

Monthly Report: *Veda E. Ward*, President

My major activities since the last meeting include the following:

<b><i>Organization/Event</i></b>	<b><i>Date of Attendance or Contact</i></b>	<b><i>Relevance to Commission</i></b>
“The Future is Now” Autism Society of Greater Los Angeles CSU Northridge	January 11 and 12	Autism spectrum disorders are now recorded as occurring as frequently among females as males; special attention to educational, employment, health& safety needs of this population
“Promising Practices in Aging” (California Endowment)	January 16	Mature adult constituents, policies, engagement, “industry” trends and standards
California Women’s Policy Summit (Sacramento) Commissioner Rodriguez also attended	January 17,	Advocacy for women’s health, reproductive issues, legislative agenda; networking, etc.
Association of California Commissions for Women	January 19 Could not attend; late notice but contacted for future involvement; also met at Women’s Summit	Overarching/coordinating body for Commissions on Women
Healthy Families, Healthy Planet Conference call	January 22	General programmatic connection to other Commission initiatives and constituents; maternal and infant health, safe birthing practices
“Women’s Global Health Across the Lifespan: The Parks and Recreation Connection”	February 1  Presentation to Women in Leisure Services Profession Encino Women’s Club	Community-based system to connect health and wellness initiative to local recreation and park service providers
6 Los Angeles County Breastfeeding Policy Agenda	February 6 (Invited attendee, but attendance uncertain due to campus schedule)	Maternal and infant health; Roundtable and strategic plan process