

Erica Gonzalez Hattery is a physician from Bogota, Colombia with more than a decade of experience in clinical research and research administration related to diabetes and diabetes programs. She currently serves as Co-investigator and manager at Baylor College of Medicine for various nationwide clinical trials including GRADE and the first Center for Atypical Diabetes. Through her leadership and collaborative efforts, BCM has become one of the top clinical research institutions for Diabetes research. She has been instrumental in guaranteeing the inclusion of minorities and Hispanic populations in research studies. As a member of the Recruitment and Retention Committee for the GRADE study, she has been integrated into the decision-making process and trial coordination at a national level.

Hattery has orchestrated securing government funding of \$8M to \$25M for research studies. She also serves the patient population in Harris Health in Houston by providing care and educating them about their health risks, disease prevention and how to manage chronic conditions such as diabetes to avoid complications. In the last 8 years she has seen the impact that opportune and timely care has in the Hispanic population and wants to continue those efforts in population health. Because of her commitment to the community she pursued a master's in healthcare administration to become an agent of change and strengthen the Latino participation in the healthcare community.

Hattery envisions a collaborative network of Latino and multi-cultural leaders who will work together to create change and to promote diversity and inclusion at the local and national level.

Hattery is the President Elect of the National Association of Latino Healthcare Executives (NALHE) Texas Gulf-Coast Chapter. She received her Master's in Health Care Administration from Texas Woman's University in Houston, a Doctor of Medicine from the University El Bosque in Bogota, Colombia, and a Bachelors in biochemistry from the University of California Riverside.