

Patricia Brownell Biographical Statement

Patricia Brownell, PhD, is Associate Professor Emerita of Social Service at Fordham University and Emerita Scholar, Ravazzin Center on Aging. Dr. Brownell is Immediate Past President of the National Committee for the Prevention of Elder Abuse, and has served as consultant to the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) for an Expert Group Meeting on Neglect, Abuse and Violence Against Older Women. She is a Past President of the State Society on Aging of New York and is a John A. Hartford Geriatric Social Work Faculty Scholar. Dr. Brownell was the former director of the Hartford Practicum Program for Aging Education (HPPAE) at the Fordham University Graduate School of Social Service from 2007-11, and is currently serving on the research team of a project to better understand adult self-neglect, through the National Adult Protective Services Association, with Dr. Ernst and others.

Dr. Brownell has been a member of INPEA since 2000 and served INPEA for over a decade as the Main UN NGO Representative in UNHQ NYC.