

Guide to the Barbara Atkinson oral history interview

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Summary Information

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Names and Subjects

- Oral histories (document genres)
- Women in medicine
- Medicine
- Medical education
- Discrimination
- Medical personnel
- Reno (Nev.)
- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Snyder, Donald D., 1947-
- UNLV School of Medicine