

**CAROLYN G. PEABODY, PH. D., L.C.S.W., A.C.S.W.**, is Assistant Dean for East End Initiatives and Clinical Associate Professor at the School of Social Welfare, Stony Brook University. Dr. Peabody earned her Bachelor of Arts Degree from Fordham University in 1978, her Master of Social Work Degree from Stony Brook University in 1986 and her Doctorate in Sociology from Stony Brook University in 1998. She was appointed to the Commission in 1997 and is the Commission's liaison to the Southold Town Anti-Bias Task Force. Throughout her career, Dr. Peabody has worked to fight inequality and to support the empowerment of disenfranchised, stigmatized and oppressed individuals and communities. As a graduate student, she did her internship with the Suffolk County Human Rights Commission and the Sayville Project, an advocacy/empowerment community based program that assists people who have been involved in the public mental health system. Dr. Peabody was awarded a National Institute of Mental Health Traineeship and Clinical Training Fellowship which supported her work training and developing an advocacy/empowerment practice curriculum for graduate social work students working in the public mental health system. Dr. Peabody joined the faculty of Stony Brook University's School of Social Welfare in 1989. Since that time, Dr. Peabody has chaired and served on many committees and working groups charged with working for human and civil rights. For example, she served as the advisor to the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Social Worker Caucus, she co-chaired the Suffolk County and NYS NASW Lesbian & Gay Issues Committee, cochaired the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Faculty Staff Network and served on the Steering Committee for the President Clinton's Initiative on Race at Stony Brook. She served on the University President's Advisory Council on Diversity. Dr. Peabody also has served in various leadership capacities with community-based anti-bias organizations. She has served as chair and Vice-Chair the Southold Town Anti-Bias Task Force and as Co-Chair of the Administration of Justice Committee of the Suffolk County Human Rights Commission. In addition, Dr. Peabody has maintained a psychotherapy practice for the last 15 years, working predominantly with women and lesbians. She lives with Diane, her partner and recent spouse of 26 years in Orient Point, NY. She has 2 stepsons, David, a social work administrator with a large agency serving the greater New York area and Eric, a paralegal, part-time film maker and film festival organizer.