

**Michael Harris**  
**Director, Government & Administrative Services**  
**CenCal Health**

Michael Harris has been involved with public policy for over 30 years. Prior to that, Michael worked in public safety as a deputy sheriff and paramedic.

Michael was hired by the Santa Barbara County Public Health Department in 1989 as a staff member at the local Emergency Medical Services Agency. After a couple of years, Michael was promoted to EMS Director. At Public Health, Michael held various positions of increased responsibility and was ultimately appointed as a Deputy Director of Public Health for Community Health Services. After 17 years at Public Health, Michael moved into the Santa Barbara County Executive Office where he assumed the responsibility for all emergency management activities in Santa Barbara County.

During his tenure there, Michael oversaw numerous emergencies and disasters and worked closely with State OES and FEMA.

In 2013, Michael was hired at CenCal Health where he currently oversees internal administrative services and works with fellow Medi-Cal health plans and DHCS in ensuring high-quality and timely access for CenCal Health members in the Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo service area.