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**WISE & HEALTHY AGING'S MONIKA WHITE RECEIVES LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

**SANTA MONICA (July 11, 2008)** – Monika White, Ph.D., executive vice president for External Affairs and Program Innovation at WISE & Healthy Aging, was recently presented with the California Council on Gerontology and Geriatrics (CCGG) Lifetime Achievement Award in Sacramento. CCGG recognizes and highlights outstanding contributions in geriatrics and gerontology made by nonacademic professionals who have exemplified the CCGG goal to enhance the well being of California's mature citizens.



Pictured with Monika White (l), is Linda Jones (r), Awards Chair of the California Council on Gerontology and Geriatrics.

Dr. White headed *Center for Healthy Aging*, which merged with WISE Senior Services in late 2007 to become *WISE & Healthy Aging*. The nonprofit agency is nationally known for its extensive programming and services for older adults.

A Santa Monica resident, Dr. White's efforts in education and research include the development and teaching of courses on case management; training for professionals and volunteers; coordination of staff and program development at her own and other agencies; work with Multi-Purpose Senior Services Program (MSSP), Linkages, and public guardian programs; the publication of 40 articles and book chapters on case management, program development; and the development of home care model demonstration programs. She has received numerous awards for professional contributions to social work and care management, including an American Society on Aging award for contributions to the field of aging.

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