

Monsalve-Serna, Myriam, LMFT

Education/Degrees

- **University of Miami**, Miami FL **1985**
M.S. Ed in Marriage and Family Therapy
- **Universidad Nacional de Colombia**, Bogota Colombia **1971**
Bachelor's Degree in Psychology

Professional Experience

- **Center for Community Learning, Inc. - Founder, President**
2000 – Present
Provide leadership in the planning, implementation and evaluation of grants and contracts granted to Center for Community Learning, Inc. Provide ongoing technical support to local and national organization through several contracts. Serve as consultant in the field of cultural and linguistic competence and related fields.
- **Technical Assistance Network for Children's Behavioral Health - Co-leader with the University of South Florida, Children and Family Services**
October 2013 – Present
Participate as a member of the technical assistance network. This network supports the University of Maryland School of Social Work, Institute for Innovation and Implementation ("The Institute"), as it serves as a technical assistance center for the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Children's Mental Health Initiative (CMHI), and the communities and states funded to implement systems of care for children and families via the CMHI. Provide technical assistance (TA) and training to system of care grantees who want to address the needs of children, youth and families facing challenges related to ethnic/racial diversity. Develop materials and products and provide information, training, technical assistance, and evaluation consultation about cultural and linguistic competence. Provide TA to system-of-care states and communities, connecting them to program partners, peer mentors, and consultants. Serve as a member of the Leadership Team of the TA Network, participating in Governance activities and meetings, including strategic plan development and implementation.
- **One Community Partnership 2 Grant- Cultural & Linguistic Competency Consultant**
2014-Present
Assure that the values and principles of the System of Care are implemented within a framework of cultural and linguistic competence. Attend and participate in community stakeholders meetings. Establish and maintain Co-chairs for the Cultural Competence Sub-committee. Review existing cultural competency materials and provide suggestions for implementation. Develop cultural and linguistic survey to determine needs. Develop Cultural Linguistic Plans in partnership with stakeholders, providers, and families. Provide leadership training to families and youth as necessary. Provide technical assistance to providers, consumers, courts, etc. Facilitate Florida Certification of peers.

Facilitate Peer Specialist coaching and support meetings. Assist the Project Director in the preparation of the Implementation Grant application.

- **South Florida Behavioral Health Network, FACES – Coordinator of Cultural & Linguistic Competency**

2010-2015

Serve in a key decision-making role within the South Florida System of Care. Participate as a team leader for the FACES program. Assist leadership, management, staff, families, youth, contractors and all other system partners to ensure compliance with culturally and linguistically competent practices in all aspects of the system of care. Provide technical assistance and support to the Federation of Families, and Youth Move, Miami Dade Chapters.

- **ConnectFamilias (formerly called Abriendo Puertas Inc.)**

1995 – 2013

Served as a member of the leadership team. Assisted with the design, implementation and evaluation of ConnectFamilias service delivery. Maintained an efficient, consistent, and holistic network of coordinated services that increased the safety and well being of children, youth, and their families. Expanded families' informal support networks and connected natural helpers with formal resources. Co-created and implemented a comprehensive curriculum to help Community Health Workers/Promotoras to address mental health disparities. Developed culturally appropriate practices with a focus on building capacity for the engagement of community leaders.

Honors/Awards

Fellow: Annie E Casey Foundation Fellowship program, Baltimore Maryland

Licenses:

Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)