

Elaine Mendoza

Elaine Mendoza is founder, President, and CEO of Conceptual MindWorks, Inc. (CMI). Established in 1990, CMI is a biotechnology and medical informatics company located in San Antonio, Texas. Within the biotechnology industry, CMI's strengths lie in building scientific and technical teams to develop and deliver unique solutions to address issues in areas such as chemical/biological defense and population health. CMI's core competency in medical informatics revolves around CMI's Electronic Health Record (EHR) system, branded as Sevocity®. Sevocity empowers physician practices and health centers to embrace EHRs by delivering an easy-to-use, cloud-based system.

Ms. Mendoza was appointed to the Board of Regents (BOR) of the Texas A&M University System in 2011 by Governor Rick Perry and reappointed in 2017 by Governor Gregg Abbott. In 2015, she was elected Vice Chairman of the BOR. In 2011, Ms. Mendoza became the Chair of the Committee on Academic and Student Affairs (CASA). Through her leadership, the BOR established "EmpowerU" which gives transparency to all data relevant to student success, outcome measures and institutional financial data. Further, Ms. Mendoza's committee launched an initiative encompassing eight goals to ensure the Texas A&M University System's ten Colleges of Education are not only given more visibility as to their importance, but also ensures the A&M System is doing all they can to keep a priority on educator preparation. Educator preparation and the importance thereof continue to be an emphasis of this committee.

Ms. Mendoza was asked to serve on The Holdsworth Center Board by Mr. Charles Butt, H-E-B Chairman and CEO, in 2017. The Center works with Texas independent school districts to empower individual leaders to reach their fullest potential, as well as offering the opportunity for sustainable improvement.

Appointed in 2013, then reappointed in 2015, Ms. Mendoza serves as Chair of the Early Childhood Education Municipal Development Corporation Board of Directors, which is responsible and accountable for the PreK 4 SA program implementation. (Ms. Mendoza was a member of Mayor Castro's Brainpower Committee, the precursor to PreK 4 SA program.) She is also a member of the P16Plus Council of Greater Bexar County. She serves as chair of the CHRISTUS Santa Rosa Health System Board of Directors. Recently, she joined the Health Care Service Corporation and The Bank of San Antonio Boards of Directors. And, she is Public Affairs Council Chair for the San Antonio Chamber of Commerce.

Ms. Mendoza has been involved in community initiatives revolving around the expansion of educational opportunities, health care, and economic growth both locally and nationally. She was a member of Mayor Castro's SA2020 Charting the Course for the Next Decade Steering Committee. Mayor Hardberger appointed her as Co-Chair for P16 Council Formation Committee and as a member of the Task Force on Corporate Recruitment and Retention. In January 2006, Governor Rick Perry appointed her to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board on which she served as Secretary of the Board, Chair of the Committee on Closing the Gaps and, in 2010, as Vice Chairman. Governor Perry also appointed her to the Commission for a College Ready Texas in April 2007.

Ms. Mendoza served as a member of the "Code Red" task force, a blue-ribbon, 17-member task force assembled by the Academic Health Science Centers of Texas to study Texans' access to health care. She also served as the 2004 and 2005 Chair of the San Antonio Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, and served as the 2001 - 2003 Chairperson of the Board of the Alamo Workforce Development, now Workforce Solutions Alamo. In 2000-2001, Ms. Mendoza served on Texas Governor Rick Perry's Special Commission on 21st Century Colleges and Universities and, nationally, she was appointed by Senator Trent Lott to the Commission on the Advancement of Women and Minorities in Science, Engineering and Technology (CAWMSET) in 1999-2000, later being selected as Chairperson.

Ms. Mendoza has received numerous awards and recognition. Most recent examples include being selected as the 2016 Texas A&M San Antonio Dream Maker, being inducted into the San Antonio Women's Hall of Fame in 2016, receiving the Women's Legacy Award from the Aggie Women's Association in October 2014, and in April 2013 receiving the Outstanding Alumni Award from the Dwight Look College of Engineering at Texas A&M. In October 2013 Ms. Mendoza received the ATHENA Leadership Award from the North San Antonio Chamber.

Elaine Mendoza received a Bachelor of Science degree in Aerospace Engineering from Texas A&M University. She and her husband, Larry Gay, have two daughters.