

# **Karra Bikson**

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Medical social worker with research focus on organizational change and diffusion of innovation.

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## **Biography**

Dr. Bikson is a clinical associate professor in the Virtual Academic Center. Bikson's career integrates social work education, practice and research, with an emphasis in health care and gerontology. She has taught social welfare policy and advocacy, research and program evaluation, human behavior in the social environment, gerontology, grief and bereavement, death and dying. Bikson's clinical work primarily has been in the area of palliative care, hospice and emergency department practice. Her research interests have multiple foci, including innovation diffusion, organizational change, interdisciplinary team service technology, primarily employing case study and qualitative research methodologies. Bikson's current research centers on palliative care as an innovative interdisciplinary team technology.

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## **Industry Expertise**

Research, Education/Learning

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## **Areas of Expertise**

Advocacy and Social Justice, Organizational Change, Hospice and Palliative Care, Death and Dying, Health Policy, Social Work Education, Social Work, Gerontology, Grief and Bereavement, Human Behavior, Social Welfare Policy, Medical Social Work

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## **Affiliations**

American Society on Aging (ASA), Gerontological Society of America (GSA), National Association of Social Workers (NASW), Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (SPSSI), Society for Social Work & Research (SSWR), Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)

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## **Education**

**University of California**  
PhD Social Welfare

**University of California**  
MSW Social Work

**San Francisco State University**  
MA Gerontology

**University of California**  
BA Psychology

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## **Accomplishments**

**Young Investigators Award**  
2010 American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine

**Paper Award,**  
2010 American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine (AAHPM)

**Scholarship Award**  
2007 College of Palliative Care, AAHPM Annual Assembly

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