

Women & Leadership

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BIOGRAPHY

Deborah L. Center MSN, RN, CNS, CTA-CC, PhD Candidate is a leadership/executive coach, independent consultant and speaker focused on leadership development, establishing healthy work environments and cultivating civil cultures. She is the Senior Director of Education and Coaching for the Colorado Center for Nursing Excellence where she facilitates several programs related to leadership and inter-professional teams. Since joining the Center in 2006, she has led many grant-funded programs focused on strengthening the healthcare and education workforce.



Deb has over 35 years' experience in healthcare and has held many positions from a staff level to executive leadership within both clinical practice settings and nursing education. With each position, her expertise and passion lead her to be seen as a change agent, facilitator, coach and mentor. She believes in empowering others first through awareness and a clear understanding related to choice. The content she teaches is based on a solid foundation of evidence and supports developmental learning.

She completed her Bachelor's Degree at Xavier University in Cincinnati, Ohio and her Masters of Science in Nursing with a Clinical Specialty in Adult Critical Care at Wright State University in Dayton, Ohio. Deb is completing her dissertation related to leadership coaching in pursuit of a PhD in Organizational Development and Leadership Psychology. She is a leadership and executive coach, with specialty certifications for the EQ-i 2.0; EQ-i 360, DiSC Workstyle Inventory, and Five Functions of a Team Assessment. She is the Lead Coach and coordinates the Center's Coaching Team to ensure ongoing program and staff development and quality related to coaching individuals, groups, and teams. As a private coach, she works with a variety of clients from both the healthcare and non-healthcare industries from entry level positions through career transitions and executive roles.

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