

Dr. Ellen E. Grant, PhD, LCSW-R who considers herself a SERVANT LEADER, currently works as Executive Director, Corporate Social Responsibility, Diversity & Inclusion for Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center. In this role she interacts with community organizations in supporting many of the initiatives which align with the Roswell Park mission.

Most recently, Dr. Grant served as Deputy Mayor to Mayor Byron Brown for seven years.

A graduate of the State University of the State of NY, Ellen has over 25 years in health, behavioral health, education and human services. Her past leadership positions include Fellow, Say Yes to Education National Office, Commissioner, Erie County Department of Mental Health, CEO, Niagara Falls Medical Center. She has taught at the undergraduate and graduate level in college & university positions. (State University of New York at Buffalo, D'Youville University). She is also a licensed clinical social worker and executive coach.

She is also an author. More recently, January 2021, she published, "The Female Worker's Fourteen Commandments for Powering Up your Career". (Available on Amazon).

Ellen has received a number of awards at the local and state level, including Western New York Women's Hall of Fame. She received an Honorary Doctorate from Medaille College in 1992.

Her voluntary work includes Compeer, emeritus status on the State University of NY at Buffalo Foundation, WNY Women's Foundation. She continues to serve on the Advisory Board, the Black Women's Health Study, Boston University, the largest health research study of its kind in the US for Black women's health. She is past national Co-Chair of this program.

Three years ago, she started a not for profit organization, Women Who Lead, a women's mentoring program to match mentors with mentees. This program is currently under the auspice of the Western New York Women's Foundation.

Three years ago she also began an Award program called DivHERsity to celebrate 7th and 8th grade girls in a charter school, Buffalo Public School and rural(Springville) school. Girls who achieved academic growth and exhibit good citizenship are honored.