

Sharon Pierce, President & CEO

Sharon Pierce has served as The Villages' President and CEO since 1992. Before joining the organization, Sharon was the Deputy Director for the Indiana Division of Family and Children, overseeing Indiana's state child welfare system. Her experience also includes positions with the Children's Home & Aid Society of Illinois, Youth Advocate Program, and Illinois Collaboration on Youth.

Sharon is a member of numerous boards and service organizations promoting the best interests of children. Among her many affiliations, Sharon serves on the National Board of Directors for the Child Welfare League of America and also acts as a National Child Welfare Trainer and consultant for the organization. She serves on the National Board of Directors of Prevent Child Abuse America, and chairs the IARCCA Institute for Excellence. In addition, she also serves on the IARCCA Public Policy Committee. Sharon has worked with the Indiana General Assembly on numerous legislative initiatives which impact children and families. She served on the Board for Child Care Coordination, the Commission on Abused and Neglected Children, and currently chairs the Healthy Families Indiana Think Tank.

Sharon holds a master's degree in Student Personnel Administration and Counseling, and a bachelor's degree in English from Ball State University.

Pierce is married and is the mother of four grown children and seven grandchildren.

