

Biography



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Ruth Ellen Ryan earned Bachelor of Arts and Master of Social Work degrees from the University of Michigan. Subsequently, she graduated summa cum laude from San Francisco State University with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. After serving in various clinical positions as a Registered Nurse, she was a Case Manager, Quality Director, and Senior Risk Management Educator in hospital and insurance settings.

Ruth was a longtime Board member of the New Orleans Association for Healthcare Quality (NOAHQ) organizing educational conferences. She worked for the Risk Management Department of LAMMICO for 10 years and is a Certified Professional in Healthcare Risk Management. She conceived and built the Continuing Medical Education program that enabled LAMMICO to launch Medical Interactive—a division offering an online catalog of risk management education products reaching tens of thousands of physicians and nurses and hundreds of institutions. She created MI's Diagnosis University, a collection of CME activities on diagnostic error.

Ruth was a Founding Board member and Secretary of the Society to Improve Diagnosis in Medicine (SIDM), serving on the Board of Directors from 2011-2018. She chaired the 2018 Diagnostic Error in Medicine Conference. She now lives in Chelsea, Michigan where she is a consulting medical writer and editor with a special interest in risk management and diagnostic safety.