

Over her 20-year career, **Karma Bass** has been a sought-after speaker, facilitator, and consultant with deep knowledge and experience in governance, strategic planning, philanthropy, quality oversight, health care policy, and board effectiveness.

Before founding Via Healthcare Consulting, she worked with ACCORD LIMITED, a Chicago-based consulting firm serving clients nationwide with their strategic planning, governance, speaking and board retreats. She spent two years as president and CEO of Alliance Healthcare Foundation in San Diego, California where she reported to an independent, eleven-person not-for-profit board.

Notably, Ms. Bass spent 10 years at The Governance Institute holding various positions including Vice President, Membership Services and Director of Research & Publications. During her time at The Governance Institute, she oversaw the prestigious biennial hospital governance practices survey tracking trends in US hospitals and health systems.

During three years at the Hospital Council of San Diego and Imperial Counties, she facilitated the first-ever collaborative community health needs assessment for San Diego's 32 hospitals, responding to the then-newly-implemented California Hospital Community Benefit law. Her experience gives her a uniquely valuable perspective as a consultant to hospital and health systems boards today.

Ms. Bass is board-certified in healthcare management and holds a master's degree in public health with a focus in health services administration from San Diego State University. She received her bachelor's degree from the University of California, San Diego. She lives in Carlsbad, California with her husband and two children.

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Speech Topics

Philanthropy & Volunteerism

Keynote

Healthcare