

Ellyn Okrent

Ellyn Okrent, is the CEO of Florence Fuller Child Development Centers, an agency charged with making a difference through education in the lives of economically disadvantaged children and their families to build a better future. She is also the President/CEO of the Boca Raton Children's Museum, an affiliate of Florence Fuller Child Development Centers, a separate 501(c) (3) whose mission is to broaden children's awareness of the world around them and teach them how to solve problems through creative and scientific exploration. As CEO, Okrent is responsible for the overall business accountability and management of the organizations. She is non-profit administrator with more than 30 years' experience.

A true champion for children, Okrent began her nonprofit work in child welfare managing group homes and an assessment center for at-risk youth. She was the executive vice president at Kids In Distress, an organization working on the prevention and treatment of child abuse and neglect, for more than 20 years, and then was the executive director of the Milagro Center, a cultural arts center for disadvantaged children in Delray Beach Florida. Okrent is a licensed clinical social worker, is certified in nonprofit management, has her director's credential and has extensive experience in child welfare, mental health, and early childhood education. She is viewed in the community as an effective, ethical, and strong leader and advocate for children and families.

Okrent was the president of the Children's Consortium of Broward, a graduate of Leadership Broward, DCF, Delray Beach, Palm Beach County, and Boca Raton. She participates in many community initiatives including the Nonprofit Chamber, the Nonprofit Mastery Institute for Executives, and was on the board of directors of Leadership Palm Beach County. She received an award as one of the top 10 Nonprofit Business Women Leaders in the State of Florida by the Commonwealth Institute of South Florida in 2014 and 2017. She received a scholarship from the Harvard Business School Club of South Florida Foundation to attend the Strategic Perspectives in Nonprofit Management program at Harvard, participated in the Broward Community Foundation's American Express Leadership Academy and participates in the Delray Beach Chamber of Commerce CEO Mastermind group.