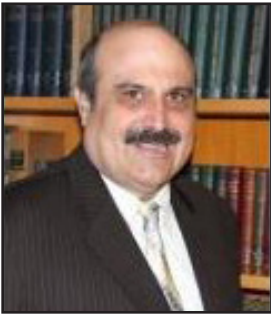


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STEPHEN T. BARON

Stephen T. Baron is the Director of the Department of Behavioral Health where he leads the development and management of the District's mental and substance use disorder treatment services and supports. Before joining District government, Mr. Baron was president of Baltimore Mental Health

Systems, Inc. for 17 years where he developed a range of innovative community-based programs for adults, increased affordable housing for people with mental illness, and expanded school-based and early childhood mental health services.

Mr. Baron has received numerous awards and honors, including the Champion Award from the D.C. Mental Health Association. He holds a MSW degree from Howard University and his field placement was with the Saint Elizabeths Hospital outpatient program. He received a B.S. in Social Welfare from Adelphi University in Garden City, New York. Mr. Baron serves as secretary on the Board of Directors of the National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors Research Institute (NRI).



BARBARA J. BAZRON, PH.D.

Dr. Bazron is currently Senior Deputy Director of Programs and Policy at the District of Columbia Department of Behavioral Health. In this role, she oversees children, youth and adult services, emergency and disaster planning, housing, forensic

services, care coordination services, and provider relations. She has more than 20 years of experience serving in executive leadership positions within the fields of education, mental health and addictions.



MARIE MORILUS-BLACK, LCSW-R

Marie Morilus-Black is currently the Director of Child and Youth Services for the District of Columbia. During the last five years, Marie has re-engaged the children's public mental health provider network to focus on improving the quality of care in the

service delivery system, with an emphasis on family and youth voice and using System of Care Principles when serving children and families in the community. She has also re-engaged the superior court of the District of Columbia, child and family advocates and other child serving agencies to partner with the children mental health division to bring a cadre of Evidence Based Practices into the District continuum of care. Since her arrival in DC, she has centralized the process by which youth enter Psychiatric Residential facilities across the District.

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She has also provided funding for the Family Organizations to provide support to families with children experiencing serious behavioral health issues. Under her leadership, the children system has made enough progress thereby contributing to the preliminary exit agreement with the plaintiff council to resolve the 37 year old Dixon law suit.