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## Rank/Discipline

Assistant Professor  
Department of Pharmacy  
Practice

## Education & Specialty Certification

PharmD, Nova Southeastern  
University, 2004; Pharmacy  
Practice Residency, San Juan  
DVA Medical Center, 2005.

## Denise Odette Figueroa Rios, Pharm.D.

### Research Areas and Active Projects

- 2006-2007 Advisor Pharm.D project entitled: Effectiveness and tolerability of opioids in chronic non malignant nociceptive and neuropathic pain. Mentees- Herminio García and Francisco Nieves.
- 2008-Present Advisor Pharm.D project entitled: Assessment of Diabetes Knowledge among Elderly Patients in the Caribbean Healthcare System. Mentees- Abner Matínez, Mario Delgado, and Ricardo Aponte (Class Pharm D 2010).
- 2008-Present Co-Advisor Pharm.D project entitled: “Caracterización de Salarios y Beneficios de los Farmacéuticos en los Distintos Escenarios de intervención profesional en Puerto Rico”. Mentees- Sorángel Bermúdez, Katherine M. Robles, and Xavier Varela (Class Pharm D 2010).
- 2007 - 2008 The Pharmacy Workforce in Puerto Rico: A Salary and Benefits Survey Sponsor by Mckesson.
- 2004 – 2005 Pharmacy Resident Research Project San Juan VA Medical Center Mentors: Dr. Mirza Martínez, Dr. Juan Feliú, Dr. Carlos Méndez The Pharmacy Workforce in Puerto Rico: A Salary and Benefits Survey.  
Objectives: To examine the salary and benefits of pharmacists working in different practice settings. To identify pharmacist’s levels of satisfaction with their salaries and other work related aspects. To categorize work related aspects that are more important for the pharmacists in the working environment.
- 2003 – 2004 Undergraduate research- Doctor of Pharmacy Nova Southeastern University, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. School of Pharmacy Mentor: Dr. Karen Daniel.

Management of insulin pen devices and insulin regimen in Hispanic patients with diabetes in three community pharmacies in Puerto Rico.

Objective: To evaluate the correct management of an insulin device in order to reduce acute complications: hyperglycemia or hypoglycemia.

## **Publications**

“Revista Farmacéutica” Title: The Pharmacy Workforce in Puerto Rico: A Salary CFPR; vol. 67. Num.4 2008 and Benefits Survey”.

“Revista Farmacéutica” Continuing Education: “Manejo de los Diferentes Tipos CFPR; vol. 67. Num.4 2008 de dolores de Cabeza II”.

“Revista Farmacéutica” Continuing Education: “Manejo de los Diferentes Tipos CFPR; vol. 67. Num.3 2008 de dolores de Cabeza”.

“Revista Farmacéutica” Title: The Pharmacy Workforce in Puerto Rico: A Salary CFPR; November 2006 and Benefits Survey.

“Revista Farmacéutica” Article Title: “Los antidepresivos y el riesgo de CFPR; February 2005 comportamiento suicida”.

## **Presentations**

Oral Presentation (Power Point): “La importancia de usar mis medicinas correctamente”. Lecturer at Egida Leopoldo Figueroa. Iglesia Adventista de RP (May 2009).

Continuing education: “New Therapeutic Agents in the Market” (March 2009).

Continuing Education: “The management of different types of headaches” (October 2006 and April 2007).

Oral Presentation (Power Point): The management of different types of headaches (April 2005).

Oral Presentation (Power Point): The management of seizures disorders (November 2004).

Oral Presentation (Power Point): Antifungals Drugs Pharm.D and Pharm.D students Jackson Memorial Hospital, Miami, Florida Preceptor: Ennie Cano, Pharm.D (September 2003).