

# Diane D. Aronson

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## PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

- 2006 to Present**                      **Food and Drug Administration (FDA)**  
**Special Government Employee (SGE)**  
**Center for Drug Evaluation and Research**  
**Consumer Representative**  
Arthritis Advisory Committee
- March, May, 2008**                      **Food and Drug Administration (FDA)**  
**Special Government Employee (SGE)**  
**Center for Drug Evaluation and Research**  
**Acting Consumer Representative**  
Anesthetic and Life Support Drugs Advisory Committee
- 1997-February, 2008**                      **Road Back Foundation**  
**Board Member, President (2005 to February, 2008)**  
Foundation established in 1993 to help those with diseases including  
rheumatoid arthritis, scleroderma, and other rheumatic diseases.  
[www.roadback.org](http://www.roadback.org)
- 1991-2000**                                      **RESOLVE – the National Infertility Association**  
**Executive Director/Chief Executive Officer** for non-profit 501(C)(3)  
leading membership organization and voice for the infertility and family-  
building concerns. Oversight of services and programs -- membership,  
chapter services, Helpline, educational publications, Web site, advocacy  
program, board relations and staff of 18. Spokesperson for media interviews,  
at government agencies and medical/professional meetings. [www.resolve.org](http://www.resolve.org)
- 1994 to 2000**                                      **International Federation of Infertility Patient Associations (IFIPA)**  
**President 1998-1999, Board member 1994-2000**  
United States representative for international group bringing together patient  
groups supporting members with infertility.
- 1994**    **National Institutes of Health (NIH)**  
**Consultant** Consumer representative on President-commissioned, year-long  
***Human Embryo Research Panel*** to considered areas of research and to  
provide guidance regarding federal funding to the Director of the NIH.
- 1995 to 2000**                                      **Centers for Disease Control and Information (CDC)**  
Technical consultant providing input on federal legislation which led to the  
production of the CDC's annual publication of ***ART Success Rates***  
***Report.***
- 1996 to 2000**                                      **National Coalition for Oversight of Reproductive Technology**  
**(NCOART) and Society for Reproductive Technology – (SART)**  
**through the American Society for Reproductive Medicine**  
**Consumer Representative** for committees established to review clinic  
success rate reporting including, for NCOART, participation with federal  
agencies and medical society representatives.

- 2002** **Fabry Information and Support Group, Concordia, MO**  
**Consultant, Strategic Planning** to raise awareness about Fabry, a rare inherited disorder; to assist with organizational development.
- 1998** **Health and Human Services (HHS)**  
**Promoting Women's Health, Jerusalem, Israel**, Panel participant  
 Co-sponsors: Israel Ministry of Health and US Department of HHS.
- 1996** **Food and Drug Administration (FDA)**  
**Ad Hoc Consultant** to evaluate laboratory oversight for infertility procedures involving human embryos.
- 1990 to 1991** **Ethical Treatment in Health Care (ETHC)**  
**President:** a not-for-profit membership organization of consumers and professionals promoting ethical, quality health care.
- September 1987 to September 1991** **Corporate Consulting**  
**Principle** of business that specialized in non-profit management, fundraising, and program development. Clients included national medical consumer organizations including RESOLVE (developed National Infertility Awareness Week), the Arthritis Institute and the Arlington Center for the Arts.
- 1989 to 1992** **Massachusetts State House Commission**  
 Member of commission: investigation and development of guidelines regarding misconduct by health and mental health professionals including testimony at hearings, and educational resource development.
- October 1981 to April 1987** **WAND (Women's Action for New Directions) and WAND Education Fund**  
**Executive Director** for educational (501)(C)(3) and lobbying not-for-profit (501)(C)(4) organizations whose objectives were to redirect federal funding to the needs of women and children. Hired and directed staff of 22 in Boston and Washington, DC, developed and administered a combined budget of \$1.3 million, supervised work for 125 chapters, coordinated lobbying and events with celebrities and organized Washington, DC seminars for members of congress. [www.wand.org](http://www.wand.org)
- 1983 to 1987** **WAND PAC**  
**Director of Political Action Committee (WANDPAC)** for national organization operating within regulations of Federal Election Commission, developed congressional profiles, coordinated grass roots involvement in campaigns and raised funds to contribute to candidates.
- 1984 to 1987** **Directors' Forum**  
**Member of national group of CEOs** convening bimonthly in Washington, DC including Union of Concerned Scientists, League of Women Voters, Friends of the Earth, American Friends Service Committee, and Federation of American Scientists.
- 1984 to 1985** **National Nuclear Weapons Freeze Campaign**

**Co-chair and President:** St. Louis, MO non-profit with three million contributors and 1,000 chapters.

September 1969 to  
September 1974

**Medford Public Schools**  
**Public School Teacher** for elementary education in grades two and three.  
Medford, MA.

#### OTHER

2007 to Present



1999 to Present

**Community Outreach Group of Landscape Design (COGdesign)**  
**Strategic Planning, Project Showcase and Finance Committees**  
**Advisory Board**

2008 to Present

A service organization offering pro bono landscape design to clients such as affordable housing, neighborhood parks, schools and historical sites

#### PUBLICATIONS (Partial Listing)

1999

**Resolving Infertility** published by HarperCollins. **Author**, with RESOLVE staff, wrote comprehensive guide for infertility and family-building concerns.

1998

***Fertility and Sterility*, “Getting Out of the Corner”, October, 1998**  
**American Society for Reproductive Medicine**  
Editorial on impact on quality care due to lack of insurance for infertility treatment.

1996 to 1997

***Understanding Fertility Clinic Success Rates*** published by the CDC  
**Consultant and co-author:** educational text for publication for the implementation of the **Fertility Clinic Success Rate and Certification Act**.

1995

**Infertility: A Comprehensive Text, Appleton and Lange**, edited by Mabelle Seibel, MD. **Author:** Chapter written regarding patient and consumer perspectives for medical text.

1986

***Turnabout: The Emerging New Realism in the Nuclear Age***  
**Director:** Development of national magazine publication including public opinion poll, media assessments and congressional opinion analysis on the arms control movement.

#### PRESENTATIONS (Partial Listing)

November 2006/07

***Online Health Communities*, Guest Lecturer**  
Tufts Medical School, Boston, MA

June 1999

***Model Art Legislation: A Consumer Perspective*, American Bar Association, Washington, DC, Family Law, Reproduction and Genetic Technology.**

April 1999

***Ethics of Outcome Guarantees*, New York City**

Meeting of the American Society for Reproductive Medicine

February 1998

*Oversight of the Assisted Reproductive Technologies: What's Best in the U.S.?* Conference speaker coordinated by the CDC.

October 1997

*Shared Risk Programs* at American Society for Reproductive Medicine's Annual Meeting: Presentation and debate.

June 1997

*Infertility Legislation and Regulation in the United States*  
**Presenter:** Edinburgh, Scotland at the General Assembly for International Federation of Infertility Patient Associations

April 1996

*Patient Counseling and Advocacy: The Ethics of Reproductive Medicine*, UC Irvine, CA. Workshop for medical professionals.

February 1996

*Regulating Infertility Medicine*, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH, Ethics Institute. Guest Lecturer for the practice of infertility.

July 1995

Council of Europe in Strasbourg, France regarding "*Trends in Infertility in the United States*. Guest Speaker

March 1994

"*National Health Care Reform*" for the Reproductive Endocrine Lecture Series at New England Medical Center, Tufts University School of Medicine. Guest Lecturer/Grand Rounds

#### ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE INCLUDES:

- **Publications:** Writer/editor including editorials, national newsletters, organizing and lobbying manuals.
- **Video Media Resources:** Featured as speaker in videos including "*The Art of Fertility*," "*Infertility Insurance Advisor*" and "*You Are Not Alone*."
- **Media Expertise:** Media liaison, participating at press conferences and hundreds of interviews with television, radio, and print media.

#### AWARDS:

- Co-Recipient of the 1992 **Speakers Assembly Award from the American Psychiatric Association**
- 1995 award recipient of **Alumni Achievement Award** from Framingham State Alumni Association "in recognition of dedication and unique contribution to society."
- 1996 recipient of **Helen Caldicott Leadership Award**, Women's Action for New Directions
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#### EDUCATION:

Bachelor of Science in Education, Framingham State College  
Post-graduate course in Psychology, Arts for Inter-group Relations, Tufts University  
Training seminars in non-profit management

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