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Gloria E. Barrera, MSN, RN, PEL-CSN currently works as a certified school nurse at a public high school outside of Chicago, and visiting clinical associate professor of nursing at UIC. She is committed to being a lifelong learner and continues her efforts in improving child health outcomes in our most vulnerable populations through her current practice, advocacy, and teaching.

Barrera was elected as the first Latina President of Illinois Association of School Nurses (IASN) in 2020 and served during the COVID-19 pandemic. She's been engaged with ANA-Illinois by serving as an expert panel member of the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee and now as elected Representative to the ANA Membership Assembly for 2023. Gloria was appointed to the IDPH Diversity in Health Care Professions Task Force as well as the Governor's Illinois Terrorism Task Force's School Safety Committee. She is a vital member of the American Public Health Association's Nursing Section (APHA-PHN). She is an active representative of Hispanic nurses on the Nursing Coalition on Climate Change and Health, and a Fellow (2022-2023) of the Alliance of Nurses for Healthy Environments (ANHE). She has gained interest in addressing environmental health issues and protecting public health from climate change. She's been recognized for her leadership and community work by several organizations, both locally and nationally and most recently was named 40 Under Forty in Public Health by de Beaumont Foundation.

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