

# Virtual Recovery Support

**Kareemah Abdullah** is Deputy Director of the National Community Anti-Drug Coalition Institute established by Congress under the Drug Free Communities Support Act. The Institute administered by the Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA), located in Alexandria, Virginia, is “both a vehicle for coalition-specific substance abuse prevention, policy development and a center for coalition training, technical assistance, evaluation, research and capacity building.”

Under her leadership, as the deputy responsible for training and technical assistance, the National Coalition Academy was created in partnership with the United States National Guard Bureau and its Regional Counter-drug Training School Network. Designed to provide substantial support to communities across the nation, the Academy, the National Youth Leadership Initiative, and the other components of the Institute’s comprehensive national training delivery system established by Abdullah represents the largest sustained training and technical assistance undertaking in CADCA’s history. The Institute’s training model is also used in state, regional and international settings.

Prior to assuming current accountabilities, Kareemah Abdullah a Certified Prevention Specialist, Level 4 served as Vice-President and President-elect of the Board of Directors for the Prevention Credentialing Consortium for the State of Georgia, as a member of the Georgia Steering Committee for the U.S. Department of Justice Serious and Violent Offender “Coming Home Reentry Initiative,” and Chief Executive Officer of Genesis Prevention Coalition, Inc., a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization based in Atlanta, Georgia. Agency accomplishments included national recognition as successful Government Partner by the White House Office of Faith-based and Community Initiatives and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; CADCA Outstanding Coalition; White House, Office of the President, National Drug Control Policy Drug-Free Communities Coalition and the establishment of the Genesis Intel Computer Clubhouse, an international collaboration with Intel, the Boston Museum of Science, MIT Media Laboratory and the Clubhouse Network.

Kareemah, a visionary, creative and critical thinker, has been training and developing audiences throughout the United States for more than 25 years. This enhances her present focus on achieving the Institute’s goal of “increasing the effectiveness of community anti-drug coalitions throughout the nation.” She has provided consultative and technical assistance services for federal, state and local governments; faith and community-based organizations; school systems; corporations and other public and private sector entities.

With more than 20 years of successful corporate experience in executive management, sales, marketing, finance, operations, employee development and training; and over 12 years of coalition development expertise, Abdullah has distinguished herself among an exceptional pool of administrators, professional trainers, facilitators and developers by

demonstrating a firm grounding in prevention research and theory; community, program, business and youth development; and a broad range of training curricula. Her charismatic and passionate style enhances her appeal as a keynote speaker as she engages broad-base Diversified populations and systems.

Kareemah Abdullah, wife and mother of four daughters, is a champion for humanity and for causes that are just, noble and honorable. During her career, Kareemah has consistently brought millions of dollars and resources to the state, organization and community in which she has lived, worked and served.