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She is currently exploring the nature of peer coaching, mentoring circles, and developmental networks as part of her ongoing program of research on relational learning, and leadership development. She is a founding member of the Center for Research on Emotional Intelligence in Organizations (CREIO). During 2000-2001, she served as a visiting scholar at the Center for Creative Leadership (CCL) during which time she worked on a study of executive coaching and its role in developing emotional competence in leaders. She served as a member of CCL’s Board of Governors from 2002-2009.

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In collaboration with Dr. Wendy Murphy, she is currently working on a new book entitled Relationships That Matter: Creating Connections at Work with Meaning and Purpose to be published during the summer of 2014 by McGraw-Hill.