Name: Brenda Guerrero

Discipline: Occupational Therapy

Past/current experiences working in the field of disabilities:

I've been a caregiver for my sister with Down Syndrome. I've also worked as a BT/RBT in both in-home and pediatric clinic settings for two and a half years. Before working in the field of ABA, I volunteered at various behavior management summer and after-school programs in Chicago.

Goals for your LEND training experience:

I seek to understand the perspectives of various disciplines and practices involved in MCH that I have yet to encounter, such as policy and research, in order to further pursue my goals of improving the lives of children with developmental and intellectual disabilities.

What you wish to contribute, in the future, as an advocate/professional/family member in the field:

I wish to utilize my first-hand knowledge of how an intellectual and/or developmental disability diagnosis impacts not only the individual but the entire family system in the short- and long-term. My proficiency and familiarity with different communication styles and cultural family dynamics will facilitate direct communication and partnership with the populations we seek to help.