

Steve Barrow is the Program Director of the California Coalition for Children's Safety and Health (CCCSH), and Advocates for Health Economics and Development (AHEAD), a Policy Program of CCCSH. He also serves as the Project Director and is one of the Co-Chairs of the California Unintentional Injury Prevention Strategic Plan Project, which is housed under CCCSH. The primary focus of CCCSH is to advance best practice policies, programs and resources, to help improve children's health and safety in California. The CA Unintentional Injury Prevention Strategic Plan Project's primary focus is to end unintentional injury's reign as the leading cause of death and hospitalization of California's children and youth.

The AHEAD program's primary focus is the health and economic conditions of people living in rural and urban underserved communities of California. Focusing on Steve's knowledge of rural health in California, Governor Jerry Brown appointed him to serve as a state Commissioner on California's Emergency Medical Services Commission.

Steve has worked for over 34 years in the health and human service arena in California, primarily with a focus on policy development, systems change, and building state and local policy and issue-based coalitions and collaboratives. During this time Steve has served on the Board of Directors and as the director of governmental affairs for a variety of organizations, including: California State Rural Health Association, California Common Cause, University of San Diego's Children's Advocacy Institute and Center for Public Interest Law, CA Budget Project, California Coalition for Children's Safety and Health, California Immunization Coalition, California Children's Advocates Roundtable, California Adolescent Health, California Dental Health Foundation's Advisory Committee, California Telehealth Network, and Prevent Child Abuse California.

Over the last 30+ years Steve has been involved in a number of landmark and successful policy and legislative efforts involving many of California's laws focused on preventing unintentional injury, expanding telehealth in California, advancing infectious disease prevention and vaccine policies, reforming the Medical Board of California, reforming California's child care health and safety licensing system, improving California's child abuse prevention investigative laws. He has served on a number of other state agency advisory boards, most recently the California Workforce Investment Board's Healthcare Workforce Development Council, OSHPD's on-line Clearing House on healthcare workforce Advisory Board, OSHPD's Career Pathway Mental Health Occupation Subcommittee. He is also experienced working with organizations utilizing California's legal system to advance health and safety for children, and was the plaintiff in the Children's Advocacy Institute's two successful cases -- Barrow vs. CDHS in 1996, requiring all playgrounds in California to be based on new safety regulations, and recently Barrow vs. Chapman/CDPH in 2014, reforming the Kids Plate funding program for unintentional injury prevention.

As one of the state Commissioners on the California EMS Commission, he supports California's Emergency Medical Services Authority agency in carrying out its responsibilities to oversee California's emergency medical services involving California's trauma centers, paramedic and EMT training, licensure and discipline, EMS

for children, pre-hospital emergency transportation, EMS disaster planning, poison control system, and school bus and child care health and safety training and CPR training.

Steve has served in the foundation world as a senior Program Officer for Sierra Health Foundation from 1996-1999 overseeing the Foundation's "Community Partnership for Healthy Children" initiative, with community collaborations in 26 northern California inland counties.

He is also a grant writer, strategic planner and facilitator consultant.

Steve is married to Guillermina (Alexis) Esparza, has six children. Alexis and Steve live in Antelope California with their three young boys. His other adult children live nearby in northern California. Over his life Steve has had a wide range of other work experiences ranging from logging to being an EMT II paramedic, and in the 1970s as an advocate and support staff for University of California at Davis' program for accessibility rights and services for persons with disabilities. He has been a soccer coach for more than 20 years, coaching more than 45 teams and more than 600 children and youth, and is a Regional Referee and Intermediate Referee Candidate.

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