

Introduction of Los Angeles Director for the LAOCRC

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Colleagues, please join me in welcoming our new LAOCRC – LA Director, Karen Childers, on board. We are off to a Regional Consortia Retreat in San Diego this week and she will be contacting the LA Sub-Regional Colleges next week to get on your calendars.

Karen Childers is the LA Director for the LAOCRC, working with the 19 colleges within the Los Angeles boundaries of the regional consortium. Childers holds master's degrees in Educational Counseling and Guidance (CSUSB) and Business Administration (University of La Verne) and is currently a doctoral student at California State University, San Bernardino. Childers brings more than 20 years of experience in workforce development and higher education CTE, grant development and management, and community relations. Most recently, Childers served as Director of Development and Community Relations at San Bernardino Valley College, where she was active with CTE programs seeking funding from SWP and other sources. She also served as Executive Director of the San Bernardino Valley College Foundation.



Childers has a passion for connecting students with their educational goals, especially as they relate to employment and achievement of a living wage. She worked as a policies & procedures writer with the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) passed, and she wrote her first grant during that time with the goal of connecting youth ex-offenders with employment-related training. She later worked with the GEAR UP programs at CSUSB and Cal Poly Pomona, and as SB70 CTE Grant Coordinator at Chaffey College.

Childers is a Rotarian and a member of the CSUSB Alumni Association Board, where she chairs the Alumni Association scholarship subcommittee. In the spring of 2018, Childers was selected by CCCAOE to co-chair the Scholarly Research Committee. She is currently a reviewer for another scholarly journal, and she looks forward to continuing partnership with CCCAOE.

Childers lives in Claremont with her family and dogs.

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