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Regional Center of Orange County Appoints New Board Member

Maritza Bravo of Anaheim to Serve One-Year Term through January 10, 2019

Santa Ana, CA (Feb., 2018) – The Board of Directors of [Regional Center of Orange County](#) has appointed Anaheim’s Maritza Bravo to serve a one-year term that began in January and continues through January 10, 2019. This is an unpaid volunteer position.

Maritza Bravo has been a special education instructional aide with the Garden Grove Unified School District for 19 years. It was her own daughter’s major medical challenges -- which led to extensive hospitalization in a neonatal intensive care unit and brought her into contact with many caring healthcare professionals -- that led Maritza to choose a career helping those with disabilities, and to pursue a position on RCOC’s Board. Maritza has been a certified volunteer Special Olympics coach in basketball, floor hockey, gymnastics and tennis for the past 17 years, is certified in Professional Assault Response Training, and is a trained intervener for deaf/blind students. She was also an adult residential certified employee for a private, nonprofit program that provided activities and training for adults with disabilities. As an outgrowth of her passion for student and family advocacy, Maritza also formed a bilingual parent support group; in this capacity, she has been able to help families with emotional support and translation as they deal with their children’s challenges.



Maritza Bravo, newly-appointed RCOC Board member

About Regional Center of Orange County

Regional Center of Orange County is the private, nonprofit organization contracted by the State of California to coordinate life-long services and supports to more than 21,000 Orange County residents with developmental disabilities and their families. Developmental disabilities include intellectual disabilities, autism, epilepsy and cerebral palsy. Learn more at www.rcocdd.com.

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