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Dr. Patricia Dennehy is the owner and Principal of Dennehy & Associates LLC a NP owned consulting firm.

Dr. Dennehy is currently working with the LA County Department of Health Services (LACDHS) on projects examining the roles of advanced practice providers throughout the system. She is currently contracted to lead a three-year project creating an organizational structure for Advanced Practice Providers. Included in this contract is the first post-graduate Nurse Practitioner Residency Program, a Professional Advancement Model, and evaluation of organizational standards for employment and practice.

Prior to her work in LA, she was a Principal Consultant for Health Management Associates. She led many projects including a 3-year grant with the State of Idaho taking 55 primary care practices through Primary Care Medical Home (PCMH) recognition / certification a year (total 165 practices over project period).

Dr. Dennehy had a long rich history at the University of California San Francisco (UCSF). She had clinical practices in Women's Health and Adult Internal Medicine. She was a Professor of Nursing and Director of Glide Health Services in San Francisco. Glide was a collaboration between the School of Nursing, Glide Foundation, Catholic Healthcare West – Saint Francis Memorial Hospital and the SF Department of Health Services. Her work included leading projects funded by a variety of sources including multiple grants from HRSA Division of Nursing and Public Health and many private foundations. She was the author and Project Director of the first HRSA grants for NP Residencies granted to UCSF/Glide and included UCLA as a sub-recipient.

Dr. Dennehy is a healthcare leader and strong spokesperson for nursing's and advanced practice providers' contribution to healthcare access and quality. She served on the Board of Directors for the following organizations: National Nurse Practitioner Residency & Fellowship Training Consortium (NNPRFTC), National Nursing Centers Consortium and the San Francisco Community Clinic Consortium. In her work with the NNPRFTC she was a founding member, is Vice Chair of the Board of Directors, and Chair of the Membership Committee.

Dr. Dennehy received her BSN and FNP from Sonoma State University, MSN from the University of California San Francisco and DNP from Rush University. In 2012 she was the recipient of the James Irvine Leadership award for her “creative and inspirational leadership benefiting the people of California” for increasing the access to primary care through the use of nurse practitioner providers in expanded roles. In 2014 she received the Dr. Francis Curry Award for promoting the role of nurses in primary care.