

Anita Gaillard, MSPH

Anita Gaillard joined the staff of the Indiana Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Agency now the Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Commission of the Indiana State Department of Health (TPC) in July 2001 as the Director of Community Programs. The Community-Based Programs are implemented through local community-based partnerships, minority-based partnerships, and state and regional partnerships. Anita has been active in establishing the infrastructure for tobacco control in most counties in Indiana. She is responsible for training, technical assistance and most of the day-to-day activities of the TPC staff and coalitions in Indiana.

Prior to joining TPC, she worked at St. Francis Hospital & Health Centers for 12 1/2 years as the Marketing Representative concentrating on tobacco control, government relations and physician relations.

In 2003, Anita was named a Fellow in the prestigious Robert Wood Johnson Developing Leadership in Reducing Substance Abuse Program. Mrs. Gaillard holds a Master of Science in Public Health degree from Meharry Medical College and a B.A. from Fisk University, both in Nashville, Tennessee.