

Medi-Cal Peer Certification Stakeholder Advisory Council Member

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Maria Arteaga is the Cultural Competency/ Diversity/ Ethnic Services/Peer Empowerment Manager for Santa Barbara County. Prior to being contracted by Santa Barbara County, Maria worked in the public service field since 1992 and the mental health field for Ventura County since 2000 performing various roles, such as Mental Health Associate, Peer and Family Advocate, Policy and Procedure/Mandatory Training Manager and Health Equity/Ethnics Services Manager. Through Maria's current and past employments, she has advocated and made developments for peer service programming, cultural competency trainings, underrepresented and marginalized communities of color and helped reduce mental health and drug service disparities.