – Therapeutic Recreation Curriculum Survey and Draft – 1996-1997  
 Folder 32 – “Preliminary Results of the 1996 National Therapeutic Recreation Curriculum Study” – 1996  
 Folder 33 – Presidential Issues Forum: Credentialing – October 29, 1997  
 Folder 34 – NRPA Congress Presentation – September 28, 2007  
 Folder 35 – TREC II Presentation – June 19, 2009  
 Folder 36 – ILRTA Presentation – October 2, 2011

**Box 2:**

Folder 1 – National Parks and Recreation Association National Certification Board “A Brief History” – October 4, 1990  
 Folder 2 – Therapeutic Recreation Standards Overview – 1975, 1977, 1981, 1990  
 Folder 3 – “Standards and Interpretation for Accreditation in Recreation and Parks” – n.d.  
 Folder 4 – “Standards and Evaluative Criteria for Recreation, Leisure Services and Resources Curricula Baccalaureate and Master’s Degree Programs” – October 1978  
 Folder 5 – “Procedural Guidelines for Recreation, Leisure Services and Resources Curricula for the Accreditation Process” – October 1986  
 Folder 6 – “Handbook for Visitation Team Members for Recreation, Park Resources and Leisure Services Curricula” – May 1983  
 Folder 7 - “Standards and Evaluative Criteria for Recreation, Leisure Services and Resources Curricula Baccalaureate Programs” – October 1986, January 1990  
 Folder 8 – “Handbook of the NRPA/AALR Accreditation Process” – April 1992  
 Folder 9 – “Standards and Evaluative Criteria for Baccalaureate Programs in Recreation, Leisure Services and Resources” – 1992, 1995, 1998  
 Folder 10 – “Standards and Evaluative Criteria for Baccalaureate Programs in Recreation, Leisure Services and Resources” – 1999, 2000, 2004  
 Folder 11 – “Handbook for the Accreditation Process: A Comprehensive Guide to Implementing the Procedural Guidelines” – 2000  
 Folder 12 – Procedural Guidelines for the Accreditation Process – 1996  
 Folder 13 – National Therapeutic Recreation Society Registration Proposals and Plans – 1978  
 Folder 14 – National Recreation and Parks Association Voluntary Registration – n.d.  
 Folder 15 – National Recreation and Parks Association Registration Applications – 1978  
 Folder 16 – National Recreation and Park Association Certification – ca. 1980s

Folder 17 – JRS Questionnaires for Changes to NCTRC Certification – 1986  
Folder 18 – NCTRC Certification Standards; Candidate Certification Exams – ca. 1982  
Folder 19 – National Council for Therapeutic Recreation Certification Bylaws – November 8, 1991

**Box 3:**

Folder 1 – NCTRC Certification Standards: Information and Application for the CTRS Credential – 1998, 1999  
Folder 2 – NCTRC Candidate Bulletin – 1995  
Folder 3 – Various Application Instructions – n.d.  
Folder 4 – NCTRC *Educator's Link* newsletters – 1993-1999  
Folder 5 – NCTRC Brochures – ca. 1990s  
Folder 6 – CTRS education material from NCTRC – ca, 1990s  
Folder 7 – NTRS Resolution Concerning NCTRC Paraprofessional Certificates – n.d.  
Folder 8 – NCTRC Report on the National Job Analysis Project for Certified Therapeutic Recreation Specialists – 1997  
Folder 9 – Administrative Papers of the NCTRC – 1993-1999  
Folder 10 – NCTRC Certification Standards: Changes and Updates – 2000-2003  
Folder 11 – Administrative Papers of the NCTRC – 2000-2006  
Folder 12 – CAAHEP Accreditation – 2001  
Folder 13 – Affidavit of Dr. Marcia Jean Carter – 2003  
Folder 14 – NCTRC Graduate Conversion Study – 2007  
Folder 15 – NCTRC Specialty Certification – 2010

**Keywords**

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**Institutions:**

American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (AAHPERD)  
National Council for Therapeutic Recreation Certification (NCTRC)  
National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA)  
National Therapeutic Recreation Society (NTRS)

**Topics:**

Recreation therapy  
Credentialing—standards  
Speeches, addresses, etc.

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