

**Biography**  
**Ileen Sylvester (Village of Ekwok), Executive Vice President of Executive and Tribal Services**  
**Southcentral Foundation**

Ileen Sylvester, a leader in Alaska Native health care administration, has served on Southcentral Foundation's leadership team since 1995. She manages and directs the day-to-day operations of Tribal relations and village initiatives for health care delivery to 55 rural villages, traditional healing, youth and elder programming, public relations and corporate communications, intergovernmental affairs, and more. Ileen also contributes to regional and statewide health initiatives – building relationships on boards and committees such as the Alaska Native Health Board, Alaska Tribal Health Directors, Public Health Accreditation Advisory Committee, and the Alaska Native Women's Sexual Assault Committee. She is also the alternate Alaska Tribes representative on the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Secretary's Tribal Advisory Committee, and the primary representative for Alaska on the Tribal Self-Governance Tribal Advisory Committee. A strong collaborator, Ileen serves as a liaison between many other boards, and leadership teams, including the Elder Council, Village Service Management Team, and partnering Alaska Native nonprofit organizations.