



**Collection #:** MSS 1019  
**Name:** Vera Tellis Papers  
**Dates:** 1969-1986, n.d  
**Size:** .5 cf.  
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**Citation:** Waring Historical Library, MUSC

**Biographical Note:**

Vera Tellis was born in Charleston, SC on January 16, 1931. After graduating from the Medical College of the State of South Carolina, School of Pharmacy, she and her brother, and classmate, Anthony James Tellis opened, owned, and operated Tellis Pharmacy at 125 King Street in Charleston. She also worked at the Medical University Hospital Pharmacy. Throughout the years, Tellis provided many services to the residents in the area; such as supplying medicine, toiletries, over-the-counter remedies and other items. In 1988, after retiring from her pharmacy job at the Medical University Hospital, Tellis became the head pharmacist of Tellis Pharmacy. In 2012, Vera and her sister Alice Tellis Critikos, with whom she operated Tellis Pharmacy after their brother Anthony's death, permanently closed the pharmacy and retired.

**Scope and Content Note:**

The Vera Tellis Papers, 1969-1986, n.d, .5 cf., are an inventory of notes that Tellis collected during her time at the Medical University Hospital Pharmacy and Tellis Pharmacy, as well as digital images scanned from her personal photograph collection. The pharmacy notes contain her clinical notes on cataracts, diagrams and glossary, formulas and miscellaneous treatments, glaucoma drugs, handouts, and additional miscellaneous information. The diagrams and glossary notes contain a list of different medical definitions and hand-drawn diagrams. Also included are notes about the Charleston County Pharmaceutical Association, including meeting notes, correspondence, program bulletins, and other miscellaneous items. Also included is a DVD on which are stored scans of photographs from Tellis's personal collection, including from an international pharmacy conference she attended in Greece circa 1960. This collection is arranged alphabetically by folder heading.

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**Subject Headings:**

Tellis, Vera b. 1931

Medical University of South Carolina |bHospital.

Medical College for the State of South Carolina |b School of Pharmacy

Medical Education

Education, Pharmacy

Charleston County Pharmaceutical Association (S.C.)

Pharmacology, Clinical – methods

Photographs

**Inventory:**

Box 1:

Folder 1: Cataracts

Folder 2: Charleston County Pharmaceutical Association

Folder 3: Diagrams and Glossary

Folder 4: Formulas and Miscellaneous Treatments

Folder 5: Glaucoma Drugs

Folder 6: Handouts

Folder 7: Miscellaneous Information

Folder 8: Photographs (on dvd)