



ARCA Web Academy

- a training event for regional center board members -

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In this training session, we'll explore questions like how boards can help bring new members in, and support them through mentorship and accessible materials. And we'll also look at how boards maintain a culture where discussions and meetings are productive and conflicts are well-managed.

AGENDA

1pm – Welcome, Introductions

Kathy Hebert, President, ARCA Board of Directors

Amy Westling, Executive Director, ARCA

Daniel Savino, Government Affairs Director, ARCA

1:05pm – Helping New Board Members Succeed

Regina Birdsell, Southern California Center for Nonprofit Management

1:20pm – Leadership Matters:

How to Recruit and Retain for a Strong Board

Meg Storer, 211 San Diego

1:35pm – Best Practices in Recruiting Qualified Board Members

Pamela Kerman, San Andreas Regional Center

1:45pm – Connecting, Character, and COVID

Dan Strauss, Far Northern Regional Center

1:55pm – Question and Answer

All presenters

2:10pm – Breakout Sessions

Group discussions of your center's work

2:25pm – Closing Remarks

About The ARCA Web Academy

The Association of Regional Center Agencies (ARCA) represents the California's network of 21 regional centers, serving over 350,000 Californian children and adults with developmental disabilities.

In mid-2019, several ARCA board members were discussing the interest their regional centers' boards had in training and professional development opportunities. They brought forward the idea of a training event, open to all regional center boards, meant to bring board members together to learn best practices, improve their oversight skills, and generally support their work as the people in charge of large non-profits.

The ARCA Board of Directors formally approved the idea, and through the work of ARCA staff, under the direction of an *ad hoc* committee, an event was held in February 2020, tailored to best meet the development needs of all attendees. Over one hundred attendees from every regional center joined this day-long event, featuring plenary speakers and breakout sessions. More information is available at <https://www.cal-collab.net/academy2020/>

Based on participant and ARCA Board feedback, it was decided that additional trainings should be developed. With the COVID-19 pandemic, those trainings were converted to webinars, providing additional flexibility in scheduling and participation. Webinars and supporting materials are archived at <http://cal-collab.net/web-academies>

Thank you for joining us, and for your commitment to ensuring that California's regional centers can continue to work to meet the needs of people with developmental disabilities.