

Charissa Collazo

Charissa Collazo joined SEO in 1998. Charissa is the Director of Internal Program Audits and in this capacity she is responsible for leading the strategic goals process for the entire organization ensuring that the departments are aligned with SEO mission and documents the outcomes and efficacy of the organization's programs and projects. She is a key advisor in implementing change and locating resources that have enhanced and retooled programs and demonstrated increased outcomes. Charissa has over thirty years of combined experience in nonprofit administration and management, educational program development and evaluation. Before joining SEO, she was Executive Program Officer for the Hispanic Women Center and in that capacity she designed and implemented award winning educational and job training programs and fundraised two million dollars for the Center. Charissa holds a Masters degree in Urban Education from Fordham University. She also is a registered nurse in the state of New York. Presently she is completing her professional certificate in Grant-making from New York University. She recently served on the New York Women's Foundation's allocations committee which granted one and half million dollars to organizations working with women and girls. She also serves on Bank Street School of Education Liberty LEADS advisory board.