

## Judy Lukas Arnold



Judy Lukas Arnold, a graduate of the University Of Tennessee School Of Social Work, retired in June, 2011. With over 33 years of service, Ms Arnold served in seven VA's and at the time of her retirement was Chief of Social Work Service Eastern Kansas (Topeka/Leavenworth).

She served on several National Committees as well as Chair of the Social Work Leadership Council. She was instrumental in promoting the "Memory Keeper" Program which was developed at EKHCS. Ms. Arnold was a Leadership VA alumni and recipient of the 2009 National VA Social Work Award for Excellence in Social Work Administration. During her last year of service, Ms Arnold assisted in the development of the core curriculum for the Customer Service module in the VA Social Work Leadership Training: The Legacy of Leadership: A Roadmap to Success.

Ms. Arnold was not only active within the VA system; she was involved in social work activities at the state and national levels. She was a leader in the MOKAN Chapter of the Society for Social Work Leadership in Health Care. On the national level she received the Society for Social Work Leadership in Health Care's 2010 "Health Care Social Work Leader of the Year Award for Distinguished Leadership". She continues to serve as President of the Association of VA Social Workers until January, 2012.