



# ARCA Web Academy

*- a training event for regional center board members -*

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# Boards In The Community

*Beyond administration, as a board member, you play a key role in connecting to community members, partners, stakeholders, and legislators. In this webinar, we'll explore the best ways to do this. Speakers will cover key legal basics, regional center examples, and a guest speaker from a nonprofit outside our system to show how some principles are universal!*

## AGENDA

### **1pm – Welcome, Introductions**

Kathy Hebert, President, ARCA Board of Directors

Amy Westling, Executive Director, ARCA

Daniel Savino, Government Affairs Director, ARCA

### **1:05pm – Legal Considerations**

Erin Bradrick, NEO Law Group

### **1:20pm – Outreach In Affordable Housing**

William Pickel, Housing California

### **1:35pm – Legislative Advocacy and “The Advocats”**

Audrey DeChadenedes, Golden Gate Regional Center

### **1:45pm – Bridging The Cultural Gap**

Pamela Kerman, San Andreas 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 <http://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.

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.