

Ellen Sachs Leicher, MHCA
Program Manager, Dental Services

Ellen Sachs Leicher's role within the Office of Community Programs is to oversee the MassHealth Access Program's dental projects and the Central Mass Oral Health Initiative grant related activities. This work entails program design and development, project implementation and management, grant writing and grant administration. The dental programs have grown to include: (1) grant funds to non-profit and public entities to develop and expand dental services within the public school system and community health centers; (2) scholarship and loan repayment funds to encourage public health dentistry; (3) the establishment of a dental residency program within the Medical School; and (4) outreach, education and promotion of dental health.

Ms. Sachs Leicher is the founder of ESL Associates. She has over twenty years of experience in health care management and over ten years in managed care. Since founding her business in 1995, ESL Associates, Inc. has provided strategic planning, product development and implementation, grant writing and business planning services to a variety of health care and social service agency clients. Before founding ESL Associates, Ms. Sachs Leicher was the Director of Planning and Development for the Fallon Clinic and Fallon Community Health Plan, Manager of Group Model HMOs at BC/BS and Project Manager with a Washington, D.C based consulting firm.

Ms. Sachs Leicher is an active member in her community, having designed and implemented several health and educational programs in the public school system. She has also served on three Boards of Directors: Upsala Street Apartments, a low income, non-profit assisted living facility; Meyers Primary Care Institute, an organization established to provide education and research in primary care; and Girls Inc., an organization devoted to helping girls achieve their full potential.

Ms. Sachs Leicher has a Bachelor of Arts from University of Rochester and a Masters in Health Care Administration from George Washington University.