

Azanet Cabezas, Psy.D

Azanet is a bilingual (English and Spanish) licensed psychologist in the state of Oregon. She was born in San Salvador, El Salvador and grew up in Miami, Florida. She started her career in mental health in 1999 at the **Orlowitz-Lee Children's Advocacy Center-Kristi House** in Miami, Fl. providing mental health services to child victims of sexual abuse and their families. In 2006, she moved to San Francisco, CA in order to pursue her career goal to become a clinical psychologist. She continued to gain clinical experience through her work at the **Homeless Children's Network**, providing mental health services to children and families affected by homelessness and domestic violence and at the **Youth and Family Enrichment Services**, working with adolescents struggling with delinquency, gang affiliation, substance abuse and co-occurring mental health disorders.

She completed internships at the **Children's Hospital and Research Center Oakland, Children's Hospital Autism Intervention (CHAI)**, where she provided therapeutic intervention to infants with a diagnosis in the autism spectrum using structured behavioral approaches as well as play-based, developmental and psycho-dynamic techniques. At the **Portia Belle Hume Behavioral Health and Training Center**, she conducted bilingual Functional Behavioral Assessments for children with developmental and neurological disorders such as Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Epilepsy, Mental Retardation, ADHD, Global Developmental Delay, and Sensory Processing Disorders. She served as a behavioral consultant for several group homes and early intervention programs in the San Francisco Bay Area. She also provided psychological services in the child and adolescent outpatient clinic focusing in early childhood mental health and serving Latino families.

Azanet obtained her doctoral degree in clinical Psychology in 2010 and completed her postdoctoral residency at **Morrison Child and Family Services** in Portland, OR providing psychological services primarily to Latino children, adolescents and their families in an outpatient clinic.

In addition to her extensive clinical experience, she has provided behavioral and mental health consultation services to the **Clackamas County Children's Commission Head Start** program and to the **Community Action Head Start of Washington County** in Oregon.

Azanet has also conducted psychological and mental health evaluations for children and adolescents under the care and custody of the **Office of Refugee and Resettlement (ORR) and Unaccompanied Children's Services (UCS)**.

She completed the **Adoptive & Foster Family Therapy Certificate Program** through Portland State University's Child Welfare Partnership.

She is the founder and owner of Balance Center for Children and Families, LLC.