

INTRODUCTION

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Dr. Virginia VICENTI received her secondary teacher certification after receiving a Bachelor of Science in Home Economics and a chemistry minor from Mansfield University of Pennsylvania, Master of Science and Ph.D. degrees in Home Economics Ed. with a minor in Individual and Family Studies from The Pennsylvania State University. She has taught home economics at the secondary level and was a Cooperative Extension Service county educator in Pennsylvania. She was on the faculty in the Dept. of Consumer Studies at the University of Massachusetts prior to becoming Professor in the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences at the University of Wyoming where she was Department Head and College of Agriculture Associate to the Dean for Special Projects. She has been President of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences, currently chairs of the Cross-organizational Taskforce for FCS Higher Education Program Advancement, and is Executive Editor of the Family and Consumer Sciences Research Journal.

Her scholarship has focused on strengthening the profession of home economics/family and consumer sciences.