

Biography

Marina Diaz, MHSA

Ms. Marina Diaz, MHSA was appointed as the Director of the CMS Puerto Rico on June 27, 2016. She is a highly qualified health care professional with significant experience in healthcare administration and health services innovation.

Previous to joining CMS Marina was CEO of SALUS Clinic, where she led the initial phase of the transformation of this multi-specialty practice formerly known as Clinica Las Americas de Guaynabo.

Considered an expert in the the development of innovative behavioral healthcare delivery systems, and a passionate believer in the Possibility of Recovery from Mental Health Challenges, Marina was the first Administrator of First Hospital Panamericano in 1987 and created the Managed Behavioral Healthcare organization called FHC in 1996.

She holds a Master's Degree in Health Services Administration from the University Of Puerto Rico School Of Public Health since 1985. That same year she moved to New York in order to conduct a post Master Fellowship at the Elmhurst Hospital in Queens; were Marina was later recruited to serve as its Patient Advocate. This experience shaped her career as a health care professional and inspired her to applying quality driven, patient centric culture in every healthcare setting or initiative she has been exposed to.

She shares her life and passion for a healthy living with Roberto Acevedo, also a Health Care Administrator, and her two children, Ninna and Roberto.