



**Richard Louis, III, *OPEN MINDS* Senior Associate**, brings extensive experience in both public and private for-profit behavioral healthcare administration and business development to the *OPEN MINDS* team. Before joining *OPEN MINDS*, Mr. Louis served as the assistant director of the Department of Behavioral Health for San Bernardino County. In this role, he was an executive manager responsible for the day-to-day operation of the county public behavioral health system with 900 employees, a \$230 million annual budget, serving over 50,000 unduplicated consumers annually through 31 county-operated facilities and 60 contract provider organizations.

Prior to his work with San Bernardino County, Mr. Louis was the vice president of government operations for College Health Enterprises, a Los Angeles based health and behavioral healthcare company. In this role, he pioneered the development of public sector partnerships, contracts,

and community mental health system joint ventures in California by creating some of the first inpatient psychiatric hospital-based, outpatient, day treatment, and institutional specialty treatment programs for county, state, and federal government agencies. Some of those agencies include: Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health, Los Angeles County Probation Department, California Youth Authority, California Department of Developmental Disabilities, California Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation, and US Immigration Customs Enforcement/Homeland Security.

Mr. Louis has served in a number of leadership roles (both past and present) with several organizations in the community including: the California Hospital Association - Center for Behavioral Health, Advisory Board, and SCAN Health Plan – Advisory Board; the Board of

#### Areas of Expertise

- New program and business development
- Creation of behavioral healthcare public/private system partnerships
- Corrections and forensic mental health policy and treatment services delivery

Directors of the Forensic Mental Health Association of California, College Hospitals, and the Intercommunity Child Guidance Center of Whittier; and testified on behalf of the National Association of Psychiatric Healthcare Systems before President Bush's New Freedom Commission on Mental Health. Mr. Louis is currently a volunteer police officer with the City of Monterey Park Police Department in East Los Angeles serving since 1987 and currently holds the rank of Captain. Mr. Louis was recently appointed to the City of Claremont Police Commission in Los Angeles County. He is a graduate of Whittier College and of the Police Academy of Rio Hondo College.

#### Professional Highlights

- Assistant Director, San Bernardino County Department of Behavioral Health
- Vice President Government Operations, College Health Enterprises
- California State Director, Behavioral Healthcare Corporation
- Chief Operating Officer, Charter Oak Hospital
- Regional Director of Public Operations, Charter Medical Corporation
- Forensic Mental Health Association of California, Board of Directors
- California Hospital Association – Center for Behavioral Health, Advisory Board
- Reserve Police Captain, Monterey Park Police Department, Los Angeles County (present)