

## **Valerie Gold**

Valerie Gold, MPA, has worked with and on behalf of struggling youth, families, organizations and communities since 1995. She is a Senior Associate for the Center for Social Innovation, and Deputy Director for the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services' *Bringing Recovery Supports to Scale Technical Assistance Center Strategy* (BRSS TACS). Prior to joining C4, Valerie led programs in youth development, violence prevention, child welfare, juvenile justice, family preservation, youth and adult employment services, and workforce development in New York, Hawaii, and Massachusetts. Valerie served as the Director of Strategic Program Initiatives for Morgan Memorial Goodwill Industries, developing, and leading employment services for adults as well as youth services including a gender-specific after-school program for girls, innovative employment services for underserved youth, transitional services for students with disabilities, an OJJDP-funded mentoring initiative, arts programming, and a residential summer camp. Valerie has also launched, managed, evaluated and transformed programs and projects serving youth and families involved with juvenile justice, probation, child welfare, special education, and behavioral health systems, as well as workforce development and vocational rehabilitation services. She has extensive experience operating residential, community, and home-based services.