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Psychiatrist. Assistant professor at Cayetano Heredia Peruvian University (Department of Medicine, Unit of Psychiatry and Mental Health), visiting professor at Universidad Nacional Mayor de San Marcos and Universidad Federico Villareal, attending psychiatrist at Instituto Peruano de Paternidad Responsable (a branch of IPPF), where she is also an advisor in the AMA (Atención a la Mujer Ahora) project, which endeavors to protect the rights and improve services for women experiencing unwanted pregnancy. This work comprises training and empowering providers in the recognition and early management of common psychiatric symptoms in women of reproductive age.

Formerly Head psychiatrist, Clinica Baltazar Caravedo, Chorrillos (Lima), consulting psychiatrist at Southern Peru Limited and Attending psychiatrist, Hospital Nacional Edgardo Rebagliati, EsSalud, Lima, where she was in charge of supervision of services for chronic psychotic patients and adscribed to the Obstetrics Department (Critical care Unit in Obstetrics and Committee against Gender Based Violence)

Founder of the Grupo Impulsor de la Reforma, and member of the steering committee (2008 to present) This is a multidisciplinary group that endeavors to improve the situation of mental health care in Peru by means of advocacy and continuing education to mental health providers.

Consultant for the Ombudsman's Office, the Pan American Health Organization and Promsex.

Founder of the Peruvian Association for Women's Mental Health.

Chair, Section on Women's Mental Health, World Psychiatric Association, 2005-2008.

She was the first woman to be elected President of the Peruvian Psychiatric Association, for the period 2005-2006 and also the first woman to be elected Deputy Dean, Peruvian College of Physicians (2008-2009).

Dr. Rondón was a member of the Organizing Committee of the International Association of Women's Mental Health, 1999-2001. Subsequently, she has served as Secretary for the period 2008- 2011 and President Elect from 2011 to 2013. Currently she is starting her term as President of IAWMH.

Her interests lie within the realm of human rights and the right of women to health, and mental health in particular. Consequently she has looked at the social determinants of women's mental health, the management of depression and other common psychiatric disorders in a primary care setting and she is the author of several articles and book chapters on these topics. She has worked in the supervision of human rights and quality of services for persons with mental illness, the draft of the National Plan for Mental Health in Peru, and the impact of sexual and reproductive rights on the emotional wellbeing of women.

She has been the editor of *Mujer y Salud Mental* (1997 – 2000) and sits in the Editorial Board, *Revista Peruana de NeuroPsiquiatría* and in the Advisory Committee of *World Psychiatry* (Spanish Edition).

The World Psychiatric Association has recognized her as an Honorary Member (2005) and the Peruvian College of Physicians awarded her the medal and Honor Diploma for her contributions to health care in Peru in 2007.