BARBARA CIMAGLIO DEPUTY COMMISSIONER VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

BIOGRAPHY

Barbara Cimaglio is the Deputy Commissioner for Alcohol and Drug Abuse Programs at the Vermont Department of Health (VDH). She is a nationally recognized leader in the field of alcohol and drug abuse prevention, treatment and recovery. Her career spans over 40 years of service at the state and local level. Prior to joining VDH in 2004, Ms. Cimaglio directed the Office of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Programs for the State of Oregon (1997-2004), and held the position of Director of the Department of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse for the State of Illinois from 1994 – 1997. She began her state service with the Illinois Department of Alcoholism and Substance abuse in 1988 as a Prevention Manager and subsequently directed the Prevention Division prior to assuming the directorship of the Department.

Ms. Cimaglio has been instrumental in the development of alcohol and drug abuse systems of care at the state level. She is currently on the Board of the National Association of State Alcohol & Drug Abuse Directors, and has been a leader in that organization since her time in Illinois. As a founding member of the Illinois Substance Abuse Counselor Certification Board, Ms. Cimaglio helped develop on of the first state credentials recognizing counselors in this field. She began her own career as a counselor and program director for Youth Outreach Services, an agency serving adolescents and families in the City of Chicago.

Ms. Cimaglio received her education at the University of Illinois and holds a B.A. degree in psychology; she studied at the graduate level at Governor's State University in Illinois.