

A Community of Connections: Calgary's Mental Health & Addiction Forum

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Eren Cervantes-Altamirano has rich and varied experience working in the public and non-profit sectors, including in municipal, provincial, and federal government. Throughout her career, Eren has worked closely with various interested parties, Rights Holders, and community members locally, provincially and nationally on projects related to social inclusion, gender equality, Indigenous relations, transportation safety, waste management and social assistance.

Eren has provided leadership to high profile projects, including facilitating the efficient distribution of Ontario Works to Ukrainian families arriving in Canada under the Canada-Ukraine authorization for emergency travel (CUAET); leading the deployment of key transportation safety initiatives after the Humboldt accident; facilitating relationship-building between the City of Toronto and First Nations in southern Ontario through collaboration in landfill gas utilization projects; and, leading the design and rollout of culturally-sensitive and culturally-safe initiatives fostering employment and training, and gender equality approaches across 28 Urban Indigenous communities in Ontario.

Eren holds a BA in Political Science and Religious Studies from the University of Alberta, and has received extensive training in public administration, public management, business administration, Lean Six Sigma approaches, systemic design and results-based management from a variety of organizations, including Carleton University, Thompson Rivers University and the Canada School of Public Service.