

SANDRA KING YOUNG

Biography

Sandra King Young is currently the Director of the American Samoa Medicaid State Agency, a position she assumed after serving as Chairman of the Board of the LBJ Hospital in early 2013.

Prior to her position at Medicaid, she was the Founder and Executive Director of the Pacific Island Center for Educational Development (PiCED) from 2002 to 2012; a non-profit organization helping parents as teachers and helping prepare children for college. She spent 10 years in Washington, D.C. working in various senior policy positions and advocacy roles: as a federally registered lobbyist before Congress, federal and state agencies; a political appointee in President Bill Clinton's administration as Deputy Director of the Office of Insular Affairs, in the U.S. Department of Interior; a professional Democratic staffer for the late U.S. Senator Daniel K. Inouye on the U.S. Senate Rules Committee and on his personal staff, focusing on Pacific Island appropriations and program issues in health, education and labor. She also served as the National Outreach Director for the Asian Pacific Islanders community in the 2000 Presidential election for Vice President Al Gore and Senator Joe Lieberman Campaign.

Sandra has many years of financial experience from her executive leadership roles and as a small business owner—including developing/managing budgets and budget forecasts, designing financial plans aligned to strategic plans, writing grants and financial reporting, directing financial analyses, reviewing/responding to audits and analyzing financial reports.

She received her law degree from the George Washington University Law School, her Bachelors of Arts in Political Science from Loyola Marymount University and is an alumna of the Stanford Graduate School of Business Executive Program in Social Entrepreneurship. Sandra was raised and educated in American Samoa where she lives with her husband and three sons.