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Dr. Miranda Sue Terry earned her PhD in Community Health, specializing in Disability Studies at University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. She is the director of Public Health Programs and an associate professor at Tennessee State University. She previously served as the chair of the Department of Applied Health Sciences, Public and Community Health Program Director, and associate professor at Murray State University in Kentucky. Her research interests are diverse, spanning Disability Studies, Gender and Women’s Studies, and Public Health. Her overall research objective is to improve the rights and lives of people with disabilities as well as addressing health disparities. Dr. Terry serves on the board of Trust Yourself, Inc. (TN). Dr. Terry previously served on the board of the Kentucky Public Health Association and has served on boards of several community organizations, such as CASA by the Lakes (KY) and Purchase Area Sexual Assault and Child Advocacy Center (KY). Dr. Terry was elected to serve as a school board member of Murray Independent School District (KY) in 2018. She has been a consultant with the Marshall County Health Department in rural Western Kentucky since 2021, assisting with the community health assessment process and providing data analytic services. She has been recognized for her work with vulnerable populations, through both her service and research, by being honored with awards, such as the Paul Mason Award by the Kentucky Public Health Association in April 2019, Rotarian of the Year by the Rotary Club of Murray in 2018, and Murray State University School of Nursing and Health Professions Outstanding Researcher Award in 2017.

