

## Alameda County of bh Behavioral Health Care Services

MENTAL HEALTH & SUBSTANCE USE SERVICES

## Welcome, Wendi Vargas Contracts Unit Director

ACBH is pleased to announce the appointment of **Ms. Wendi** Vargas as the department's **Contracts Director. This position is** within the Contracts Unit of the Finance Division.

Wendi's appointment is effective June 12, 2022 and she reports directly to Cecilia Serrano, Finance Director and works closely with Rickie Lopez, Assistant Finance Director serving as Lead for the Contracts Unit.

Wendi joined ACBH Finance as Assistant Contracts Director in 2011. Wendi was previously with ACBH as a Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Planner, and has held prior positions within Alameda County, Contra Costa County and non-profit Community-Based Organizations focused on planning and evaluation for health and human services programs. Wendi also has experience providing direct health services to clients.

As the Contracts Director, Wendi will be leading, managing and directing the Contracts Unit in the procurement and administration of mental health and substance use disorder contracts, including contract development, negotiations, renewals and budget planning. Wendi will provide leadership to the full implementation of the Contract Lifecycle Management system and continued roll-out of the Finance Restructuring in partnership with Budget and Fiscal Services.

Wendi holds a Masters of Public Health degree from the Graduate School of Public Health at San Diego State University.

Please join us in congratulating **Ms. Vargas** in her new appointment.



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