

## **Rhonda Billie Jo Elerson**

University of North Texas  
Denton, TX 76203-1280  
Phone: (682)552-9145  
fmelerson@yahoo.com

### **ACADEMIC HISTORY**

Dec 2003-present **University of North Texas**  
Undergraduate student majoring in Psychology  
August 2001- Dec 03 **Tarrant County Community College**  
Received Associate Degree in Psychology

### **PUBLIC SERVICE**

Nov 2003-present **Dallas HIV Clinic**  
Pre and Post test counseling (pending)

### **ACADEMIC HONORS**

August 2001- Dec 03 **Phi Theta Kappa Society**  
International Scholastic Society for two year Colleges  
Dec 2004 **Phi Kappa Phi** (National Honor Society)

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Dallas HIV Clinic (pending)  
Center for Psychosocial Health (UNT) **University of North Texas: Research Associate**  
to Mark Vosvick, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Psychology. Developing and overseeing  
in the conceptualization, development, data collection, and data analyses of the message  
framing project, dealing with the delivery of health messages and how to reframe their  
contents to ensure higher adherence. Other research projects: primary prevention study  
investigating correlates of HIV-related stigma in undergraduates, study investigating  
barriers for ethnic minority women seeking health care, growing up positive study  
investigating psychosocial factors effecting youth growing up HIV positive.

### **RESEARCH INTERESTS/ACTIVITIES**

Current research interests involve the intervention and assessment of coping mechanisms  
for depression, stress, anxiety, and the general quality of life. Rhonda is currently in her  
third semester of research for the Center for Psychosocial Health.