



Board Member: Ellen Buettner

Ellen Buettner is the senior director of governmental relations and public accountability for the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (ODMHSAS). She acts as the agency's primary legislative liaison and oversees the ODMHSAS Office of Inspector General and Office of Consumer Advocacy.

Ellen is also a designee member of the Governor's Council for Workforce and Economic Development, a governor's appointee to the Oklahoma Compensation and Unclassified Position Review Board, and a member of the Advisory Council to the Oklahoma Commission on the Status of Women. Additionally, she serves on the board of directors for the Healthy Minds, Healthy Lives Foundation, a nonprofit promoting workforce development and educational initiatives in the behavioral health field.

Ellen received her bachelor's degree and juris doctorate from the University of Oklahoma. She received her master's degree in administrative leadership, her research focused primarily on organizational ethics and communication. She is currently pursuing a doctorate in organizational communication.