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Meet Our Executive Team

Joseph R. Turner, JD
President and CEO

Joseph R. Turner, JD, is the co-founder and current President/CEO of Exponents, Inc.; he is also a member of the Board of Directors of Exodus Transitional Services and the current co-chair of the OASAS Recovery Implementation Team and has served as a consultant to various social justice organizations in New York City. As an attorney, Mr. Turner has worked for Harlem Legal Services, National Conference of Black Lawyers and had a private practice that focused on the representation of political prisoners, criminal defense and community development. He has previously served as COO of Harlem United, Executive Director of the 5 and former Chairman of the Board of Friends of Recovery – New York (FOR-NY). He is a member of the Board of Directors of Exodus Transitional Services and current co-chair of the OASAS Recovery Implementation Team. Mr. Turner's recovery/activism is anchored upon the same harm reduction principles of Exponents – ***"meeting folks where they are…but not leaving them there"***.

Samantha Lopez
Executive Vice President and COO

Samantha has been with agency for over fifteen years, first as Director of Development & Contracts—now Director of Quality Assurance and Chief Administrative Officer. She has also served on the Community Advisory Boards of two MHRA projects, FITA and HIV CARE services. Ms. Lopez-Fernandez is a graduate of New York University, was at HIV Care Services, a program of Public Health Solutions, where she managed a portfolio of over 30 Ryan White Title I contracts. She began working in the non-profit sector as Asst. Director and Program Development for Elmhurst Hospital Center shortly after college graduation.

Regina Edwards
Executive Vice President and CFO

Regina Edwards came to Exponents 12 years ago as the Director of Finance with extensive nonprofit financial experience. She earned her degree in Accounting from Lehman College, Bronx NY, and has worked in the not for profit sector for over 23 years. Ms. Edwards served 6 years as Board Treasurer for the HIV Law Project, a non-profit organization dedicated to providing legal representation and advocacy for low income people with HIV/AIDS.